

Introduction to flavour experiments

In memoriam of Sheldon Stone (Feb. 14, 1946 – Oct. 6, 2021)



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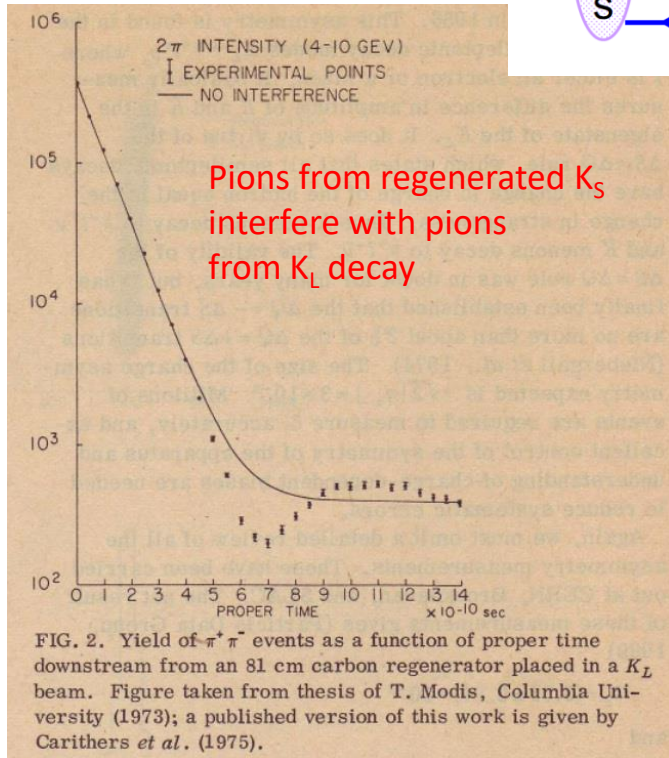
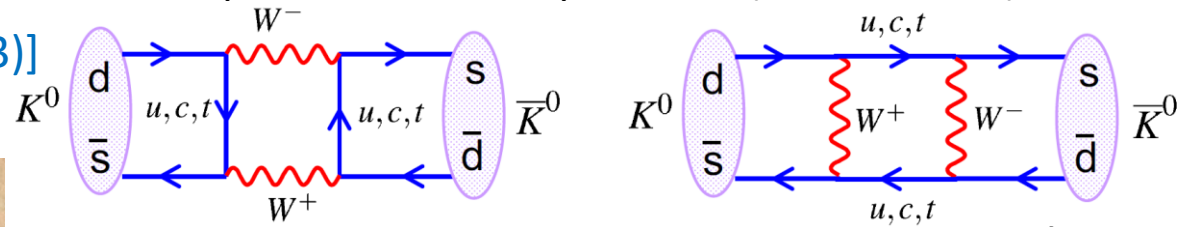
Outline

- Lesson 1: Introduction to flavour physics
- Lesson 2: The CKM matrix
- Lesson 3: Rare decays of heavy hadrons
- Lesson 4: Mixing and CP violation

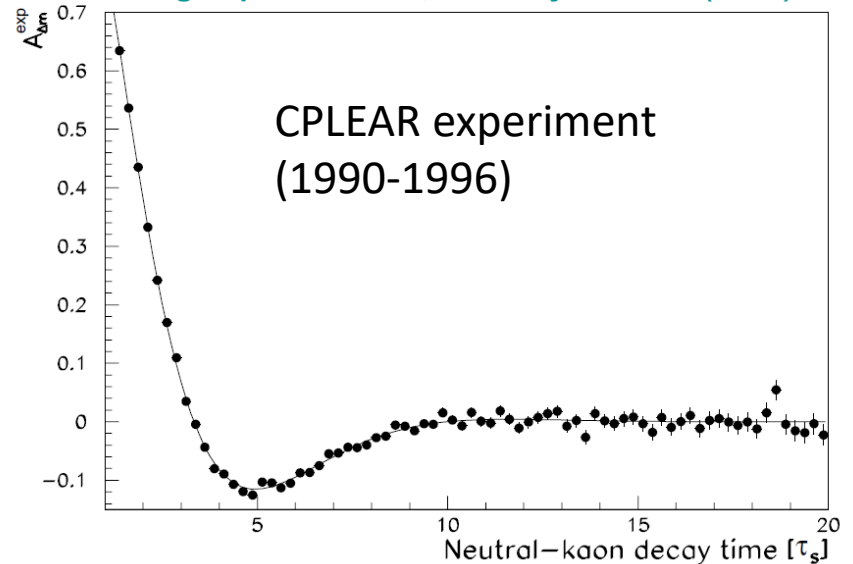
Mixing and CP violation

- Neutral mesons oscillates between particles and antiparticles (for K^0 , D^0 , B^0)

[PhysRev.132.2285 (1963)]



A. Angelopoulos *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. C22 (2001) 55



James W. Cronin

$$m(K_S) \approx m(K_L) \approx 498 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\tau(K_S) = 0.9 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}$$

$$\tau(K_L) = 0.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ s}$$

$$|K_S\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|K^0\rangle - |\bar{K}^0\rangle)$$

$$K_S \rightarrow \pi\pi$$

$$|K_L\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|K^0\rangle + |\bar{K}^0\rangle)$$

$$K_L \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi$$

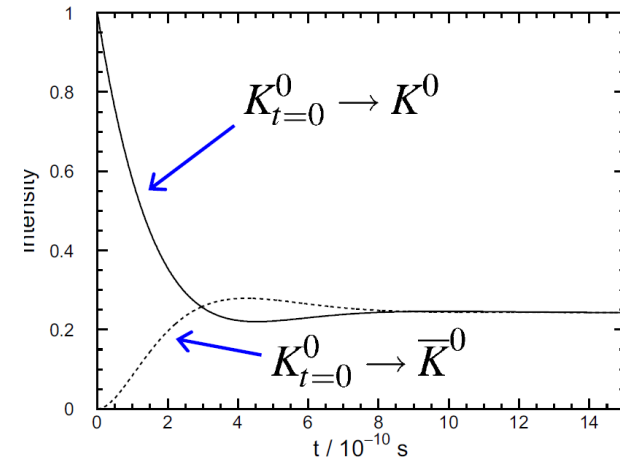
Mixing and CP violation

- The probability of oscillations is given by:

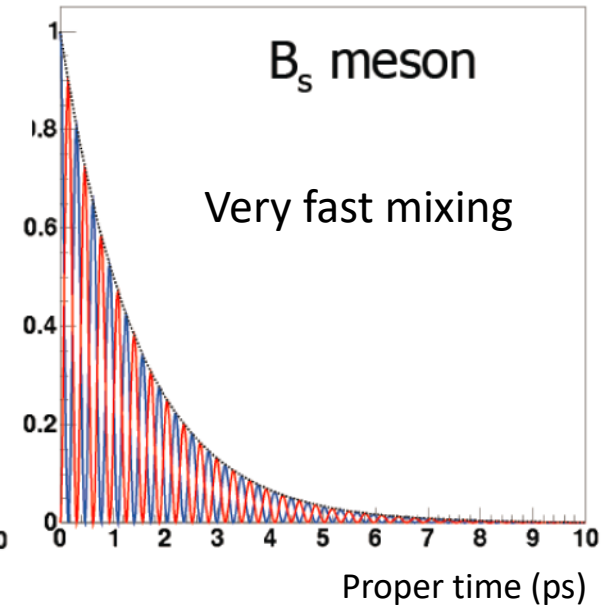
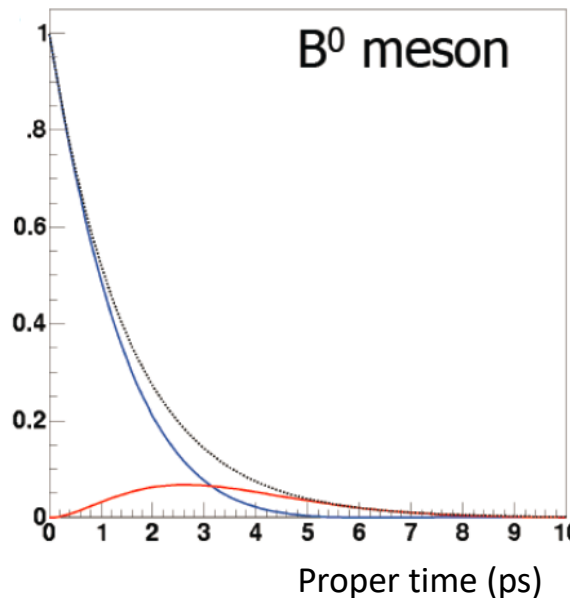
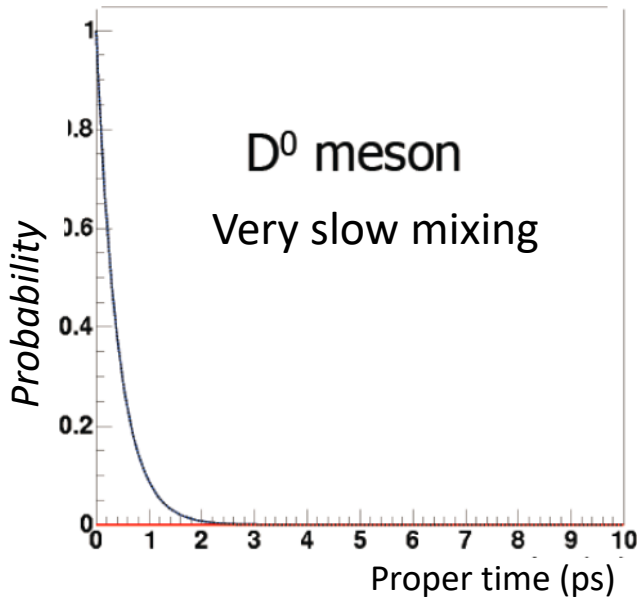
$$\Gamma(K_{t=0}^0 \rightarrow K^0) = \frac{1}{4} \left[e^{-\Gamma_S t} + e^{-\Gamma_L t} + 2e^{-(\Gamma_S + \Gamma_L)t/2} \cos \Delta m t \right]$$

$$\Gamma(K_{t=0}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0) = \frac{1}{4} \left[e^{-\Gamma_S t} + e^{-\Gamma_L t} - 2e^{-(\Gamma_S + \Gamma_L)t/2} \cos \Delta m t \right]$$

$$\Delta m = m(K_L) - m(K_S) = (3.506 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{-15} \text{ GeV}$$



- For charm and beauty systems:



B mixing and CP violation

Mixing of neutral B mesons governed by

Mass eigenstates:

$$|B_{L,H}\rangle = p |B^0\rangle \pm q |\bar{B}^0\rangle$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{11} & M_{12} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12} \\ M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}^* & M_{22} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

p and q represent the amount of state mixing

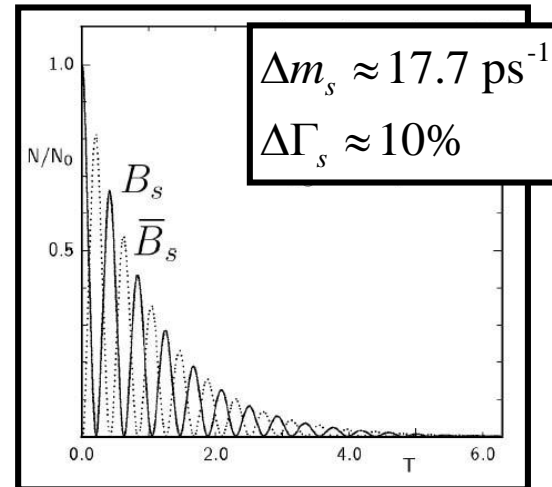
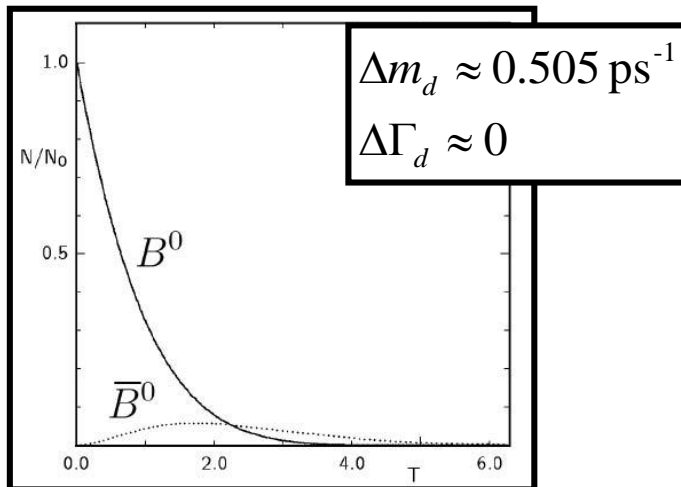
$$|p|^2 + |q|^2 = 1$$

$$|q/p| = 1$$

$$\frac{q}{p} = \sqrt{\frac{M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}^*}{M_{12} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}}}$$

$$\Delta m = m_H - m_L = 2|M_{12}|$$

$$\Delta \Gamma = \Gamma_L - \Gamma_H = 2|\Gamma_{12}|$$

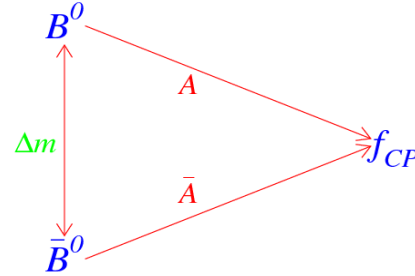


B mixing and CP violation

Decay amplitudes of flavour states decaying to the same final state f

$$A_f = \langle f | H | B^0 \rangle \quad \bar{A}_f = \langle f | H | \bar{B}^0 \rangle$$

