

# $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ h^+ h^-$ BF Studies



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# Existing $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ h^- h^+$ Measurements

- $\Lambda_c^+$  decay modes currently poorly understood in terms of Branching Fractions ( $\mathcal{BF}$ s) and resonance structure.
- All  $\Lambda_c^+$   $\mathcal{BF}$  measurements made relative to Cabibbo-favoured (CF)  
 $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$  mode - has absolute  $\mathcal{BF}$  uncertainty 26%.
- Doubly-Cabibbo Suppressed (DCS) decay  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+$  not yet observed.

Decay Mode	PDG Branching Fraction
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$ (CF)	$0.05 \pm 0.013$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+$ (SCS)	$(7.7 \pm 3.5) \times 10^{-4}$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ (SCS)	$(3.5 \pm 2.0) \times 10^{-3}$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^+ \pi^-$ (DCS)	$< 2.3 \times 10^{-4}$ @ 90% CL

The  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ h^- h^+$  decay modes and their branching fractions.

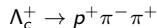
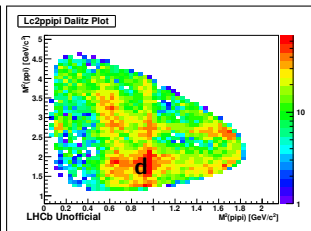
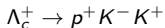
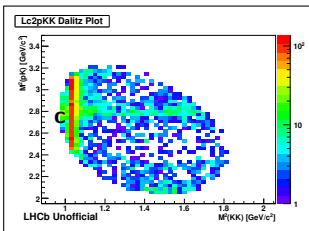
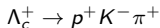
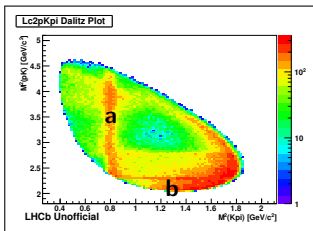
- Understanding these decays key to other analyses:
  - doubly-charmed baryon searches through  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$ .
  - CPV searches in Cabibbo-suppressed  $\Lambda_c^+$  decays.
- **High statistics in charm - LHCb can improve our understanding of these decays.**

# $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$ absolute $\mathcal{BF}$ measurements

Would be nice to include something here, need to include some info on analyses underway and contact points. Currently looking this up.

# Resonant Structure of decays

- Shown below: charge opposite daughter pairs from semileptonic modes.
- Plots from Glasgow  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ h^- h^+$  analysis, sWeighted for sideband subtraction.



- Variety of resonances clearly seen:  $K^*(892)$  (a),  $\Lambda(1520)$  (b),  $\phi(1020)$  (c),  $f_0(980)$  (d).
- LHCb can perform comprehensive amplitude analysis of these poorly understood decays.
- IF AN ANALYSIS UNDERWAY IN THIS AREA - E.G. RIO, I CAN MENTION THEM HERE.

# Relative $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ h^- h^+$ measurements

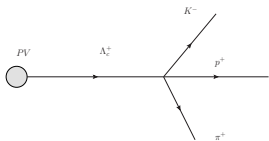
- Two independent analyses in this area underway.
  - Glasgow analysis measuring the following quantities:

$$\frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}}, \frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ (\phi \rightarrow K^- K^+)}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}}, \frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- \pi^+}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}}, \frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}}$$

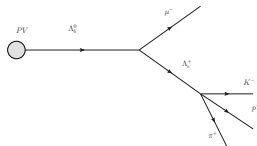
- Analysis by Thomas Ruf measuring WS/RS ratios:

$$\frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}}, \frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \bar{K}^{*0}}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^{*0}}}$$

- Glasgow analysis makes independent measurements with two sources of  $\Lambda_c^+$ :
  - promptly produced
  - from semileptonic  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}$ .
- WS/RS analysis using semileptonic stream.



Prompt production.



Semileptonic production

- Today will present:
  - Selections and mass fits.
  - Treatment of efficiencies.
  - Treatment of systematics.
  - Description of future work.
- Using full 2011 dataset, Stripping 17b.
- Keeping DCS mode blind until agreement in other relative  $\mathcal{BF}$  measurements between prompt and semileptonic can be established.

