

# Recent experimental results on Charm hadron decays

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# Outline

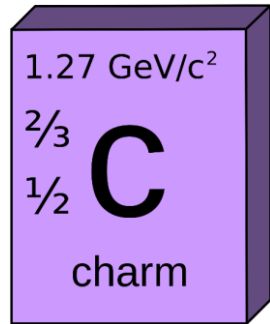
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- Motivations
- Selected results in the past year (earlier results can be found in Prasanth & Hailong's review talks at PIC2022)
  - $D^0\bar{D}^0$  mixing & CP Violation
  - Lifetimes of Charm hadrons
  - QCD & Hadron structures
  - Rare decays
- Summary & Prospect



**Spectroscopy results will be covered by Bei Jiang and Roberto's talk!**

# Introduction



<i>c</i> -QUARK MASS	1.27 ± 0.02 GeV
$m_c/m_s$ MASS RATIO	11.76 <sup>+0.05</sup> <sub>-0.10</sub>
$m_b/m_c$ MASS RATIO	4.58 ± 0.01
$m_b - m_c$ QUARK MASS DIFFERENCE	3.45 ± 0.05 GeV

## ● Interactions in Standard Model

### ● Strong interactions: Perturbative & **non-Perturbative**

#### ● QCD (Spectroscopy, Lattice QCD)

#### ● QCD corrections are large (difficult to calculate) ← **Experimental input**

### ● Electroweak interactions: $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ , $\Delta C = 1$ , $\Delta C = 2$ processes

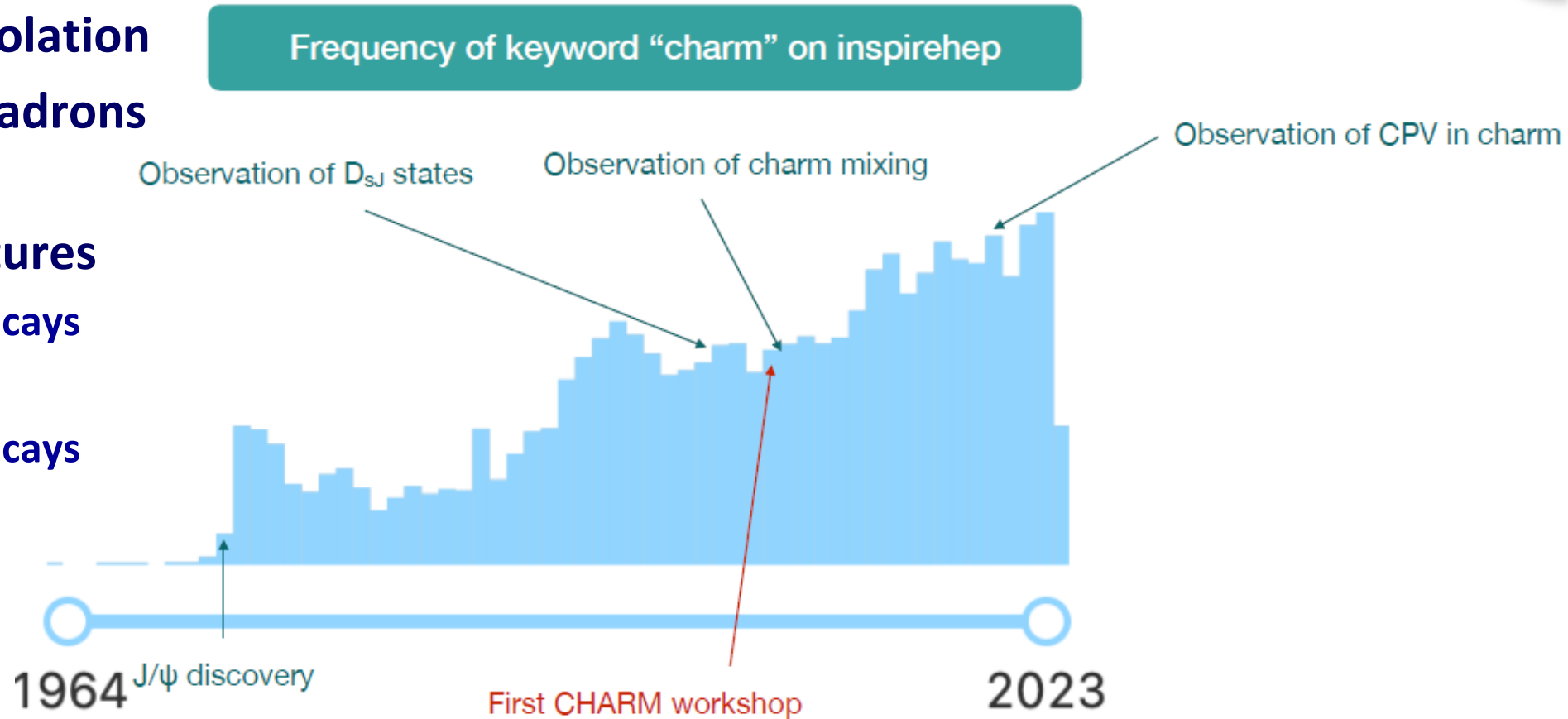
## ● A unique platform on searching for New physics

### ● Up type quarks (**Charm & Top**) offer **unique probes**

### ● Rare decays & CP violation suppressed in SM

# Covered experimental topics

- $D^0\bar{D}^0$  mixing & CP Violation
- Lifetimes of Charm hadrons
  - $D_S^+, E_C^0, \Lambda_C^+, \Omega_C^0, E_C^+$
- QCD & Hadron structures
  - (Semi)leptonic  $D$  decays
  - Hadronic  $D$  decays
  - Charmed baryon decays
- Rare decays



From Tara Nanut Petric's talk @Charm2023

# Charm Facilities

## Charm factory

- **Threshold production:** No boost
- **Small X-section :** Lowest Statistics
- **Quantum coherence**
- **Inclusive charm, neutrals and neutrinos**
- **Absolute BFs**

## B factory

- **Low background**
- **Low statistics**
- **Low boost**
- **Good for neutrals and neutrinos**
- **Some Absolute BFs**

## Hadron collider

- **High background**
- **High statistics**
- **High boost**
- **Challenging for neutrals and neutrinos**
- **Complex and biasing triggers**

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \psi(3770) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$$

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{(*)} \bar{D}_{(s)}^{(*)}$$

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^-$$

**BESIII, STCF in the future**

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c}$$

**+ some other Stuff**

**Belle / Belle II**

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow c\bar{c}$$

**+ lots of other Stuff**

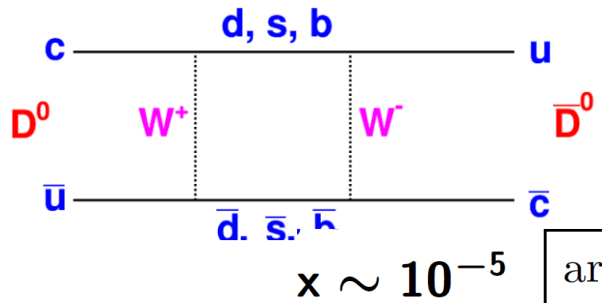
**LHCb**

# $D^0 \bar{D}^0$ mixing

$$x = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{\Gamma}; y = \frac{\Gamma_2 - \Gamma_1}{2\Gamma}$$

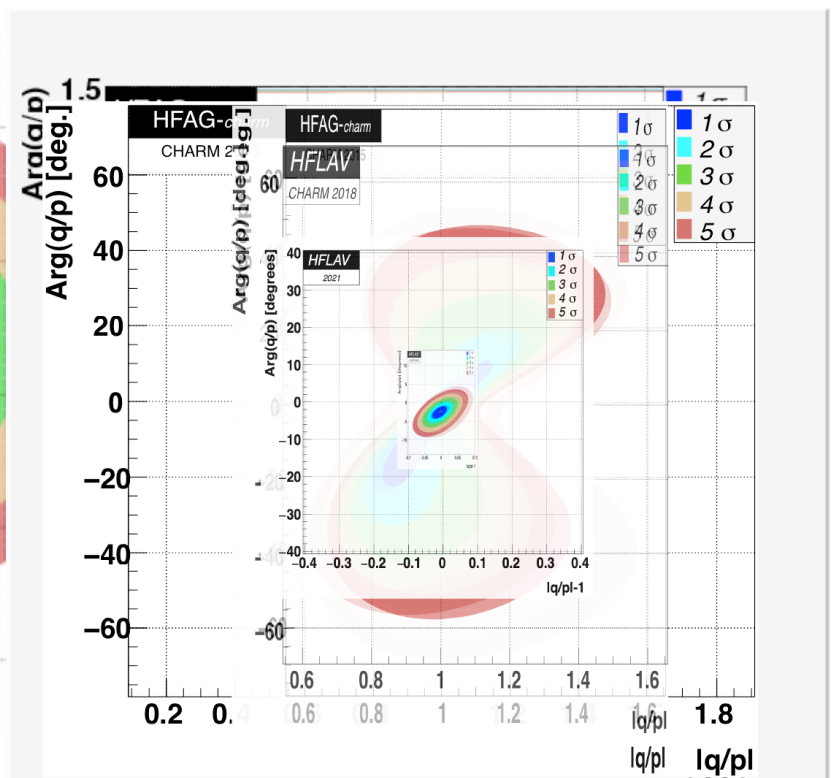
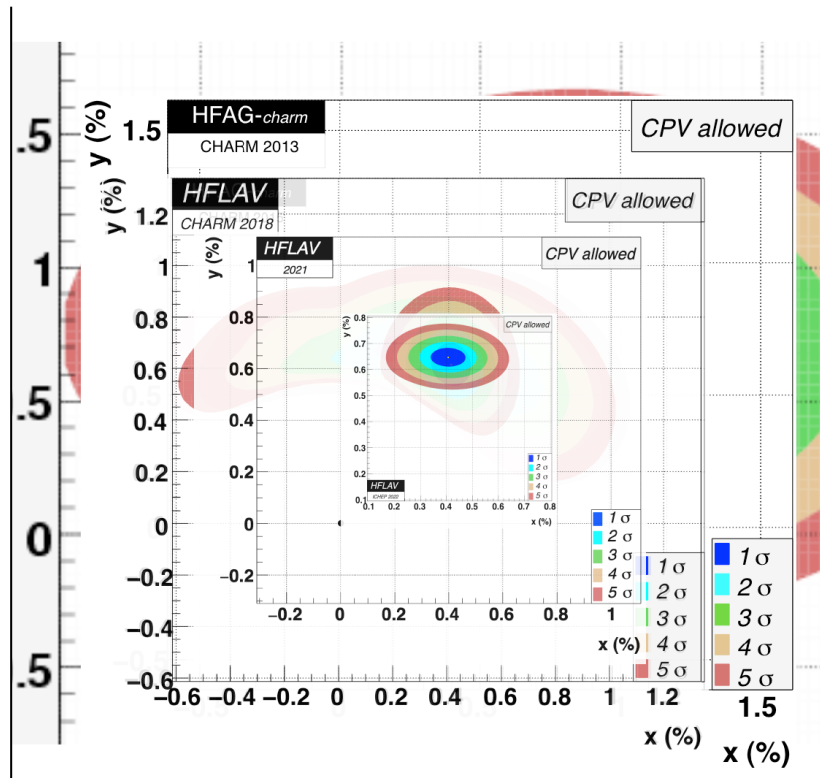
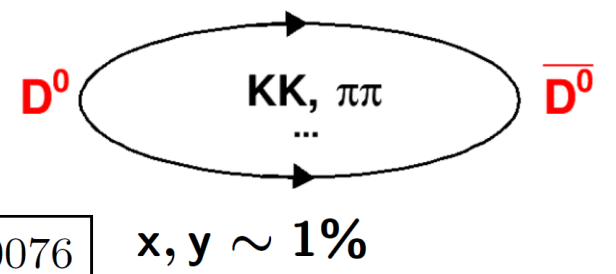
- New Physics can affect  $x$
- Long range effects  $\Leftarrow$  difficult to calculate
- Large uncertainties in SM mixing rate  $\Leftarrow$  difficult to spot NP!

