

# Associated $\Upsilon + J/\psi$ production and prospects to observe a new hypothetical tetraquark

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## PLAN OF THE TALK

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2.  $\Upsilon + J/\psi$  production at the LHCb conditions
3.  $\Upsilon + J/\psi$  production at the D0 conditions
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## Motivation

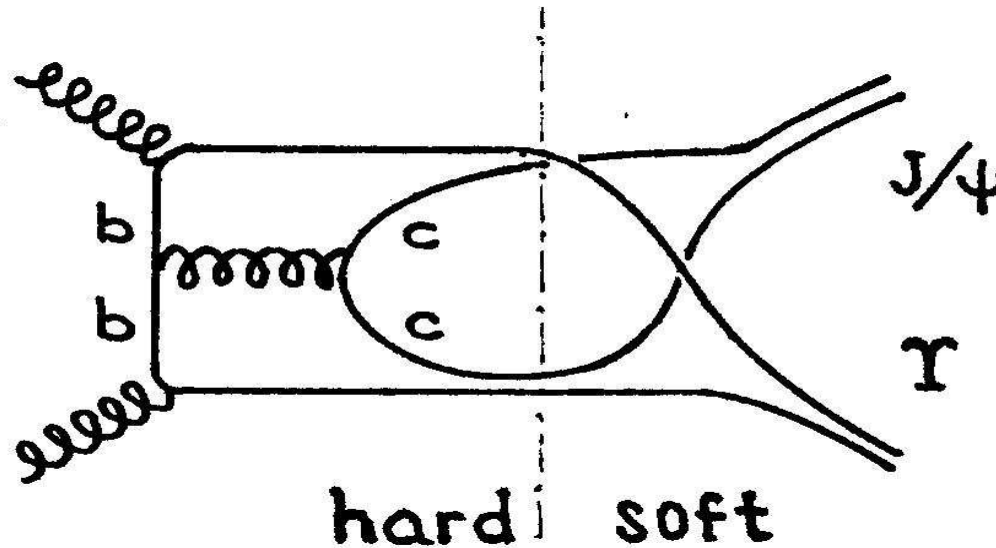
After a number of discoveries of tetra-quark mesonic states and penta-quark baryonic states, it would not be unreasonable to suggest the existence of a  $b\bar{b}c\bar{c}$  state composed of four heavy quarks. Its inner structure can be described as a hadron molecule  $B_c + \bar{B}_c$ , or a hadro-quarkonium  $\Upsilon + J/\psi$ , or, most probably, the quantum superposition of these two.

Such a state is then naturally connected to both  $B_c + \bar{B}_c$  and  $\Upsilon + J/\psi$  channels, so that these quark configurations can transform into one another if the invariant energy of the system is close to the four-quark resonant mass.

This opens a new production mechanism for  $J/\psi + \Upsilon$  states. The issues considered in the present talk:

- Can we observe the hypothetical tetraquark in  $J/\psi + \Upsilon$  channel?
- Can this new mechanism take credit for  $J/\psi + \Upsilon$  events at D0?

## Production mechanism in more detail



Hard production of two quark pairs, then soft reshuffling;  
 looks like OZI-violating process with topological suppression  $\simeq 1/N_c^2$

Two ways to estimate the cross section:

- take the color projection of  $(B_c + \bar{B}_c)$  onto  $(\Upsilon + J/\psi)$ , and then assume quark-hadron duality,  $\sigma(\Upsilon + J/\psi)_{\text{Res}} \simeq \sigma(\Upsilon + J/\psi)_{\text{NR}} \simeq \sigma(B_c + \bar{B}_c)/N_c^2$
- or integrate over a restricted phase space

$$\sigma(\Upsilon + J/\psi) \simeq \int_{M_0 - \delta M}^{M_0 + \delta M} \sigma(B_c + \bar{B}_c) dM \quad \text{with } \delta M \text{ taken as } \Gamma/2 \text{ or } E_{\text{bind}}.$$

