Status of $\overline{p}p \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma$ analysis

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Reaction for study



Advantages of decay mode

- Narrow φ resonance (Γ = 4 MeV) in the final state allows tight constraint on its invariant mass.
- Relatively low background due to the fact that K⁺K⁻K⁺K⁻ final state have 4 s quarks.

$$p\overline{p} \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c + \gamma \rightarrow \phi \phi \gamma \rightarrow K^+ K^- K^+ K^- \gamma$$

Decay mode of η_c

$$\eta_{c} \rightarrow \phi \phi, \ BR = 2.6 \cdot 10^{-3}, \ \phi \rightarrow K^{+}K^{-}, BR = 0.49$$

Signal cross-section

E835:
$$\Gamma_{p\overline{p}}B_{\eta_c\gamma}$$
= 12 eV
 $\sigma_{p\overline{p}\rightarrow h_c\rightarrow \eta_c+\gamma} = 40nb$

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Reaction kinematics



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E835 experiment gave an upper limit on the h_c width $\Gamma_{h_c} < 1 MeV$. However BES3 experiment in 2012 measured h_c width $\Gamma_{h_c} = 0.7 \pm 0.4 MeV$ Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 092009 (ψ (3686) $\rightarrow \pi^0 h_c$, $h_c \rightarrow \gamma \eta_c$ via η_c exclusive decays.)

Can PANDA measure it better in a reasonable time?

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DPM event generator was used to estimate cross-section for background channels with 10⁷ generated events for first 3 channels. For last reaction background cross-section is an extrapolation from lower energy according to total cross-section.

Background cross-section			
	decay mode	σ	
	$ ho \overline{ ho} ightarrow m K^+ m K^- m K^+ m K^- \pi^0$	360 nb	
	$ ho \overline{ ho} ightarrow m K^+ m K^- \phi \pi^0$	37 nb	
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	$ ho \overline{ ho} ightarrow m K^+ m K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	30 µb	

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Analised events:

- 20 k $p\overline{p} \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \phi \phi \gamma$ (Full simulation)
- 20 k pp
 → h_c → φφγ (Fast simulation: full detector, NoMvdGem, NoFwdSpec, NoEmcBarrel)
- 1 M pp
 → K⁺K⁻K⁺K⁻π⁰ (full detector, NoMvdGem, NoFwdSpec, NoEmcBarrel)
- 1 M $p\overline{p} \rightarrow K^+K^-\phi\pi^0$
- 1 M $p\overline{p} \rightarrow \phi \phi \pi^0$
- 20 M $p\overline{p} \rightarrow K^+K^-K^+K^-\pi^0$

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Selection:

- 4C-fit to beam energy and momentum, CL> 0.05
- η_c mass selection [2.9:3.06] GeV
- *m*(φ) within [0.99;1.05] GeV
- no π^0 candidates in event (no $\gamma\gamma$ invariant mass in the range 135 \pm 20 *MeV*)

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Hadronic split-off



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Signal to background ratio



- In the analysis no PID information was used. In the pp
 → K⁺K⁻π⁺π⁻π⁰ background channel no event was reconstructed from 20 M with only 4C Kinematic fit.
- For Physics Book studies the signal to background ratio 8:1 was achieved. The difference comes from the hadronic split-off suppression based on the cluster shape analysis implemented in the software used for Physics Book.

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- Signal reconstruction efficiency in fast simmulation 28.8%.
- With full simulation signal reconstruction efficiency 11.8%
- For physics book analysis reconstruction efficiency was 26%.
- With 28.8 % reconstruction efficiency and luminocity $L = 10^{31} s^{-1} cm^{-2}$ 6 reconstructed h_c per day is expected.

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- Using detector setup without Forward spectrometer reduce signal reconstruction efficiency to 25.9% and S/B ratio for $p\overline{p} \rightarrow K^+K^-K^+K^-\pi^0$ is the same.
- Detector setup without Mvd and GEM. Signal reconstruction efficiency 5.9%. S/B ratio for $p\overline{p} \rightarrow K^+K^-K^+K^-\pi^0$ is the same within statistical uncertanity.
- Without Barrel EMC still 6.7% h_c are reconstructed with S/B 1.5 for $p\overline{p} \rightarrow K^+K^-K^+K^-\pi^0$ channel.

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The expected shape of measured resonance in $\overline{p}p \rightarrow h_c \rightarrow \eta_c \gamma$ is the convolution of the Breit-Wigner resonance curve with the normalised beam energy distribution and an added background term. The expected number of events at the *i*-th data point is:

$$\nu_i = [\varepsilon \times \int Ldt]_i \times [\sigma_{bkgd}(E) + \frac{\sigma_{\rho}\Gamma_R^2/4}{(2\pi)^{1/2}\sigma_i} \times \int \frac{e^{-(E-E')^2/2\sigma_i^2}}{(E'-M_R)^2 + \Gamma_R^2/4} dE']$$

where σ_i is the beam energy resolution at the *i*-th data point, Γ_R and M_R the resonance width and mass, σ_p incorporates branching ratios for the formation and decay, the factor in square brackets is the product of ε , an overall efficiency and acceptance factor and the integrated luminosity at the *i*-th point of measurements.

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Width reconstruction

- Number of reconstructed events were generated at 10 *E_{CM}* points around *h_c* mass smeared with poissonian distribution for given resonance width Γ, time of measurements and S/B ratio.
- Obtained points are fitted and Γ is extracted.
- The procedure is repeated to obtain the distribution of the reconstructed width.
- The RMS of this distribution is considered as an error of the width.



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Width reconstruction



Dependence on S/B ratio



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- Minimal setup includes Central tracker with MvD and GEM and Barrel EMC.
- Reasonable time for h_c width measurements is around 60 days with $L = 10^{31} s^{-1} cm^{-2}$. No resonable results are expected with 0.1 or 0.01 of design luminosity.
- Number of point for resonance scan and step between them can be optimized to minimize time for the width measurements.