Short range quark-level mixing:



arXiv : hep - ph/0310076

Long range mixing via Final State Interactions:



# Discovery of CP violation in Charm in 2019

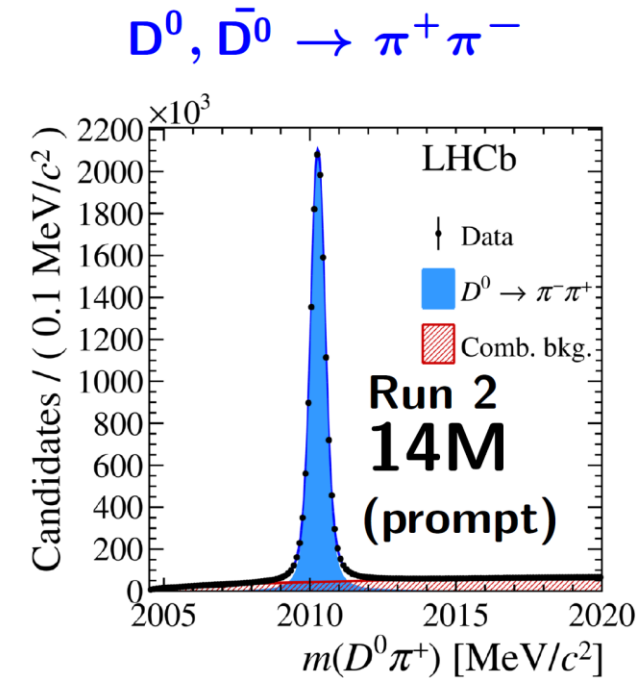
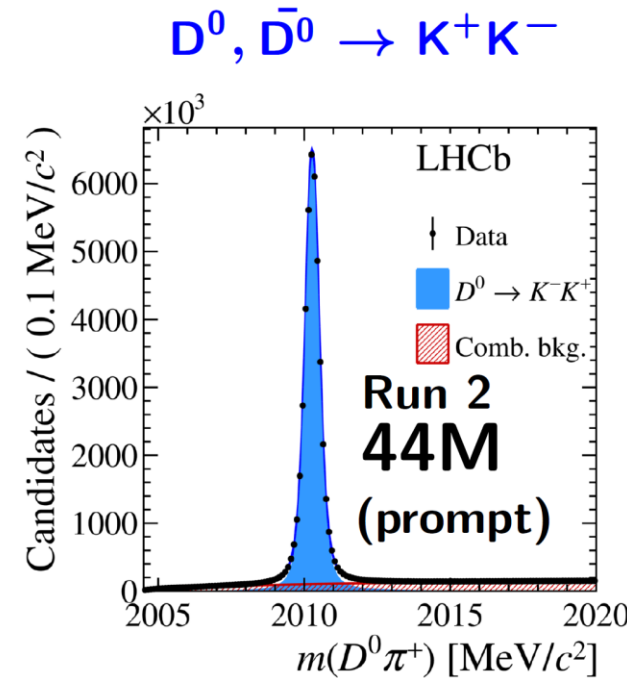
$$A_{\text{raw}} = A_{CP} + A_{\text{production}} + A_{\text{detection}}$$

PRL 122; 211803 (2019)



$$\Delta A_{CP} \equiv A_{\text{raw}}(K^+K^-) - A_{\text{raw}}(\pi^+\pi^-) \approx A_{CP}(K^+K^-) - A_{CP}(\pi^+\pi^-)$$

- We measure the physical  $CP$  asymmetry plus asymmetries due to detection effects and production
- All nuisance asymmetries cancel out in the difference
- Full LHCb dataset (Run1 + Run2)
- First observation of CPV in charm decays



$$\Delta A_{CP} = (-15.4 \pm 2.9) \times 10^{-4}$$

5.3 $\sigma$  from zero!

# Individual asymmetries in $D^0 \rightarrow hh$ decays

arXiv:2209.03179(2022)



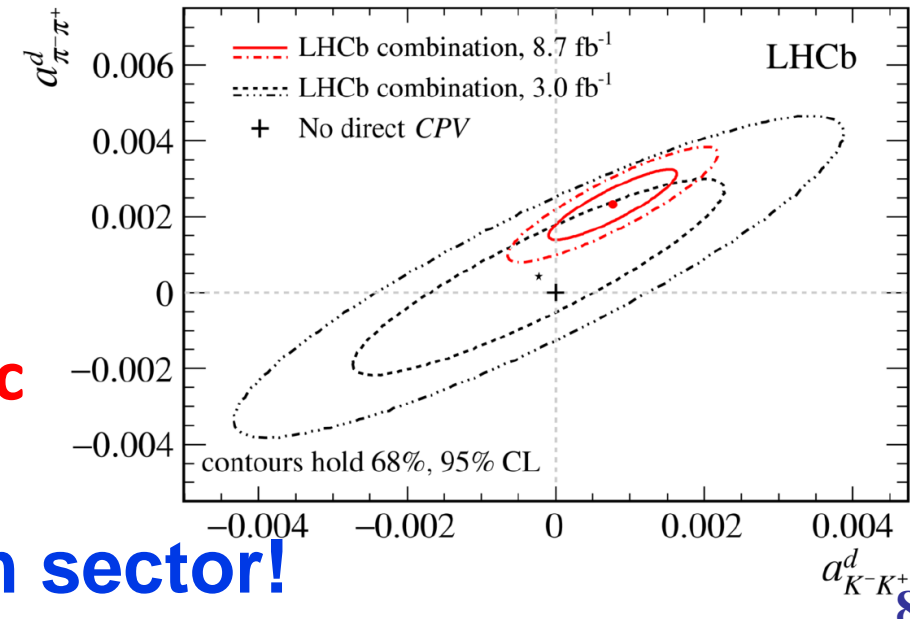
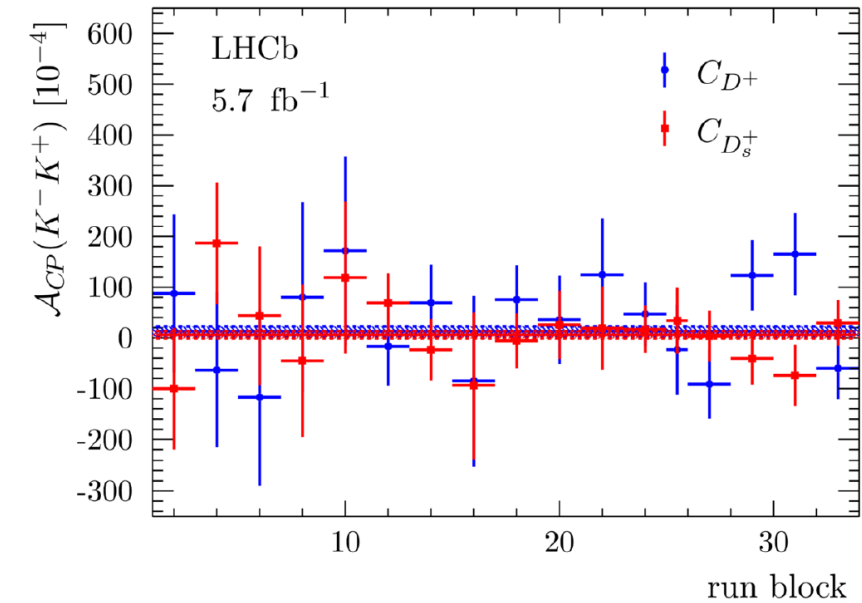
- Control samples to cancel the detection and production asymmetries
- Control samples: no CPV is expected in Cabibbo Favor  $D^+$ ,  $D_s^+$  decays (Statistically independent)

$$a_{K^-K^+}^d = (7.7 \pm 5.7) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$a_{\pi^-\pi^+}^d = (23.2 \pm 6.1) \times 10^{-4}$$

- Inconsistent with the CP symmetry hypothesis ( $3.8\sigma$ )
- First evidence for direct CP violation in a specific charm decay,  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$

No other direct CPV observed yet in Charm sector!

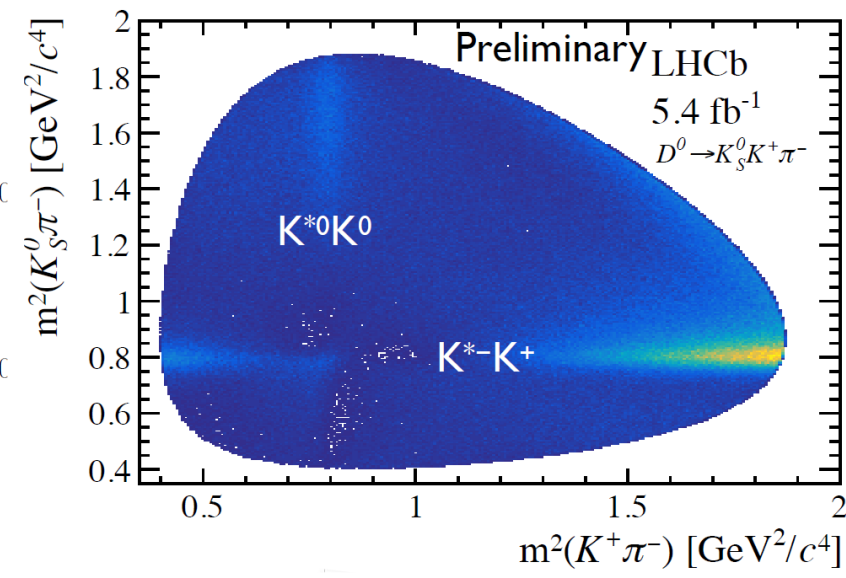
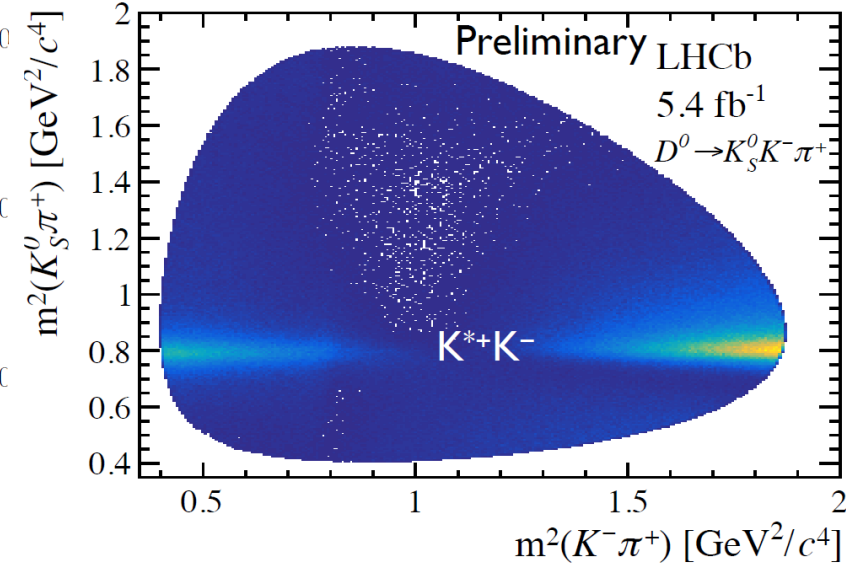
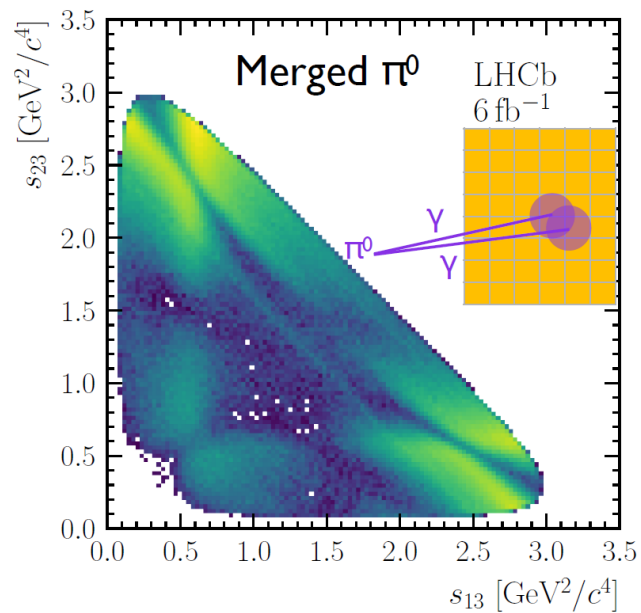
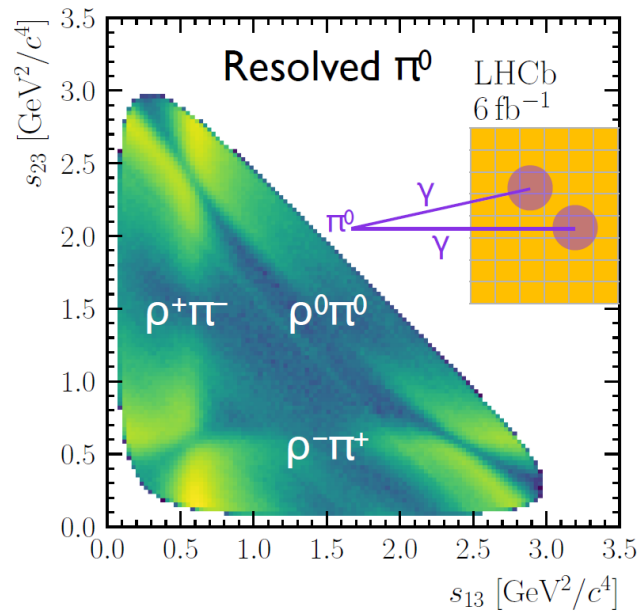




# Search for CPV in $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ , $D \rightarrow K_S K^{\mp} \pi^{\pm}$

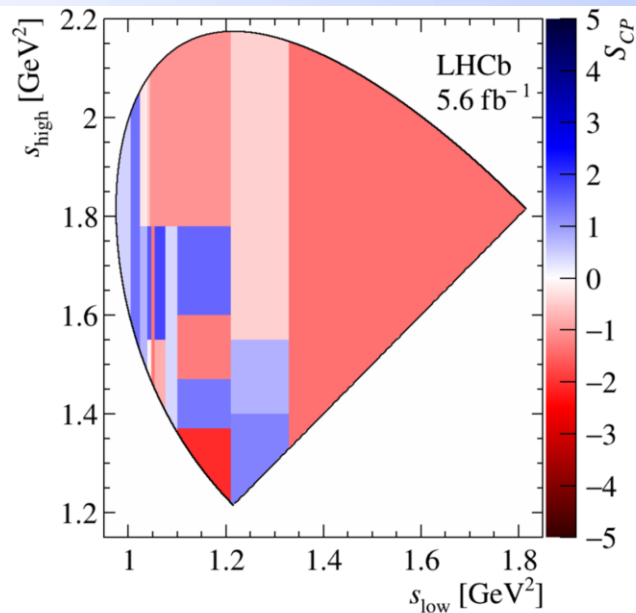


arXiv:2306.12746 (2023)  
LHCb-PAPER-2023-019



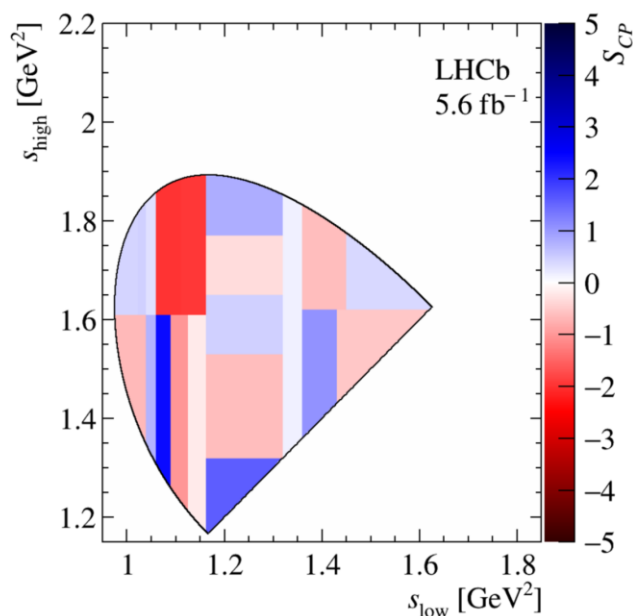
- Energy test ( $\sim$  unbinned version of  $\chi^2$  test) reveals no significant difference between CP-conjugate Dalitz plots.
- Note however, that current sensitivity insufficient to discover CPV at level seen in 2-body decays.

