

Angular analysis of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\mu^+\mu^-$ at LHCb

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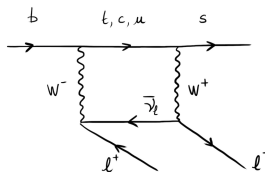
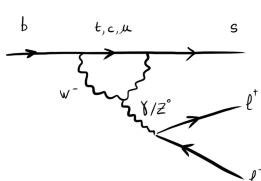


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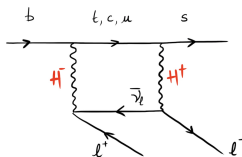
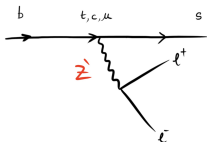
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Why are rare decays interesting ?

$b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ transitions suppressed in Standard Model



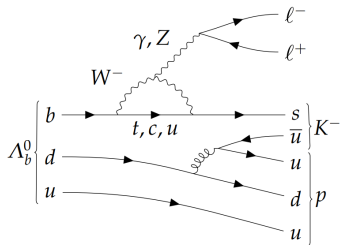
Enhancement through New Physics contributions ?



Feynman diagrams are stolen from Yasmine

Only few measurements of rare b-baryon decays !

Our favorite decay : $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^- \mu^+ \mu^-$

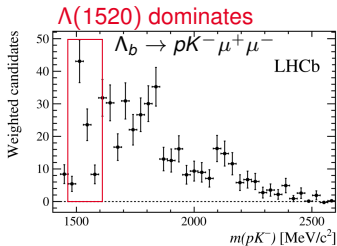


Strong decay of $\Lambda^* \rightarrow pK^-$

| Particle | J^P | Overall status | Status as seen in — | | |
|-----------------|---------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|--|
| | | | $N\bar{K}$ | $\Sigma\pi$ | Other channels |
| $\Lambda(1116)$ | $1/2^+$ | **** | | | $N\pi$ (weak decay) |
| $\Lambda(1380)$ | $1/2^-$ | ** | ** | ** | |
| $\Lambda(1405)$ | $1/2^-$ | **** | **** | **** | |
| $\Lambda(1520)$ | $3/2^-$ | **** | **** | **** | $\Lambda\pi\pi, \Lambda\gamma$ |
| $\Lambda(1600)$ | $1/2^+$ | **** | *** | **** | $\Lambda\pi\pi, \Sigma(1385)\pi$ |
| $\Lambda(1670)$ | $1/2^-$ | **** | **** | **** | $\Lambda\eta$ |
| $\Lambda(1690)$ | $3/2^-$ | **** | **** | *** | $\Lambda\pi\pi, \Sigma(1385)\pi$ |
| $\Lambda(1710)$ | $1/2^+$ | * | * | * | |
| $\Lambda(1800)$ | $1/2^-$ | *** | *** | ** | $\Lambda\pi\pi, \Sigma(1385)\pi, N\bar{K}^*$ |
| $\Lambda(1810)$ | $1/2^+$ | *** | ** | ** | $N\bar{K}_2^*$ |
| $\Lambda(1820)$ | $5/2^+$ | **** | **** | **** | $\Sigma(1385)\pi$ |
| $\Lambda(1830)$ | $5/2^-$ | **** | **** | **** | $\Sigma(1385)\pi$ |
| $\Lambda(1890)$ | $3/2^+$ | **** | **** | ** | $\Sigma(1385)\pi, N\bar{K}^*$ |
| $\Lambda(2000)$ | $1/2^-$ | * | * | * | |
| $\Lambda(2050)$ | $3/2^-$ | * | * | * | |
| $\Lambda(2070)$ | $3/2^+$ | * | * | * | |
| $\Lambda(2080)$ | $5/2^-$ | * | * | * | |
| $\Lambda(2085)$ | $7/2^+$ | ** | ** | * | |
| $\Lambda(2100)$ | $7/2^-$ | **** | **** | ** | $N\bar{K}^*$ |
| $\Lambda(2110)$ | $5/2^+$ | *** | ** | ** | $N\bar{K}^*$ |
| $\Lambda(2325)$ | $3/2^-$ | * | * | * | |
| $\Lambda(2350)$ | $9/2^+$ | *** | *** | * | |
| $\Lambda(2585)$ | | * | * | * | |