One can define
$$\lambda_f = \frac{q}{p} \frac{\bar{A}_f}{A_f}$$



$$\tau \equiv 1/\Gamma$$

$$x \equiv \Delta m/\Gamma$$

$$y \equiv \Delta\Gamma/2\Gamma$$

Time dependence of decay rate for initially pure flavour states:

$$\Gamma_f \equiv \left| \langle f | H | B^0(t) \rangle \right|^2 = \frac{1 + |\lambda_f|^2}{2} |A_f|^2 e^{-t/\tau} \left[\cosh yt/\tau + A_{\Delta f} \sinh yt/\tau + C_f \cos xt/\tau - S_f \sin xt/\tau \right]$$

$$\bar{\Gamma}_f \equiv \left| \langle f | H | \bar{B}^0(t) \rangle \right|^2 = \frac{1 + |\lambda_f|^2}{2} \left| \frac{p}{q} A_f \right|^2 e^{-t/\tau} \left[\cosh yt/\tau + A_{\Delta f} \sinh yt/\tau - C_f \cos xt/\tau + S_f \sin xt/\tau \right]$$

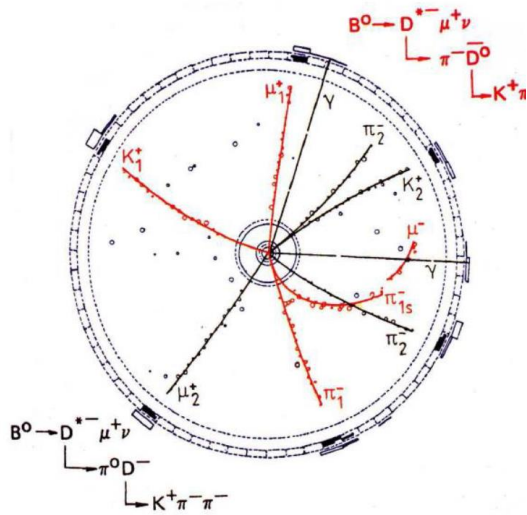
$$S_f \equiv \frac{2 \operatorname{Im} \lambda_f}{1 + |\lambda_f|^2}$$

$$C_f = \frac{1 - |\lambda_f|^2}{1 + |\lambda_f|^2}$$

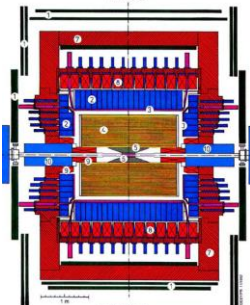
$$A_{\Delta f}^2 + S_f^2 + C_f^2 = 1$$

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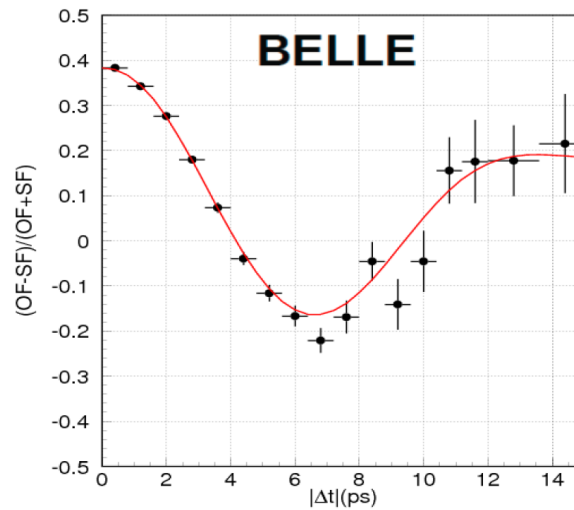
[Phys.Lett.B 192 (1987) 245-252]



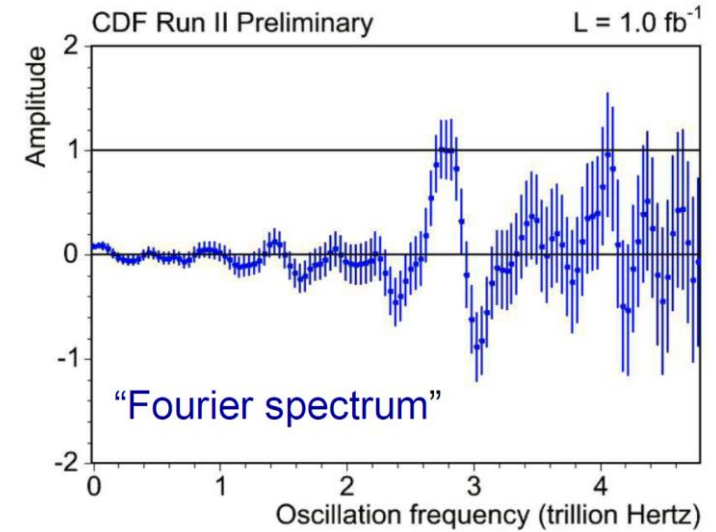
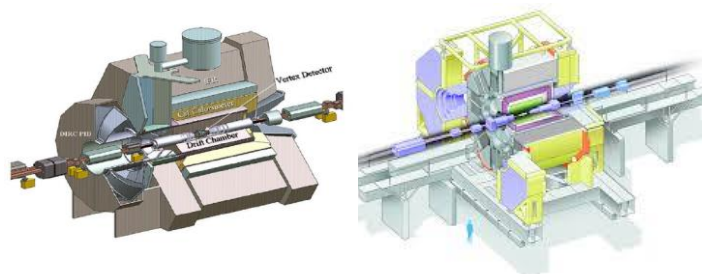
First observation of B oscillations at ARGUS (1987) (DESY)



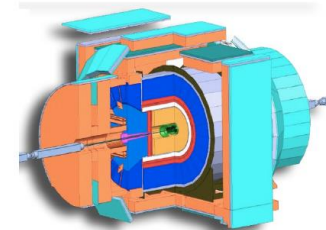
[Phys.Rev.Lett.97 (2006) 062003]



Precise measurements of the B oscillation frequency at B factories!



