

# Studying the $\chi_b$ states with ATLAS

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- ▶ Introduction to the bottomonium system and some “History”
- ▶ Brief review of  $b\bar{b}$  spectroscopy
- ▶  $\chi_b$  studies at ATLAS
- ▶  $\chi_b$  analyses from DØ and LHCb
- ▶ Further opportunities at the LHC

# Introduction: What are the $\chi_b$ states?

The  $\chi_b$  represent the spin triplet ( $S = 1$ )  $P$ -wave ( $L = 1$ ) states of the bottomonium ( $b\bar{b}$ ) spectrum.

- ▶ Each  $\chi_b$  is a triplet of states with  $J^{PC} = 0^{++}, 1^{++}, 2^{++}$
- ▶ Hyperfine mass splittings between the 3 states are small  $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ MeV})$
- ▶ Branching fractions for the radiative decays  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma$  are large  $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$

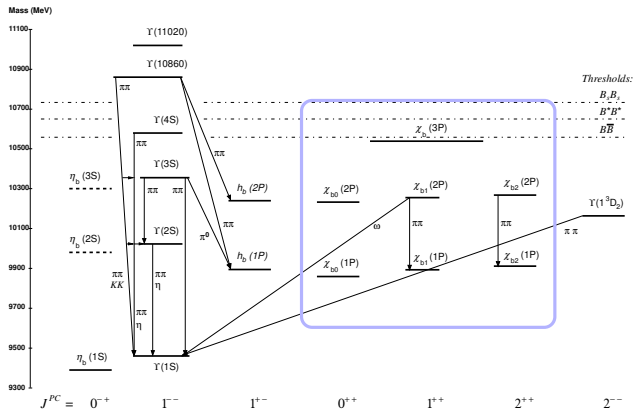


Figure: J. Beringer et al. (Particle Data Group), Phys. Rev. D86, 010001 (2012)

The radiative decays  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(nS)\gamma$  represent the most experimentally clean channels to reconstruct  $\chi_b$  at the LHC:

- ▶ The radiative  $\chi_b$  decays benefit from large branching fractions ✓
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$  is 1 – 2% and a di-muon signature is clean ✓
- ▶ Photons are *very soft* ✗ ( $< 1$  GeV in  $\chi_b$  rest frame)

**PDG Summary (masses rounded to nearest 1 MeV,  $E_\gamma$  in rest frame of  $\chi_b$ )**

	Mass [MeV]	$E_\gamma$ [MeV]	$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(1S)\gamma)$	$E_\gamma$ [MeV]	$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(2S)\gamma)$
$\chi_{b0}(1P)$	9859	391	$< 6\%$	-	-
$\chi_{b1}(1P)$	9893	423	35%	-	-
$\chi_{b2}(1P)$	9912	442	22%	-	-
$\chi_{b0}(2P)$	10233	743	1%	207	5%
$\chi_{b1}(2P)$	10255	764	9%	230	21%
$\chi_{b2}(2P)$	10269	777	7%	242	16%



**Predictions from QCD inspired potential models:**

1. Phys. Rev. D **36** 3401 (1987)
  2. Phys. Rev. D **38** 279 (1988)
  3. Eur. Phys. J. C. **4** 107 (1998)
- ▶ Just below the  $B\bar{B}$  threshold (10.558 GeV)
  - ▶ Narrow,  $\Gamma < 1$  MeV if...
  - ▶ ... $\Gamma(\chi_b(3P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1, 2, 3S)\gamma)/\Gamma_{Tot.}$  is large (expected to be so)
  - ▶  $\Gamma(\Upsilon(3S)\gamma) > \Gamma(\Upsilon(2S)\gamma) > \Gamma(\Upsilon(1S)\gamma)$

Publication	$3^3P$ c.o.g	$\Delta 3^3P_0$	$\Delta 3^3P_1$	$\Delta 3^3P_2$
2.	10.520 GeV	-19 MeV	-4 MeV	+6 MeV
3.	10.525 GeV	-22 MeV	-4.9 MeV	+7.3 MeV

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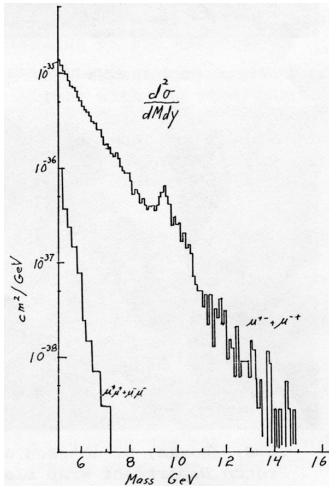
A Study of Di-Lepton Production in Proton Collisions at NAL

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1. Observe and measure the spectrum of virtual photons emitted in p-nucleon collisions via the mass distribution of  $e^+e^-$  pairs:  $p + p \rightarrow e^+ e^- + \text{anything}$ . (1)  
Study characteristics, e.g. parity violation,  $p_{\perp}$  behavior.
2. Search for structures in the above spectrum, publish these and become famous, e.g.  $W^0$ ,  $B^0$ .
5. Extend the Experiment #70 study of single leptons in the double arm arrangement, i.e.  $W^{\pm}$  etc. Publish these and become famous.

# History: 1977 - The CFS Collaboration discover the $\Upsilon$ with E288



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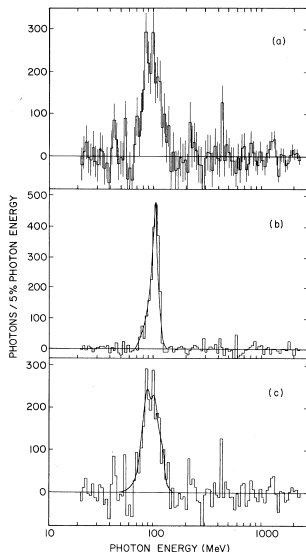
An experimental group at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory announced recently that it has discovered a new particle. The new particle has a mass of 9.5 GeV. It is 10 times heavier than the proton and is the heaviest sub-nuclear particle ever seen. The new particle -- which the group has named "Upsilon" -- is interpreted by theorists to be the first hint of a whole new family of sub-nuclear particles.