# Search for CPV in $D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow K^- K^+ K^+$



JHEP 2023, 67 (2023)

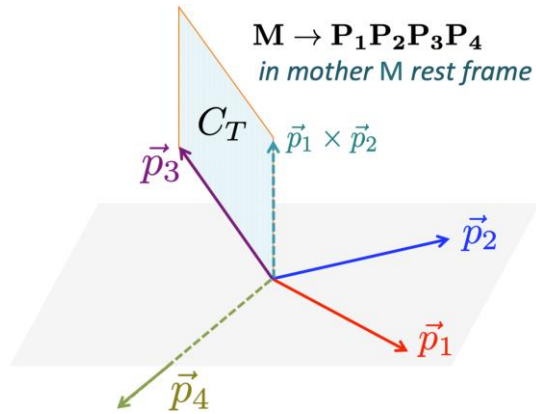
- Singly Cabibbo suppressed  $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^- K^+ K^+$ ; doubly Cabibbo suppressed  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- K^+ K^+$
- Signal purity 64% ( $D_s^+$ ) and 78% ( $D^+$ )
- Control samples:
  - Phase space simulation
  - Background samples
  - CF modes:  $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^- K^+ \pi^+$  and  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- Stability checks:
  - different invariant mass fit models
  - different binning schemes
- No evidence for CP violation



# Search for CPV in charm multi-body decays



arXiv:2305.11405; 2305.12806; PRD107, 033003 (2023)

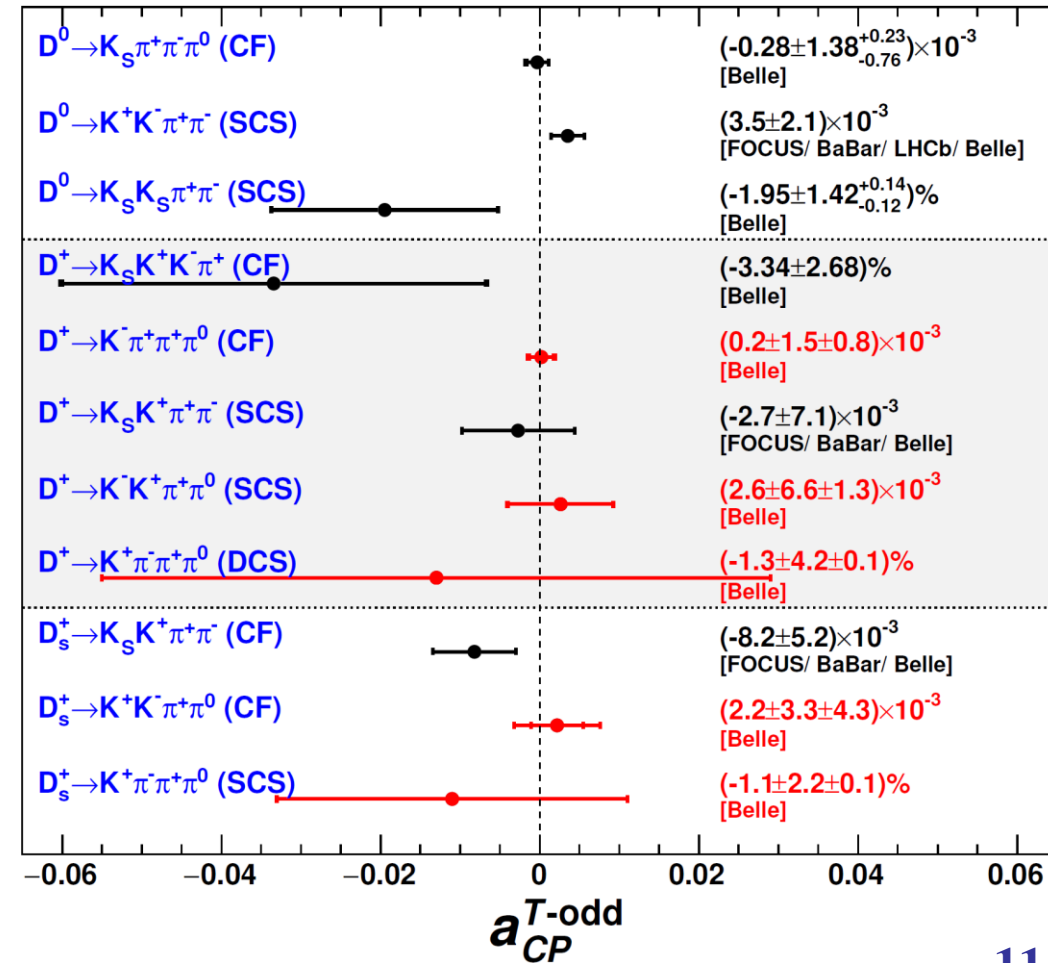


$$A_T = \frac{\Gamma_+(C_T > 0) - \Gamma_+(C_T < 0)}{\Gamma_+(C_T > 0) + \Gamma_+(C_T < 0)}$$

$$\bar{A}_T = \frac{\Gamma_-(-\bar{C}_T > 0) - \Gamma_-(-\bar{C}_T < 0)}{\Gamma_-(-\bar{C}_T > 0) + \Gamma_-(-\bar{C}_T < 0)}$$

$$a_{CP}^{T\text{-odd}} = \frac{1}{2} (A_T - \bar{A}_T)$$

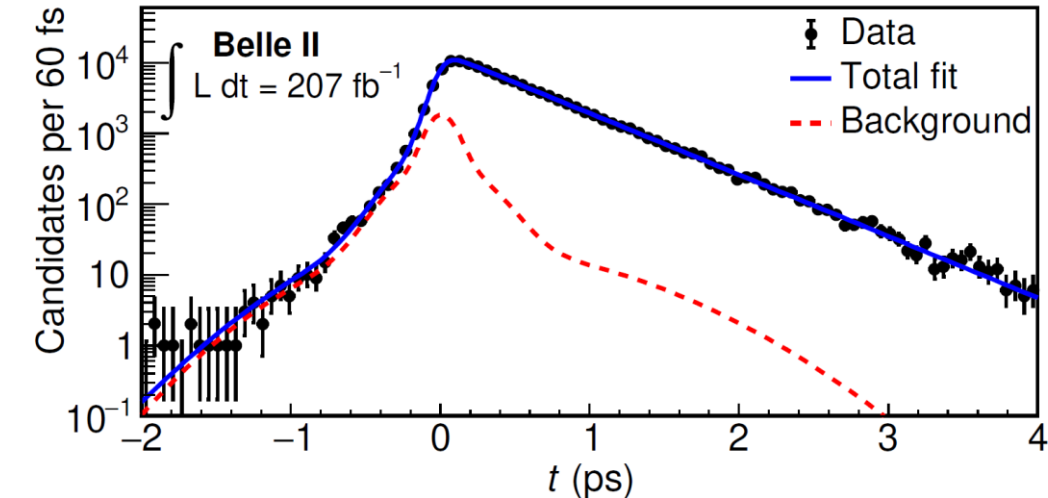
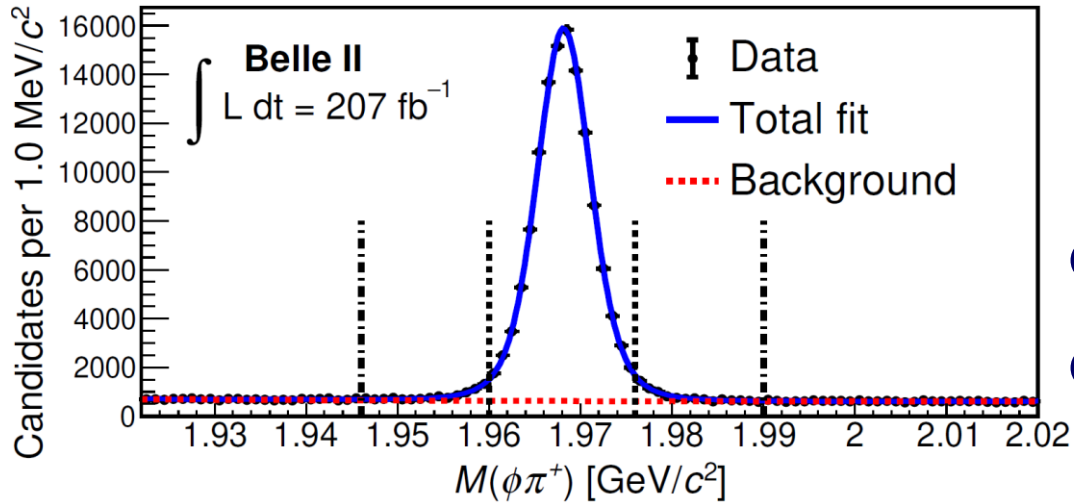
- T-odd CP asymmetry can be nonzero if CPV
- No significant CPV observed
- Belle made the significant contributions to  $a_{CP}^{T\text{-odd}}$  results for all measured charm decays.
- The precisions of  $a_{CP}^{T\text{-odd}}$  for various decay modes have reached  $\mathcal{O}(0.1\%)$ .



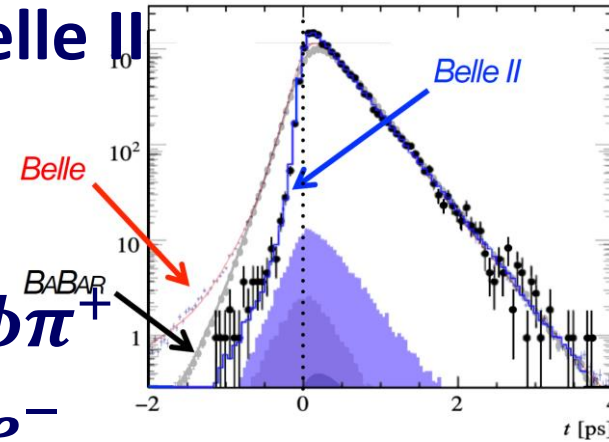
# Charm meson Lifetimes @ Belle II



arXiv:2306.00365 (June 2023)



- Compared with Belle, Belle II vertex resolution is significantly improved.



