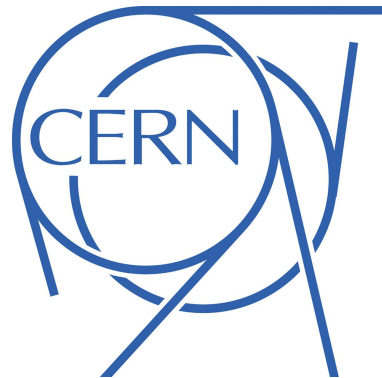


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# Charm mixing and CP violation in LHCb



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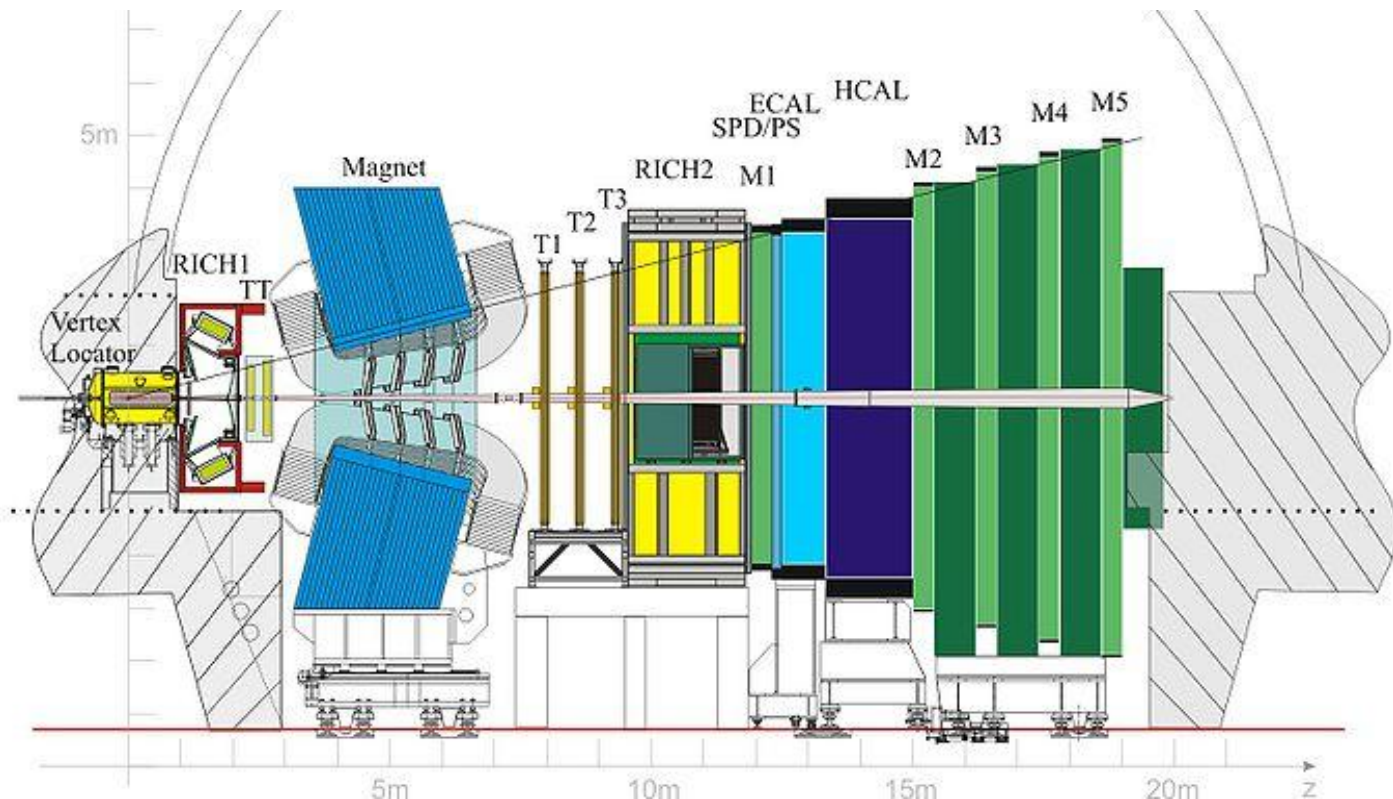
# The LHCb Detector

Forward arm spectrometer on the LHC ring:

Pseudorapidity region:  $2 < \eta < 5$

Charm cross section:  $\sigma(c\bar{c}) = 1419 \pm 12(stat) \pm 116(syst) \pm 65(frag) \mu b.$