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# History: 1982 - The CUSB Collaboration discover the $\chi_b$ at CESR



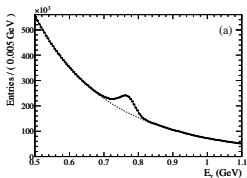
**Phys. Rev. Lett. 49, 1612 and 1616 (1982)**

- ▶ First saw evidence of  $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \chi_b(2P)\gamma$  (figure)
- ▶ Then observed the  $\chi_b(2P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1,2S)\gamma$

**Phys. Rev. Lett. 51, 160 (1983)**

- ▶ The next year,  $\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \chi_b(1P)\gamma$  and  $\chi_b(1P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  were both observed

History: Some time later... BaBar and Belle find the  $\eta_b$  and  $h_b$

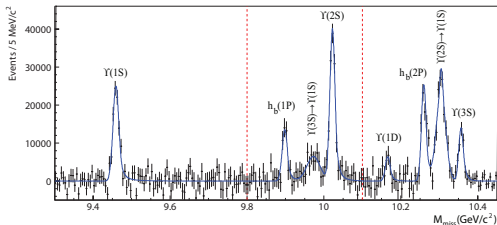
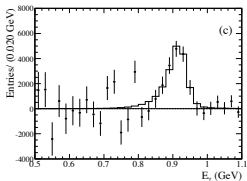
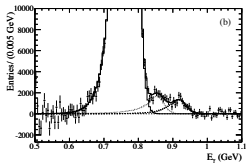


Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 071801 (2008)

- ▶ Babar observed  $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \eta_b(1S)\gamma$  (left)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 032001 (2012)

- ▶ Belle observed  $\Upsilon(5S) \rightarrow h_b(1, 2P)\pi^+\pi^+$  (below)



All discoveries in the bottomonium system since the  $\Upsilon$  made by  $e^+e^-$  experiments!

# Things get weird! Two charged bottomonium-like resonances!

Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 122001 (2012)  
(arXiv:1110.2251)

Belle recently reported the observation of two narrow structures in  $\pi^\pm \Upsilon(nS)$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3$ ) and  $\pi^\pm h_b(mS)$  ( $m = 1, 2$ ) pairs produced in association with a single charged pion in  $\Upsilon(5S)$  decays!

Quarkonium physics can still surprise us!

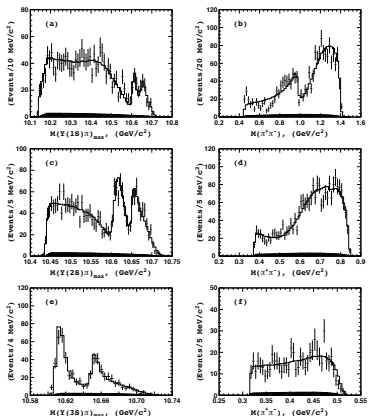
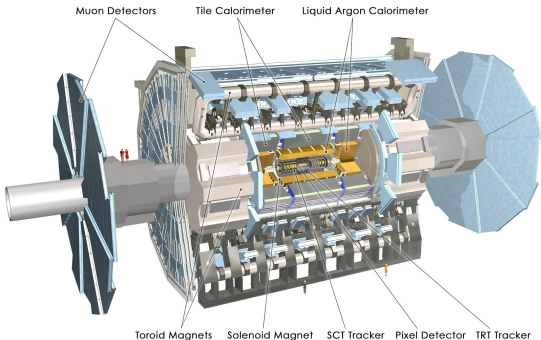


FIG. 2: Comparison of fit results (open histogram) with experimental data (points with error bars) for events in the  $\Upsilon(1S)$  (a,b),  $\Upsilon(2S)$  (c,d), and  $\Upsilon(3S)$  (e,f) signal regions. The hatched histogram shows the background component.

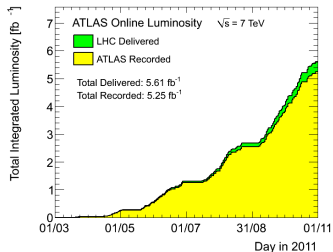
# The ATLAS Detector at the LHC

The ATLAS detector is a general purpose particle physics detector designed to study physics at the TeV scale:



ATLAS has a diverse physics programme including Higgs Searches, SUSY + Exotics Searches, SM Physics, Heavy Flavour Physics and more!

The LHC and ATLAS performed very well throughout 2011:



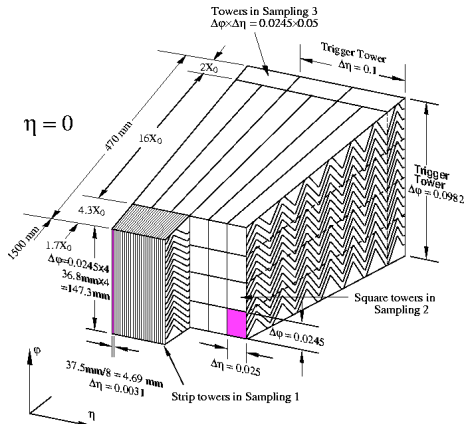
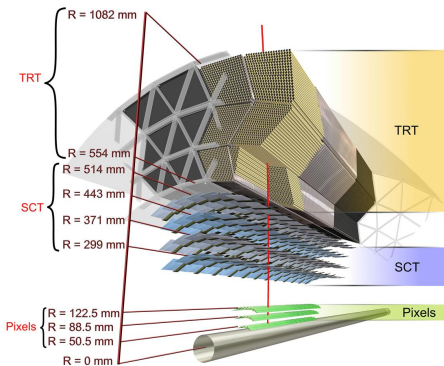
ATLAS collected **over  $5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$**  of data during the 2011 LHC run at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$

Also, over  **$14 \text{ fb}^{-1}$**  collected to date at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  during 2012!