## What is new compared to the already known mechanisms?

- Simultaneous  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  production in the color-singlet mode is not possible at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$
- The leading production mechanism refers to a mixed singlet-octet scheme, where  $\Upsilon$  is formed in the color-singlet mode  $g + g \rightarrow \Upsilon + g^*$  and  $J/\psi$  comes from the virtual gluon fragmentation  $g^* \rightarrow c\bar{c}[^3S_1^8] \rightarrow J/\psi$ .
- The fully octet modes are suppressed because of typically small values of the color-octet matrix elements (only important at high  $p_T$ ).
- Color-singlet production of  $P$ -wave states  $g + g \rightarrow \chi_b + \chi_c$  is possible at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ , but is suppressed by  $P$ -state wave functions and by the decay branching fractions  $\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma$ ,  $\chi_b \rightarrow \Upsilon + \gamma$ .
- Simultaneous production of  $S$ -wave color-singlets is possible at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^6)$  but is suppressed by extra  $\alpha_s^2$  and, especially, by the color algebra.
- Non-prompt production via  $\Upsilon + b + \bar{b}$  states followed by the decays  $b, \bar{b} \rightarrow J/\psi + X$  is suppressed by small decay branchings  $Br \simeq 3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- Color-singlet  $B_c^{(*)} \bar{B}_c^{(*)}$  production is possible at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$

## Computational technique and parameter setting

Standard QCD Feynman rules to calculate  $g + g \rightarrow B_c^{(*)} + \bar{B}_c^{(*)}$

(basically, a repetition of **S.P.Baranov, Phys. Rev. D 55, 2756 (1997)**)

but within the  $k_t$ -factorization approach. Advantages are in the ease of including higher-order corrections, which can be taken into account in the form of  $k_T$ -dependent parton densities ( $\rightarrow$  important modifications in the event kinematics). Technically, use the gluon polarization matrix in the form  $\overline{\epsilon_g^\mu \epsilon_g^{*\nu}} = k_T^\mu k_T^\nu / |k_T|^2$  [**Phys. Rep. 100, 1 (1983)**].

Quark masses:  $m_c = m_\psi/2 = 1.55$  GeV and  $m_b = m_\Upsilon/2 = 4.8$  GeV (also  $m_{B_c} = m_b + m_c$ );