[Nucl. Phys. B 871, (2013), pp. 1 - 20]  $p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c, 2.0 < \eta < 4.5, \sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$



# Charm mixing

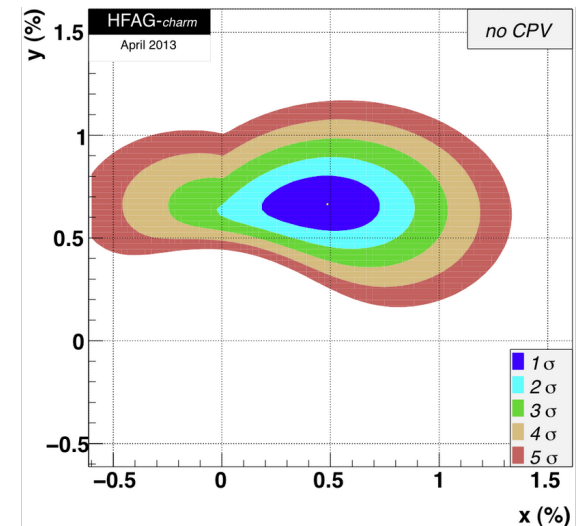
- Well established in the SM [K, B and D sectors]
- Mixing expected to be small  $x \sim y \sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$
- Previous evidence from many results

[\[HFAG arXiv:1207.1158 \[hep-ex\]\]](#)

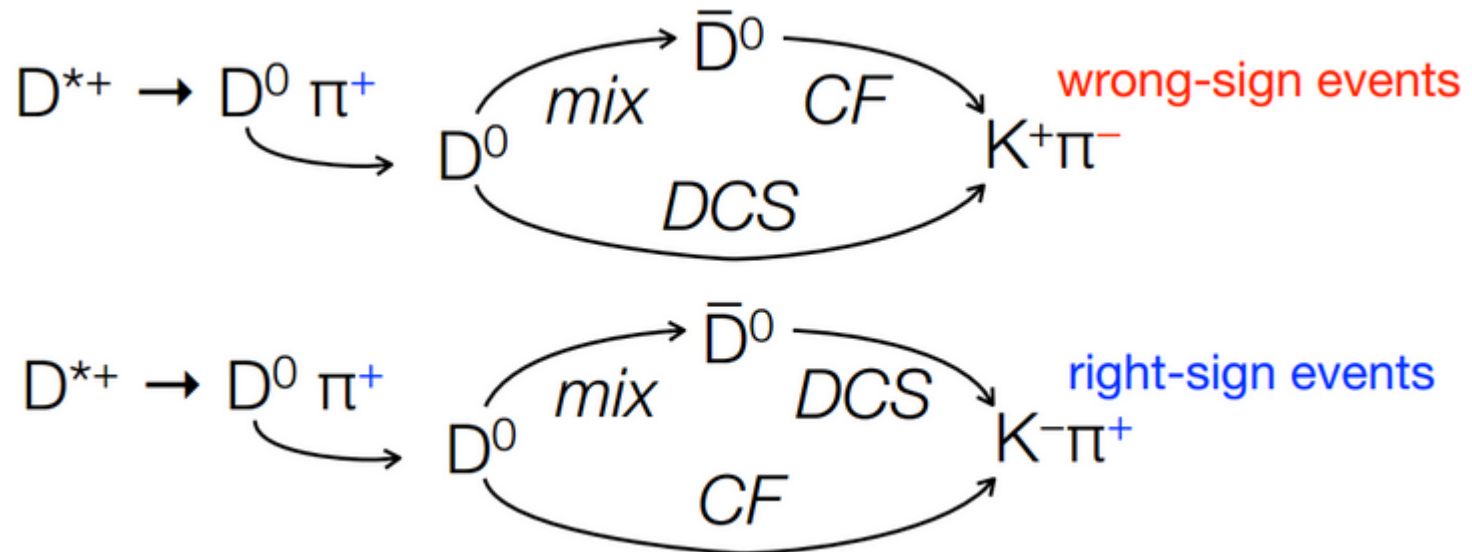
- Parametrized dimensionlessly:

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

- First evidence of mixing in D sector from BaBar, Belle and CDF  
[Phys.Rev.Lett. 98 (2007) 211802, Phys.Rev.Lett. 98 (2007) 211803, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100 (2008) 121802]
- Use CF and DCS decays to same final state:
  - Right-sign(RS) : CF decays only
  - Wrong-sign(WS) : DCS decays and mixing + CF decays