First evidence of B_s oscillations at CDF (Fermilab)



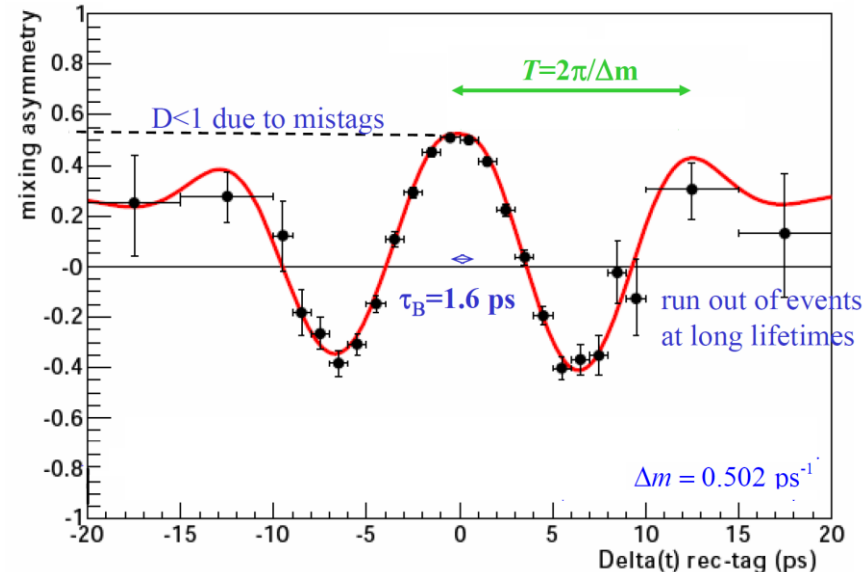
B mixing and CP violation

How to measure the B oscillation frequency?

$$\left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right)_{\text{nomix}} = \frac{1}{4\tau_B} \cdot e^{-\Gamma t} \cdot [1 + \cos(\Delta m_d \cdot t)]$$

$$\left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right)_{\text{mix}} = \frac{1}{4\tau_B} \cdot e^{-\Gamma t} \cdot [1 - \cos(\Delta m_d \cdot t)]$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{\text{mix}} = \frac{\left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right)_{\text{nomix}} - \left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right)_{\text{mix}}}{\left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right)_{\text{nomix}} + \left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right)_{\text{mix}}} = \cos(\Delta m \cdot t)$$



To measure the mixing asymmetry we need to know:

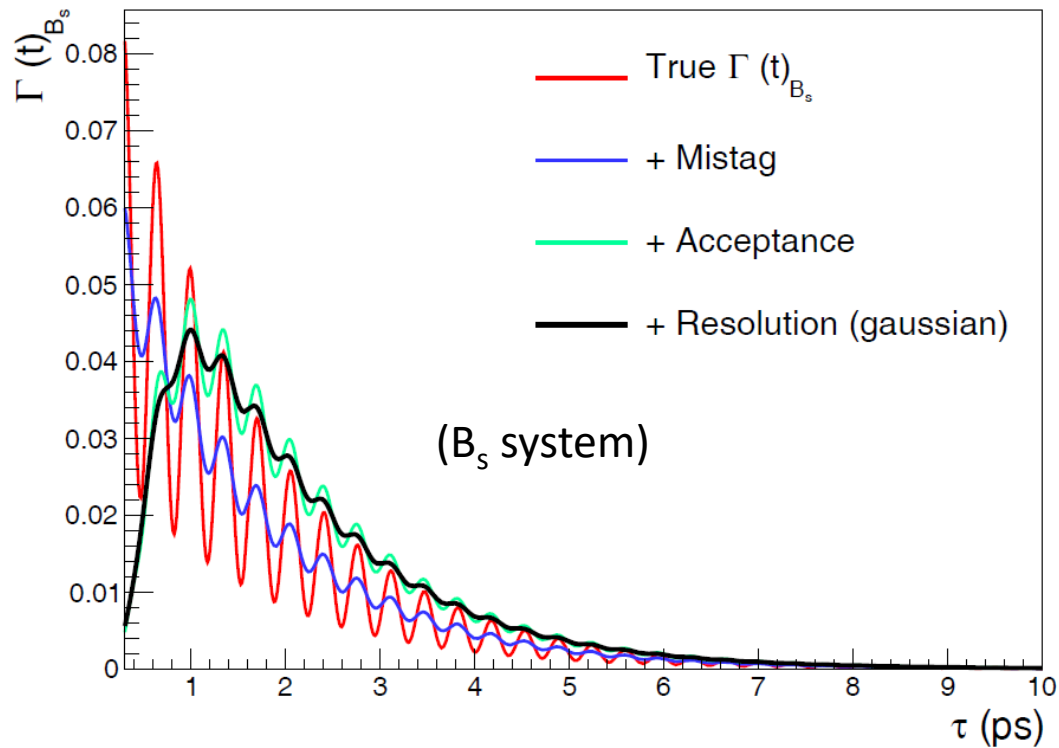
- When it was produced, was the meson a B^0 or anti- B^0 ?
- When it decayed, was the meson a B^0 or anti- B^0 ?
- What is the time difference between production and decay

Including experimental effects $A_{\text{mix}} \rightarrow \{(1 - 2\omega) \times \cos \Delta m \Delta t\} \otimes R(\Delta t)$

B mixing and CP violation

- Experimental effects:

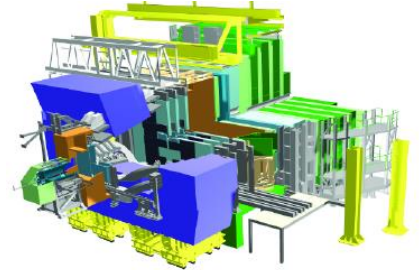
Dilution of the oscillation (lost of sensitivity of the oscillation parameters)
due to reconstruction effects