- 116,000 prompt  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi\pi^+$
- $p(D_s) > 2.5$  GeV in  $e^+e^-$  rest frame is required to remove  $D_s$  from  $B \rightarrow D_s$

- Measured result:

$$\tau(D_s) = 498.2 \pm 1.7 \overset{\pm 2 \text{ fs}}{+1.1}_{-0.8} \text{ fs}$$

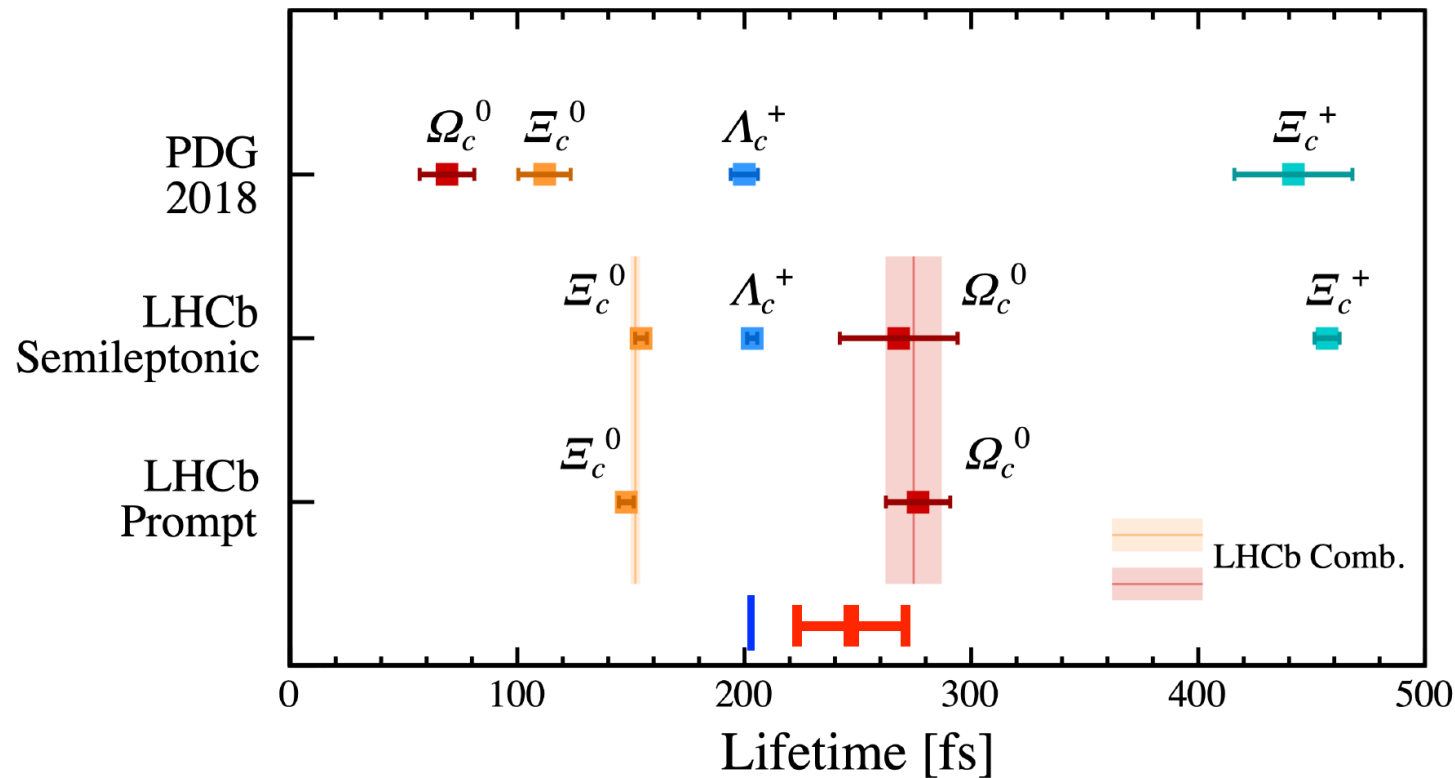
- previous world average:

$$\tau(D_s) = 504 \pm 4 \text{ fs}$$

Almost as precise as  $D^0, D^+$  lifetimes @Belle II (PRL 127(2021)21,211801)

# Charm Baryon Lifetimes

HQE (up to order  $1/m^3$ ):  $\tau(\Omega_c^0) < \tau(\Xi_c^0) < \tau(\Lambda_c) < \tau(\Xi_c^+)$



[PRD 100 \(2019\) 3, 032001](#)

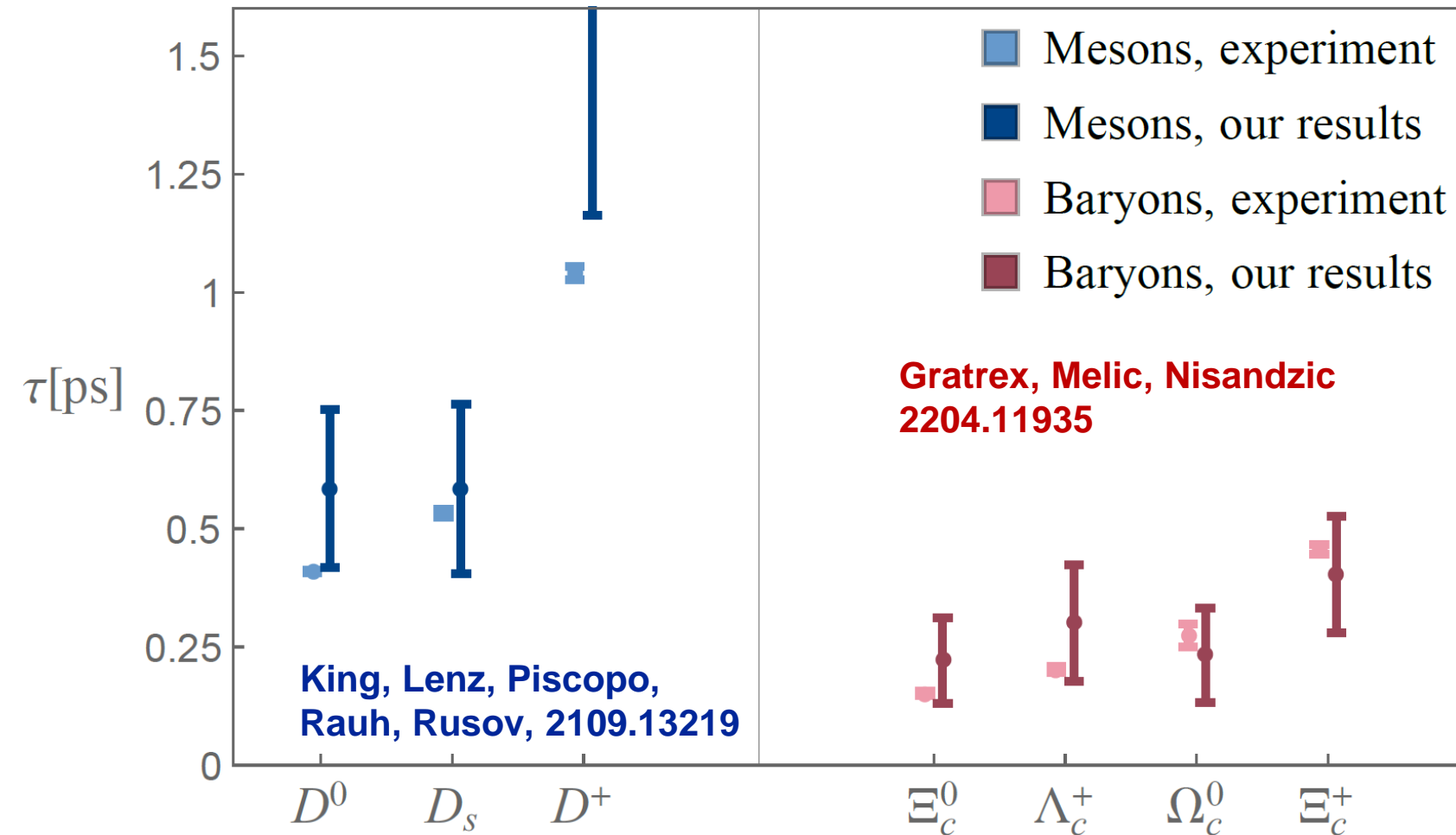
[Sci.Bull. 67 \(2022\) 5, 479-487](#)

BELLE-II  $\Omega_c^0$ : [PRD 107 \(2023\) 3, L031103](#)

BELLE-II  $\Lambda_c$ : [PRL 130 \(2023\) 7, 071802](#)

Adapted from Nisar Nellikunnummel @ ICHEP 2022

# Charm lifetimes from HQE



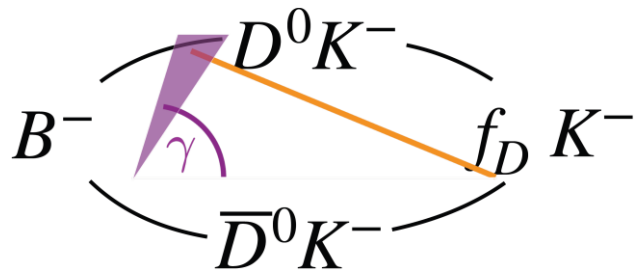
Another HQE-based calculation leading to compatible results:  
**Hai-Yang Cheng,**  
*Science Bulletin 67 (2022) 445–447*

Mannel, Moreno, ivovarov 2304.08964 :  
inclusion of newly calculated NLO corrections to  $\mu_G^2$  would probably **significantly reduce uncertainty**

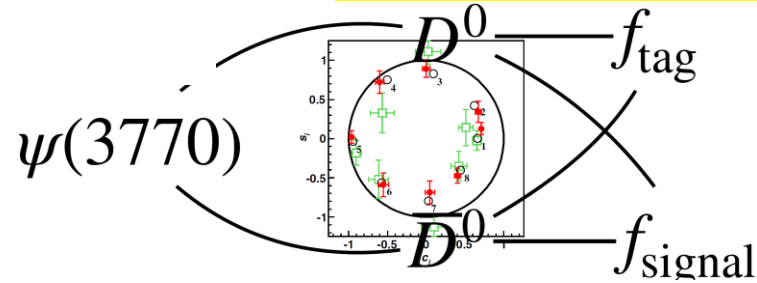
**Satisfactory agreement with the experiment!**

# New unbinned model-independent method to extract $\gamma$

arXiv:2305.10787 (2023)

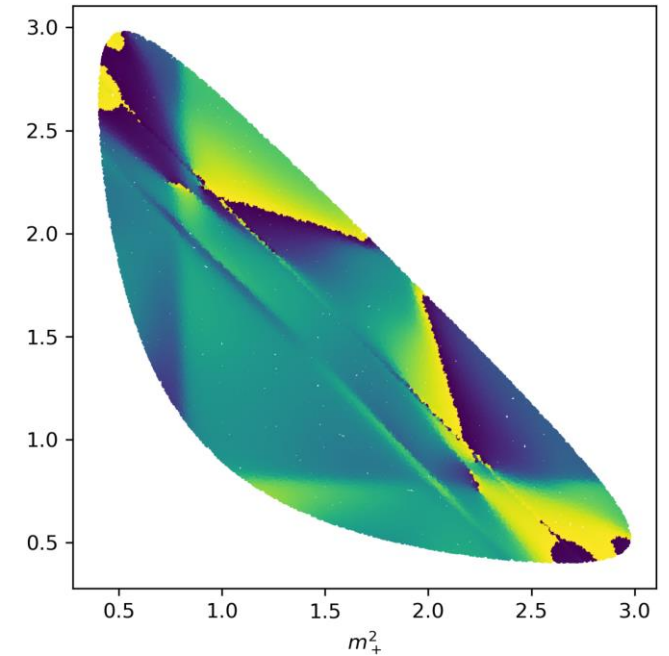


measures CKM angle  $\gamma$   $\Leftarrow$



measures charm interference, especially strong phases

New, unbinned model-independent method



New method do not do any integration, averaging or projection from 2D to 1D, and therefore do not suffer the associated information loss.

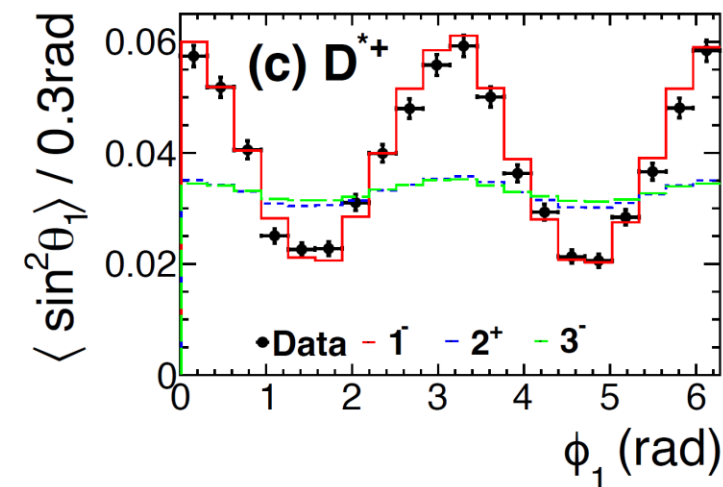
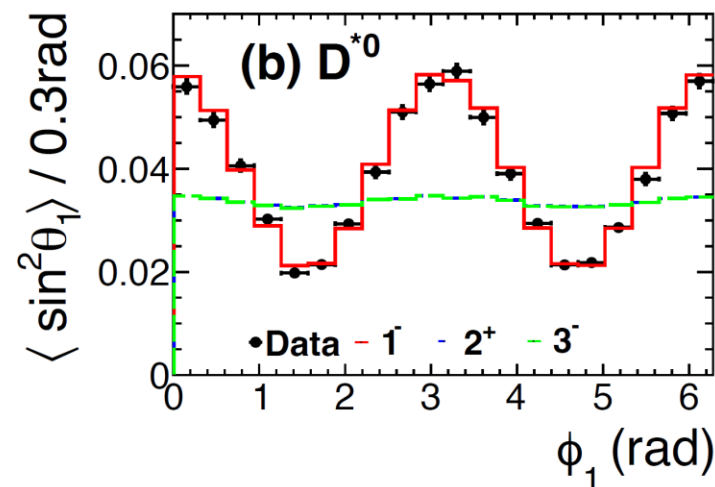
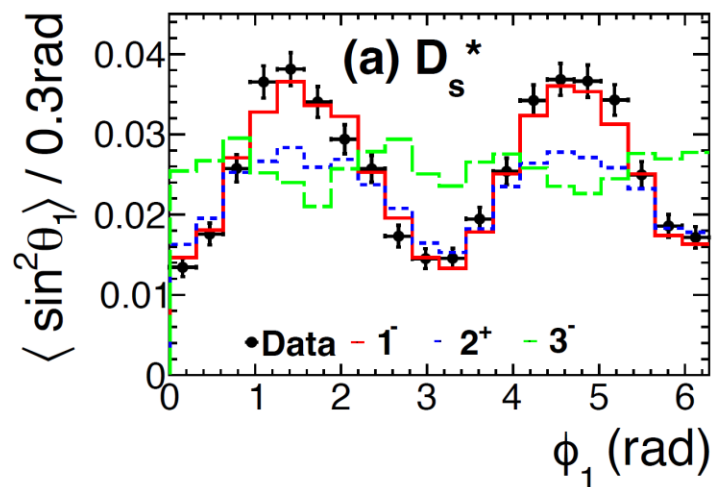
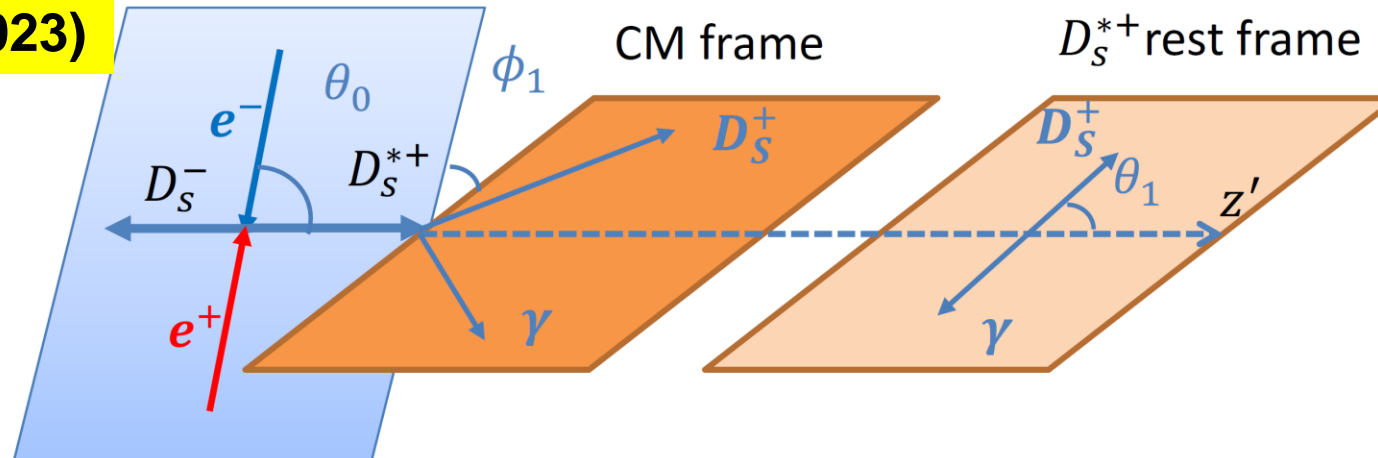
Lumi		new QMI	$\sigma_\gamma(^{\circ})$	
			Model-dependent	8 bins, fixed* ci, si
1xLHCb	1xBESIII	4.2	4.2	5.1
1xLHCb	10xBESIII	4.2		
100xLHCb	1xBESIII	0.45	0.42	0.52
100xLHCb	10xBESIII	0.43		