# Charm mixing



If we assume no CPV and mixing to be small, we can take a ratio of RS to WS

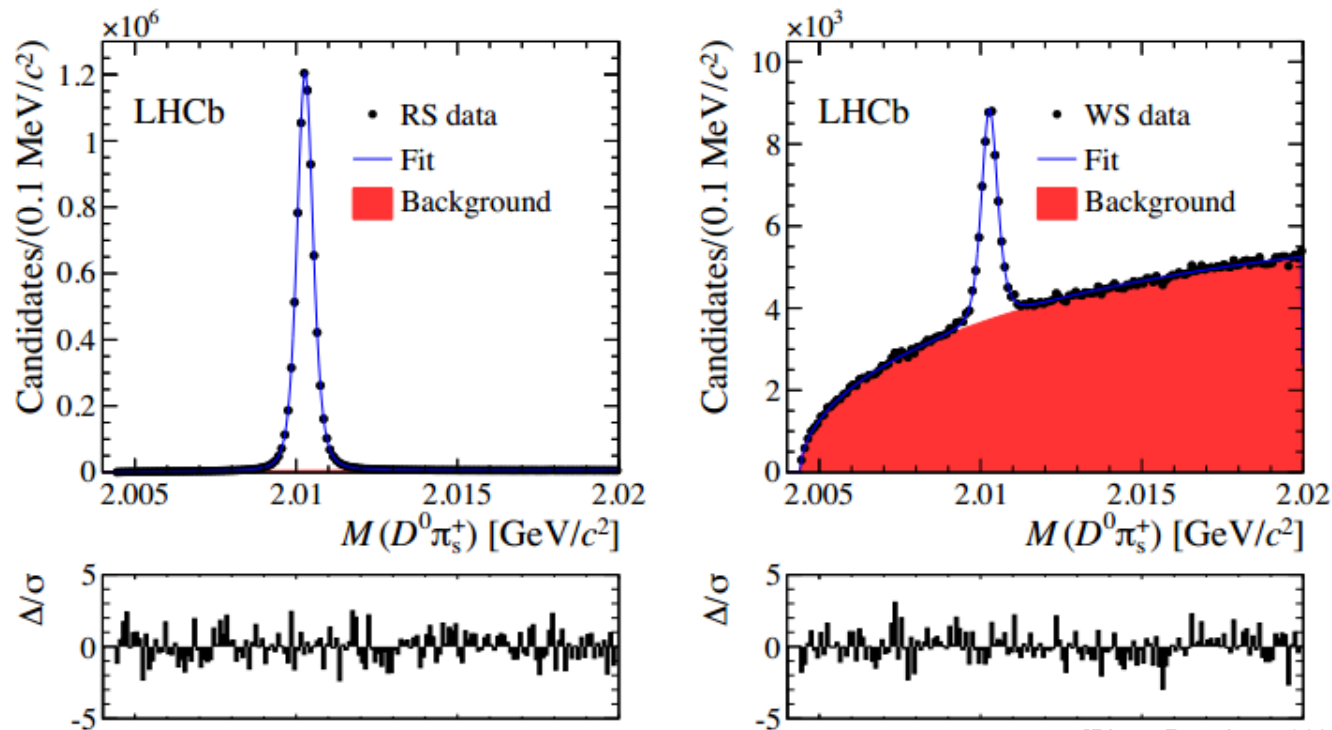
$$R(t) = \frac{N_{WS}(t)}{N_{RS}(t)} = R_D + \sqrt{R_D} y' t + \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4} t^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x \cos \delta + y \sin \delta \\ y' &= y \cos \delta - x \sin \delta \end{aligned}$$

N.B. The mixing parameters are transformed with the strong phase between the CF and DCS amplitudes