- Semileptonic chain:
  - $\mu$  L0Muon TOS
  - $\mu$  Hlt1TrackMuon TOS
  - $\Lambda_b^0$  Hlt2TopoMuNBodyBBDT TOS
- Measure the TOS candidates with respect to the reconstruction, using MCMATCH.
- At L0 and Hlt1, TOS on  $\mu$ , trigger effs are consistent across modes.
- At Hlt2  $\Lambda_c^+$  decay kinematics become relevant.
- TOS chain gives well defined trigger efficiencies.

- Prompt Chain:

- $\Lambda_c^+$  L0Global TIS
- $\Lambda_c^+$  Hlt1TrackAllL0 TIS
- $\Lambda_c^+$  Hlt2Phys TIS

- No TOS prompt data in 2011 for CS/DCS modes.
- Take TIS efficiencies from MC, but signal MC has very low TIS efficiency.
- Efficiencies of entire chain:

Mode	$N_{\text{SEL TIS}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{SEL TIS}}(\%)$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$	65 12301	$0.53 \pm 0.13$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+$	34 6401	$0.53 \pm 0.18$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	52 10720	$0.49 \pm 0.13$

- No evidence of differing TIS efficiencies but test is very imprecise.
- Other cross checks being carried out e.g.  $\Lambda_c^+$  kinematic differences between modes.



## Semileptonic:

- Stripping lines:

- Strippingb2LcMuXB2DMuNuX
- Strippingb2Lc2pKKMuXB2DMuNuX
- Strippingb2Lc2pPiPiMuXB2DMuNuX
- Strippingb2LcDCSMuXB2DMuNuX

- Offline selection:

- Kinematic vetoes on daughter tracks for PIDCalib - more later.
- Tighter PID cuts on kaon/proton daughters.
- Additional vertex quality cuts.

- Full list of stripping cuts in backup.

- Offline selections trained with global signal weighting  $\frac{|V_{ud}|^2 |V_{cs}|^2}{|V_{cd}|^2 |V_{us}|^2} = 0.003$  for max sensitivity to DCS  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+$ .

## Prompt:

- Stripping lines:

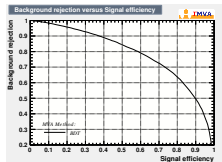
- Lambdac2PHHLambdac2PKPi
- Lambdac2PHHLambdac2PKK
- Lambdac2PHHLambdac2PPiPi
- Lambdac2PHHLambdac2PPiKWS

- Offline selection:

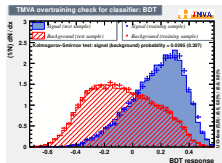
- Kinematic vetoes on daughter tracks for PIDCalib.
- Tighter PID cuts on kaon/proton daughters.
- BDT selection to reject combinatorics.

# Glasgow - Offline prompt BDT

- Combinatoric background low in SL but not in prompt - due to short  $\Lambda_c^+$  TOF.
- Use BDT to select prompt events, trained on CF data, weighted with sPlots method.
- Recursively optimised in conjunction with offline PID cuts.

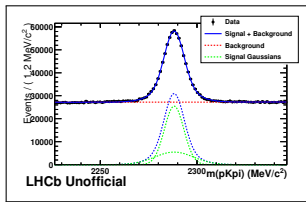


ROC curve for BDT.

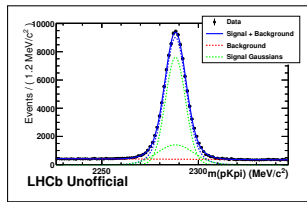


Cut  $\uparrow$

Overtraining check for BDT.



Prompt sample before BDT/PID.