# Detector Components I

## Inner Detector (ID) ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ )

- Silicon Pixels and Strips (SCT) with Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT)



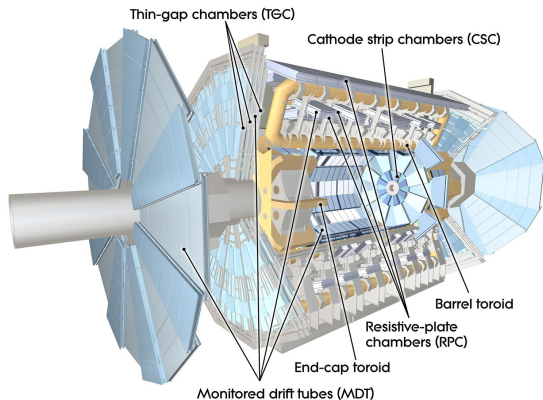
## Liquid Argon EM Calorimeter ( $|\eta| < 3.2$ )

- Highly granular and **longitudinally segmented** in 3-4 layers



## Muon Spectrometer (MS) ( $|\eta| < 2.7$ )

- ▶ Toroid Magnet, 4 detector technologies, dedicated **tracking** and **trigger** chambers



- ▶ Barrel: **MDT (Tracking)** and **RPC (Trigger)**
- ▶ Endcaps: **MDT + CSC (Tracking)** and **TGC (Trigger)**

## Observation of a new $\chi_b$ state in radiative transitions to $\Upsilon(1S)$ and $\Upsilon(2S)$ at ATLAS

Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 152001 (2012) (arXiv:1112.5154 [hep-ex])

Radiative  $\chi_b$  decays are studied with **two simultaneous analyses** which exploit different reconstruction methods and detectors:

- ▶ Photons reconstructed using the EM calorimeter (denoted **unconverted**)
- ▶  $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$  conversions reconstructed with the Inner Detector (denoted **converted**)
- ▶ Both share a common  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  selection

The two reconstruction methods have their own advantages and disadvantages. In particular, the minimum  $p_T(\gamma)$  threshold (**2.5 GeV** and **1.0 GeV** respectively) determines which radiative decays can be reconstructed:

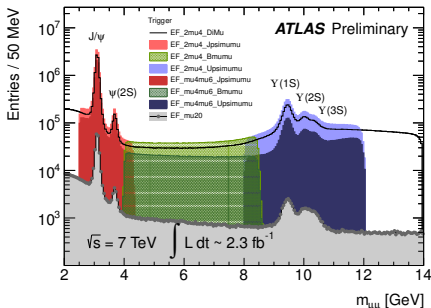
- ▶ The **unconverted photon** analysis is capable of reconstructing  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  decays alone
- ▶ The **converted photon** analysis is capable of reconstructing both  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  and  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(2S)\gamma$  decays

## Data Sample and Trigger Selection

The analysis uses  $4.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of  $pp$  collision data at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  recorded throughout the 2011 LHC run:

### Trigger Strategy:

- ▶ Events containing radiative  $\chi_b$  decays are **triggered by the di-muon decay**  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  (the photons are too soft to trigger the event)
- ▶ The trigger records events which contain di-muon pairs or single high  $p_T$  muons
- ▶ The majority of events are selected by dedicated  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  di-muon triggers (**blue shaded histograms**)



# Common $\Upsilon$ Selection

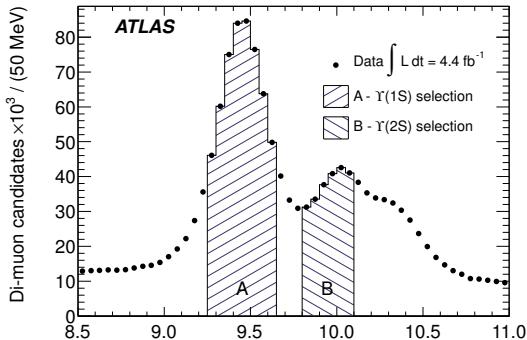
Selection of  $\Upsilon(1,2S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  candidates is common to both the **unconverted** and **converted** photon analyses:

## Muon Selection

- ▶  $p_T(\mu^\pm) > 4.0$  GeV
- ▶  $|\eta(\mu^\pm)| < 2.3$
- ▶ Reconstructed from track in ID combined with MS track

## $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ Selection

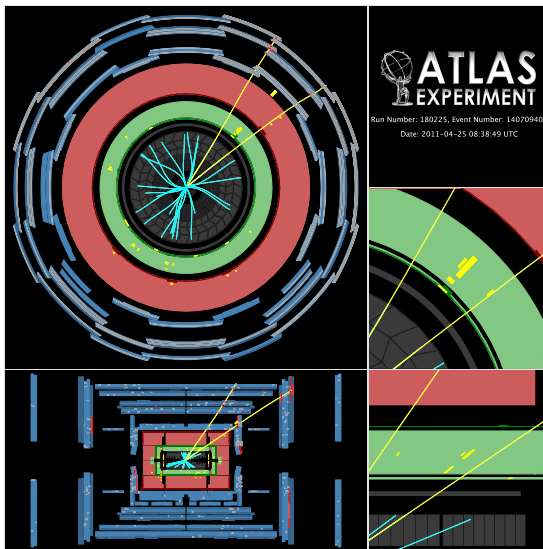
- ▶ Oppositely charged di-muon pair
- ▶  $\mu^+\mu^-$  common vertex fit  
 $\chi^2/N_{D.o.F} < 20$
- ▶  $p_T(\mu^+\mu^-) > 12$  GeV
- ▶ Rapidity  $|y(\mu^+\mu^-)| < 2.0$
- ▶ Both muons associated to same primary  $pp$  interaction



## $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ invariant mass selection

- ▶ A -  $\Upsilon(1S)$ :  $9.25 < m(\mu^+\mu^-) < 9.65$  GeV
- ▶ B -  $\Upsilon(2S)$ :  $9.80 < m(\mu^+\mu^-) < 10.10$  GeV

## Unconverted Photon Analysis



An event containing a candidate  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma$  decay in which the photon is **unconverted**

## Unconverted Photon Selection

EM calorimeter energy deposits not matched to any track are considered as **unconverted** photon candidates:

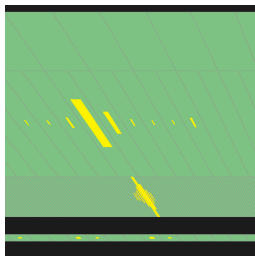
- ▶  $E_T(\gamma) > 2.5$  GeV
- ▶  $|\eta(\gamma)| < 2.37$  (Barrel-Endcap transition region  $1.37 < |\eta| < 1.52$  excluded)
- ▶ “Loose”<sup>†</sup> photon ID selection: Including limits on hadronic leakage and requirements on the EM shower shape (designed to reject backgrounds from narrow jets and  $\pi^0$  decays)