Rich Λ^* spectrum

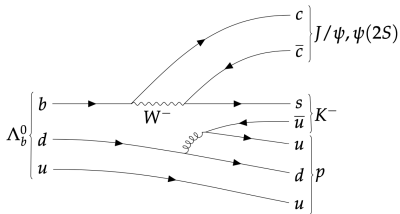
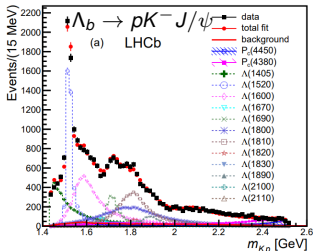
How does the pK^- spectrum look like ?



pK^- spectrum using Run 1 + 2016 data on the upper left. Statistically limited.

Higher statistics via tree-level diagram of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^- J/\psi$ on lower left.

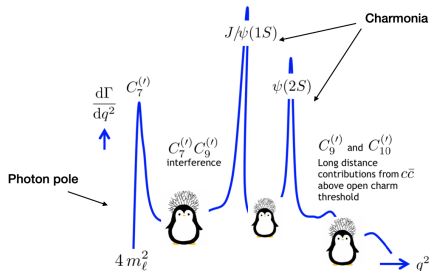
arXiv:1912.08139v2 (top), arXiv:1507.03414 (bottom)



Idea is focusing on dominating $\Lambda(1520)$ resonance.

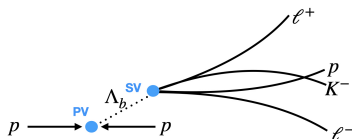
Selection of the $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\mu^+\mu^-$ decay

Distinguish rare mode from $c\bar{c}$ resonances via $q^2 = (2m_\ell)^2$:



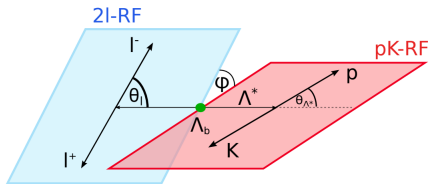
The rare mode is sensitive to New Physics !

Decay topology :

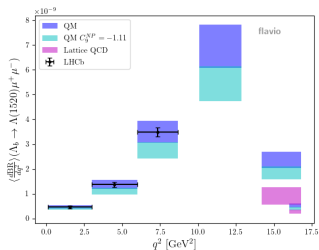


Detached Λ_b decay vertex (secondary vertex), where all the traces come from.

Decay description



$(\theta_\ell, \theta_p, \phi)$ in helicity basis



$$d\vec{\Omega} = d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_p d\phi$$

$$\frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d\vec{\Omega}} = \sum_i \text{physics}_i \times \text{kinematics}_i$$

$$= \frac{9\pi}{32} \sum_i L_i(q^2, \mathcal{C}, ff) \times f_i(\vec{\Omega})$$

\mathcal{C} = Wilson Coefficients \rightarrow short distance part \rightarrow sensitive to NP

ff = form factors \rightarrow long distance part

Observables :

$$S_i = \frac{L_i + \bar{L}_i}{d(\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma})/dq^2}, A_i = \frac{L_i - \bar{L}_i}{d(\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma})/dq^2}$$

Angular PDF of $\Lambda_{3/2}$ (i.e. $\Lambda(1520)$)

Simplifications :

① Heavy quark limit
($m_b \rightarrow \infty$)