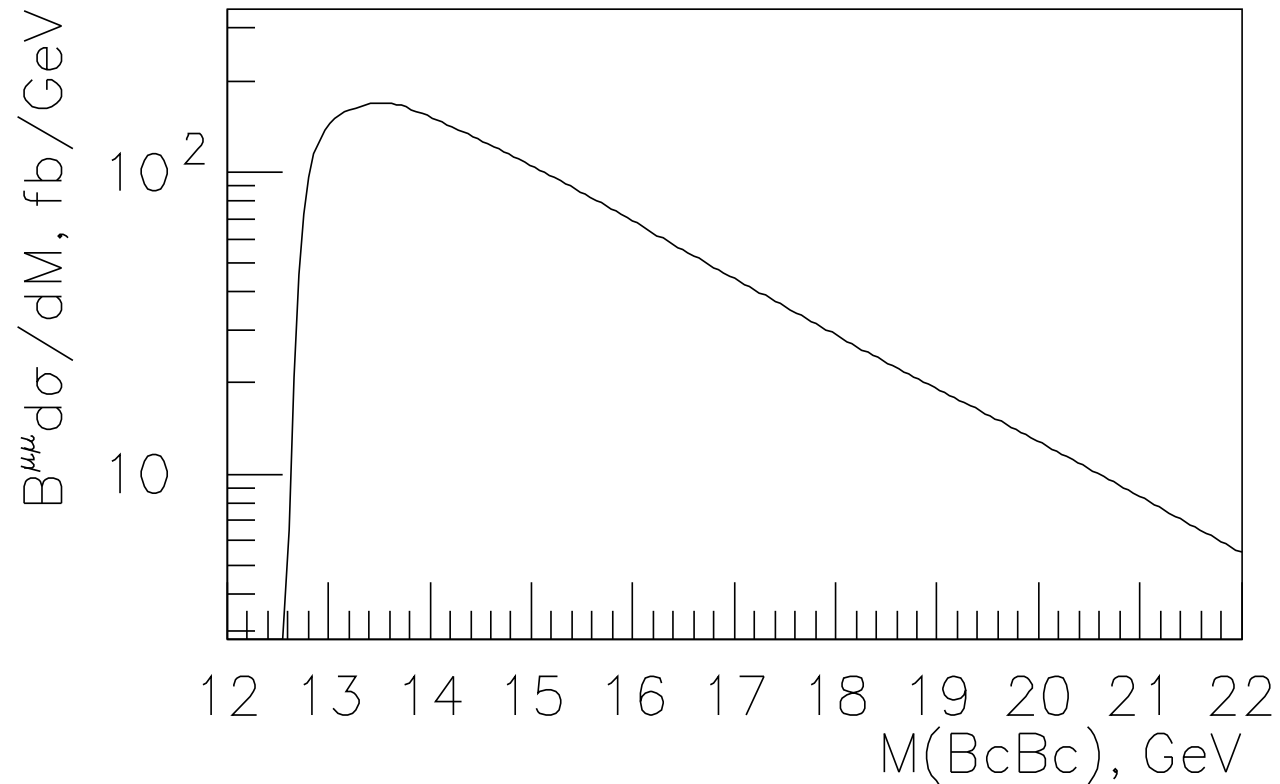
Factorization and renormalization scales:  $\mu_F^2 = \mu_R^2 = \hat{s}/4$  (Lorentz-invariant choice symmetric w.r.t. the final particles)

$k_T$ -dependent gluon densities A0 (default), A+, A- taken from **H.Jung et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 70, 1237 (2010)**

Radial wave functions of  $B_c^{(*)}$  mesons  $|\mathcal{R}_{B_c}(0)|^2 = 1.2$  GeV<sup>3</sup> from potential model **E.Bagan et al., Z. Phys. C 64, 57 (1994)**

## Numerical results at LHCb

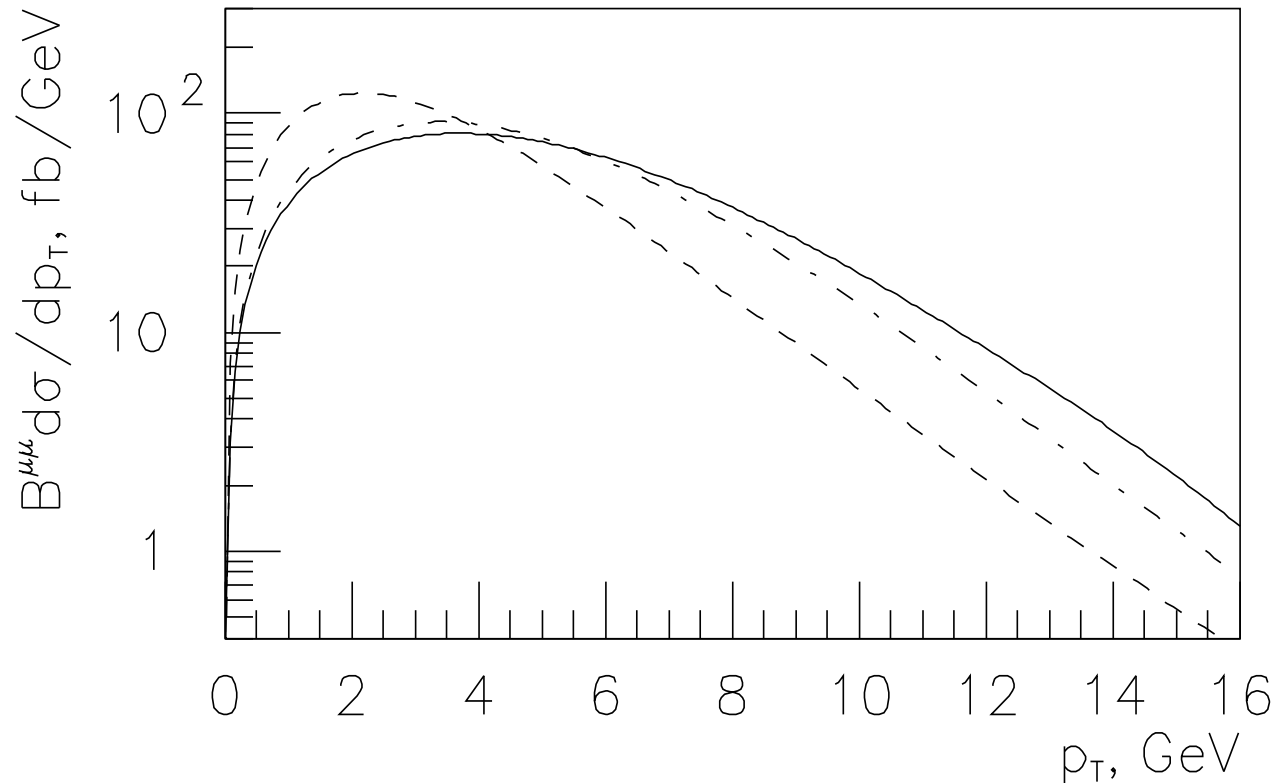
Four-quark invariant mass spectrum at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV



Differential cross section times muon branching fraction

$$Br^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu} Br^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu} d\sigma(pp \rightarrow B_c \bar{B}_c)/dM$$

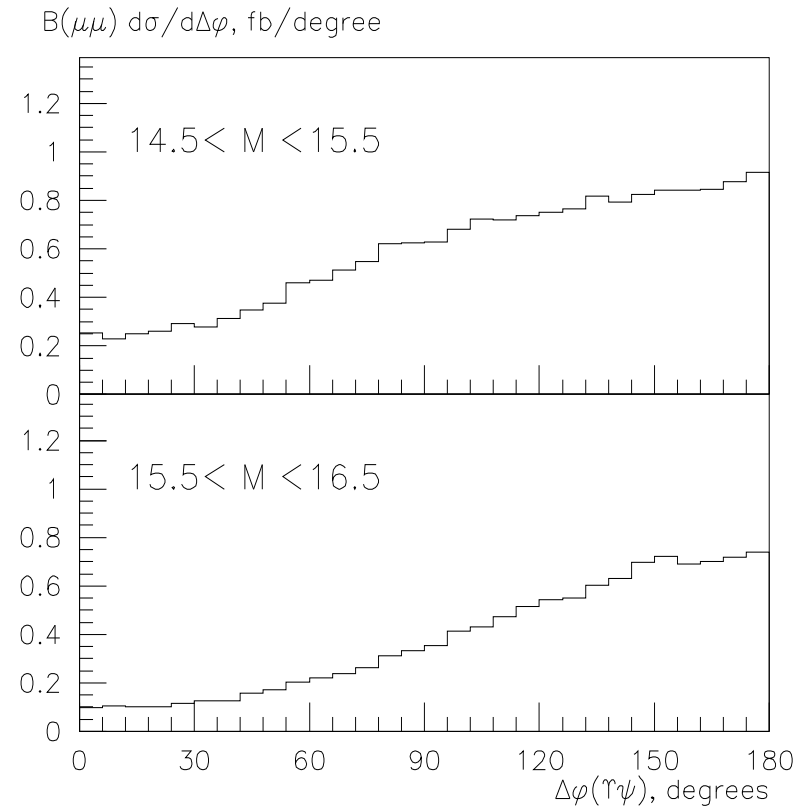
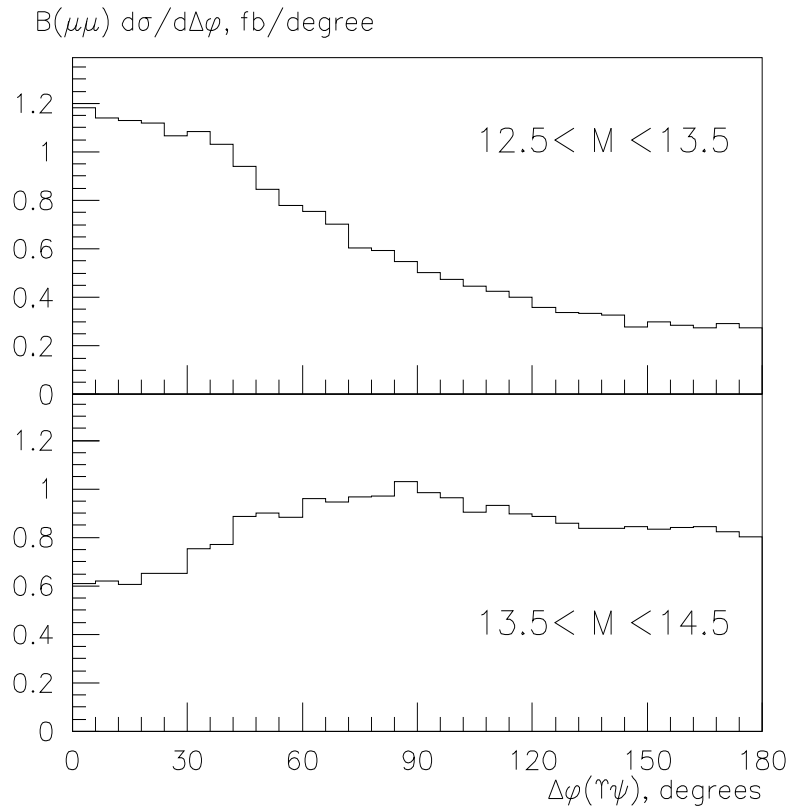
## Transverse momentum distributions