# Charm mixing in $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ decays

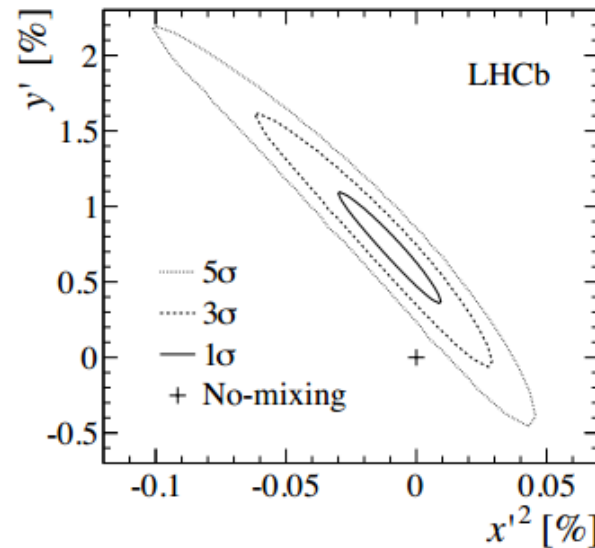
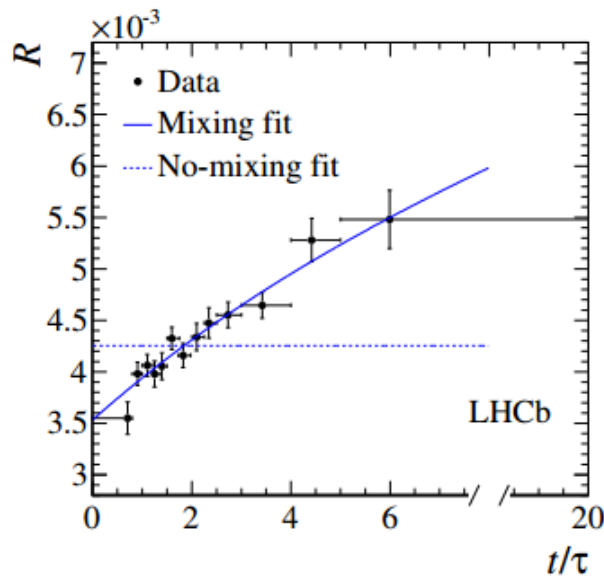
- Dataset consists of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data collected by LHCb in 2011
- Prompts charm events:  $D^{*+} \rightarrow (D^0 \rightarrow K^{\mp} \pi^{\pm}) \pi_{\text{soft}}^+$
- Soft pion acting as a tag on the flavour of  $D^0$



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 101802 (2013)]

# Charm mixing in $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ decays

- Two non-trivial backgrounds that could bias the measurement:
  - Secondary component misidentified as prompt (2.7%)
  - Peaking mis-reconstructed  $D^0$  candidates (0.4%)
- Measurement resolution is found to be dominated by statistical error



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 101802 (2013)]

# Charm mixing

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$$R_D = (3.52 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-3}$$

- Observation of neutral charm mixing [\[Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 101802 \(2013\)\]](#)
- Excludes no-mixing hypothesis with a significance of  $9.1\sigma$
- Recent result from CDF with a  $6.1\sigma$  observation [\[Paolo Maestro's slides from Beauty 2013\]](#)
- Both are one-experiment observations of charm mixing!

NB. Remember  $R_D$  is the ratio of wrong-sign to right-sign events.

# CP Violation in SCS decays

- Single-Cabbibo-Suppressed decays allows for interference between tree and penguin diagrams >>> sensitive to CP violation
- CP violation is expected to be small (only up to  $\sim O(10^{-3})$  in SM)  
[\[Phys. Rev. D75:036008, 2007\]](#)
- Direct CP violation can be measured by CP asymmetry:

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(D \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(\bar{D} \rightarrow \bar{f})}{\Gamma(D \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(\bar{D} \rightarrow \bar{f})}$$

- Detected 'raw' asymmetry however includes production and detection asymmetries

$$A_{\text{raw}} \approx A_{CP} + A_D + A_P$$

The diagram illustrates the decomposition of the raw asymmetry  $A_{\text{raw}}$  into three components:  $A_{CP}$  (CP asymmetry),  $A_D$  (Detection asymmetry), and  $A_P$  (Production asymmetry). Each term in the equation is enclosed in a colored box (yellow for  $A_{CP}$ , blue for  $A_D$ , and green for  $A_P$ ). Arrows point from each box to a corresponding label in a colored box below: a yellow arrow from  $A_{CP}$  to 'CP asymmetry', a blue arrow from  $A_D$  to 'Detection asymmetry', and a green arrow from  $A_P$  to 'Production asymmetry'.

[Jeroen's slides at LHCP 2013]

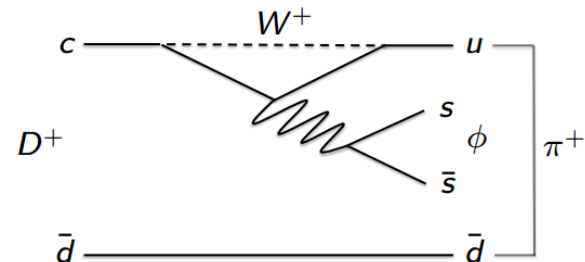
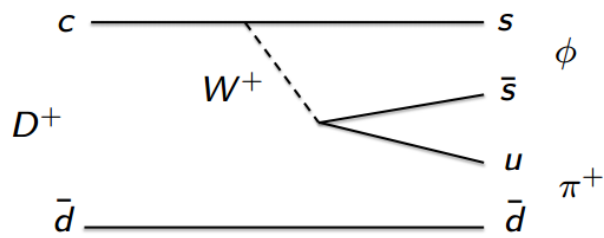