② Normalization:

$$1/2 S_{1cc} + S_{1ss} = 1$$

$$A_{FB,3/2}^\ell = 3/4 S_{1c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(q^2, \theta_\ell, \theta_{\Lambda^*}, \phi) &= \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_{\Lambda^*} d\phi} \\ &= \cos^2 \theta_{\Lambda^*} (L_{1c} \cos \theta_\ell + L_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + L_{1ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell) \\ &\quad + \sin^2 \theta_{\Lambda^*} (L_{2c} \cos \theta_\ell + L_{2cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + L_{2ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell) \\ &\quad + \sin^2 \theta_{\Lambda^*} (L_{3ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos^2 \phi + L_{4ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell \sin \phi \cos \phi) \\ &\quad + \sin \theta_{\Lambda^*} \cos \theta_{\Lambda^*} \cos \phi (L_{5s} \sin \theta_\ell + L_{5sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell) \\ &\quad + \sin \theta_{\Lambda^*} \cos \theta_{\Lambda^*} \sin \phi (L_{6s} \sin \theta_\ell + L_{6sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell), \end{aligned}$$

arXiv:1903.00448, arXiv:2005.09602

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_p d\phi} &\simeq \frac{1}{4} (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta_p) \left(\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} S_{1cc}\right) (1 - \cos^2 \theta_\ell) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + S_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + \frac{4}{3} A_{FB,3/2}^\ell \cos \theta_\ell \right) \end{aligned}$$

Angular PDF is only dependent on $\cos \theta_\ell$ and $\cos \theta_p$.

Angular PDF of $\Lambda_{1/2}$ (i.e. $\Lambda(1405)$, $\Lambda(1600)$, $\Lambda(1800)$)

Simplifications :

- ① Strong decay :

$$\alpha = 0$$

- ② Normalization:

$$K_{1cc} + 2K_{1ss} = 1$$

$$A_{FB,1/2}^{\ell} = 3/2 K_{1c}$$

$$K(q^2, \cos \theta_{\ell}, \cos \theta_{\Lambda}, \phi) \equiv \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_{\ell} d \cos \theta_{\Lambda} d\phi},$$

which can be decomposed in terms of a set of trigonometric functions,

$$\begin{aligned} K(q^2, \cos \theta_{\ell}, \cos \theta_{\Lambda}, \phi) = & (K_{1ss} \sin^2 \theta_{\ell} + K_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_{\ell} + K_{1c} \cos \theta_{\ell}) \\ & + (K_{2ss} \sin^2 \theta_{\ell} + K_{2cc} \cos^2 \theta_{\ell} + K_{2c} \cos \theta_{\ell}) \cos \theta_{\Lambda} \\ & + (K_{3sc} \sin \theta_{\ell} \cos \theta_{\ell} + K_{3s} \sin \theta_{\ell}) \sin \theta_{\Lambda} \sin \phi \\ & + (K_{4sc} \sin \theta_{\ell} \cos \theta_{\ell} + K_{4s} \sin \theta_{\ell}) \sin \theta_{\Lambda} \cos \phi. \end{aligned}$$

arXiv:1410.2115

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_{\ell} d \cos \theta_{\Lambda} d\phi} \simeq & \frac{1}{2} (1 - K_{1cc}) (1 - \cos^2 \theta_{\ell}) + K_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_{\ell} \\ & + \frac{2}{3} A_{FB,1/2}^{\ell} \cos \theta_{\ell} \end{aligned}$$

Angular PDF is only dependent on $\cos \theta_{\ell}$.

Total 3-dimensional PDF

$$\text{PDF}_{\text{physics}} = f_{3/2} \text{PDF}_{\text{angular},3/2} \text{PDF}_{\text{mass},3/2} + (1 - f_{3/2}) \text{PDF}_{\text{angular},1/2} \text{PDF}_{\text{mass},1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PDF}_{\text{physics}} = & \frac{f_{3/2}}{4} (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta_\rho) \left(\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} S_{1cc} \right) (1 - \cos^2 \theta_\ell) \right. \\ & \left. + S_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + \frac{4}{3} A_{FB,3/2}^\ell \cos \theta_\ell \right) \times \text{BW}_{\text{nrel}}(M_{pK}, M_{\Lambda^*}, W_{\Lambda^*}) \\ & + (1 - f_{3/2}) \left(\frac{1}{2} (1 - K_{1cc}) (1 - \cos^2 \theta_\ell) + K_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + \frac{2}{3} A_{FB,1/2}^\ell \cos \theta_\ell \right) \\ & \times \text{Polynomial}_{02}(M_{pK}, a_0, a_1, a_2) \end{aligned}$$

Interferences are neglected up to now.