**Differential cross sections times muon branching fraction**  
 $B_{r^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu}} B_{r^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu}} d\sigma(pp \rightarrow B_c \bar{B}_c)/dp_T$  integrated over all masses.

**Dash-dotted =  $\Upsilon$ ; Dashed =  $J/\psi$ ; Solid =  $\Upsilon + J/\psi$  system.**

## Azimuthal correlations between $J/\psi$ and $\Upsilon$ mesons



**Differential cross section times muon branching fraction  
integrated over several different mass intervals.**



## Summary of the LHCb perspectives

**Integral  $B_c\bar{B}_c$  rate:**  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow B_c\bar{B}_c) Br^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu} Br^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu} \simeq 550$  fb

**after assuming  $\Gamma \simeq 200$  MeV or applying color suppression factor**

$$\sigma(\Upsilon + J/\psi) Br^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu} Br^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu} \simeq 20 - 60 \text{ fb}$$

**Background from double parton scattering (dominant):**

$$\sigma_{\text{DPS}}(\Upsilon + J/\psi) = \sigma_{\text{incl}}(\Upsilon) \sigma_{\text{incl}}(J/\psi) / \sigma_{\text{eff}}$$

**where  $\sigma_{\text{incl}}(J/\psi) Br^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu} \simeq 380$  nb,  $\sigma_{\text{incl}}(\Upsilon) Br^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu} \simeq 6$  nb,  $\sigma_{\text{eff}} = 15$  mb**