additional uncertainty on binned  $\gamma$  fit due to finite BESIII data for 1xBESIII:  $1.2^{\circ}$  PRD 101 (2020) 11200

(average error reported in 100 pseudo experiments)

# Spin-parity of $D^*(s)$

BESIII: arXiv:2305.14631 (2023)



$$J^P = 1^- \text{ for } D_s^*, D^{*0}, \text{ and } D^{*+}$$

- Many people thought these quantum numbers had been measured, but we didn't!
- Prior to this measurement, only spin 0 for  $D^{*0}$  excluded : PRL 39,(1977) 262.

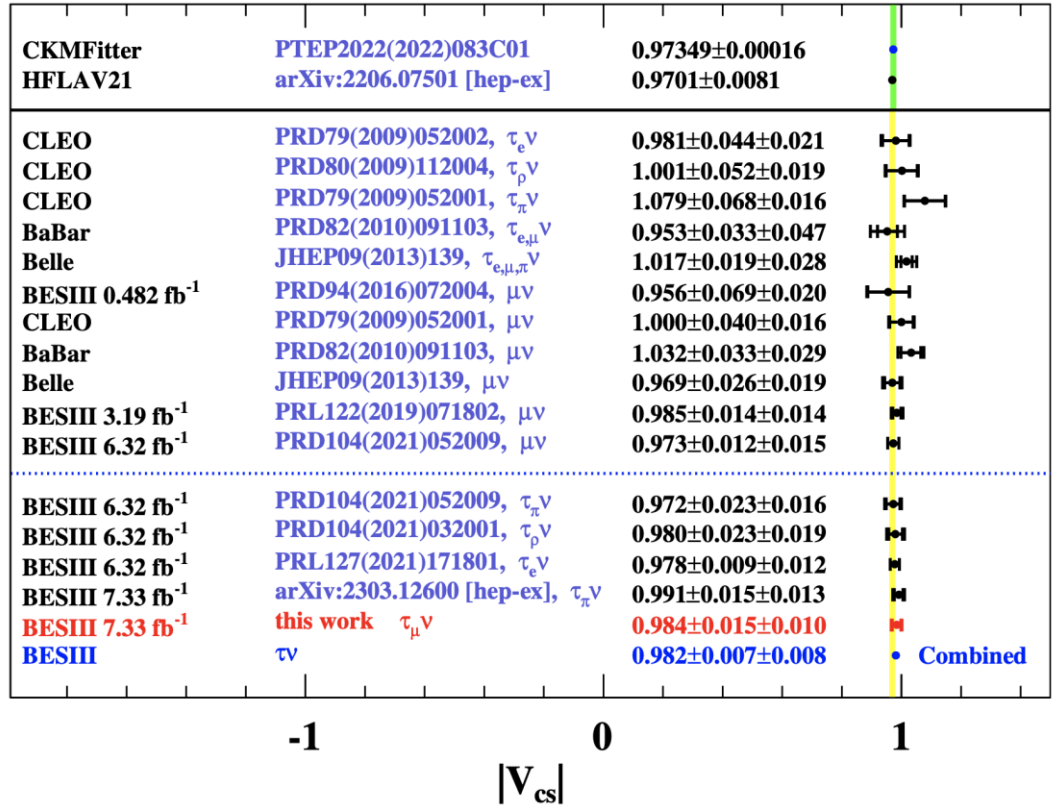
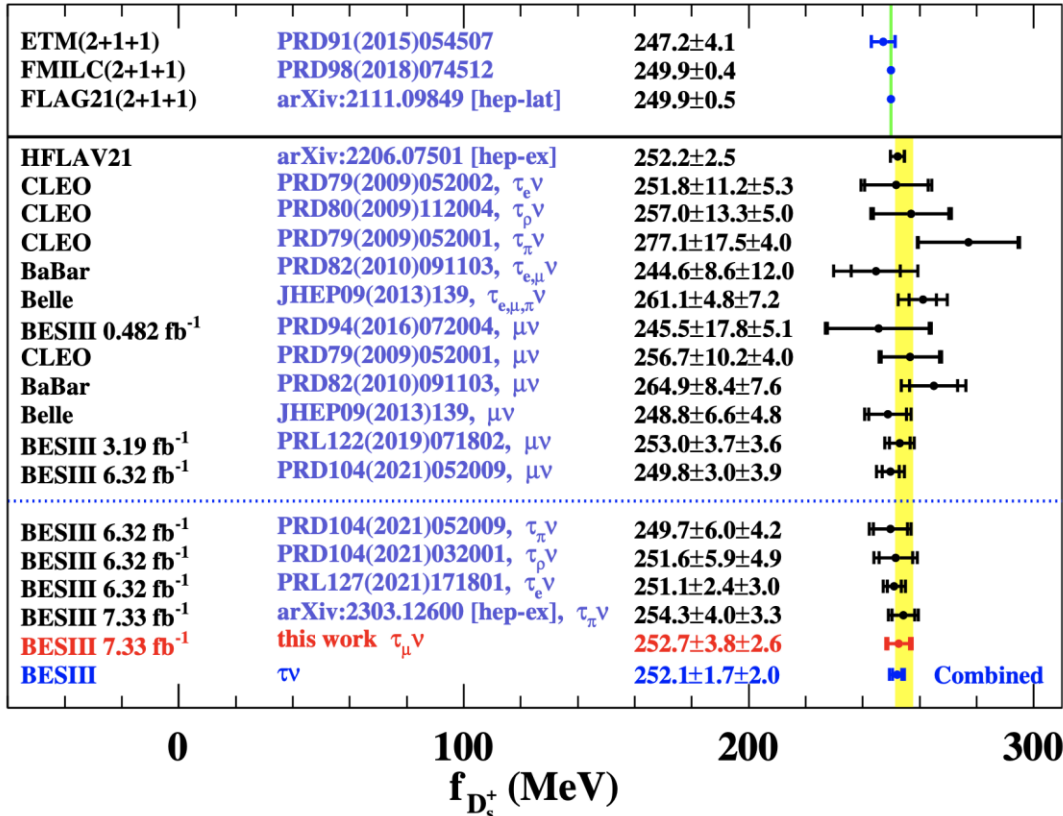


# Leptonic decays: $D_s^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell$

Lattice QCD

this work: 2303.12468(2023)

$$\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = \frac{G_F^2 f_{D_s}^2}{8\pi} |V_{cs}|^2 m_\ell^2 m_{D_s} \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_{D_s}^2}\right)^2$$



1%

# Leptonic decays: $D_s^{*+} \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e$

Motivated by theoretical prediction: EPJC 82, 1037 (2022); PRL 112, 212002 (2022)

➤ 7.33 fb<sup>-1</sup> data @ 4.128-4.226 GeV

➤ First measurement of BF and  $f_{D_s^{*+}}$

$$B(D_s^{*+} \rightarrow e^+ \nu) = (2.1_{-0.9}^{+1.2}_{stat} \pm 0.2_{syst}) \times 10^{-5} \quad (2.9\sigma)$$

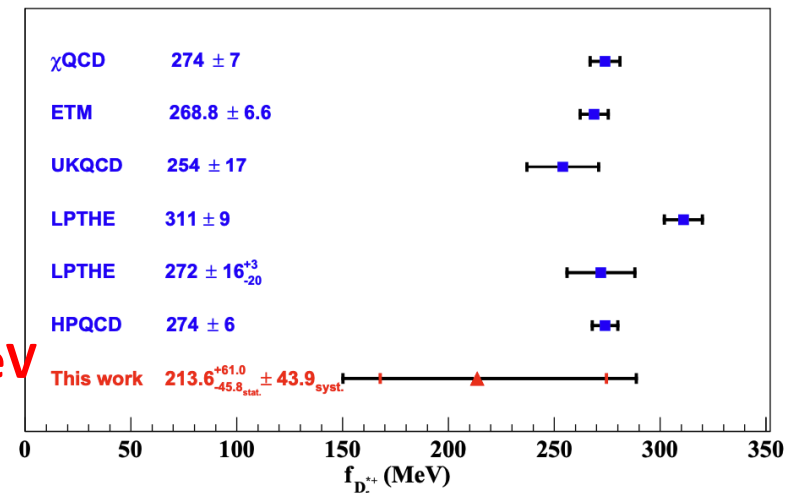
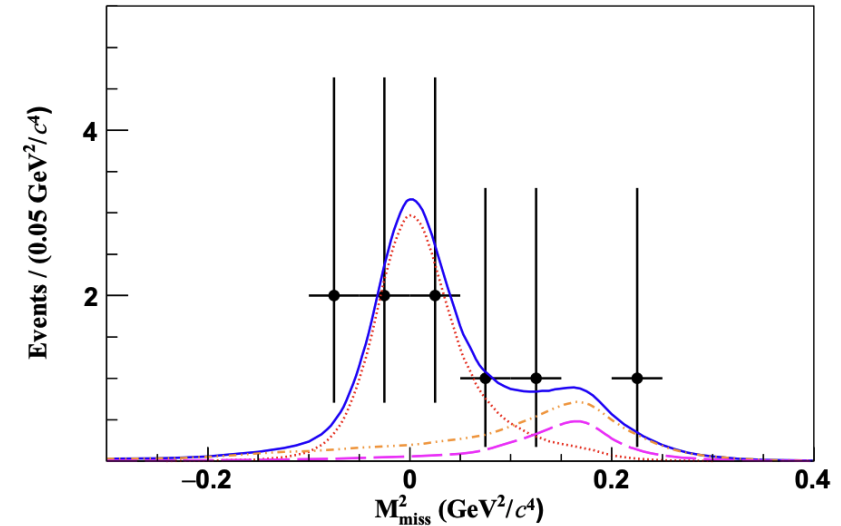
$$f_{D_s^{*+}} = (213.6_{-45.8}^{+61.0}_{stat} \pm 43.9_{syst}) \text{ MeV}$$

➤ Combine  $\frac{f_{D_s^{*+}}}{f_{D_s^+}} = 1.12 \pm 0.01$  from LQCD calculation:

-->  $\Gamma_{D_s^{*+}}^{total} = (121.9_{-52.2}^{+69.6} \pm 11.8) \text{ eV}$  agree with LQCD prediction  $(70 \pm 28) \text{ eV}$

--> Indirectly constrains the upper limit on  $\Gamma_{D_s^{*+}}^{total}$  from MeV to KeV level.

arxiv: 2304.12159 (2023)