## Unconverted Photon Pointing Correction

- ▶ The polar angle of the photon 3-vector is corrected to point back to  $\mu^+\mu^-$  vertex
- ▶ Loose cut of  $\chi^2/N_{D.o.F} < 200$  rejects photons not compatible with having originated from the  $\mu^+\mu^-$  vertex

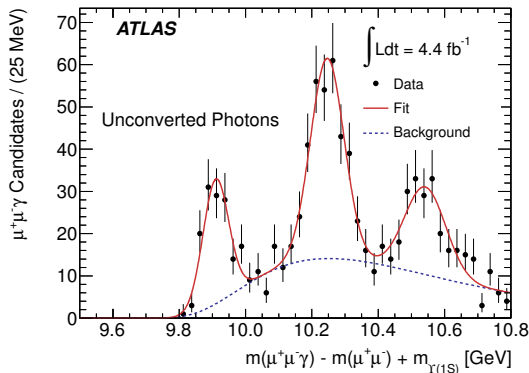
## $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\gamma$ Selection

- ▶ Reconstructed  $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  candidates are associated with corrected **unconverted** photons to form  $\chi_b$  candidates



<sup>†</sup> Described in detail in: Phys. Rev. D **83**, 052005 (2011) (arXiv:1012.4389)

The resulting  $m(\mu^+\mu^-\gamma) - m(\mu^+\mu^-) + m_{\Upsilon(1S)}^{PDG}$  distribution exhibits three peaks:



- ▶ **Mass difference** distribution is analysed to minimise the effects of experimental  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  resolution
- ▶ The first two peaks (around 9.90 GeV and 10.25 GeV) are compatible with the  $\chi_b(1P)$  and  $\chi_b(2P)$  states
- ▶ **The third peak (around 10.55 GeV)** is compatible with theoretical predictions for the  $\chi_b(3P)$  states

- ▶ Final selection of  $p_T(\mu^+\mu^-) > 20$  GeV chosen to maximise  $\chi_b(1P)$  and  $\chi_b(2P)$  significance irrespective of effect on the third peak
- ▶ Statistical significance of third signal is **greater than  $6\sigma$**  calculated from a likelihood ratio approach (including systematic variations)

An extended unbinned maximum likelihood fit is performed to the  $m(\mu^+\mu^-\gamma) - m(\mu^+\mu^-) + m_{\Upsilon(1S)}^{PDG}$  distribution to extract an estimate of the  $\chi_b(3P)$  mass barycentre:

### Fit Model

- ▶ **Signal:** Single Gaussian for each  $\chi_b(nP)$  peak, each with a free mean value and width
- ▶ **Background:** Described by  $\exp(A \cdot (\Delta M) + B \cdot (\Delta M)^{-2})$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are free parameters

### Assigned Systematic Uncertainties

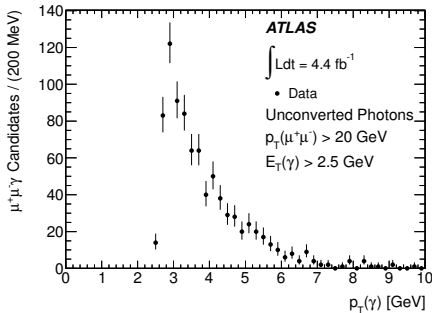
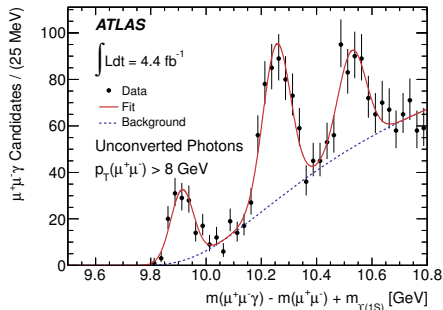
- ▶ **Unconverted** photon energy scale uncertainty (estimated at  $\pm 2\%$  of the  $\Delta M$  position)
- ▶ Modelling of the background distribution (estimated from refitting with various alternative models)

	Fitted Mass (MeV)
$\chi_b(1P)$	$9910 \pm 6$ (stat.) $\pm 11$ (syst.)
$\chi_b(2P)$	$10246 \pm 5$ (stat.) $\pm 18$ (syst.)
$\chi_b(3P)$	$10541 \pm 11$ (stat.) $\pm 30$ (syst.)

The statistical significance of third signal remains greater than  $6\sigma$  with each systematic variation

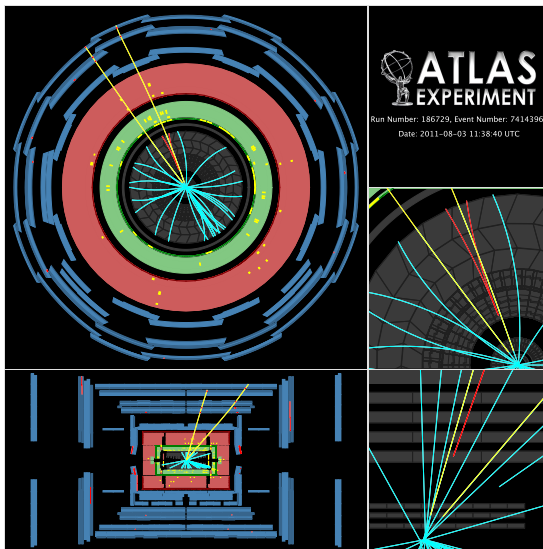


**Left:**  $m(\mu^+\mu^-\gamma) - m(\mu^+\mu^-) + m_{\Upsilon(1S)}^{PDG}$  distribution without a lower  $p_T(\mu^+\mu^-) > 8$  GeV cut.



**Right:** Unconverted photon  $p_T(\gamma)$ s distribution for  $\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  candidates.