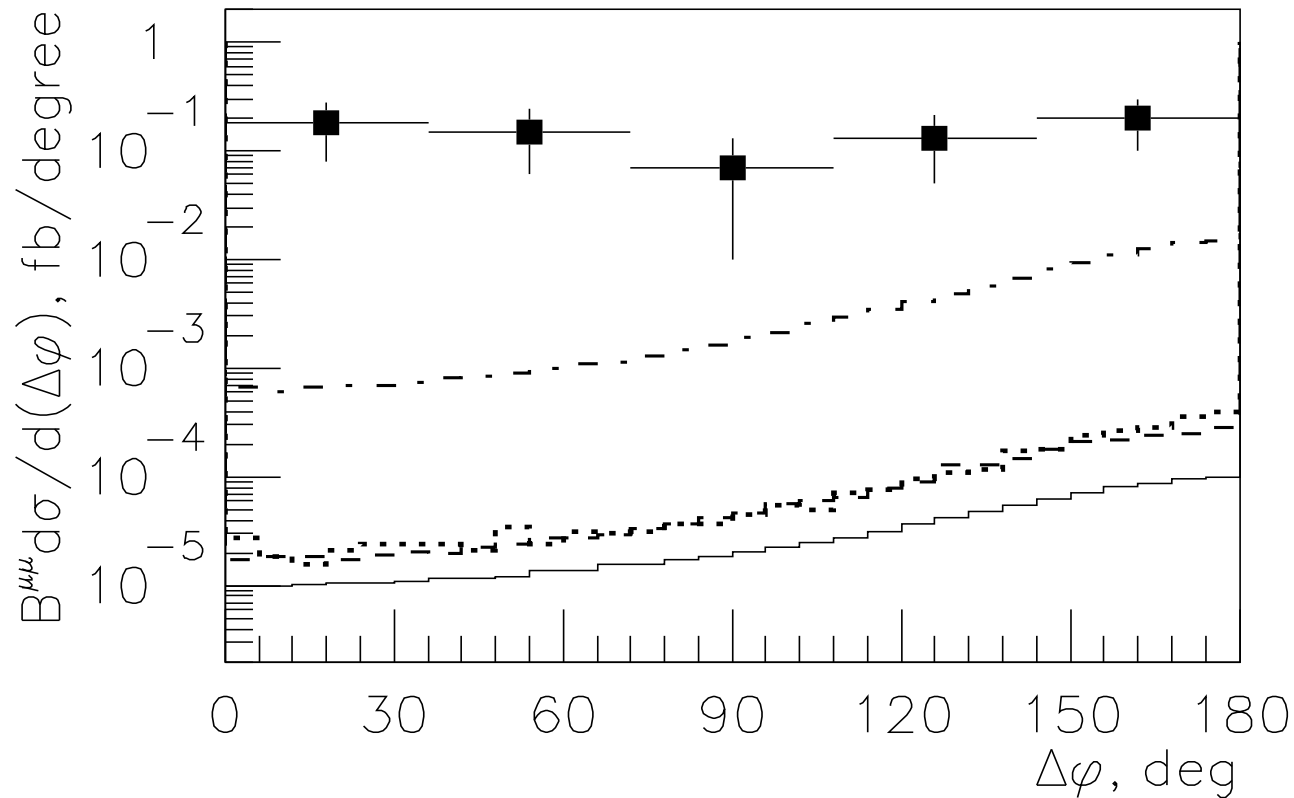
**known from [LHCb Collab., JHEP 1510, 172 (2015), JHEP 1511, 103 (2015)]**

$$\sigma_{\text{DPS}}(\Upsilon + J/\psi) Br^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu} Br^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu} \simeq 150 \text{ fb}$$

- The signal is not small compared to what was already measured;
- The signal is not small compared to the background, clearly distinguishable due to resonant behavior  $\rightarrow$  perspective looks optimistic

## Numerical results at D0

Standard production mechanisms at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV