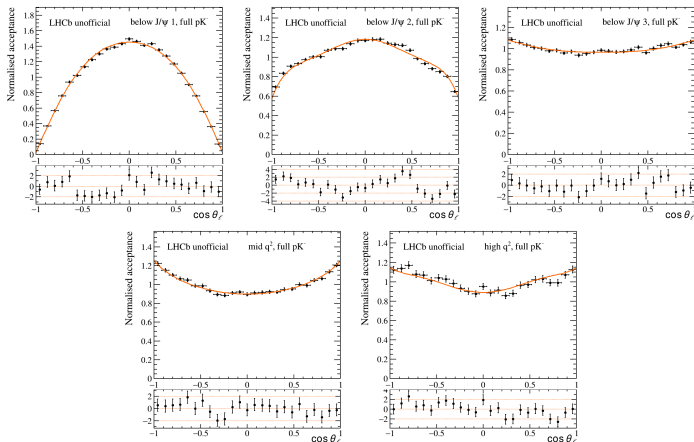
Take into account the impact of the selection, described by $\text{PDF}_{\text{acceptance}}$:

$$\text{PDF}_{\text{total}} = \text{PDF}_{\text{physics}} \times \text{PDF}_{\text{acceptance}}$$

Acceptance of $\cos\theta_\ell$

Full selection and PID weights applied on phase-space $pK\mu\mu$ -MC.

Legendre polynomials of **even orders up to 6** to describe acceptance of $\cos\theta_\ell$.



Good description, but not finalized yet.

Pseudo-experiments

AIM : Is fit converging ? Are the observables biased ? How big are the uncertainties of the observables?

Nbr of toys: 1000 with number of events per toy from extrapolated yields

Initial values: $f_{3/2} = 0.8$, $A_{FB,3/2}^\ell$ and S_{1cc}^ℓ from SM prediction, $A_{FB,1/2}^\ell$ and K_{1cc}^ℓ estimated

Fit procedure:

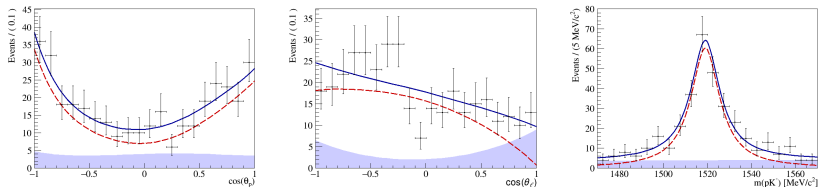
- 1 Fit with $f_{3/2}$, $A_{FB,3/2}^\ell$, S_{1cc}^ℓ free-floating, $A_{FB,1/2}^\ell$, K_{1cc}^ℓ fixed
- 2 Refit with $f_{3/2}$, $A_{FB,3/2}^\ell$, S_{1cc}^ℓ , $A_{FB,1/2}^\ell$, K_{1cc}^ℓ free-floating
- 3 If fit 2 failed or the resulting fit value is close to observable boundary (< 0.0005) : reset values, fit again and keep result

Acceptances: angular ones included

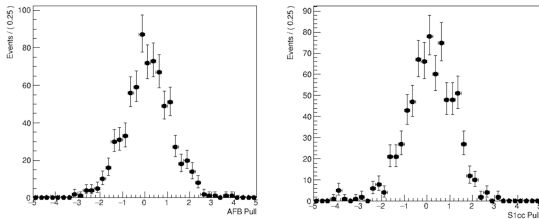
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Toy with angular acceptance in below J/ψ 3 bin

Color code : $\text{PDF}_{1/2}$, $\text{PDF}_{3/2}$, PDF_{tot}



3D fit : M_{pK} important to separate $\Lambda_{3/2}$ and $\Lambda_{1/2}$ contributions



Pull distributions : Fit of observable seems unbiased. Studies ongoing.