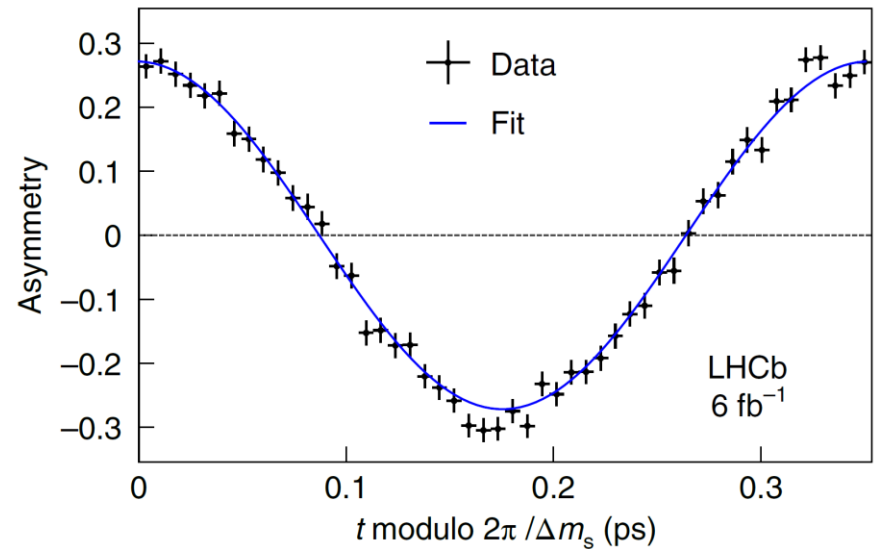
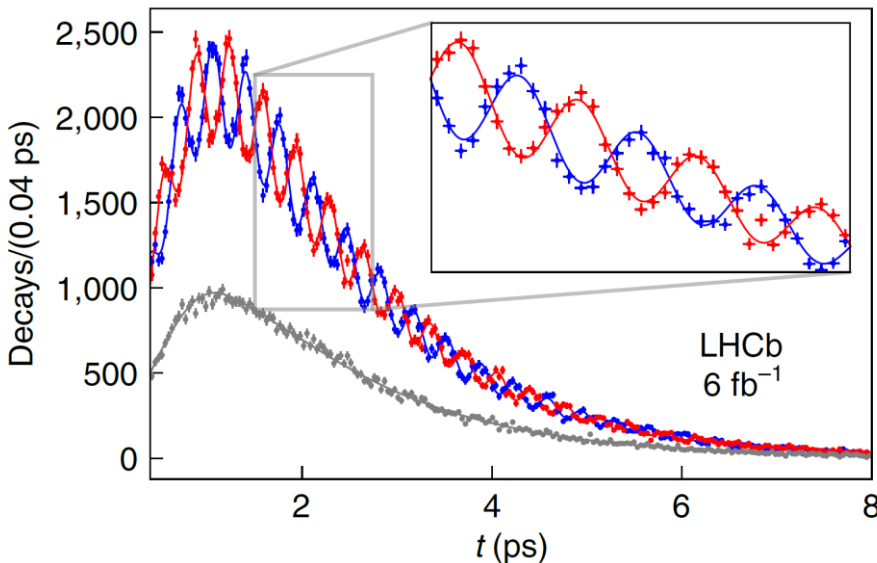
$$A_{mix}(t) \frac{N^{unmix}(t) - N^{mix}(t)}{N^{unmix}(t) + N^{mix}(t)} = \cos \Delta mt \quad \longrightarrow \quad = \{(1 - 2\omega) \times \cos \Delta m \Delta t\} \otimes R(\Delta t)$$

B mixing and CP violation

Precise measurement of Δm_s at LHCb:



$$A(t) = \frac{N(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+, t) - N(\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+, t)}{N(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+, t) + N(\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+, t)}$$



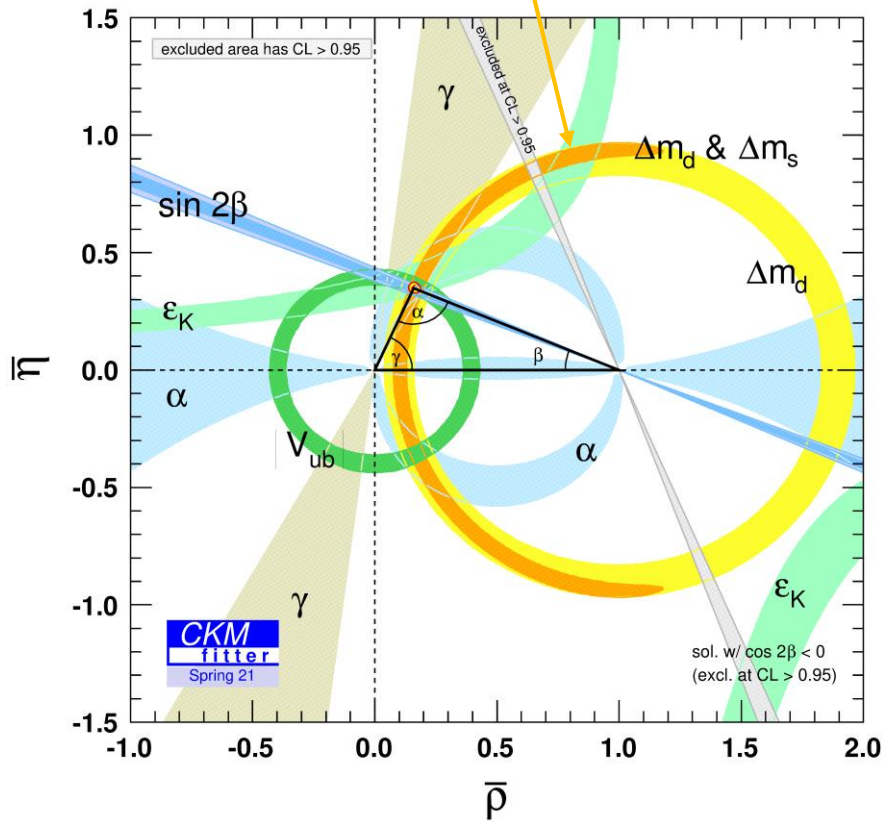
$$\Delta m_s = 17.768 \pm 0.023(stat) \pm 0.006(syst) ps^{-1}$$

B mixing and CP violation

Constraints on the CKM unitary triangle:

$$\frac{\Delta m_d}{\Delta m_s} = \frac{m_{B_d} f_{B_d}^2 \hat{B}_{B_d} |V_{td}|^2}{m_{B_s} f_{B_s}^2 \hat{B}_{B_s} |V_{ts}|^2}$$

Combining measurements of LEP, B factories, CDF, CMS, and LHCb



(HFLAV 2021)

$$\Delta m_d = (0.5065 \pm 0.0019) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta m_s = (17.741 \pm 0.020) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