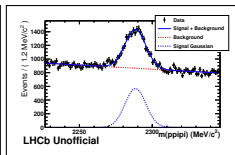
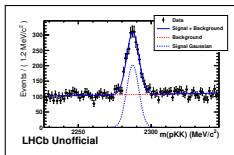
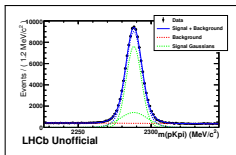


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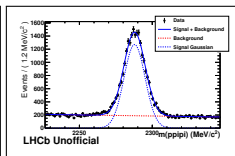
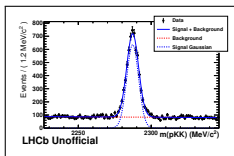
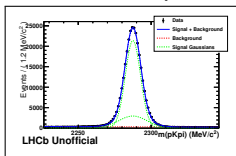
- BDT and further PID cuts reduce combinatorics by 98%.
- Projected signal significance  $\frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}}$  for prompt DCS =  $4.4\sigma$ .
- Projected signal significance for semileptonic DCS =  $8.4\sigma$ .

# Glasgow - Mass Fits and Signal Yields

## Prompt



## Semileptonic



- Data yields after final selection.
- All fits unbinned extended likelihood fits.
- Signal models: double gaussian with shared mean for CF, single gaussian for CS.
- All backgrounds linear.

Mode	Prompt Yield	Semileptonic Yield
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$	$109779 \pm 397$	$292499 \pm 578$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+$	$1773 \pm 67$	$5390 \pm 87$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	$8465 \pm 225$	$19125 \pm 175$

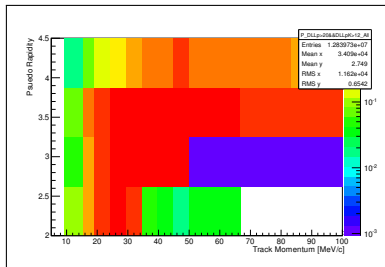
- Primary concern in this analysis is accurate assessment of efficiencies.
- Efficiency chain:

$$\frac{BF_{p hh}}{BF_{p K \pi}} = \frac{N_{p hh Final}}{N_{p K \pi Final}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{p K \pi gen|reco}}{\epsilon_{p hh gen|reco}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{p K \pi reco|trig}}{\epsilon_{p hh reco|trig}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{p K \pi trig|strip}}{\epsilon_{p hh trig|strip}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{p K \pi strip|PID}}{\epsilon_{p hh strip|PID}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{p K \pi PID|offline}}{\epsilon_{p hh PID|offline}}$$

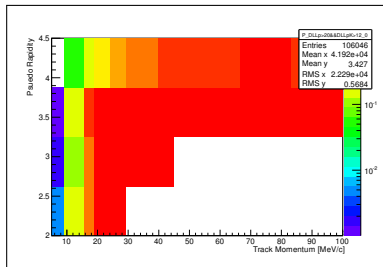
- $N_{p hh Final}$  - Number of candidates passing stripping, final PID cuts, kinematic vetoes on daughter tracks, offline selection.
- $\epsilon_{gen|reco}, \epsilon_{reco|trig}, \epsilon_{trig|reco}$  - Efficiency from generation to trigger, all taken from MC with a no-PID version of stripping. Includes kinematic vetoes necessary for PIDCalib.
- $\epsilon_{strip|PID}$  - Efficiency of the PID cuts with respect to the no-PID stripping, evaluated with PIDCalib package.
- $\epsilon_{PID|offline}$  - Efficiency of offline BDT, extracted from data in CF and applied to DCS mode.

# Glasgow - PIDCalib Systematic I

- PID response varies more rapidly across kinematic space with protons than  $K/\pi$
- Therefore higher systematics - likely to be our dominant contribution.
- Measuring relative  $\mathcal{BF}$ s - measure the ratio of the PID cut effs in PIDCalib with MC and compare this to the ratio of the true effs.
- No available proton calibration  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p^+ \pi^-$  MC11 - have produced a sample from the inclusive charm MC, soon publicly available via internal note.



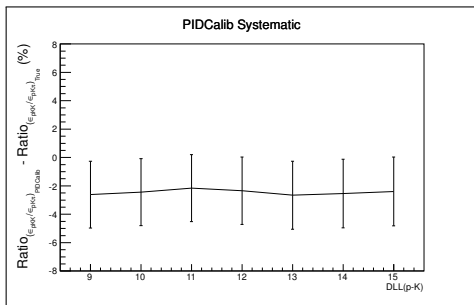
PIDCalib PerfHist of  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p^+ \pi^-$  calibration data.