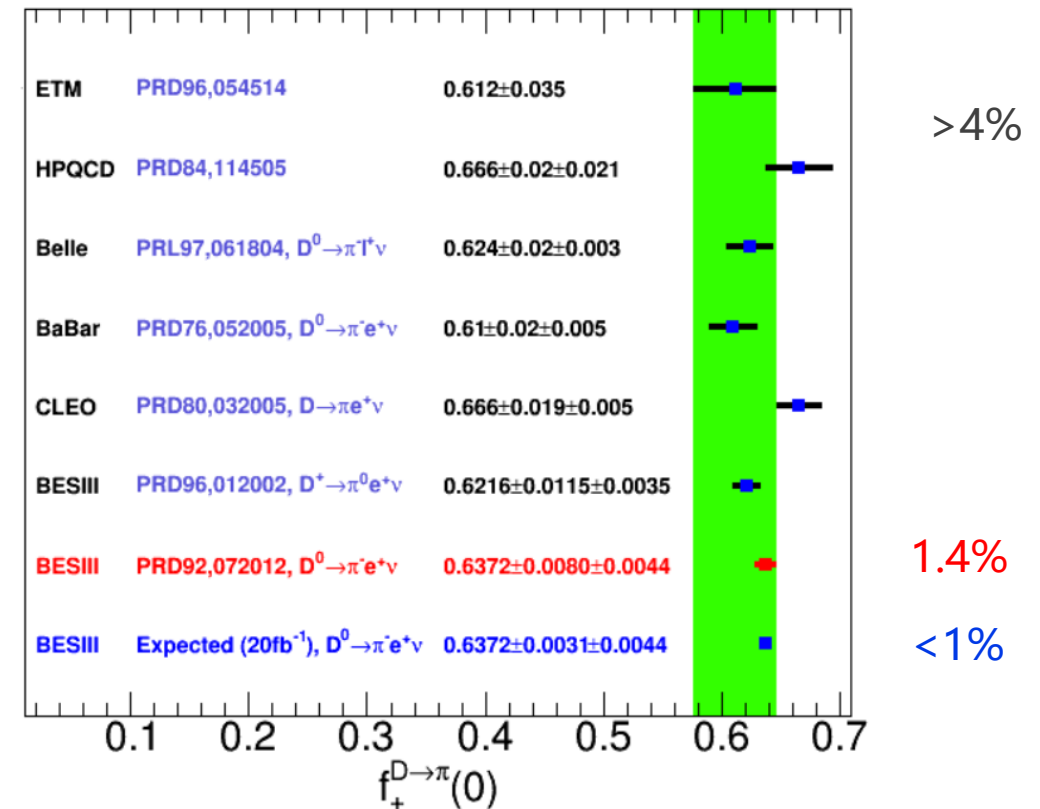
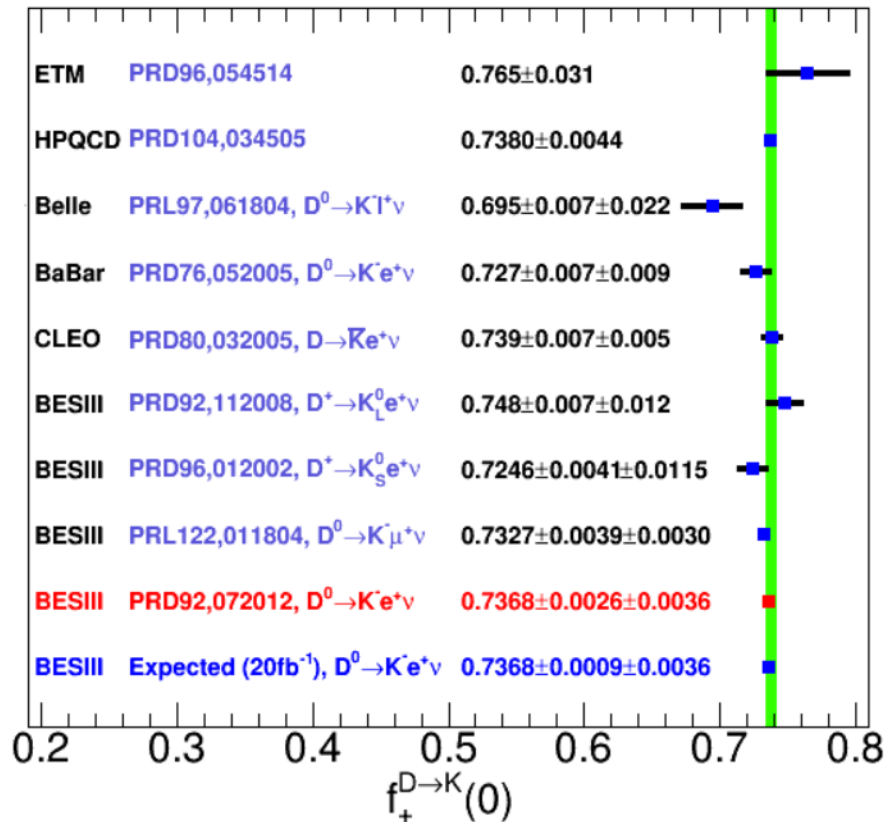


# Semileptonic Decays

Lattice QCD



$$\Gamma(D_{(s)} \rightarrow P(S)\ell^+\nu_\ell)/dq^2 \propto |V_{cd(s)}|^2 |f_+(q^2)|^2$$



Experimental precision is comparable to the latest LQCD result

The measurements of the Cabibbo-suppressed decays are still dominated by statistical uncertainties

# Semileptonic Decays: $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$



arxiv: 2307.03024 (2023)

- Partial wave analysis (PWA)
- 7.33  $fb^{-1}$  data @ 4.128-4.226 GeV
- $N_{sig} = 1725 \pm 68$  for BF measurement

$$\mathcal{B}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \nu_\mu) = (2.25 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-2}$$

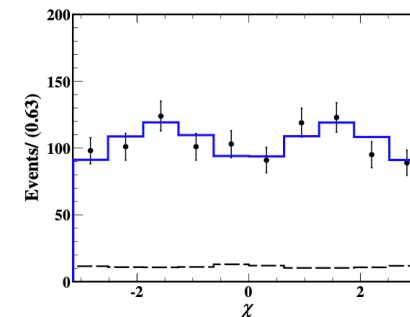
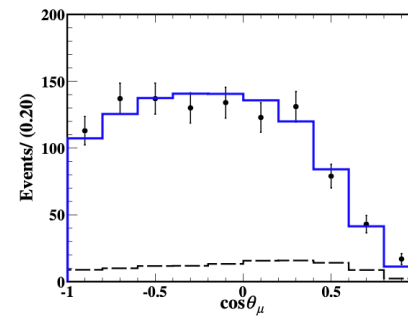
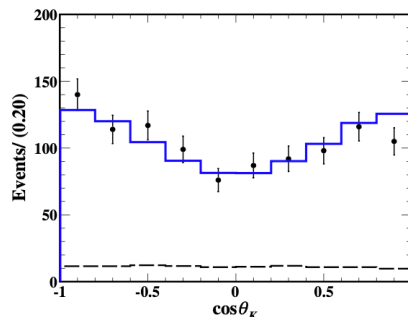
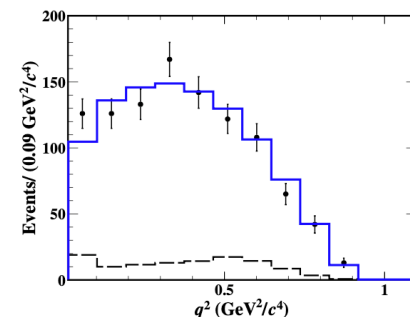
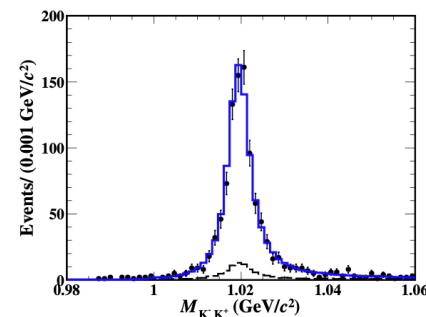
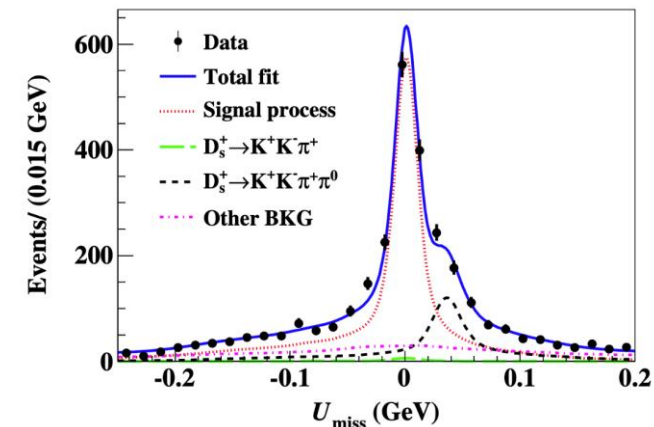
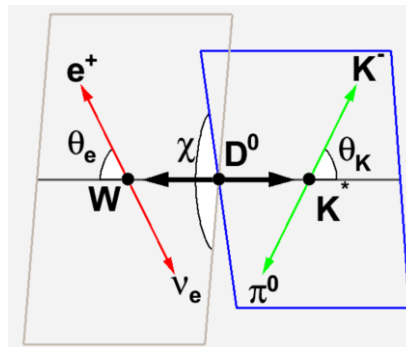
$$\mathcal{B}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \nu_\mu) / \mathcal{B}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi e^+ \nu_e) = 0.94 \pm 0.08 \rightarrow \text{No LFU violation}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(D_s^+ \rightarrow f_0(980) \mu^+ \nu_\mu) \cdot \mathcal{B}(f_0(980) \rightarrow K^+ K^-) < 5.45 \times 10^{-4} @ 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$\sim 2.2\sigma$

- First FF measurement based on single pole parameterization:

- PWA is performed  $\rightarrow \phi$  dominate
- $\mu$  mass is considered in the formula



$|U_{miss}| < 0.02 \text{ GeV}$   
939 signal events with  $(9.8 \pm 0.7)\%$  Bkg

# Semileptonic Decays: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^+ \nu_\mu$

BESIII

Arxiv:2306.02624 (2023)

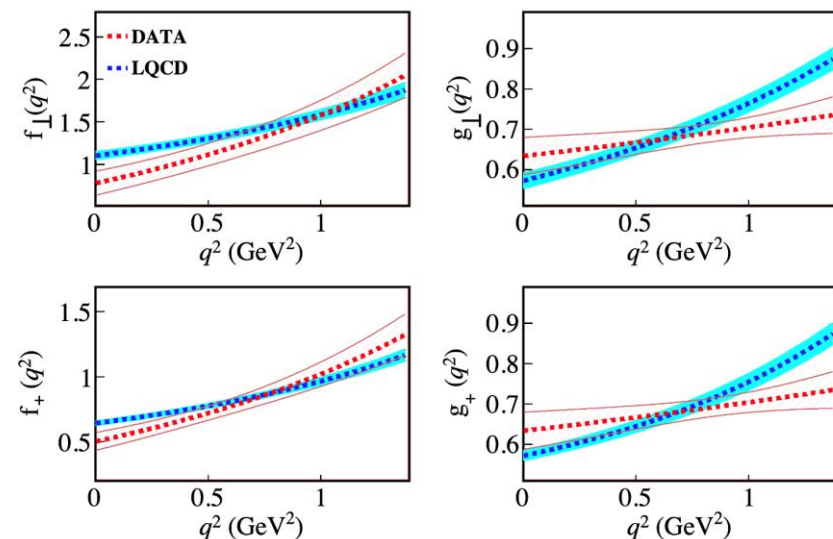
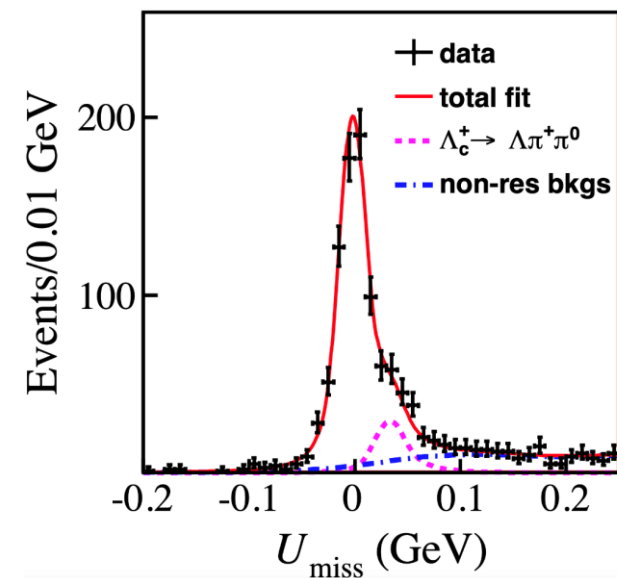
➤ 4.5  $fb^{-1}$  data @ 4.600 - 4.699 GeV  $\rightarrow N_{sig} = 752 \pm 31$

➤ Updated BF and first FF measurement:

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^+ \nu_\mu) = (3.48 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.10)\% \quad (\sim 5\%)$$

➤  $|V_{cs}| = 0.937 \pm 0.014_{\mathcal{B}} \pm 0.024_{\text{LQCD}} \pm 0.007_{\tau_{\Lambda_c}}$

➤  $\mathcal{R}_{\mu/e} = 0.98 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.03$  vs SM: 0.97  $\rightarrow$  No LFUV



# Inclusive semileptonic decays: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e$

PRD. 107, 052005 (2023)

BESIII

➤ 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> data @ 4.600-4.699 GeV →  $N_{\text{obs}} = 3706 \pm 71$

➤  $B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e) = (4.06 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.09)\%$  (~ 3%)