# CP Violation in $D^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$ and $D^{\pm} \rightarrow K_S \pi^{\pm}$

- To solve this, one can compare two similar channels and extract a difference in CP asymmetries

$$\Delta A_{CP} = A_{CP}(D \rightarrow f_1) - A_{CP}(D \rightarrow f_2) \approx A_{raw}(D \rightarrow f_1) - A_{raw}(D \rightarrow f_2)$$

- Detection and production asymmetries cancel to first order
- Channel advantages:
  - High BF ( $2.65 \times 10^{-3}$ )
  - Quasi-two body ( $\phi$  dominates narrow region of Dalitz space)
- Theoretical predictions challenging (V  $\rightarrow$  PS)



# CP Violation in $D^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$ and $D^{\pm} \rightarrow K_S \pi^{\pm}$

- Define the  $A_{CP}$  as the difference in asymmetries of  $K_S$  and  $\phi$  channels

$$A_{CP} = A_{raw}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) - A_{raw}(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) + A_{CP} \left( \frac{K^0}{\bar{K}^0} \right)$$

- Similarly can extract  $A_{CP}$  from  $D_s$  candidates

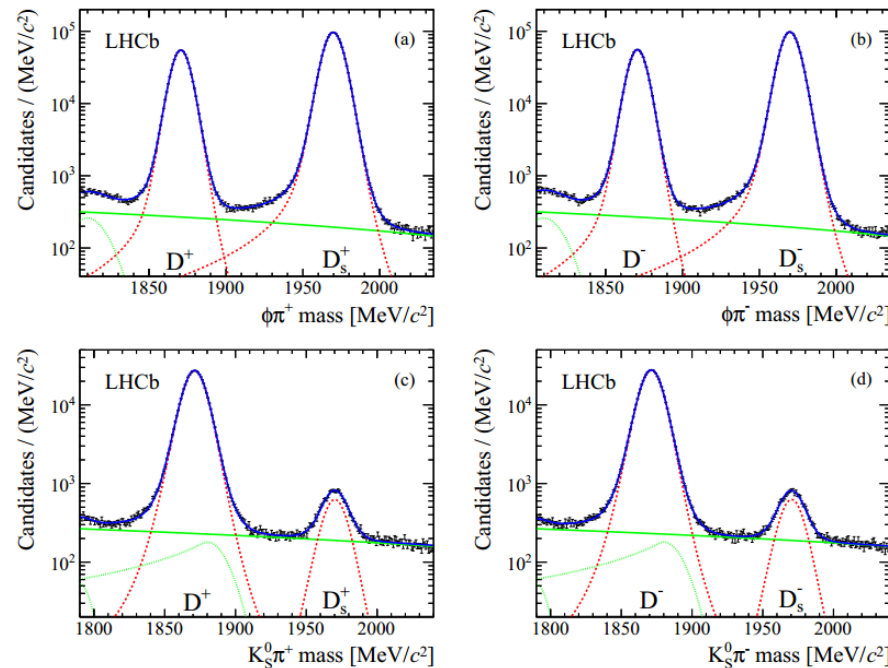
$$A_{CP} = A_{raw}(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) - A_{raw}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) - A_{CP} \left( \frac{K^0}{\bar{K}^0} \right)$$

- The CP violation coming from K system is accounted for in the last term
- We can safely assume that there is no mixing or interference CP violation

$$\text{NB. } A_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) \approx A_{CP}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) \approx 0$$

# CP Violation in $D^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$ and $D^{\pm} \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^{\pm}$

- Analysis uses  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data collected by LHCb in 2011



[\[arXiv:1303.4906v1\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1303.4906v1)

$$A_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) = (-0.04 \pm 0.14(stat) \pm 0.13(sys))\%$$

$$A_{CP}(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) = (-0.61 \pm 0.83(stat) \pm 0.13(sys))\%$$