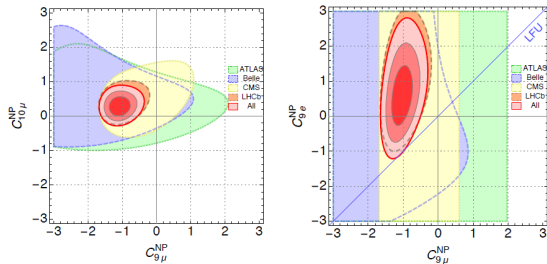
Conclusion and outlook

- b -anomalies studied mostly in rare meson decays \rightarrow confirmation in b -baryon decays ?
- Difficulty of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ is the rich Λ^* spectrum and low statistics.
- Selection of process in place.
- Legendre polynomials describe acceptance of $\cos \theta_\ell$ and $\cos \theta_p$.
- 3 dimensional PDF including $\Lambda_{1/2}$ and $\Lambda_{3/2}$ components is constructed.
- First pseudo-experiment studies are presented.



Thank you for your
attention !

Global fits to $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ transitions



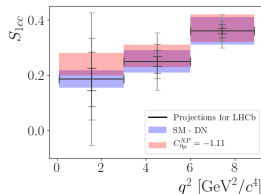
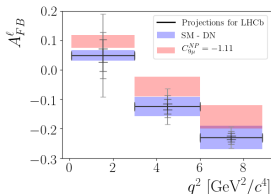
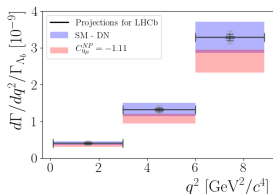
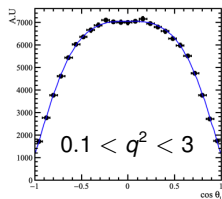
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- Muonic final states hint to New Physics contributions
- Electronic mode shows smaller effects
- Up to now, only poor constraints in $b \rightarrow s\tau^+\tau^-$

b-baryons provide complementary tests

Sensitivity study arXiv:2005.09602

- Yield extrapolated from R_{pK}
- Background neglected
- PDF = physics \times acceptance
- Generate pseudo-experiments
- Fit with same PDF and free A_{FB}^{ℓ} & S_{1cc}
- 10'000 times repeated per run period and q^2 bin

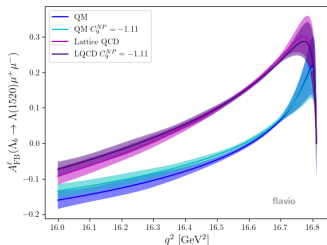
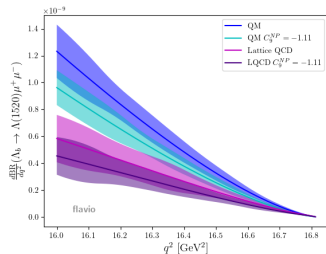


LHCb could start to be sensitive to New Physics with full Run 1+2, especially when theoretical uncertainties improve.

Implementation of angular observables in flavio

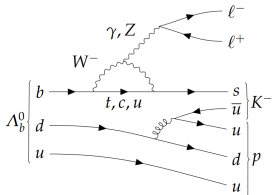
- Implemented angular observables:
 - $d\Gamma/dq^2$
 - A_{FB}, F_L
 - CP-averaged, CP-asymmetries
- Form factors from full Quark Model wave function [arXiv:1108.6129](https://arxiv.org/abs/1108.6129)
- Using 10% uncertainty on $f_{0,\perp,t}$ form factors and 30% on f_g as in [arXiv:1903.00448](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.00448)
- In addition, LQCD form factors [arXiv:2009.09313v3](https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.09313v3)

Discrepancy between LQCD form factors and Quark model ones at high q^2 !