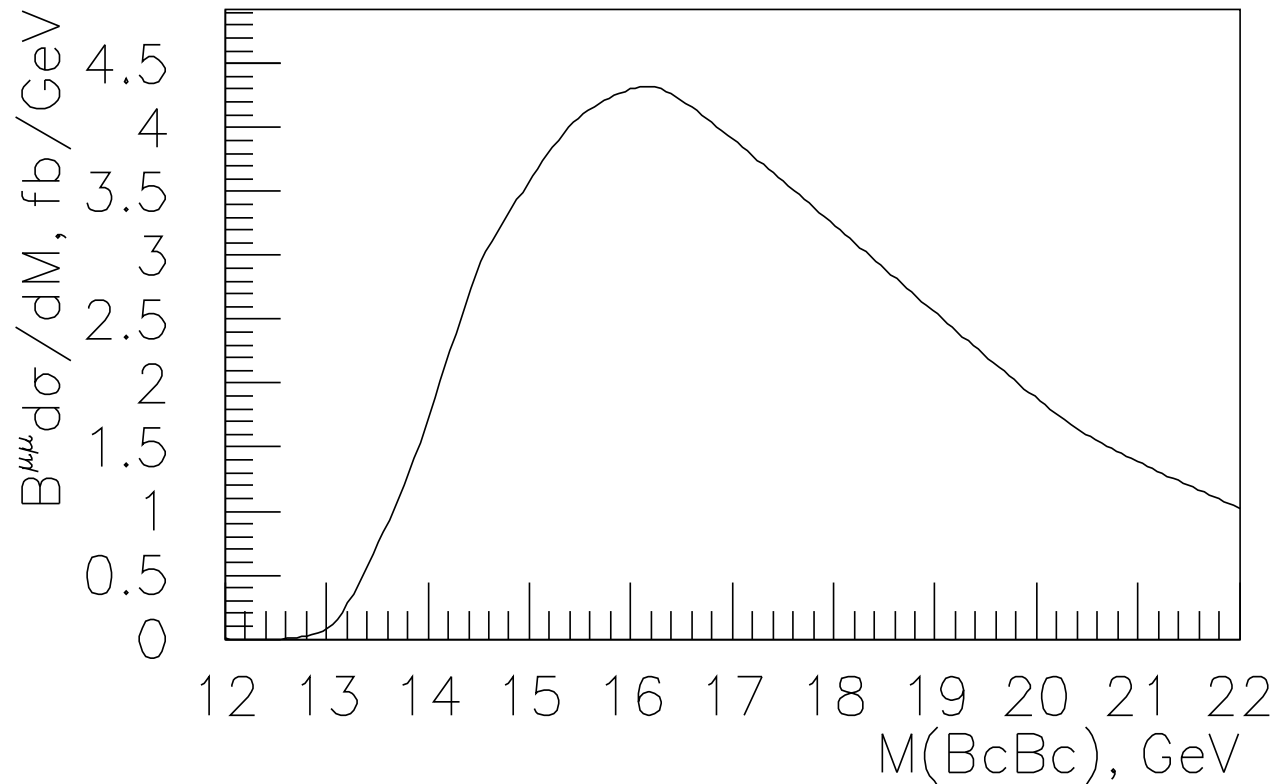
**Experiment:**  $Br^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu} Br^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu} \sigma_{fid}(pp \rightarrow J/\psi + \Upsilon) \simeq 27$  fb

dash-dotted, singlet+octet at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ ; dotted, color-octets at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ ;

dashed, color-singlets at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^6)$ ; solid, non-prompt production via  $\Upsilon b\bar{b}$

## Resonant production mechanism at D0

Four-quark invariant mass spectrum at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV



**Cross section times muon branching fraction**

$$B_{r^{\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu}} B_{r^{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu}} \sigma_{tot}(pp \rightarrow B_c \bar{B}_c) \simeq 20 \text{ fb}$$

**(too low to explain the data)**

## CONCLUSIONS

At LHCb,

– the expected production cross section amounts to approx. 20 fb; this is comparable with that has been measured successfully by other collaborations. The peaking signal is well recognizable over flat background. The measurements (and the detection of a tetraquark) look feasible.

At D0,

– the estimated cross section is about one order of magnitude below the data. The proposed mechanism can hardly explain the  $J/\psi + \Upsilon$  events at D0, although the uncertainties are large. Detection of the tetraquark at the LHC (if takes place) could reduce theoretical uncertainties.

Thank you!