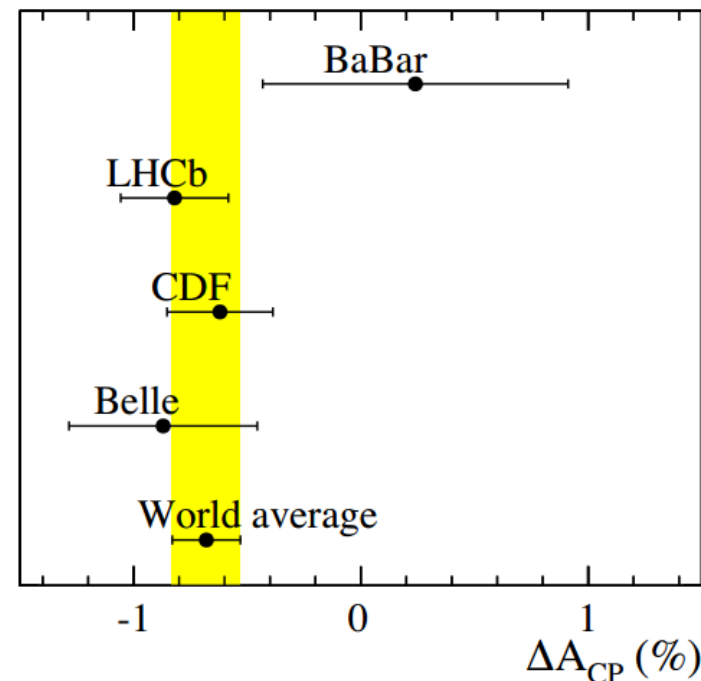
$$A_{CP|S}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) = (-0.18 \pm 0.17(stat) \pm 0.18(sys))\%$$

# $\Delta A_{CP}$ discombobulation in $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$

Previous results in the  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ ,  $K^+ K^-$  channels sparked controversy - CP violation from beyond SM?

Previous results for  $\Delta A_{CP}$  (March 2012)

HFAG average  
 $\Delta A_{CP} = (-0.68 \pm 0.15)\%$   
4.6 $\sigma$  effect



[Jeroen's slides at LHCP 2013]

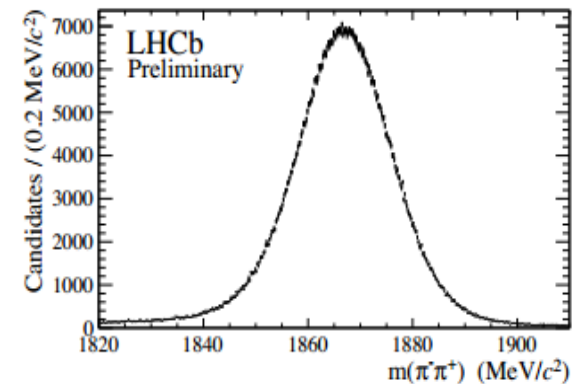
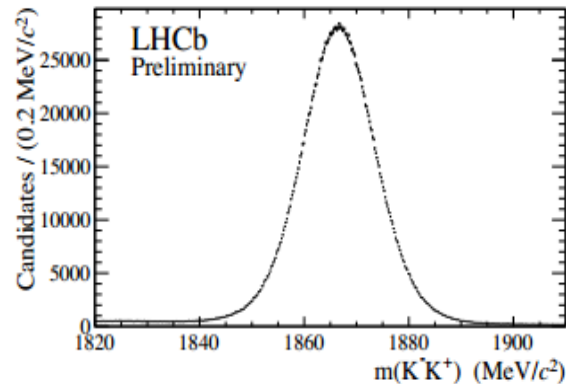
# $\Delta A_{CP}$ in $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-$

- Decay time dependent asymmetry:  $A_{CP}(t) = a_{CP}^{dir} + \frac{t}{\tau} a_{CP}^{mix}$
- Assuming common decay time acceptance for K and  $\pi$  [\[Phys. Rev. D75 \(2007\) 036008\]](#)
$$\Delta A_{CP}(t) = a_{CP}^{dir}(K^+ K^-) - a_{CP}^{dir}(\pi^+ \pi^-) + \frac{\Delta \langle t \rangle}{\tau} a_{CP}^{mix}$$
- Not sensitive to CP violation in mixing
- Past results motivated the use of more data:
  - Prompt:  $D^{*+} \rightarrow (D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-) \pi_{soft}^+$
  - Secondary:  $B \rightarrow (D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-) \mu X$
- Both cases define  $\Delta A_{CP}$ 
$$\Delta A_{CP} = A_{CP}(K^+ K^-) - A_{CP}(\pi^+ \pi^-) \approx A_{raw}(K^+ K^-) - A_{raw}(\pi^+ \pi^-)$$
- Treatment different for production and detection asymmetries between prompt and secondary, uncorrelated systematic and statistical uncertainties

# $\Delta A_{CP}$ in prompt $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, K^+K^-$

Uses  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data  
from LHCb in 2011

