New Heavy Flavor Results in Heavy Ion Collisions from

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The LHCb experiment

LHCb is the experiment devoted to heavy flavor at the LHC Detector design:

- Forward geometry to optimize acceptance for $b\overline{b}$ pairs: $2 < \eta < 5$
- Tracking: Momentum resolution <1% for p < 200 GeV/c
- Particle ID: Excellent capabilities to select exclusive decays



Some unique features attractive for heavy ion physics:

- Excellent detector performance for heavy flavor
- Forward acceptance
- Possibility to run in fixed-target mode

Key feature: Forward acceptance



- Sensitivity to small parton momentum fraction x (down to ~10⁻⁵)
- Rapidity dependence can disentangle nuclear effects
- Nicely complements other LHC experiments

Key feature: Fixed-target capabilities

"Fixed-target-like" geometry well suited for . . . fixed-target physics!

- System for Measuring Overlap with Gas (SMOG) allows injection of small amounts of noble gas into LHC beam pipe around LHCb collision region. Turns LHCb into a fixedtarget experiment! Luminosity up to 10³⁰ cm⁻² s⁻¹
- Collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = \sqrt{2E_{beam}M_p}$ 41-110 GeV for $E_{beam} = 0.9$ -6.5 TeV
 - Between SPS and (main) RHIC energies
- At $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 110$ GeV, c.m. rapidity is -2.8 < y* < 0.2 **backward** detector with access to large x value in target for different nuclear targets
 - Study nuclear PDFs in antishadowing/EMC region







pPb data sets





Forward region:

- $y^* = y_{lab} 0.465$
- pPb: $1.5 < y^* < 4.0$

Backward region:

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$$y^* = -(y_{lab} + 0.465)$$

• Pbp:
$$-5.0 < y^* < -2.5$$

2013: $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$ • 1.1 nb⁻¹ (fwd), 0.5 nb⁻¹ (bwd)

2016: $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16 \text{ TeV}$ • 13.6 nb⁻¹ (fwd), 20.8 nb⁻¹ (bwd)



Bottomonia in pPb at 8 TeV: $R_{pPb}^{Y(nS)}$



 R_{pPb} vs. y*, Y(1S)



 Clean separation of Y(nS) resonances

- Model including interactions between Y and comoving particles predicts large final-state effects, larger for excited states and in backward direction
 - Ferreiro and Lansberg, JHEP 10, 094 (2018)
- Consistent with patterns observed in data . . .

 R_{pPb} vs. y*, Y(2S)

JHEP 1811, 194 (2018) Bottomonia in pPb at 8 TeV: Double ratio

Double ratio, Y(nS)/Y(1S) in pPb with respect to pp



Additional suppression seen for Y(3S), in particular in backwards region. Consistent with comovers model.

Understanding this effect is crucial to interpretation of sequential quarkonium suppression observed in PbPb by CMS! (arXiv:1805.09215)





Bottomonia in pPb at 8 TeV: $R_{pPb}^{Y(nS)}$

Rising p_T dependence, not observed in the calculations

- HELAC-Onia: Lansberg + Shao, EPJC77, 1 (2017); Shao, Comput. Phys. Commun. 184, 2562 (2013)
- No interactions with comovers included—p_T
 R_{pPb} vs. p_T, Y(2S)





Bottomonia in pPb at 8 TeV: R_{FB} vs. p_T vs. |y*|



Forward-backward ratio

- Rising p_T dependence $R_{FB} Y(2S)$
- Hint of rising |y*| dependence
- Compared to calculations using HELAC-Onia



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Hint of less agreement for backward production suggests comover interactions could be relevant?





arXiv:1809.01404 *Charmed baryons in pPb at 5 TeV: Prompt* Λ_c^+

- Contribution from b decays subtracted using impact parameter distribution
- Single- and double-differential cross sections measured for forward (pPb) and backward (Pbp)



Forward

Forward

Backward

Backward



ˈσ(y*,p_T)



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 - In ratio most nPDF uncertainties cancel
- Baryon enhancement expected from production via coalescence in nuclear collisions, also affected by thermal properties of nuclear medium
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Open beauty in pPb at 8 TeV Clean signals in exclusive decay modes:

 $\mathrm{B^+} \to \overline{\mathrm{D}}{}^0\pi^+, \mathrm{B^+} \to \mathrm{J\!/}\psi\,\mathrm{K^+}, \mathrm{B}{}^0 \to \mathrm{D^-}\pi^+, \Lambda^0_\mathrm{b} \to \Lambda^+_\mathrm{c}\pi^-$





Decar	mDh	Dhm	
Decay	рго	гыр	
$B^+ \rightarrow \overline{D}{}^0 \pi^+$	1943 ± 58	1824 ± 64	
$B^+ \to J/\psi K^+$	883 ± 32	905 ± 33	
$B^0 \rightarrow D^- \pi^+$	1155 ± 39	886 ± 34	
$\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$	484 ± 24	397 ± 23	

Yields

- First measurement of Λ_b^0 in nuclear collisions
- First measurement of B mesons in nuclear collisions down to low p_T (< hadron mass)



Ultraperipheral charmonium production in PbPb

- First preliminary result by LHCb from PbPb collisions
- Goal is to study coherent J/ψ production in PbPb collisions at 5 TeV
- Hadron photo-production enhanced by photon flux ($\propto Z^2$) in PbPb
- Sensitive to gluon distribution down to $x \sim 10^{-5}$
- Integrated luminosity ~10 μb⁻¹
- $J/\psi p_T < 1$ GeV, rapidity 2.0 < y < 4.5
- The collisions are either
 - Coherent, where the photon couples coherently to all nucleons
 - Or incoherent, where the photon couples to a single nucleon