## Converted Photon Analysis

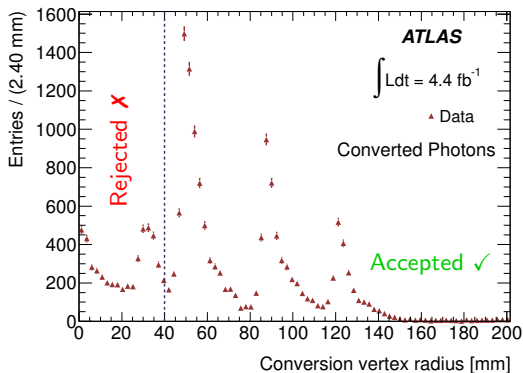


An event containing a candidate  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma$  decay in which the photon has **converted** ( $\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ )

## Converted Photon Selection I

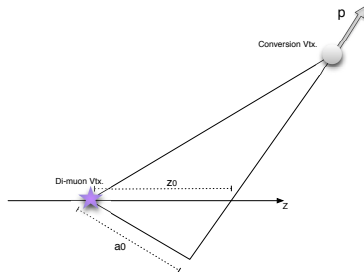
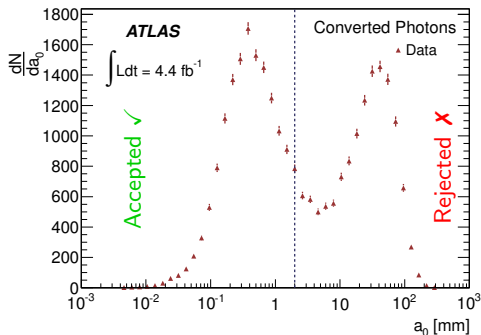
Reconstructing photons from  $e^+e^-$  conversions in the Inner Detector (ID) offers improved resolution and access to softer photons:

- ▶ Reconstructed from ID measurements *alone* (no EM cluster matching)
- ▶ Minimum track momentum  $p_T(e^\pm) > 500$  MeV
- ▶  $p_T(\gamma) > 1$  GeV
- ▶  $|\eta(\gamma)| < 2.3$
- ▶ Only two-track conversions are retained
- ▶ 4 silicon detector hits required for each electron track
- ▶ Candidate electron tracks must **not** already be selected as di-muon candidate tracks
- ▶ Radius of conversion vertex  $R > 40$  mm to reduce background contamination



## Converted Photon Selection II

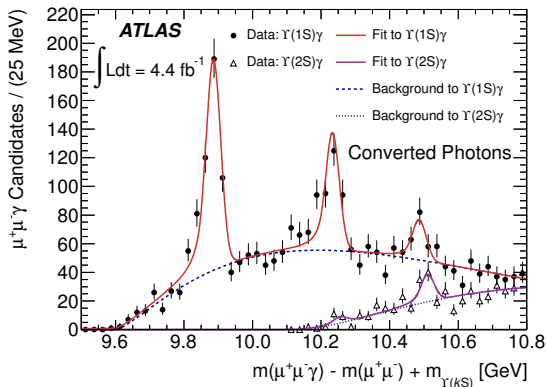
The 3D impact parameter of the **converted** photon with respect to the di-muon vertex,  $a_0$ , is a powerful variable which can be used to select photons associated with the di-muon vertex:



- ▶  $a_0 < 2$  mm is required to **reject photon combinatorics not compatible with having originated from the di-muon vertex**
- ▶ The  $\chi^2$  probability of the conversion vertex fit is required to be greater than 0.01

## Converted Photon Result I

Both the  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  and  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(2S)\gamma$  distributions are shown together:



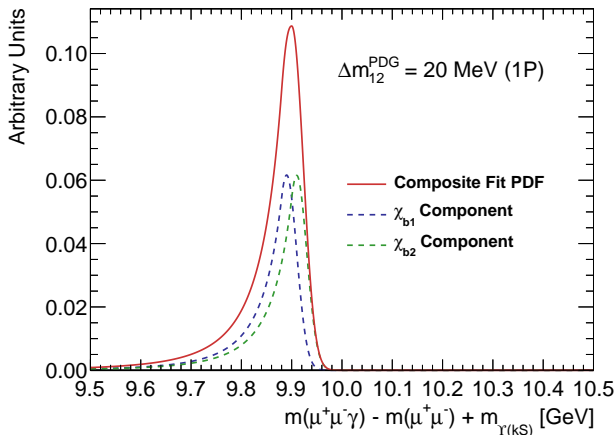
- ▶ Statistical significance of the **third signal** (around 10.5 GeV) is **greater than  $6\sigma$**  calculated from a likelihood ratio approach (including systematic variations)
- ▶ Data points are **not** corrected for energy losses due to Bremsstrahlung (taken into account in fit)

Under the interpretation of the third signal as  $\chi_b(3P)$ , the experimental mass barycentre is measured from a **simultaneous** unbinned extended maximum likelihood fit to both the  $\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  and  $\Upsilon(2S)\gamma$  mass distributions:

- ▶ The simultaneous fit allows a number of parameters to be shared across the two samples to help constrain the model, with additional constraints applied from the known masses (PDG)

### Fit Model:

- ▶ As the  $J = 0$  branching fraction is significantly smaller than for  $J = 1, 2$  its contribution can be neglected
- ▶ The  $\chi_b(nP)$  state is therefore modelled by **two Crystal Ball (CB)** functions to describe the low-mass Bremsstrahlung tail
- ▶ For  $n = 1, 2$ , the masses of the individual  $J=1,2$  states are fixed to the known PDG values, and for  $n=3$  the hyperfine splitting is fixed to the theoretically predicted value of 12 MeV
- ▶ The relative normalisations of the  $J=1$  and  $J=2$  components are fixed to be equal
- ▶ A free parameter  $\lambda$ , common to all the peaks, accounts for additional energy losses and appears in the form  $\overline{\Delta m} \cdot \lambda$
- ▶ The background is modelled by  $(\Delta m - q_0)^\alpha \cdot \exp\{(\Delta m - q_0) \cdot \beta\}$



- ▶ For demonstration,  $\sigma = 20 \text{ MeV}$  (i.e.  $1P$   $J = 1, 2$  splitting)
- ▶ No knowledge of  $\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B}$  for any of the states
- ▶ Relative normalisation of  $\chi_{b1}$  and  $\chi_{b2}$  components is fixed to be equal

### Assigned Systematic Uncertainties:

- ▶ Vary relative  $J = 1, 2$  signal normalisation by  $\pm 0.25$  (or left free in fit):  $\pm 5$  MeV
- ▶ Alternative signal and background models:  $\pm 5$  MeV
- ▶ Decoupled fits to the  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and  $\Upsilon(2S)$  distributions:  $\pm 5$  MeV
- ▶ Individually releasing constraints to the PDG values for the  $\chi_b(1P)$  and  $\chi_b(2P)$  masses:  $\pm 3$  MeV