[\[CERN-LHCb-CONF-2013-003\]](#)



- Raw asymmetry can be defined using

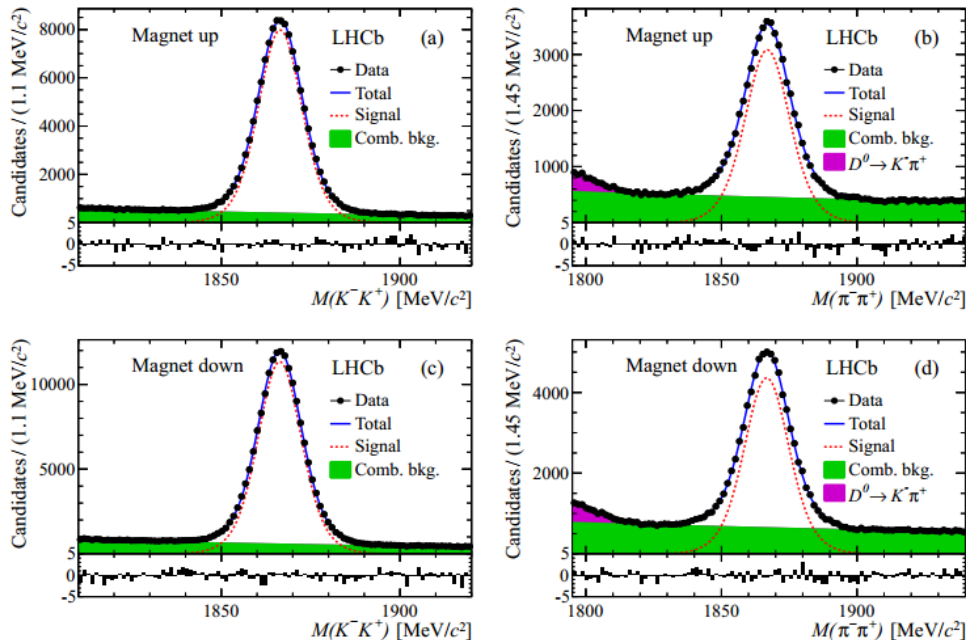
$$A_{raw} = A_{CP}(f) + A_D(f) + A_D(\pi_{soft}^+) + A_P(D^{*+})$$

- Self-conjugate spin-0 final states mean no detection asymmetry due to final state
- $A_D(\pi_{soft})$  and  $A_P(D^*)$  depend on  $D^*$  kinematics ( $p$ ,  $p_T$  and  $\phi$ )
- Can reweigh variable distributions account for differences in kinematics and selection criteria between the final states

# $\Delta A_{CP}$ in secondary $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, K^+K^-$

- All previous measurements from prompt charm - motivation to include a result from secondary as an independent measurement

[arXiv:1303.2614 [hep-ex]]



- Define raw asymmetry  

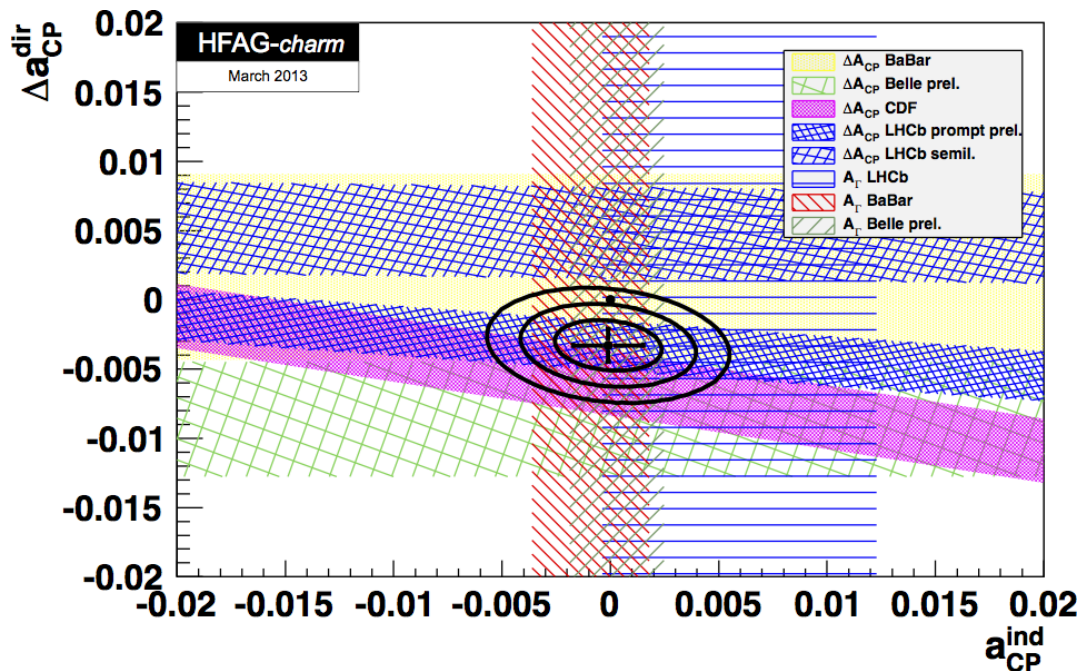
$$A_{raw} = A_{CP}(f) + A_D(\mu) + A_P(B)$$
- $A_P(B)$  is independent of final state
- Can reweight  $D^0$  variable distributions to account for  $A_D(\mu)$  difference between the final states

