Charmed baryons at LHCb

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Outline

Introduction

• Why are we interested in (charmed) baryons?

CP violation in charmed baryons

- Difference between $\Lambda_c^+ \to p K^- K^+$ and $p \pi^- \pi^+$ decays
- In Ξ_c^+ decays using binned and unbinned methods

Decays and properties of charmed baryons

- The lifetimes of Ω_c^0 and Ξ_c^0
- Excited Ω_c^0 in $\Omega_b^- \to \Xi_c^+ K^- \pi^-$ decays
- Doubly charmed $\varXi_{cc}^{++} \to \varXi_{c}^{'+} \pi^{+}$ states
- Doubly charmed Ξ_{cc}^+ in $\Xi_c^+ \pi^- \pi^+$

Summary



Why are we interested in *c*-baryons?

- The SM does not fully explain matter-antimatter asymmetry,
- Violation of *CP* symmetry is one of the conditions for baryogenesis,
- So far, CP violation is not observed in ANY baryon decays,
- In charm sector, CP violation is predicted to be $\sim 10^{-3}$ or less,



 Searches for CP violation can be interpreted as searches for effects beyond the SM.



Why are we interested in *c*-baryons?

- Charmed baryons properties are used to test the Standard Model (lifetimes, branching ratios),
- Observations of new baryons (i. e. exotic) are additional tests.

- Mixing and indirect CPV in charm mesons at LHCb, Edward's talk,
- Direct CPV in charm mesons at LHCb, Artur's talk,
- Today: Charmed baryons.



CP asymmetry difference between $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- K^+$ and $p \pi^- \pi^+$ decays

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- $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV, 2011 & 2012, $L_{int} = 3 \ fb^{-1}$,
- The Λ_c^+ candidates reconstructed from $\Lambda_b^0\to\Lambda_c^+\mu^- X$ decay.

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(f) - \Gamma(\bar{f})}{\Gamma(f) + \Gamma(\bar{f})}, \quad A_{raw} = \frac{N(f\mu^{-}) - N(\bar{f}\mu^{+})}{N(f\mu^{-}) + N(\bar{f}\mu^{+})}$$
$$A_{raw}(f) = A_{CP}(f) + A_{P}^{\Lambda_{D}^{0}}(f\mu) + A_{D}^{\mu}(\mu) + A_{D}^{f}(f)$$

• Kinematics of the pK^-K^+ and $p\pi^-\pi^+$ are not equal - latter data are weighted.

$$\Delta A_{CP}^{wgt} = A_{CP}(pK^-K^+) - A_{CP}^{wgt}(p\pi^-\pi^+) \approx A_{raw}(pK^-K^+) - A_{raw}^{wgt}(p\pi^-\pi^+)$$



CP asymmetry difference between $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- K^+$ and $p \pi^- \pi^+$ decays

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Total yields: $\sim 25 \text{k} (p K^- K^+)$, $\sim 187 \text{k} (p \pi^- \pi^+)$ candidates



CP asymmetry difference between $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- K^+$ and $p \pi^- \pi^+$ decays

 $egin{aligned} &A_{raw}(pK^-K^+)=(3.72\pm0.78)\%\ &A_{raw}^{wgt}(p\pi^-\pi^+)=(3.42\pm0.47)\%\ &\mathbf{\Delta A_{CP}^{wgt}}=(0.30\pm0.91\pm0.61)\% \end{aligned}$

- The first measurement of the *CP* violation parameter in Λ⁺_c decays,
- Central value is measured to be consistent with zero.

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The first *CPV* search in $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$

S_{CP}

The significance of a difference between number of the particles and antiparticles:

$$S_{CP}^{i} = \frac{N_{+}^{i} - \alpha N_{-}^{i}}{\sqrt{\alpha (N_{+}^{i} + N_{-}^{i})}}$$

 $\alpha = \mathit{N}_{+}/\mathit{N}_{-}$

$$\chi^2/ndf = \sum_i S^i_{CP}/(nbins - 1)$$

No CPV: $S_{CP} \sim N(0, 1)$

CPV: p-value « 1 (5 $\sigma \sim 6 \cdot 10^{-7}$)

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The first *CPV* search in $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$ - S_{CP} method



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- $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and 8 TeV, $L_{int} = 3 fb^{-1}$
- *p* values > 32%,
- S_{CP} distributions agree with N(0, 1),
- Results are consistent with CP symmetry.



