Quarkonium production and polarization in pp collisions with the CMS detector

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A bound state created through a strong interaction

Charmonium





Bottomonium



 $\chi_{bj}(3P)$ triplet structure not yet established





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Non Relativistic Quantum ChromoDynamics (NRQCD) is an effective theory that factorizes quarkonium production into 2 steps

- 1. Production of the initial quark-antiquark pair (perturbative QCD)
- 2. Hadronization of the initial pair into a bound state (non-perturbative QCD)

$$\sigma(\mathcal{Q}) = \sum_n \mathcal{S}[Q\bar{Q}(n)] \left\langle \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{Q}}(n) \right
angle$$
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- SDCs are calculated using perturbative QCD
- LDMEs are conjectured to be constant (independent of the quarkonium m entum) and univ al (process independent)
- LDMEs cannot calculated and r experimental data
- Cross section and polarization measurements constrain the LDMEs



Pre-LHC era

- Theory calculations cannot simultaneously describe the production cross sections and polarizations measured at the Tevatron
- Determination of the polarization parameters was inconsistent
- ➡ LHC is a quarkonium factory (high energy and luminosity)



CMS detector



CMS detector performance

CMS is ideal for the study of quarkonia:

- high p_T coverage
- excellent dimuon mass resolution
- excellent decay length resolution





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Quarkonium studies at CMS

Data

- collected with dimuon triggers in 3 mass windows:
 - J/ψ: 2.8 < m < 3.4 GeV
 - ψ(2S): 3.4 < m < 4 GeV
 - Υ(nS): 8.5 < m < 11.5 GeV
- at √s = 7 TeV (2011) and
 √s = 8 TeV (2012)
- corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 4.9 fb⁻¹ (2011) and 20.7 fb⁻¹ (2012)

Studies shown here use 7 TeV data unless specifically stated



Quarkonium polarization

• Polarization is measured through the angular decay distribution of the quarkonium decaying into two muons

$$W(\cos\vartheta,\varphi|\vec{\lambda}) = \frac{3/(4\pi)}{(3+\lambda_{\vartheta})}(1+\lambda_{\vartheta}\cos^2\vartheta+\lambda_{\varphi}\sin^2\vartheta\cos2\varphi+\lambda_{\vartheta\varphi}\sin2\vartheta\cos\varphi)$$

where $\lambda_{\vartheta},\,\lambda_{\phi},\,\lambda_{\vartheta\phi}$ are the polarization parameters

- Angular decay distribution is measured with respect to a certain reference frame
 - center-of-mass helicity HX (polar axis z_{HX}
 ≈ direction of quarkonium momentum)
 - Collins-Soper CS (z_{CS} ≈ direction of relative velocity of colliding particles)
 - perpendicular helicity PX ($z_{PX} \perp z_{CS}$)



Full angular decay distribution

• Two extreme angular decay distributions



Transverse polarization $J_z = \pm 1$ $\lambda_{\vartheta} = +1$ $\lambda_{\varphi} = 0$ $\lambda_{\vartheta\varphi} = 0$

• Unless the full angular distribution is measured, two very different physical cases are indistinguishable.



• The shape of the distribution is invariant and can be characterized by the frame invariant parameter $\tilde{\lambda} = (\lambda_{\vartheta} + 3\lambda_{\varphi})/(1 - \lambda_{\varphi})$

Quarkonium polarization measurements

- CMS measured λ_{ϑ} , λ_{φ} , $\lambda_{\vartheta\varphi}$ and $\tilde{\lambda}$ in three different reference frames (HX, CS, PX) for the J/ ψ , ψ (2S), Υ (1S), Υ (2S) and Υ (3S) mesons
- As a function of transverse momentum, p_T , and dimuon rapidity, |y|
- The non-prompt term (B decays) is subtracted in the $\psi(nS)$ cases



Details in PRL 110, 081802 (2013) and PLB 727, 381 (2013)

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Frame invariant parameter $\tilde{\lambda}$



Good agreement between the $\tilde{\lambda}$ parameters in the three reference frames shows that the results are reliable



Y(nS) polarization in the HX frame, |y| < 0.6



Prompt $\psi(nS)$ polarization in the HX frame



- ψ(2S) is not
 affected by feed down decays from
 higher states
- No sign of strong polarizations



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- Previous experimental inconsistencies are overcome by novel and more robust analysis techniques (EPJC 69, 657 (2010))

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Updated fits including feeddown presented at QWG 2014





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- Color octet matrix elements are fitted using photo- as well as hadro-production data, excluding polarization results
- Theory predictions do not account for feeddown decays from P-wave states





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S-wave quarkonium production cross sections

Extraction of yields through unbinned maximum likelihood fits to invariant mass and decay length

Details in CMS-PAS-BPH-14-001 and CMS-PAS-BPH-12-006

3.7

3.6

pp

3.8

 $L = 4.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

— Total

---- Prompt

3.9



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Events / 14 MeV 300 520

200

150

100

50

3.4

ψ(2S)

|v| < 0.3

Signal region

3.5

 $25 < p_{T} < 27.5 \text{ GeV}$

Yield corrections

- Acceptance and single muon and dimuon efficiencies are corrected for on an event-by-event basis
- Acceptance depends on the assumed polarizations; Results given for several scenarios: measured, unpolarized, $\lambda_9^{HX} = \pm 1$



Prompt ψ(nS) production cross section

- Measurements were made as a function of p_T in four bins of dimuon rapidity as well as integrated in rapidity (|y| < 1.2)
- Prompt J/ ψ and ψ (2S) cross sections up to p_T around 100 GeV



Y(nS) production cross section

- Y(nS) differential cross sections were measured in the $p_{\rm T}$ range 10-100 GeV
- All 3 states show similar trends
- Slope of cross section changes from exponential to power-law at $p_T \sim 20 \mbox{ GeV}$



Recent developments to explain production

- Data-driven approach (PLB 737, 98 (2014)): Consistent treatment of the cross sections and polarizations
- Leading power fragmentation formalism (PRL 113, 022001 (2014))
- ➡ Both approaches exclude data at low p_T
- Both get reasonable agreement with data
- Unpolarized CO contribution dominates the production





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P-wave quarkonium production

- χ states are measured through their radiative decays to S-wave quarkonia with the photon converting into an e⁺e⁻ pair
- Excellent χ mass (~6 MeV, $|y_{\mu\mu}|<1$ or $|\eta_{\gamma}|<1)$ and conversion vertex resolutions
- Yield extraction through unbinned maximum likelihood fits



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- Prompt χ_{c2}/χ_{c1} ratio: Care is needed regarding the assumed polarizations; they can significantly change the result



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Relative production rate: data vs theory



Results compatible among experiments





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Relative production rate: data vs theory



- Results compatible among experiments
- Measured χ_c ratio agrees with theory calculations
- $\chi_{\rm b}$ ratio is well described by predictions from Han et al.



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Summary

- Cross sections and polarizations of five S-wave quarkonia were measured in pp collisions at √s = 7 TeV
- None of the five S-wave states shows strong polarizations
- Relative production cross section ratios of prompt χ_{c2}/χ_{c1} and $\chi_{b2}(1P)/\chi_{b1}(1P)$ were measured



Many more quarkonium production analyses with 8 TeV data are still ongoing ...