B mixing and CP violation

CP Violation $\rightarrow \Gamma_f \neq \bar{\Gamma}_f$

Three types:

• **CPV in Decay:** $B^0 \rightarrow f \neq \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \bar{f}$

$$\left| \frac{\bar{A}_f}{A_f} \right| \neq 1$$

• **CPV in Mixing:** $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{B}^0 \neq \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow B^0$

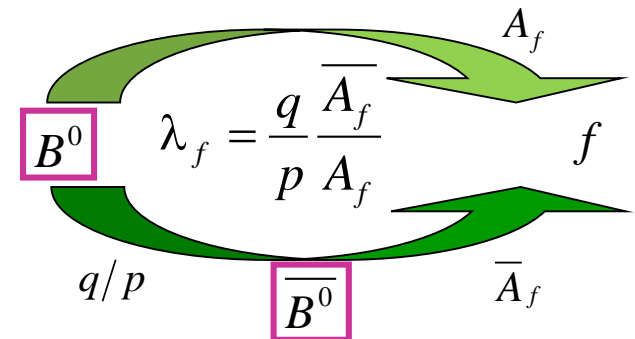
$$\left| \frac{q}{p} \right| \neq 1$$

$$\text{Im} \{ \Gamma_{12}^* M_{12} \} \neq 0$$

• **CPV in Interference between mixing and decay:**

$$|\lambda_f| = 1, \quad \text{Im} \{ \lambda_f \} \neq 0$$

$$A_f^{CP}(t) = \frac{\Gamma_f(t) - \bar{\Gamma}_f(t)}{\Gamma_f(t) + \bar{\Gamma}_f(t)} = \frac{-C_f \cos(\Delta mt) + S_f \sin(\Delta mt)}{\cosh(\Delta\Gamma t/2) + A_{\Delta f} \sinh(\Delta\Gamma t/2)}$$

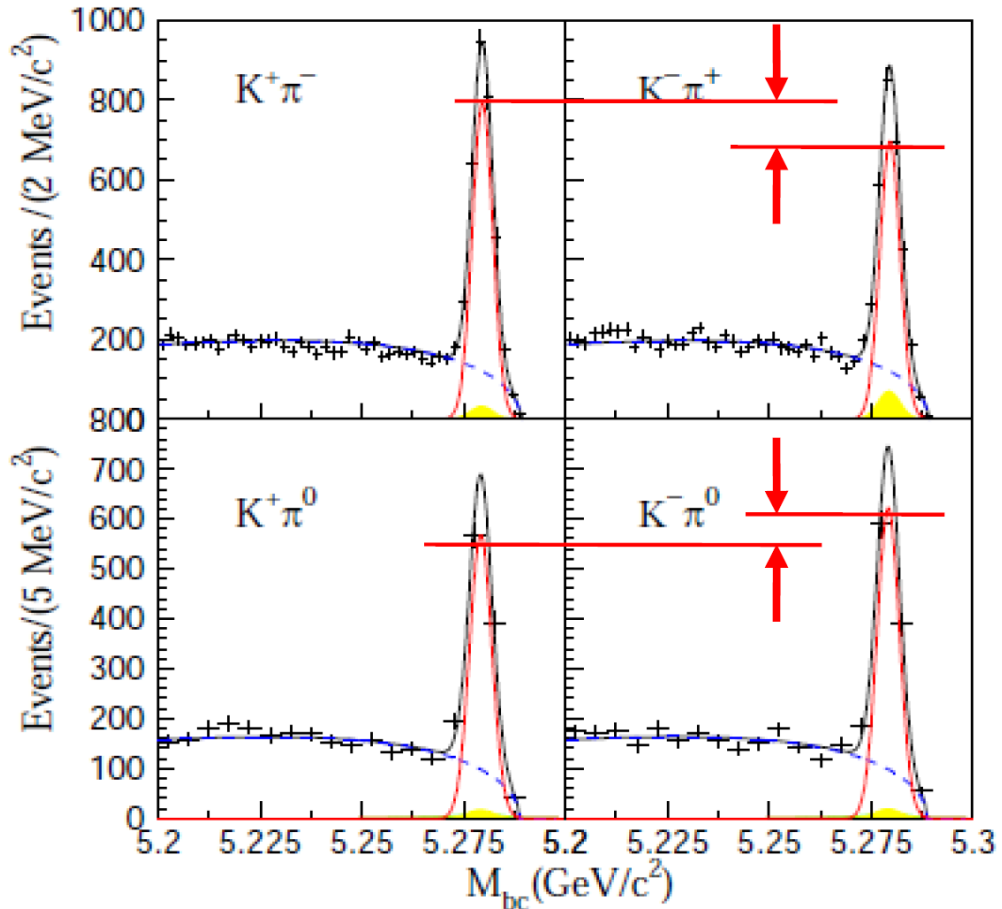
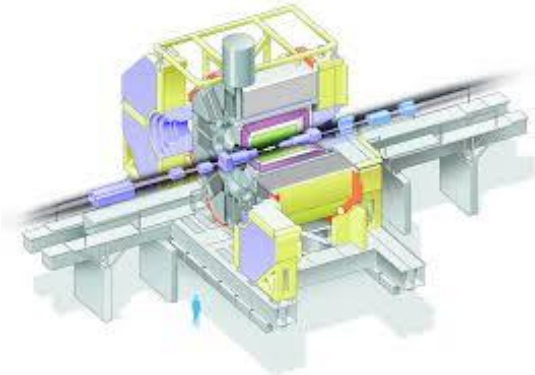


B mixing and CP violation

Direct CP violation in the $B \rightarrow K\pi$ system

$$A_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow K\pi) = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+) - \Gamma(B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+) + \Gamma(B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-)}$$

At Belle, 772 M $\bar{B}B$ events:
[\[Belle, PRD 87, 031103 \(2013\)\]](#)



B mixing and CP violation

How to measure the time dependent CP asymmetry?