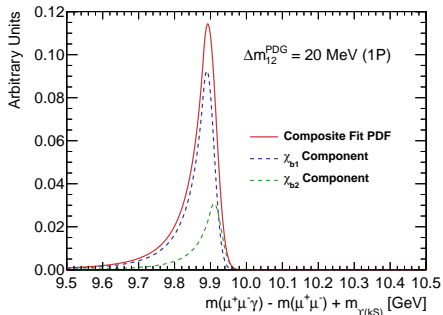
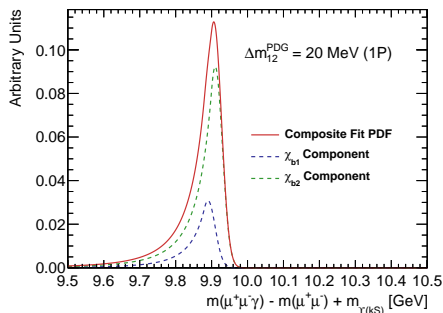
### Fit Result:

- ▶ Energy scale factor  $\lambda = 0.961 \pm 0.003$
- ▶ Experimental mass barycentre for  $\chi_b(3P)$  signal determined by fit to **converted** photon candidates **alone** is:

$$\bar{m}_3 = 10.530 \pm 0.005 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.009 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$



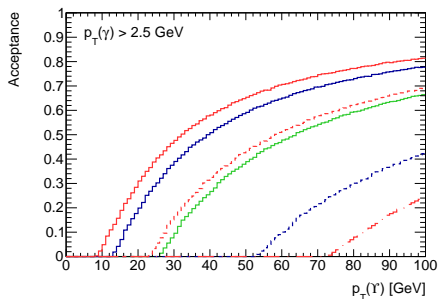
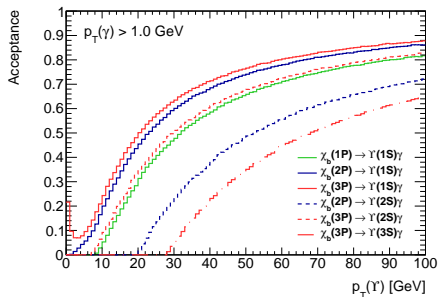
# Demonstration of $J = 1, 2$ Normalisation Systematic



**Fit result is not very sensitive to  $J = 1, 2$  normalisation as  $\sigma \sim \Delta M_{12}$**

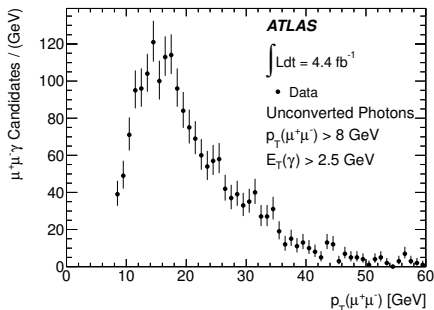
- ▶ Bye eye, difficult to notice any difference in the shape of the composite PDF!
- ▶ Reflected in small systematic shift in measured mass ( $\pm 5 \text{ MeV}$ )

# Relative Acceptance



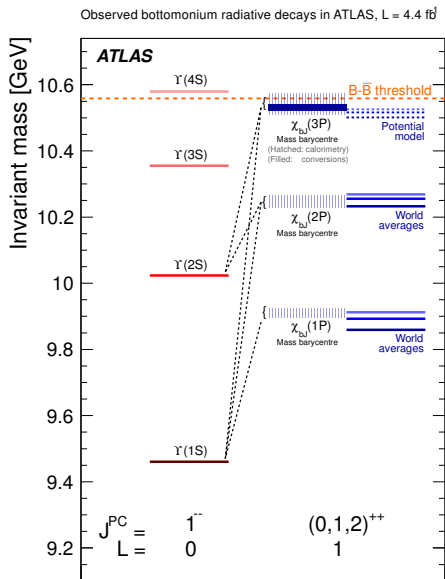
**Large difference in acceptance between the three states due to minimum  $p_T(\gamma)$  reconstruction threshold:**

- ▶ Converted photons have much larger acceptance for all decays at low  $p_T(\Upsilon)$
- ▶ Unconverted photons have a much reduced acceptance due to the  $p_T(\gamma) > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$  reconstruction threshold



# Summary

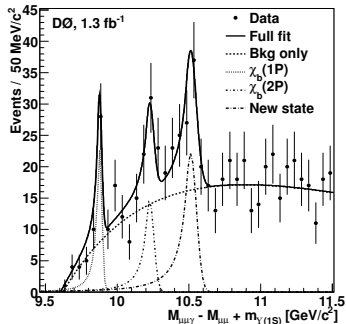
- ▶ The known  $\chi_b(1, 2P)$  states are observed in radiative decays to  $\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$
- ▶ **A new structure** at a higher mass is also observed in the  $\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  and  $\Upsilon(2S)\gamma$  spectra
- ▶ The interpretation of this as the  $\chi_b(3P)$  states is consistent with theoretical predictions
- ▶ The mass of the structure is measured with two separate analyses using **converted** and **unconverted** photons with compatible results
- ▶ The mass measurement with smaller systematic uncertainties from the **converted** photon analysis is chosen to represent the final measurement



Shortly after the publication of the ATLAS result, the  $D\bar{D}$  collaboration confirmed the observation of a new structure in the  $\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$  mass spectrum:

## Observation of a narrow state decaying into $\Upsilon(1S) + \gamma$ in $p\bar{p}$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV

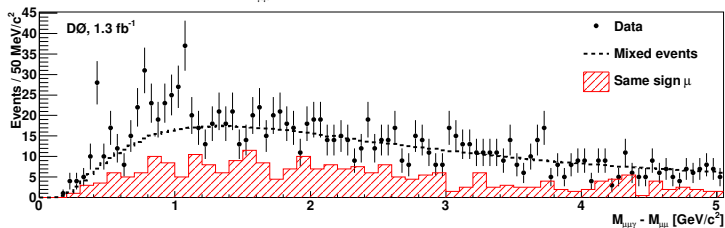
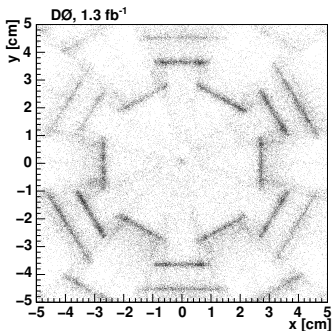
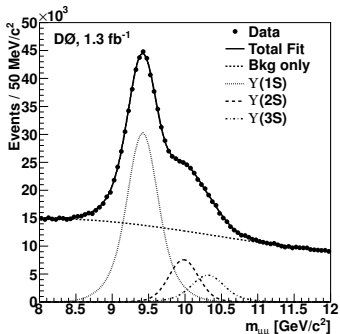
Phys. Rev. D **86**, 031103(R) (2012) (arXiv:1203.6034 [hep-ex])



“...a third peak is observed at a mass consistent with the new state observed by the ATLAS collaboration.”

$$\bar{m}_3 = 10.551 \pm 0.014 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.017 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

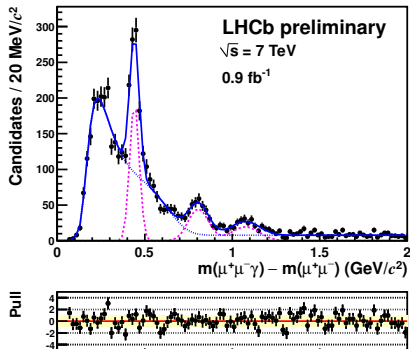
# Confirmation by $D\bar{D}$



LHCb later confirmed the observation at ICHEP2012 in a preliminary conference note:

## Observation of the $\chi_b(3P)$ state at LHCb in $pp$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

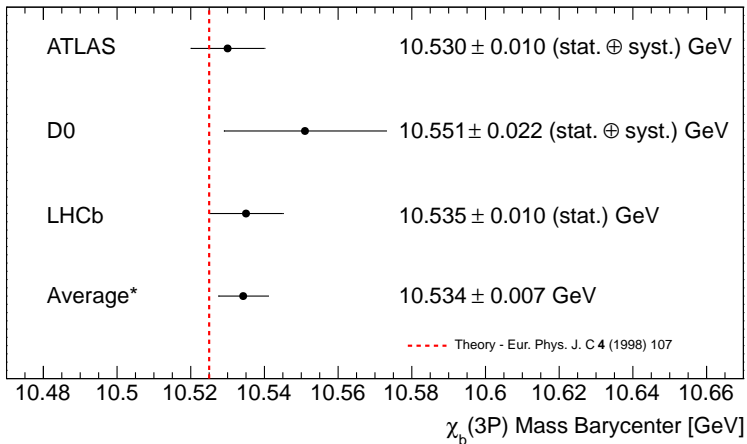
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“Three peaks are clearly visible, corresponding to the  $\chi_b(1P)$ ,  $\chi_b(2P)$ , and the new  $\chi_b(3P)$  state recently observed by the ATLAS experiment and confirmed by  $D\phi$ .”

$$\bar{m}_3 = 10.535 \pm 0.010 \text{ (stat.) GeV}$$

**Warning!** This is my own<sup>†</sup> DIY “World Average”



<sup>†</sup>Nothing to do with the PDG, ATLAS,  $D\bar{0}$  or LHCb!

### Summary of theoretical work prompted by the observation of the $\chi_b(3P)$ candidate:

- ▶ **Potential model results for the newly discovered  $\chi_b(3P)$  states**
- ▶ arXiv:1201.4096
- ▶ **Production of  $\chi_b$  mesons at LHC**
- ▶ arXiv:1203.4893
- ▶ **Comment on "Observation of a New  $\chi_b$  State in Radiative Transitions to  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and  $\Upsilon(2S)$  at ATLAS"**
- ▶ arXiv:1204.1984
- ▶ **Developments in heavy quarkonium spectroscopy**
- ▶ arXiv:1205.4189
- ▶  **$\chi_b(3P)$  splitting predictions in potential models**
- ▶ arXiv:1208.2186

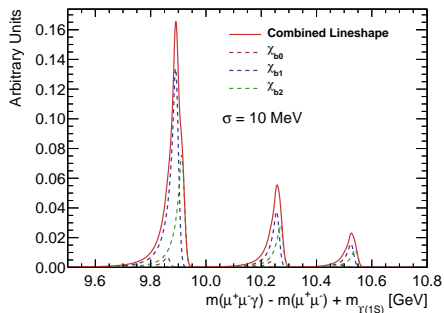
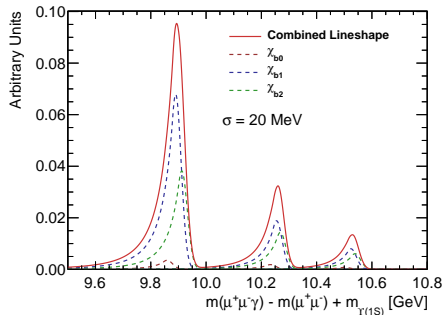
### Perhaps the most important implication:

- ▶ Another source of feed down into the inclusive  $\Upsilon(nS)$  cross section
- ▶ The inclusive  $\Upsilon(3S)$  cross section was previously thought to be free from significant feed down,  $\mathcal{B}(\chi_b(3P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(3S)\gamma)$  expected to be large



# Will we ever resolve hyperfine structure (in $\Upsilon(nS)\gamma$ ) at the LHC?

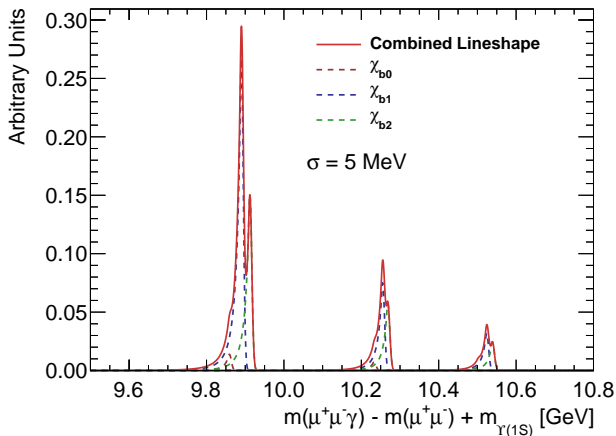
You may need to squint!