# $\Delta A_{CP}$ in $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-$ (new) results

## ● Fit results:

○ Prompt  $\Delta A_{CP} = (-0.34 \pm 0.15(stat) \pm 0.10(sys))\%$   
[\[CERN-LHCb-CONF-2013-003\]](#)

○ Secondary  $\Delta A_{CP} = (+0.49 \pm 0.30(stat) \pm 0.14(sys))\%$   
[\[arXiv:1303.2614 \[hep-ex\]\]](#)



Combined HFAG value

$$\Delta a_{CP}^{dir} = (-0.329 \pm 0.121)\%$$

LHCb average value

$$\Delta a_{CP}^{dir} = (-0.15 \pm 0.16)\%$$

[\[arXiv:1207.1158 \[hep-ex\]\]](#)



# Summary

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- Beautiful charm mixing result confirming at  $9.1\sigma$
  - CP violation in some channels constrained with precision  $\sim O(10^{-3})$
  - We have  $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  more data on tape and more in 2015
  - Stay Tuned
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# Backup slides

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Here be dragons....

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# Summary of results

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- Results from time-integrated charm CP violation searches

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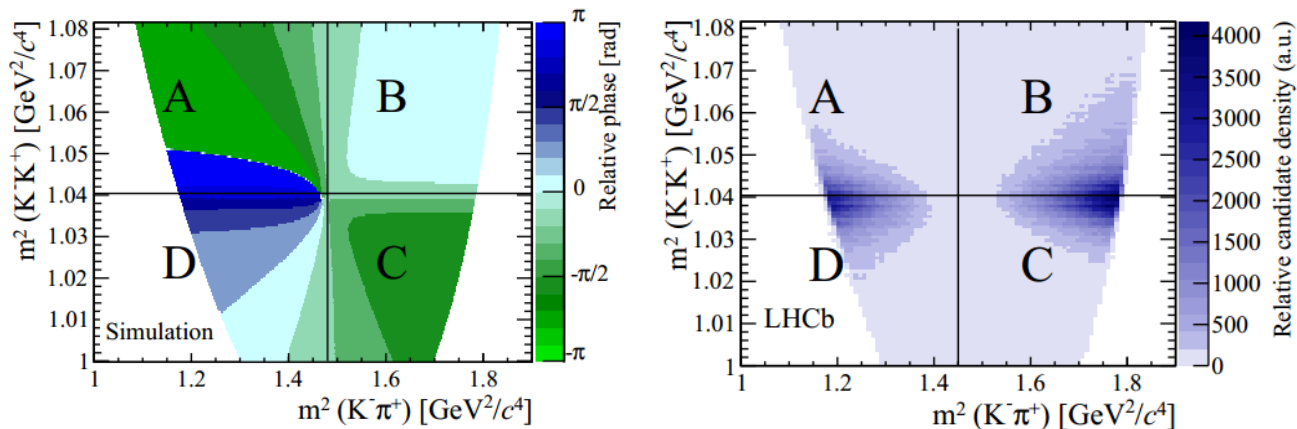
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# CP Violation in $D^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$ and $D^{\pm} \rightarrow K_S \pi^{\pm}$

- Strong phase variations throughout  $\phi$  region could mean that a constant  $A_{CP}$  could cancel out
- Split the Dalitz plot around the  $\phi$  resonance into four regions, minimising strong phase variations (using CLEO data)



- Introduce a new variable more robust to this effect

$$A_{CP|S} = \left( A_{raw}^A + A_{raw}^C - A_{raw}^B - A_{raw}^D \right)$$

$$A_{CP|S}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) = (-0.18 \pm 0.17(stat) \pm 0.18(sys))\%$$