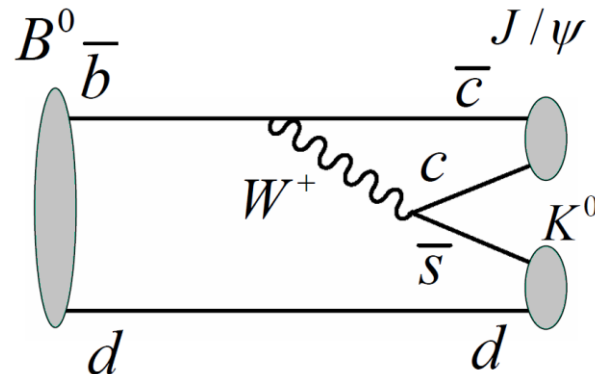
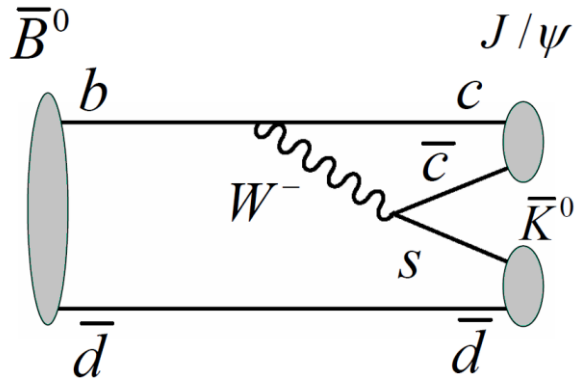
Determine the initial state (tag from the other B) [flavor tagging]

$$A_{CP}(\Delta t) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B}^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f_{CP}) - \Gamma(B^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f_{CP})}{\Gamma(\bar{B}^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f_{CP}) + \Gamma(B^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f_{CP})}$$

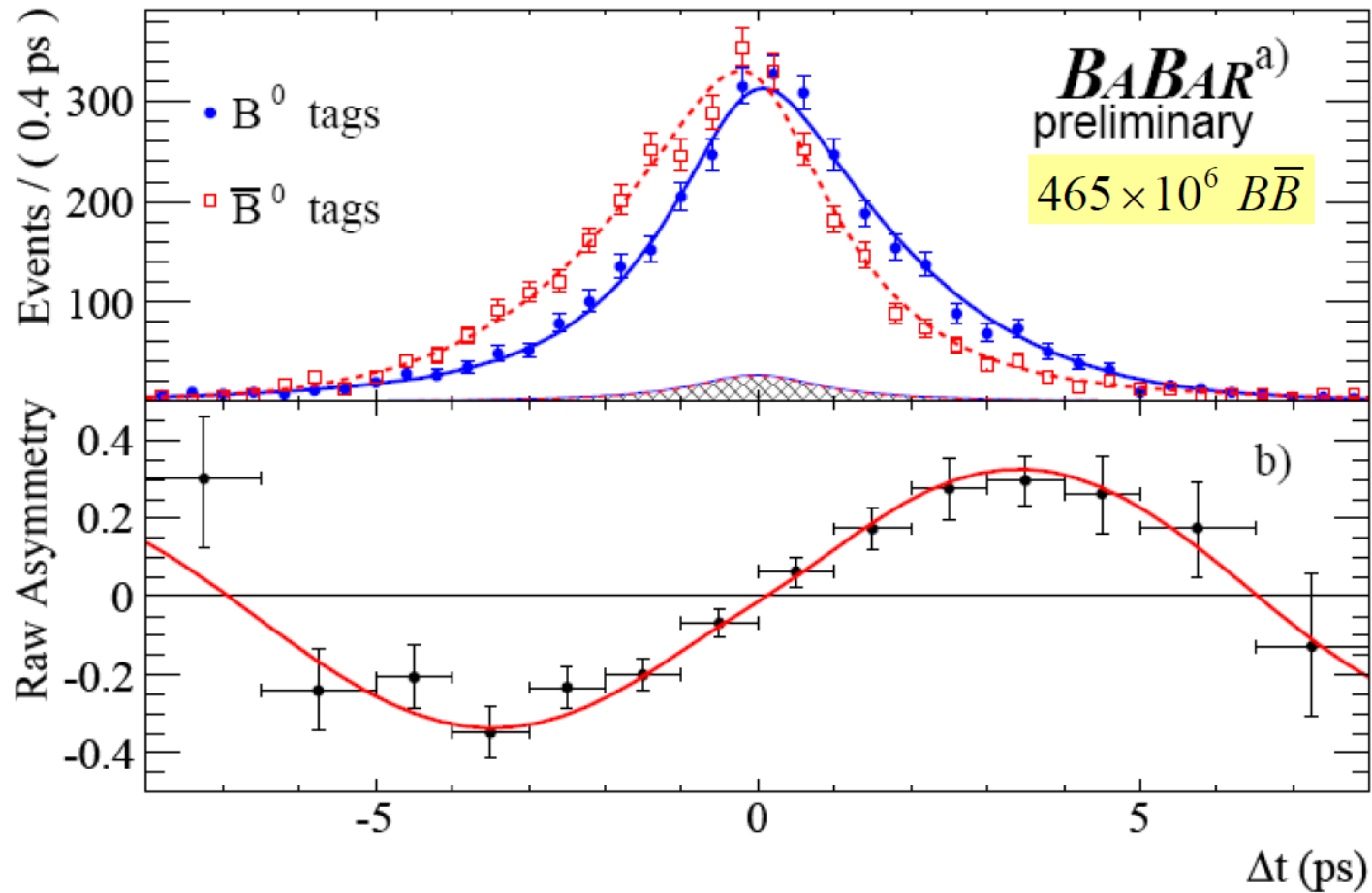
Reconstruct the final state system
[PID]

Measure the time dependence
[time resolution]

One example: $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^0$



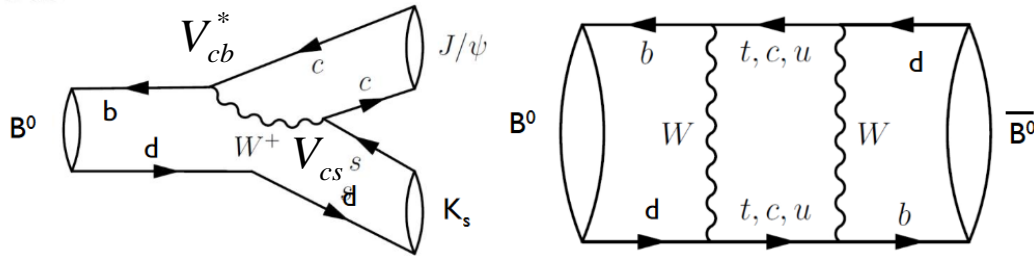
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Measuring the β angle of the CKM triangle