- ▶ Investigate with a **crude** model and purely **qualitative** analysis!
- ▶ Relative normalisation of  $J = 0, 1, 2$  taken from PDG branching fractions (assume equal production ratio and assume  $2P$  values for  $3P$ )
- ▶ Relative production of  $n = 1, 2, 3$  taken from recent ATLAS  $\Upsilon$  production paper
- ▶ No acceptance effects, resolution modelled by CB with various different Gaussian widths  $\sigma$

Will we ever resolve hyperfine structure (in  $\Upsilon(nS)\gamma$ ) at the LHC?

**It looks difficult! Need  $\sigma < 10$  MeV at least!**



- ▶ Mass resolution of around 5 MeV very challenging at the LHC (for ATLAS at least!)

### Important to look in other channels!

The (non-)observation of the new state in other decays could shed more light on its nature and confirm / rule out the  $\chi_b(3P)$  interpretation. Some channels that might be possible at the LHC include:

- ▶  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon + \omega$
- ▶  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon + \Phi$
- ▶  $\chi_b \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$
- ▶ Other VV final states?

### Cross section (1, 2P) and 3P $\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B}(\chi_b(3P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\gamma)$ measurements

- ▶ Possible with 2012 dataset

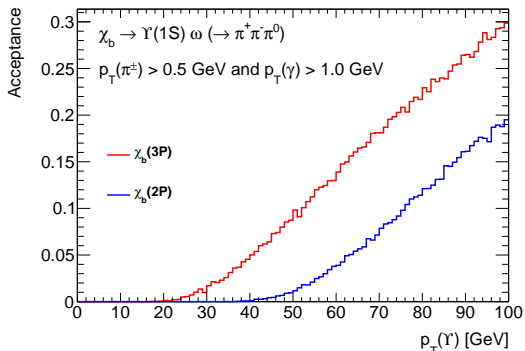
### Spin, Parity and Polarization measurements

- ▶ Likely to require more data, complex analyses...
- ▶ Polarization is accessible through an angular analysis of final state di-muons in  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(nS)\gamma$  (arXiv:1103.4882)

$$\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \omega$$

**CLEO has observed  $\chi_b(2P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \omega$  decays (Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 222002 (2004))**

- ▶ Only  $\chi_{b1}(2P)$  and  $\chi_{b2}(2P)$  are above the  $\Upsilon(1S) \omega$  threshold
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}(\chi_b(2P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \omega) = 1 - 2\% ! \checkmark$
- ▶  $\omega$  momentum in  $\chi_b$  rest frame only 135(94) MeV!  $\times$

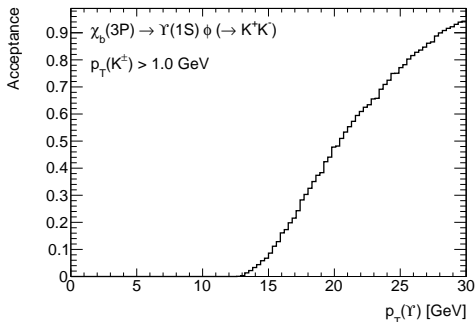


**Bottom Line** - Low acceptance with ATLAS, huge backgrounds! Possible with LHCb?

$$\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \phi(1020)$$

The new state at 10.53 GeV is above the  $\Upsilon(1S) \phi(1020)$  threshold...

- ▶ Not yet observed...
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}(\chi_b(3P) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \phi)$  not measured or calculated! (as far as I am aware) ✗
- ▶ High acceptance with  $\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$  ( $\mathcal{B}(\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-)$  is also large  $\sim 50\%$ ) ✓
- ▶  $\Upsilon(1S) + 2$  tracks with ATLAS's limited PID might be messy! ✗



**Bottom Line** -  $\mathcal{B}$  may be very low! LHCb (with good PID) more sensitive?

$$\chi_b \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$$

$\chi_b \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$ : a potentially a very clean signal at the LHC

- ▶ 4 Lepton ( $4\mu$  more realistic at low  $p_T$ ) very clean, low background ✓
- ▶  $\chi_{b1} \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$  is Landau-Yang forbidden,  $\Delta m_{0,2} \approx 53$  MeV large enough to be resolved? ✓
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}(\chi_{b0} \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi) \approx 2 \times 10^{-4}$  (Phys. Rev. **D72** (2005) 094018) ✗
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)^2 \approx 3.6 \times 10^{-3}$  ✗

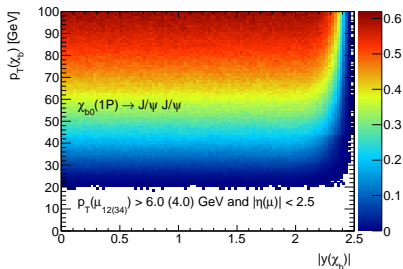
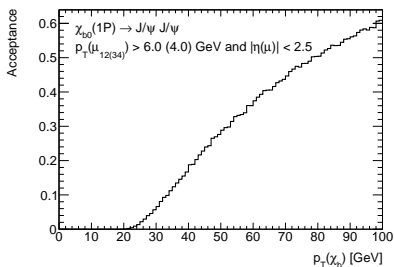
The inclusive cross section for  $\chi_{b0}$  at the LHC is estimated to be as much as  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \chi_{b0} + X) \approx 1\mu\text{b}$ :

- ▶ Rough estimate of 700 events per  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  (before trigger, acceptance and reconstruction)
- ▶ Strong potential for observation with  $> 20\text{fb}^{-1}$  from 2011 + 2012 (ATLAS / CMS)

$$\chi_b \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$$

Estimates suggest a large raw event yield, but how many  $\chi_b$  are likely to be reconstructed?

- Require  $p_T(\mu) > 6$  GeV for triggered  $J/\psi$  and  $p_T(\mu) > 4$  GeV for the other with all muons required to be within  $|\eta(\mu)| < 2.5$



- Acceptance and trigger thresholds allow only very boosted ( $p_T > 20$  GeV)  $\chi_b$  to be reconstructed
- This will significantly (factor of  $\sim 100$ ) reduce the yields on the previous slide!

**Bottom Line** - Likely to need  $10\text{s fb}^{-1}$  data for an observation, possible in 2012?

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- ▶ Many more interesting opportunities at the LHC!

**Thank you for listening!**