PIDCalib PerfHist of  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p^+ \pi^-$  calibration MC.

# Glasgow - PIDCalib Systematic II

- Proper assessment of systematic scans over all DLL cuts used, and combines these taking into account correlations between DLL variables.
- For now vary proton DLLs and take maximum discrepancy as our systematic - dominant contribution so good approximation.



Variation of systematic with PID cut

- Very low numbers of events passing both stripping and kinematic vetoes - 10k.
- Therefore statistical uncertainty on the discrepancies are very high.
- Assign systematic of 3%, can improve with higher MC stats.

- All systematic errors shown from PIDCalib - 3%, should be dominant.

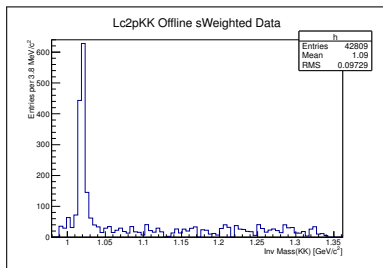
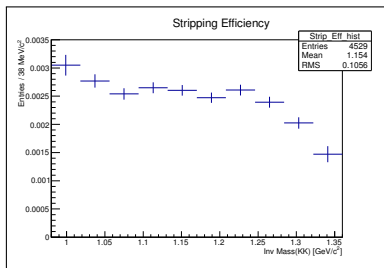
## Current results

Measurement	Prompt [%]	Semileptonic [%]	Discrepancy
$\frac{BF_{\rho KK}}{BF_{\rho K\pi}}$	$2.124 \pm 0.102 \pm 0.063$	$1.595 \pm 0.032 \pm 0.047$	$4.41\sigma$
$\frac{BF_{\rho\pi\pi}}{BF_{\rho K\pi}}$	$6.967 \pm 0.278 \pm 0.209$	$6.907 \pm 0.097 \pm 0.207$	$0.20\sigma$
$\frac{BF_{\rho\phi}}{BF_{\rho K\pi}}$	$0.926 \pm 0.064 \pm 0.028$	$0.862 \pm 0.022 \pm 0.026$	$0.91\sigma$

- Current results for  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- \pi^+$  and  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+(\phi \rightarrow K^- K^+)$  are in agreement.
- Discrepancy in  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+$  is high, but agreement in  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+(\phi \rightarrow K^- K^+)$  tells us the likely cause of this.

# Glasgow - Resonant Structure Re-weighting

- Resonant structure not modelled in prompt MC, poorly modelled in SL MC.
- Results in biases in phase space averaged efficiencies derived from MC.
- Variation in stripping acceptance observed in variables characterising the resonant structure.
- e.g. KK invariant mass in prompt  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+$  shown below.



Striping acceptance variations in KK invariant mass.

Offline data population in KK invariant mass.

- Necessitates re-weighting of efficiencies derived from MC.
- Currently devising a binning schema in the 5 dimensions characterising resonant structure (2 invariant mass daughter combinations, 3 polarisation angles).

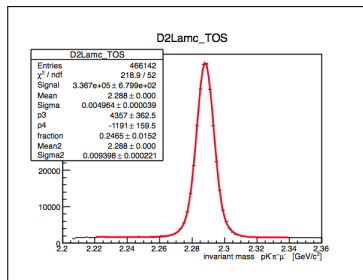


- Efficiency re-weighting currently underway.
- Systematics to be assessed:
  - Fit model
  - Data/MC Agreement
  - Tracking Efficiency
- Further issues to be examined:
  - Candidate Multiplicity
  - Cross checks on prompt trigger efficiencies.
- Analysis note under construction.
- Have the potential to make a number of world-best measurements.  
Current best measurements relative to CF  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$ :
  - $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- K^+$ :  $(1.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.2)\%$  - BELLE [PL B524 33]
  - $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \phi$ :  $(1.5 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.2)\%$  - BELLE [PL B524 33]
  - $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ :  $(6.9 \pm 3.6)\%$  - NA32 [Z. Phys. C 48 (1990) 29-46]
- And in conjunction with WS/RS analysis observation of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+$ .