Exploring $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^{*0}(\rightarrow pK^-)l^+l^-$

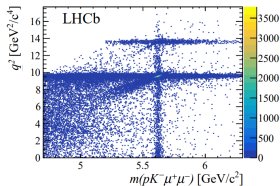
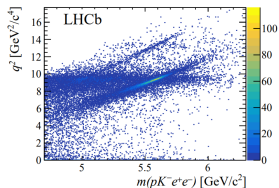
Feynman diagram



Experimental status

- ▶ $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^- \mu^+ \mu^-$
observation &
CPV
measurement
arXiv:1703.00256
- ▶ $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^- e^+ e^-$
observation
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- ▶ LFU test R_{pK^-}
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R_{pK^-} analysis



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Full angular PDF of $\Lambda_{3/2}$

Full angular PDF :

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(q^2, \theta_\ell, \theta_{\Lambda^*}, \phi) &= \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_{\Lambda^*} d\phi} \\
 &= \cos^2 \theta_{\Lambda^*} (L_{1c} \cos \theta_\ell + L_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + L_{1ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell) \\
 &\quad + \sin^2 \theta_{\Lambda^*} (L_{2c} \cos \theta_\ell + L_{2cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + L_{2ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell) \\
 &\quad + \sin^2 \theta_{\Lambda^*} (L_{3ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos^2 \phi + L_{4ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell \sin \phi \cos \phi) \\
 &\quad + \sin \theta_{\Lambda^*} \cos \theta_{\Lambda^*} \cos \phi (L_{5s} \sin \theta_\ell + L_{5sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell) \\
 &\quad + \sin \theta_{\Lambda^*} \cos \theta_{\Lambda^*} \sin \phi (L_{6s} \sin \theta_\ell + L_{6sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell),
 \end{aligned}$$

Simplified PDF via Heavy Quark limit :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_p d\phi} \\
 &\simeq \frac{1}{4} (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta_p) (L_{1c} \cos \theta_\ell + L_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + L_{1ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell)
 \end{aligned}$$

Stripping selection

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| Event | $n_{PV} \geq 1$ |
| μ | hasMuon && isMoun $p_T > 200 \text{ MeV}/c$ $\chi_{IP}^2 > 1$ $\text{Prob}_{\text{track ghost}} < 0.5$ |
| J/ψ | $\chi_{\text{vtx}}^2 < 16$ $\text{DOCA } \chi^2 < 30$ $m < 5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ |
| p | $\text{ProbNNp} > 0.05$ $p_T > 300 \text{ MeV}/c$ $\chi_{IP}^2 > 4$ $\text{Prob}_{\text{track ghost}} < 0.4$ |
| K | $\text{ProbNNk} > 0.1$ $p_T > 300 \text{ MeV}/c$ $\chi_{IP}^2 > 4$ $\text{Prob}_{\text{track ghost}} < 0.4$ |
| $\Lambda(1520)^*$ | $m < 5.6 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $\chi_{\text{vtx}}^2 < 25$ |
| A_b^0 | $m \in (4.0, 6.8) \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $\chi_{\text{vtx}}^2/\text{ndf} < 25$ $\text{DIRA} > 0.999$ $\chi_{IP}^2 < 400$ |
| MVA selection | Decay Length Significance (BPVDLS) > 0 $\text{BDT} > -0.11$ |