→ Unknown decays: ~0.5%

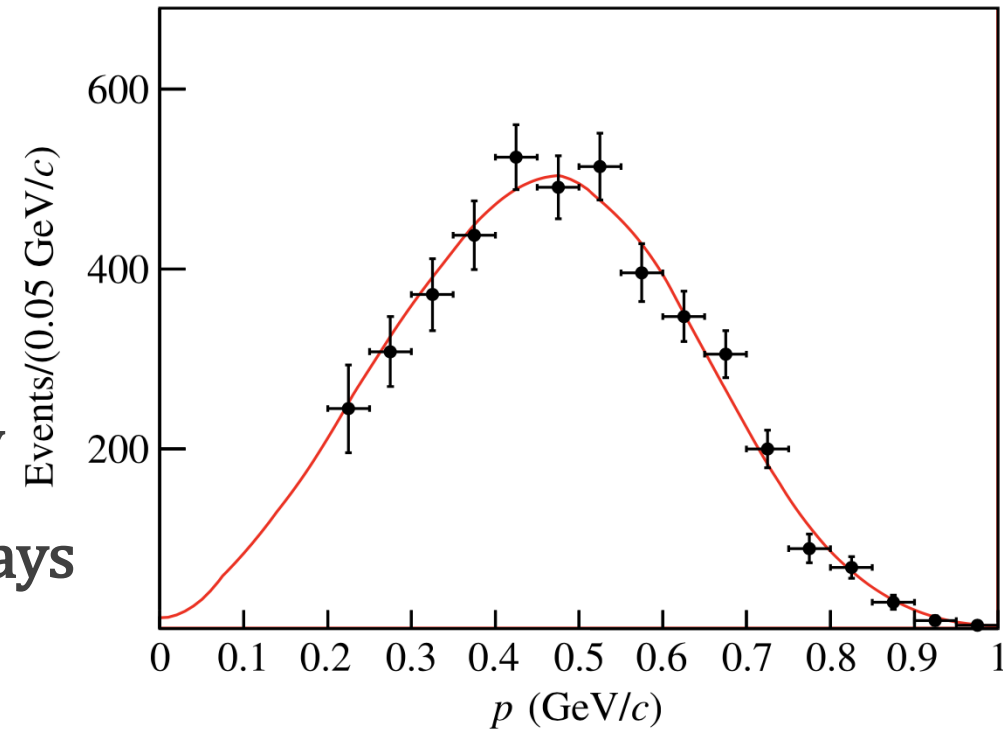
➤  $\Gamma(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e) / \bar{\Gamma}(D \rightarrow X e^+ \nu_e) = 1.28 \pm 0.05$

➤ Theoretical interest: distributions for inclusive decay rates relevant for HQE treatment of Semileptonic decays

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➤  $B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) < 3.9 \times 10^{-4}$  @90%C.L.

➤  $B(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_S^0 \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) < 3.3 \times 10^{-4}$  @90%C.L.



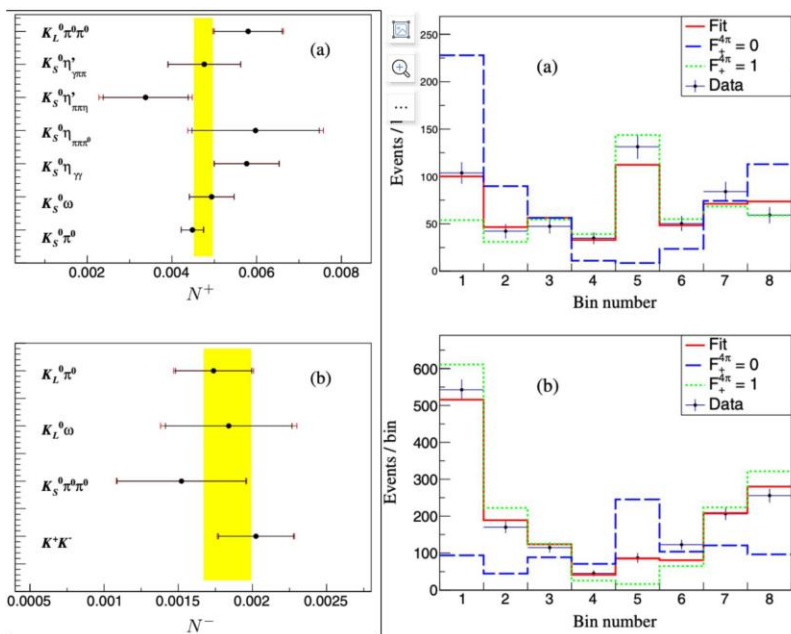
# Hadronic decays: CP-even fraction measurement

## Quantum correlated $D^0\bar{D}^0 \Rightarrow$ CP-even fraction measurement

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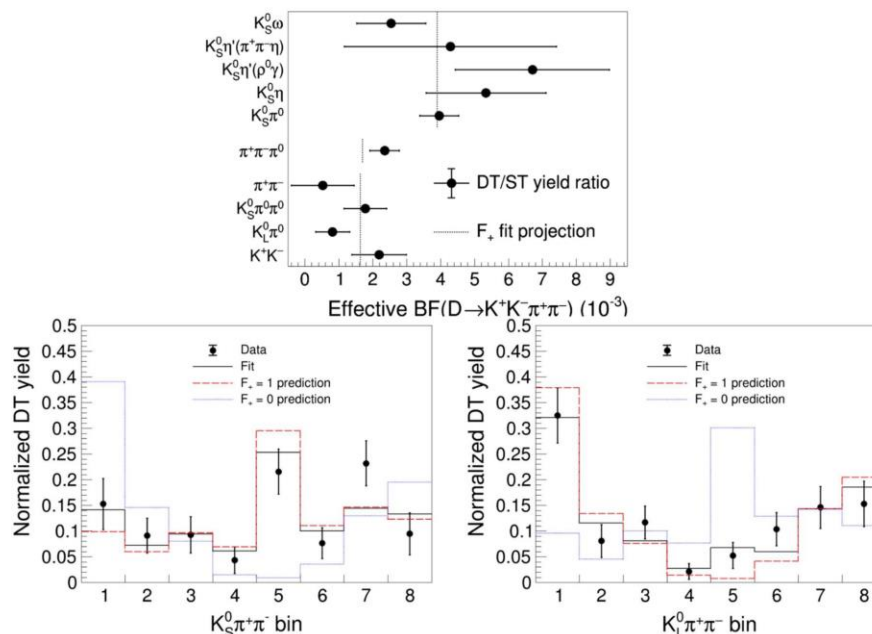
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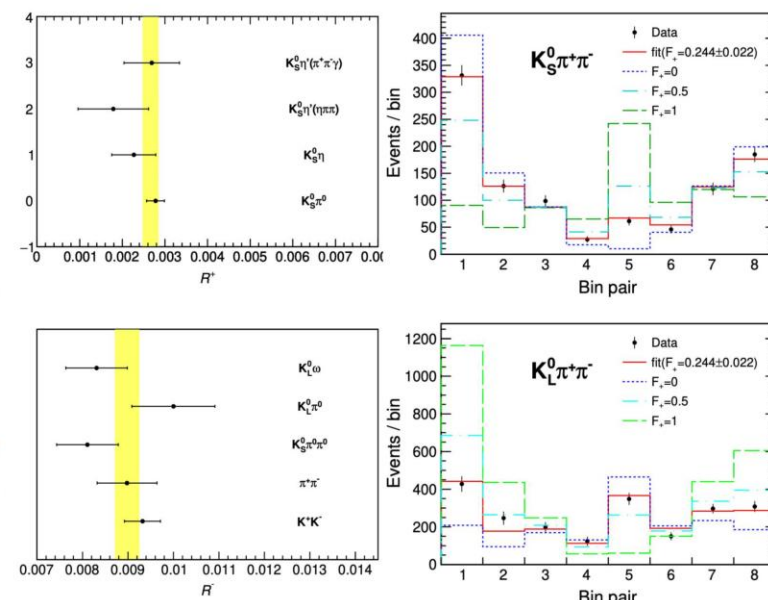
$$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$F_+ = 0.735 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.005$$



$$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$F_+ = 0.730 \pm 0.037 \pm 0.021$$



$$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^0$$

$$F_+ = 0.235 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.002$$

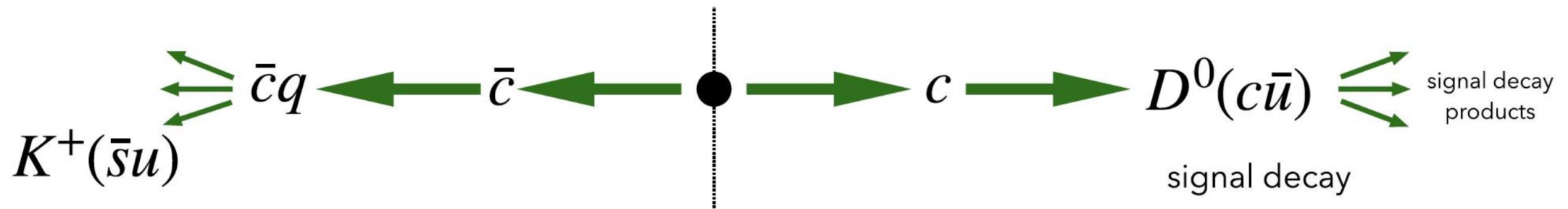
# Novel method for ID production flavor of $D^0$



- CPV/mixing measurement  $\rightarrow$  flavor tagging
- Standard approach: exclusive reconstruction of strong decay  
 $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+$
- **New approach**: exploit correlation between signal flavor and charge of particles reconstructed in the rest using BDT

# of tagged signal  $D^0$ :  $(125600 \pm 350) + (127080 \pm 280)$

**doubling the sample size!**



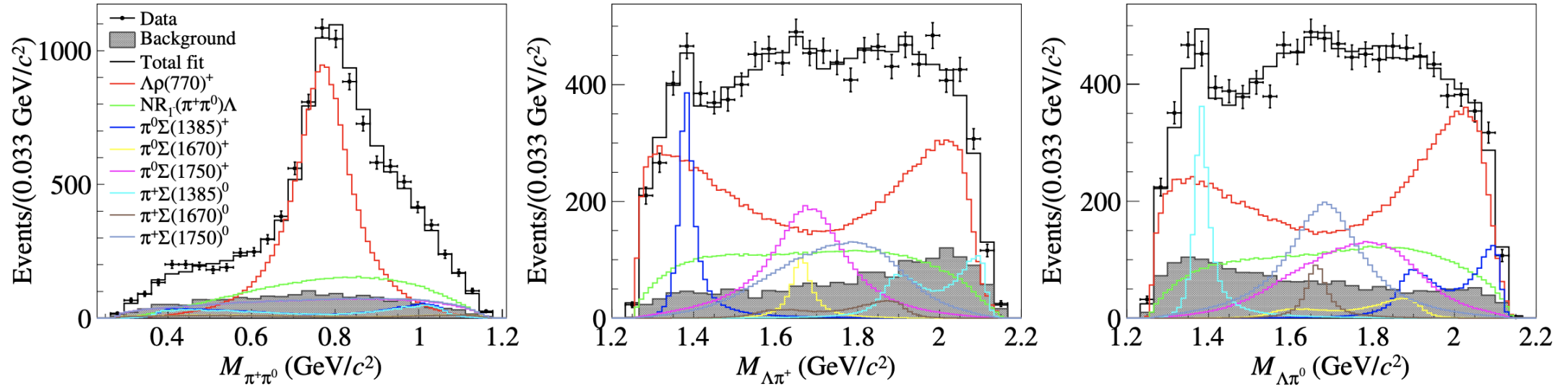
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# Amplitude Analysis: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^0$

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BESIII



Use new-developed Tensor Flow based package **TF-PWA\***  
 (\*BESIII Preliminary: <https://github.com/jiangyi15/tf-pwa>)

	Theoretical calculation		This work	PDG
$10^2 \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \rho(770)^+)$	$4.81 \pm 0.58$ [13]	$4.0$ [14, 15]	$4.06 \pm 0.52$	$< 6$
$10^3 \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^+ \pi^0)$	$2.8 \pm 0.4$ [16]	$2.2 \pm 0.4$ [17]	$5.86 \pm 0.80$	—
$10^3 \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma(1385)^0 \pi^+)$	$2.8 \pm 0.4$ [16]	$2.2 \pm 0.4$ [17]	$6.47 \pm 0.96$	—
$\alpha_{\Lambda \rho(770)^+}$	$-0.27 \pm 0.04$ [13]	$-0.32$ [14, 15]	$-0.763 \pm 0.066$	—
$\alpha_{\Sigma(1385)^+ \pi^0}$	$-0.91^{+0.45}_{-0.10}$ [17]		$-0.917 \pm 0.083$	—
$\alpha_{\Sigma(1385)^0 \pi^+}$	$-0.91^{+0.45}_{-0.10}$ [17]		$-0.79 \pm 0.11$	—