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The first *CPV* search in $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$

- The unbinned methods can be more sensitive than the binned ones,
- To increase sensitivity the method is performed in regions.

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k-nearest neighbours

The kNN tests whether baryons and antibaryons share the same parent distribution function

$$T = \frac{1}{n_k(n_+ + n_-)} \sum_{i=1}^{n_+ + n_-} \sum_{k=1}^{n_k} I(i, k)$$

Under the null hypothesis $T \sim N(\mu_T, \sigma_T)$

$$\mu_T = \frac{n_+(n_+ - 1) + n_-(n_- - 1)}{n(n - 1)}$$
$$\lim_{n, n_k, D \to \infty} \sigma_T^2 = \frac{1}{nn_k} \left(\frac{n_+ n_-}{n^2} + 4 \frac{n_+^2 n_-^2}{n^4} \right)$$
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The first *CPV* search in $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$ - kNN method



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- Nonzero asymmetry in normalisation as an effect of the production asymmetry,
- Results are consistent with CP symmetry,
- Local effect in one region (red circle) corresponds to 2.7σ (to be continued...).



The next *CPV* search in $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$

- The other model independent methods:
 - Energy test (LHCb: Phys. Lett. B740 (2015) 158, Phys. Lett. B769 (2017) 345, Phys. Rev. D102 (2020), 051101)

$$T = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i,j>i}^{n} \mathcal{K}(|\vec{x}_{i} - \vec{x}_{j}|) + \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \sum_{i,j>i}^{n} \mathcal{K}(|\vec{x}_{i}' - \vec{x}_{j}'|) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathcal{K}(|\vec{x}_{i} - \vec{x}_{j}'|)$$

· Kernel Density Estimation (never used in CPV searches,

Szumlak T., Performance of the LHCb Vertex locator and the measurement of the forward-backward asymmetry in $B_d^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}(892)\mu^+\mu^-$ decay channel as a probe of New Physics", Krakow (2013)) a non parametric way to estimate the pdf of a random variable.

• We look forward for data in Run 3.



The lifetimes of Ω_c^0 and Ξ_c^0

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- $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, $L_{int} = 5.4 \ fb^{-1}$,
- The Ω_c^0 and Ξ_c^0 baryons are produced directly from pp interactions and reconstructed in the $pK^-K^-\pi^+$ final state.



 $au_{arOmega_{c}^{0}}=$ 274.5 \pm 12.4 fs, $au_{arepsilon_{c}^{0}}=$ 152.0 \pm 2.0 fs



Excited Ω_c^0 in $\Omega_b^- \to \Xi_c^+ K^- \pi^-$ decays

- $\sqrt{s} = 7,8$ and 13 TeV, $L_{int} = 9 \ fb^{-1}$,
- The first observation of the $\Omega_b^- \to \Xi_c^+ K^- \pi^-$ decay,
- Four excited Ω⁰_c baryons are observed with the significance of each exceeding five standard deviations.

 $\mathrm{m}(\Omega_{\mathrm{b}}^{-}) = 6\,044.3 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.1^{+0.19}_{-0.22}~\mathrm{MeV}$

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Doubly charmed $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_{c}^{'+} \pi^{+}$ decay

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$$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, \ L_{int} = 5.4 \ fb^{-1},$$

 $\frac{B(\Xi_{cc} \to \Xi_c^{'+}\pi^+)}{B(\Xi_{cc} \to \Xi_c^+\pi^+)} = \frac{N_{\Xi_c^{'+}}}{N_{\Xi_c^+}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{\Xi_c^+}}{\epsilon_{\Xi_c^{'+}}} = 1.41 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.10$

- The first observation of $\varXi_{cc}^{++}\to \Lambda_c^+ K^-\pi^-\pi^+$ in 2017,
- Ξ_{cc}^{++} properties: lifetime (2018), mass (2020), cross-section (2020),
- New decay mode of the doubly charmed baryon $\varXi_{cc}^{++} \to \varXi_c^{'+} \pi^+$.