Variables in BDTG training - now without $p_T(\mu)$

| Rank | Variable | Variable Importance [$\times 10^{-2}$] |
|------|--|--|
| 1 | $\log(\chi_{\text{DTF}}^2/\text{ndf})$ | 7.613 |
| 2 | $\log(\text{H2_PT})$ | 7.075 |
| 3 | $\log(\text{H1_PT})$ | 6.786 |
| 4 | $\log(\text{X_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 6.151 |
| 5 | $\log(\text{H1_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 5.901 |
| 6 | $\log(\text{B_ENDVERTEX_CHI2})$ | 5.730 |
| 7 | $\log(\text{Jpsi_FDCHI2_OWNPV})$ | 5.423 |
| 8 | $\log(\text{H2_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 5.377 |
| 9 | $\log(\text{B_PT})$ | 5.375 |
| 10 | $\log(\text{B_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 5.169 |
| 11 | $\log(\text{L1_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 5.166 |
| 12 | $\log(\text{L2_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 4.982 |
| 13 | $\log(\text{L1_PT})$ | 4.814 |
| 14 | $\log(\text{Jpsi_LOKI_IPCHI2})$ | 4.616 |
| 15 | $\log(\text{L2_PT})$ | 4.482 |
| 16 | $\log(\text{acos}(\text{B_DIRA_OWNPV}))$ | 4.295 |
| 17 | $\log(\text{B_FDCHI2_OWNPV})$ | 4.289 |
| 18 | $\log(\text{X_ENDVERTEX_CHI2})$ | 3.549 |
| 19 | $\log(\text{Jpsi_ENDVERTEX_CHI2})$ | 3.207 |

Selection

$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\mu^+\mu^-$ Phase space MC samples of full Run1+2

Stripping : B2LLXBDT_Lb2mumuPKLine

Category : (Quasi-)Signal Lb_BKGCAT ≤ 10 (93%), Photon radiation 50 (7%)

L0 : Muon or DiMuon (always TOS)

Hlt1 : RUN1: TrackAllL0 or TrackMuon

RUN2: TrackMVA or TwoTrackMVA

Hlt2 : RUN1: Topo(2,3,4)Body or TopoMu(2,3,4)Body

RUN2: Topo(2,3,4)BBDT or TopoMu(2,3,4)BBDT

Preselection : RUN1: $\chi_{ndof}^2(\Lambda_b) < 100$, p , K , μ 's in RICH, μ 'has muon',

$P_T(p) > 250$, $P(p) > 9300$, $P_K > 2000$, $P_T(\mu) > 800$,

$P(\mu) > 3000$, $P_T(\Lambda_b) \in [1000, 25000]$ MeV/c

RUN2: same, besides $P_T(p) > 1000$, $P_T(\mu) > 200$

Bkg vetoes : $\phi(1020)$ veto ($B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$), Overreco bkg ($B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$ and $K^+ \leftrightarrow p$), D^0 veto ($\Lambda_b \rightarrow p D^0 \pi$), J/ψ veto (MisID of $K^- \mu^+$)

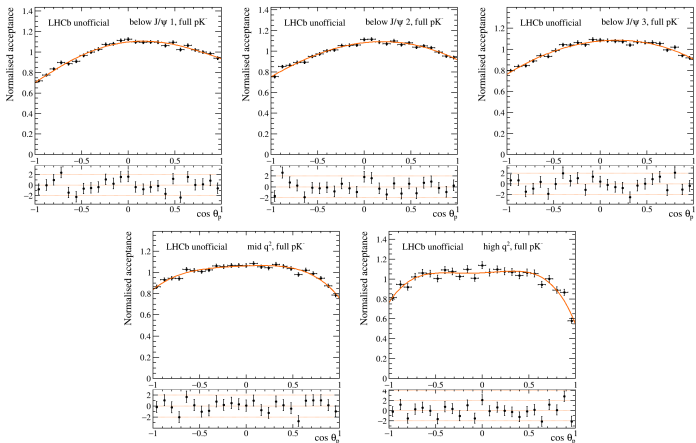
BDTG : reduce combinatorial bkg (wo $P_T(\mu)$)

Λ_b mass : [5500, 5950] MeV/c²

PID weights : ✓

Acceptance of $\cos \theta_p$

Full selection and PID weights applied on phase-space $pK\mu\mu$ -MC.
 Legendre polynomials of **up to order 4** to describe acceptance of $\cos \theta_p$.



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