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LHCb-CONF-2018-003 Ultraperipheral charmonium production in **PbPb**











• First papers from the first samples collected in 2015 and 2016:

- Antiproton production in pHe PRL 121, 222001 (2018) (not shown here)
- Charm production in pAr and pHe arXiv:1810.07907



arXiv:1810.07907 Charm production in fixed targets



LHCb results in good agreement with world data,

- and with NLO NRQCD calculation based on fit to other world data (J/ψ)
- and with NLO pQCD predictions $(c\bar{c})$

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Charm production in fixed targets





Summary and outlook

 LHCb has developed a growing heavy ion program, with very specific capabilities and unique acceptance at a hadron collider
<u>http://lhcbproject.web.cern.ch/lhcbproject/Publications/</u>

LHCbProjectPublic/Summary IFT.html

- Much more data from Run 2 still to be analyzed!
 - Manpower limited
- Substantial development of the program in the near future for Run 3
 - Upgraded spectrometer
 - Improved centrality reach for PbA, PbPb due to upgraded tracking
 - Target storage cell: Up to 2 orders of magnitude higher luminosity, improved lumi determination, reduced backgrounds, wider variety of target species: H₂, D₂, He, N₂, O₂, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe
- Stay tuned for more results in the near future!







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• Single-differential cross sections



arXiv:1809.01404 *Charmed baryons in pPb: Prompt* $\Lambda_c^+ R_{FB}$



• R_{FB} < 1, consistent with calculations (within large uncertainties)



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p_T dependence, 4 different bins in rapidity



PbPb at LHCb





XeXe Collisions @ 5.44 TeV

- We started analysing the XeXe Run collected in 2017
- \bullet Collisions at 5.44 TeV and Luminosity 0.2-0.4 $\mu b^{\text{-1}}$
- We had a preliminary look at K+K- pairs: nice features appearing
- Preliminary plots, no background subtraction, etc.
- Very small Q² in the decay and is produced pretty much at rest
- We need to measure different states in each system to constrain the uncertainties from theory



Ultraperipheral $\phi(1020)$ production

HeRSCheL veto detector for coherent exclusive production

The HeRSCheL detector: high-rapidity shower counters for LHCb JINST 13 (2018) P04017

- Forward detector installed for Run2: increase η coverage
- Idea: scintillators in the tunnel where beampipe is accessible
- High Rapidity Shower Counters for LHCb: HERSCHEL
- Five planes of scintillators: 4 quadrants, 20mm thick
- \bullet Built in 2014 and installed at the beginning of 2015.
- Use same electronics of Preshower Detector
- Can be used to veto forward and backward activity



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HeRSCheL veto detector for coherent exclusive production

• New detector installed for Run2 \rightarrow Increase η coverage in the forward region

To get an idea on distances









 LHCb data already used to constrain nPDFs in the unexplored region at low-x (PRL 121 (2018) 052004)



J/ψ production in pPb collisions at 8.16 TeV





 strong suppression at forward rapidity: increasing from 0.5 at lowest p_T reaching 1 at highest p_T

 nPDFs & Color Glass Condensate calculations account for observations

for rapidity dependence (not shown here) also the coherent energy-loss accounts for observation

PLB 774 (2017) 159

Non-prompt production



- first precise b-production measurement in pPb down to $p_T \sim 0$
- suppression at forward rapidity, modification factor close to 1 at backward rapidity
- crucial input for the HI phenomenology

Very valuable constraint of nPDFs in unexplored area at low-x (PRL 121, 052004 (2018))



A real storage cell - **SMOG2** - will be installed during the LHC LS2 and start taking data from 2021



inside the LHC primary vacuum



- Increase of the luminosity by up to 2 orders of magnitude using the same gas load as SMOG
- Injection of H₂, D₂, He, N₂, O₂, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe
- New Gas Feed System will give a strong improvement on the luminosity determination
- Well defined interaction region upstream the nominal IP: strong background reduction and also the possibility to run in parallel with pp collisions



HELAC-Onia: an automatic matrix element generator for heavy quarkonium physics

Comput. Phys. Commun. 184, 2562 (2013)

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ABSTRACT

By the virtues of the Dyson-Schwinger equations, we upgrade the published code HELAC to be capable to calculate the heavy quarkonium helicity amplitudes in the framework of NRQCD factorization, which we dub HELAC-Onia. We rewrote the original HELAC to make the new program be able to calculate helicity amplitudes of multi P-wave quarkonium states production at hadron colliders and electron-positron colliders by including new P-wave off-shell currents. Therefore, besides the high efficiencies in computation of multi-leg processes within the Standard Model, HELAC-Onia is also sufficiently numerical stable in dealing with P-wave quarkonia (e.g. $h_{c,b}, \chi_{c,b}$) and P-wave color-octet intermediate states. To the best of our knowledge, it is a first general-purpose automatic quarkonium matrix elements generator based on recursion relations on the market.



Partonic momentum structure of nuclei: Not just superposed protons and neutrons



$$R_A \equiv \frac{1}{A} \frac{F_{2A}}{F_{2N}} \neq 1$$

- Ratio of cross section for e+A compared to scaled e+p collisions, shown vs. parton momentum fraction x
- Regions of both enhancement and depletion—only Fermi motion reasonably understood