Doubly charmed Ξ_{cc}^+ in $\Xi_c^+\pi^-\pi^+$

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- $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, $L_{int} = 5.4 \ fb^{-1}$,
- The test statistics q_{\pm} was used,
- p-value of 0.0108 (0.0024) at mass of 3 617 (3 452) MeV/c^2 corresponding to 2.3 σ (2.8 σ)
- No significant signal is observed yet





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Summary

• The first measurement of a *CPV* parameter in Λ_c decays:

$${\it \Delta A_{CP}^{wgt}} = (0.30 \pm 0.91 \pm 0.61)\%$$

- The first CPV search $\Xi_c^+ o p K^- \pi^+$ consistent with CP symmetry
- The measurement of Ω_c^0 and Ξ_c^0 lifetimes:

$$au_{\Omega^0_c} = 274.5 \pm 12.4 \; \textit{fs}, \;\; au_{\Xi^0_c} = 152.0 \pm 2.0 \; \textit{fs}$$

• The first observation of the $\Omega_b^- \to \Xi_c^+ K^- \pi^-$ decay and precise measurement of the Ω_b^- mass:

$$m(\Omega_b^-) = 6044.3 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.1^{+0.19}_{-0.22} \, \textit{MeV}$$

- Four excited Ω_c^0 baryons were observed with significance $> 5\sigma$,
- New decay mode of doubly charmed baryon $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_{c}^{'+} \pi^{+}$,

$$rac{B(arpi_{cc}
ightarrowarpi_{c}^{\prime+}\pi^{+})}{B(arpi_{cc}
ightarrowarpi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}=1.41\pm0.17\pm0.10$$

Searches for CPV in charmed baryons are continuing...(Run 3 ...)



Back-up

Energy test

Defined as the analogue of the potential energy of the field of charges

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \int \int (f_p(\vec{x}) - f_a(\vec{x}))(f_p(\vec{x}') - f_a(\vec{x}'))K(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')d\vec{x}d\vec{x}'$$

$$\mathcal{K}(\vec{x},\vec{x}') = exp(-rac{(\vec{x}-\vec{x}')^2}{2\delta})$$

ET can be estimated without the need for any knowledge about the f_p or f_a :

$$T = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i,j>i}^{n} \mathcal{K}(|\vec{x}_{i} - \vec{x}_{j}|) + \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \sum_{i,j>i}^{n} \mathcal{K}(|\vec{x}_{i}' - \vec{x}_{j}'|) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathcal{K}(|\vec{x}_{i} - \vec{x}_{j}'|)$$

Distribution for $H_0: f_p = f_a$ is unknown - how to find p-value **p**?

- T for overall samples **nominal T**.
- Set of T calculated for samples with random sign permuted T

 $p = \frac{\text{number of permuted } T \text{ values greater than nominal } T}{\text{total number of permuted } T \text{ values}}$



Kernel Density Estimation technique

KDE is a non parametric way to estimate the pdf of a random variable.

$$\hat{f}(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \omega(x - x_i, h)$$

- $\omega = \frac{1}{h}K(\frac{t}{h})$ weighting function
- *K* kernel, $K(rac{t}{h}) = (1 |t|/h)$, |t| < h
- *h* bandwidth parameter
- $h_{opt}^i = \frac{k\hat{S}N^{-0.2}}{\sqrt{f(x_i)}}$, k = 1.06, \hat{S} std of the sample, N sample size







Effect of various bandwidth values The larger the bandwidth, the smoother the approximation becomes





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