Golden channel: $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^0$

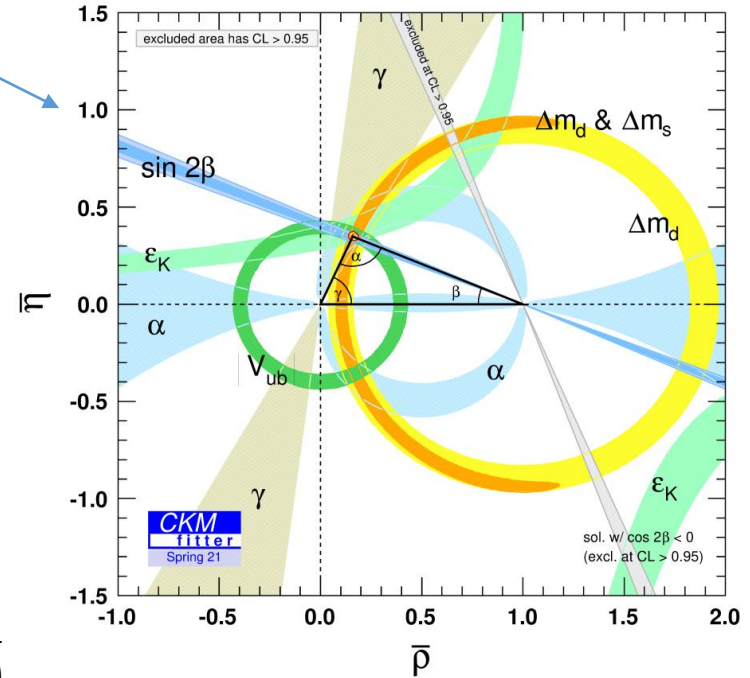


$$A_f^{CP}(t) = \frac{\Gamma_f(t) - \bar{\Gamma}_f(t)}{\Gamma_f(t) + \bar{\Gamma}_f(t)} = \frac{-C_f \cos(\Delta mt) + S_f \sin(\Delta mt)}{\cosh(\Delta\Gamma t/2) + A_{\Delta f} \sinh(\Delta\Gamma t/2)}$$

$$\sim -C_f \cos(\Delta mt) + S_f \sin(\Delta mt)$$

$C_f \sim 0$ in the SM

$$A_f^{CP}(t) \sim \sin 2\beta \sin(\Delta mt)$$



$$S_f \equiv \frac{2 \text{Im}\lambda_f}{1 + |\lambda_f|^2}$$

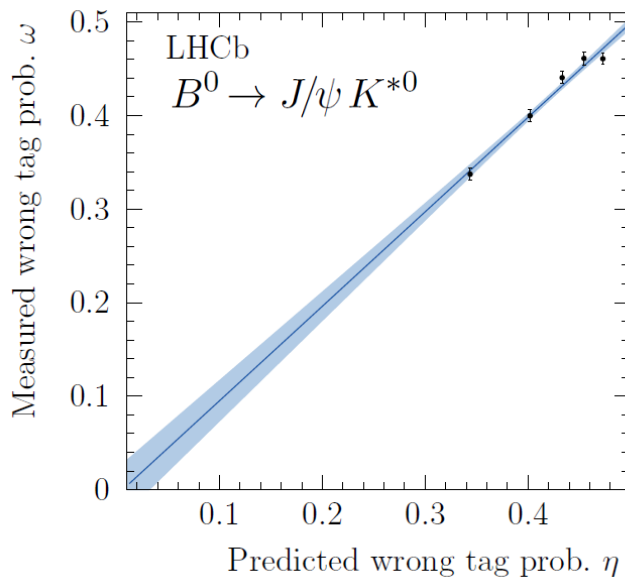
$$\text{Im}\{\lambda_f\} = \text{Im}\{-e^{-2i\beta}\} = \sin 2\beta$$

B mixing and CP violation

Count number of tagged signal events reconstructed as function of time

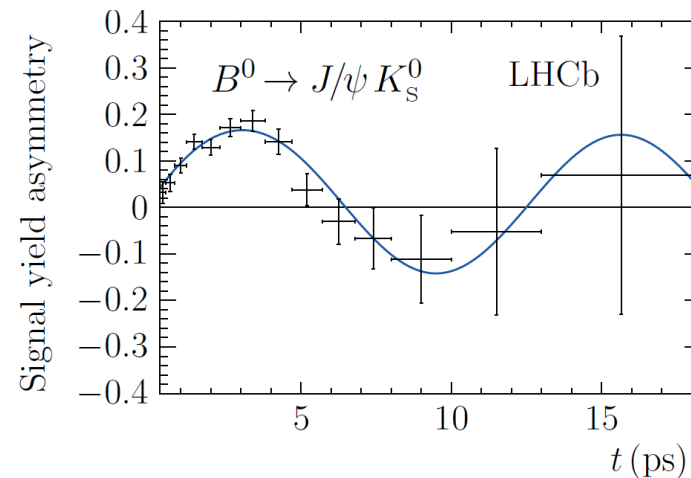
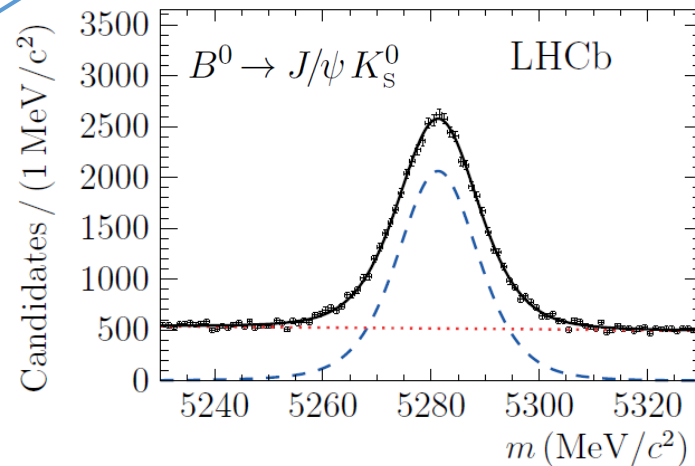
$$A_{CP}(t) = \frac{N(B_{tag} = B^0) - N(B_{tag} = \bar{B}^0)}{N(B_{tag} = B^0) + N(B_{tag} = \bar{B}^0)} \approx \pm \{(1 - 2\omega) \times \sin 2\beta \times \sin(\Delta m \Delta t)\} \otimes R(\Delta t)$$

Flavour mistag calibrated
using a control sample
flavour specific ($K^{*0} \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$)



$$\omega = (35.62 \pm 0.12) \%$$

$$\varepsilon_{tag} = (36.54 \pm 0.14) \%$$



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CKM fitter:

<http://ckmfitter.in2p3.fr/>