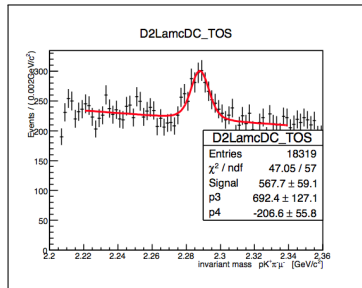
- Analysis conducted by Thomas Ruf.
  - Reminder: PDG limit on  $\mathcal{BF}$  of DCS  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+$ :  $< 2.3 \times 10^{-4}$  at 90% CL.
  - Analysis uses full 2011 dataset, stripping 17b semileptonic stream.
- Trigger chain fully TOS:
    - L0MuonDecision on  $\mu$
    - Hlt1TrackAllL0Decision or Hlt1TrackMuonDecision on  $\mu$
    - Hlt2TopoMuNBodyBBDTDecision [N=2,3,4] or Hlt2SingleMuonDecision on  $\Lambda_b^0$
  - Using following stripping lines:
    - Lambdac2PHHLambdac2PKPi
    - Lambdac2PHHLambdac2PPiKWS

- Offline Selection:

Quantity	Cut Value
$\mu p_T$	$> 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
$\Lambda_c^+ p_T$	$> 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
B mass	$[3.5 - 5.3] \text{ GeV}/c^2$
CF: $Q(K) \times Q(\mu)$	$> 0$
DCS: $Q(K) \times Q(\mu)$	$< 0$
VZ( $\Lambda_c^+$ )-VZ(B)	$> 0$
$pDLL_{p-K}$	$> 10$
$KDLL_{K-\pi}$	$> 10$
$\pi DLL_{K-\pi}$	$< -5$



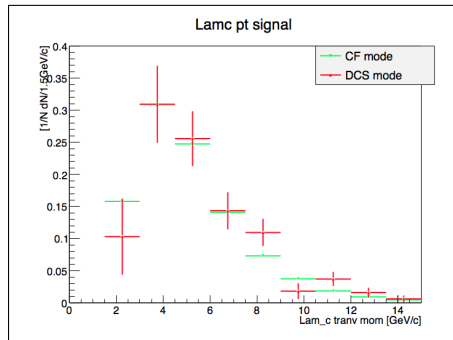
Right sign  $\mu \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+$  fit



Right sign  $\mu \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+$  fit

- Clear peak in  $p^+ \pi^- K^+$  mass distribution observed.
- $567.7 \pm 61$  events observed -  $9.3\sigma$  observation (statistical uncertainty only).
- Variety of studies (see backup) indicate this peak is unlikely to be a reflection.
- First observation of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+$ .

- Systematics arise from different reconstruction efficiencies between CF and DCS modes. Sources:
  - PID efficiency differences, evaluated with RICH PID tables.
  - Variations in efficiency across resonant structure.
  - Examination of  $\Lambda_c^+ p_T$  distributions (right).
- Summarised below as correction factors to  $\frac{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{F}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+}}{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{F}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}}$ . Differences from unity in corrections taken as systematics.



$\Lambda_c^+ p_T$  differences between CF and DCS modes

- Add effects in quadrature - overall systematic of 7%

Contribution	Correction Factor
PID Eff	$0.993 \pm 0.007$
Resonance	$0.981 \pm 0.046$
$\Lambda_c^+ p_T$	$1.00 \pm 0.05$

Final results:

- $\frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^- \pi^+}} = (1.65 \pm 0.18_{stat.} \pm 0.11_{sys.}) \times 10^{-3}.$
- $\frac{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \bar{K}^{*0}}}{\mathcal{BF}_{\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ K^{*0}}} = (6.79 \pm 0.88_{stat.} \pm 0.48_{sys.}) \times 10^{-3}.$
- Analysis note available [here](#).
- First observation of new decay mode  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ \pi^- K^+.$

# Future Prospects for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p^+ h^- h^+$

Need to say something here about how to bring the two relative BF analyses together. Not sure if timescales for absolute BF analyses would be available at present...