Ref. [13]: PRD 101 (2020) 053002

Ref. [14,15]: PRD 46 (1992) 1042; 55 (1997) 1697

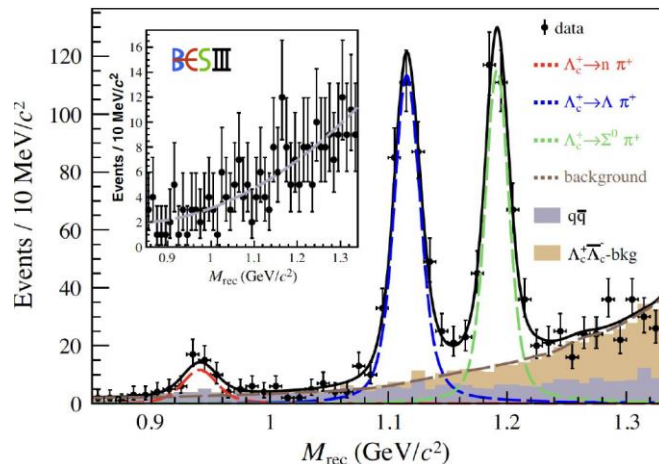
Ref. [16]: EPJC 80 (2020) 1067

Ref. [17]: PRD 99 (2019) 114022

**The first measurement of the decay asymmetry parameters for the relevant resonance**

# Charmed Baryon decays with n in final states

PRL 128,142001(2022)



First measurement

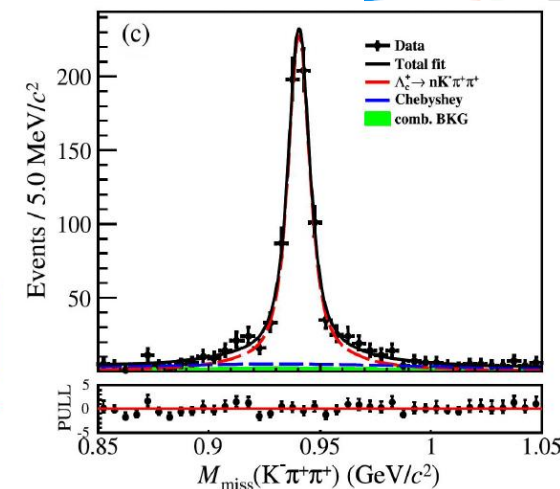
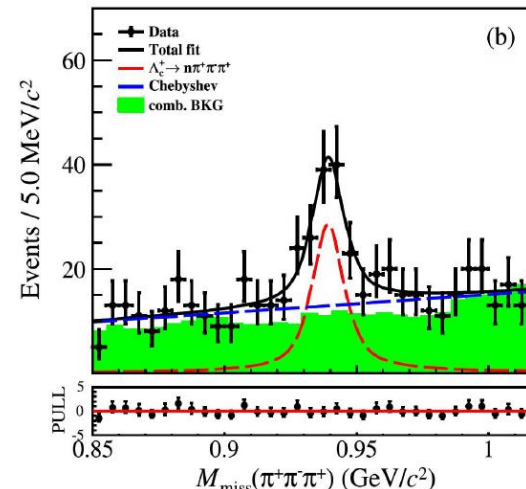
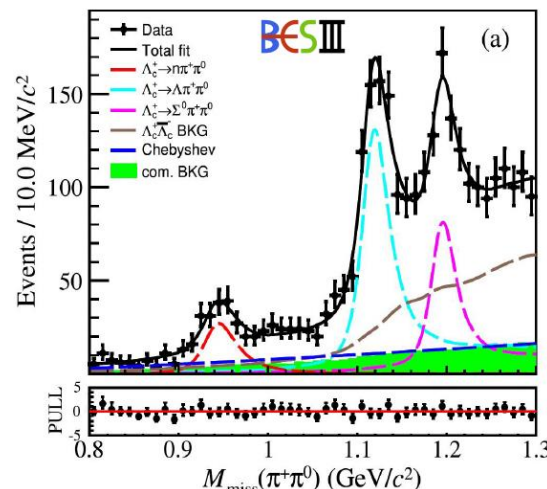
$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+) = (6.6 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^+) = (1.31 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^0\pi^+) = (1.22 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(n\pi^+)/(\mathcal{B}(p\pi^0)) > 7.2 \text{ at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

CPC 47,023001(2023)



Use recoil mass to access neutron

Signal decay	$\mathcal{B}$ (%)
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+\pi^0$	$0.64 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.02$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+$ <b>First Observation</b>	$0.45 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow nK^-\pi^+\pi^+$	$1.90 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.09$

One order larger than  $\mathcal{B}(n\pi^+)$   
 $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^+)/\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow n\pi^0\pi^+) = 0.72 \pm 0.11$

Disagrees with most predictions of the phenomenological models

# More charmed baryon decays



- Measurements of branching fractions of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \eta$  and  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \eta'$  and asymmetry parameters of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \pi^0$ ,  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \eta$  and  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \eta'$

PRD 107, 032003 (2023)

- Search for CP violation and measurement of branching fractions and decay asymmetry parameters for  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda h^+$  and  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^0 h^+$  ( $h = K, \pi$ )

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- Measurement of branching fractions of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_S^0 K_S^0$  and  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_S^0 \eta$  at Belle

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- First Search for the weak radiative decays  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \gamma$  and  $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Xi^0 \gamma$

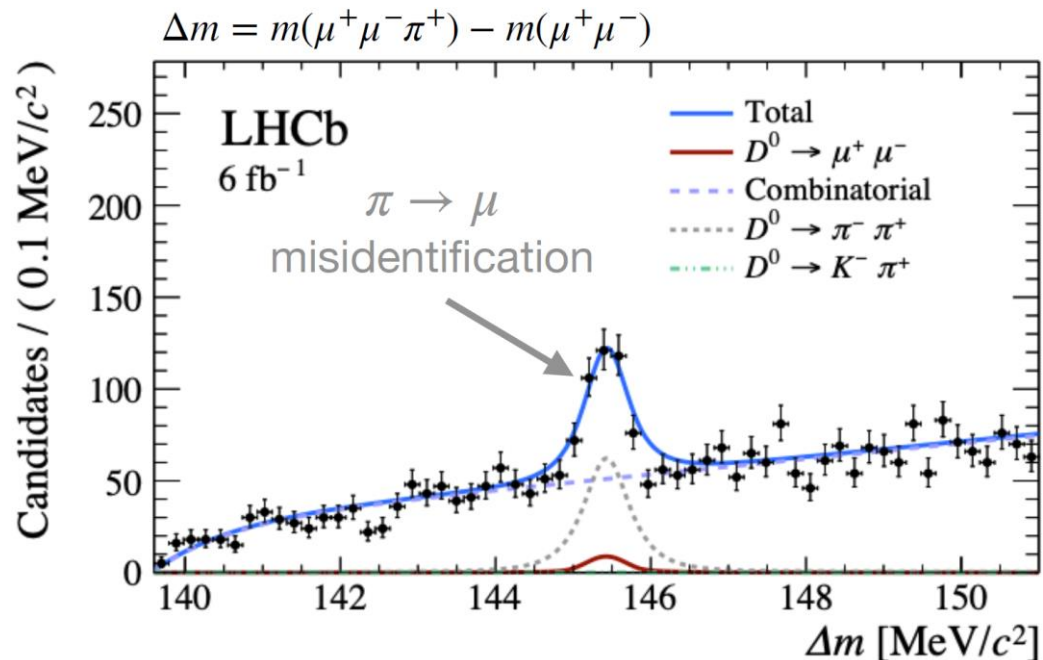
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- Measurement of the branching fraction of  $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$  at Belle

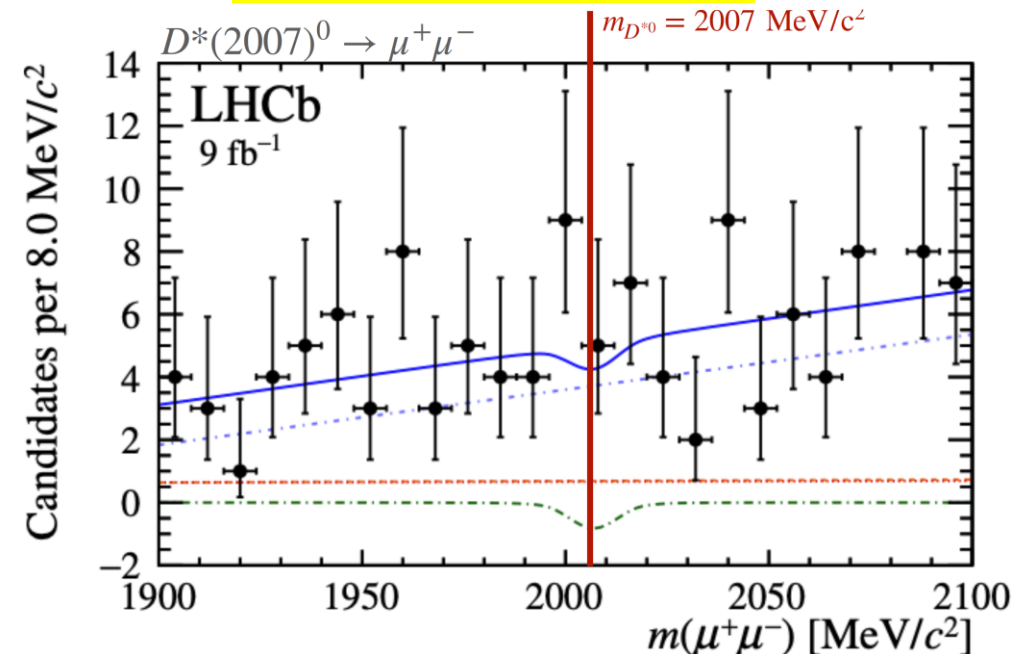
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# Rare decays: $D^{(*)0} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

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arXiv:2304.01981 (2023)

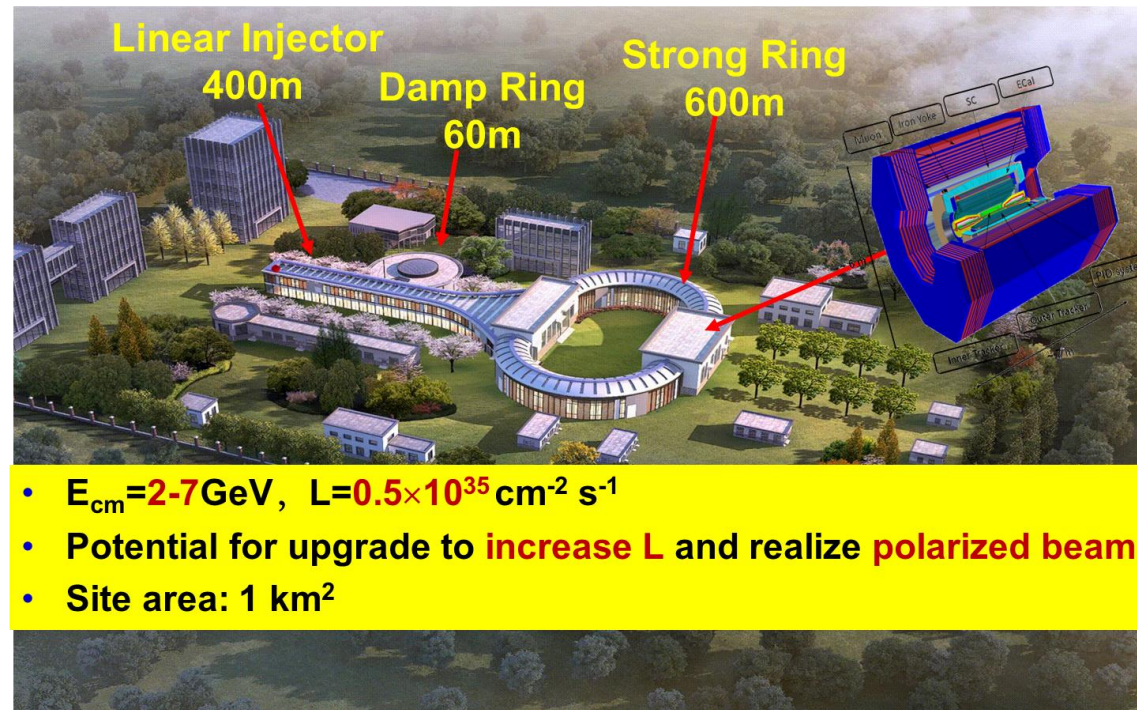


- SM: short-distance:  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-18})$
- SM: long-distance via  $\gamma\gamma$ :  $3 \times 10^{-13} - 2 \times 10^{-11}$   
G.Burdman et al, PRD 66(2002)014009,  
using limit  $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  by Belle: PRD93 (2016) 051102
- No significant signal is observed
- Most stringent limit on leptonic charm decays:  
 $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \leq 3.1 \times 10^{-9} (90\%CL)$

- First limit for  $D^{*0} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ :

$$\mathcal{B}(D^{*0}(2007)^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \leq 2.6 \times 10^{-8} (90\%CL)$$

# Super Tau-Charm Facility (STCF)



	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032-2042	2043-2046
Form collaboration																
Conception design CDR																
R&D (TDR)																
Construction																
Operation																
Upgrade																

Anhui province and USTC have **officially endorsed 420M RMB R&D** project of STCF, and **great progress** is achieved; the **site** is preliminarily decided in Hefei, and **geological exploration** and **engineering design** is ongoing.

Will apply for the **construction (~4.5B RMB)** during the 15<sup>th</sup> five-year plan (2026-2030) from central government.

# Summary & Prospect

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- In the past year, many important results of charm decays were reported by BESIII, Belle, and LHCb.
- Non-perturbative QCD is the main challenge. The theoretical calculations are hard for the Hadronic charm decays.
  - Tools are improving.
  - Collaborations between theorists and experimentalists are crucial for accelerating research.
- The future of charm is promising. Lots of high quality data coming our way: LHCb, Belle II, BESIII(+upgrade)
- A dedicated charm facility, STCF, has been proposed in China. The R&D project with 420M RMB budget has been officially supported by Anhui province and USTC.

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