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Studies of Asymmetries in Semileptonic B decays at LHCb

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on behalf the LHCb collaboration



■ **CP Asymmetry in B_s**

LHCb-PAPER-2013-033 **final 1fb⁻¹ result**
update of [CONF-2012-022](#)

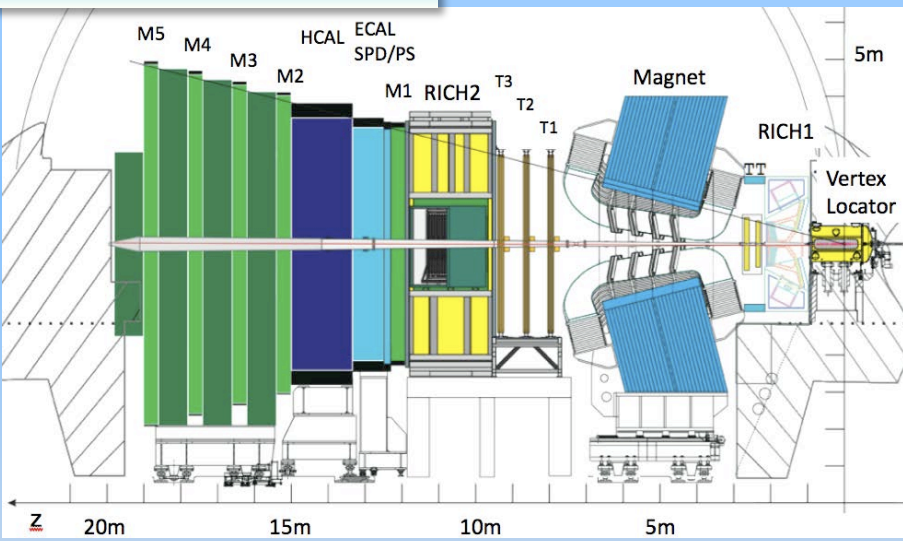
■ **Mixing in B_d and B_s**

LHCb-PAPER-2013-036 **New**

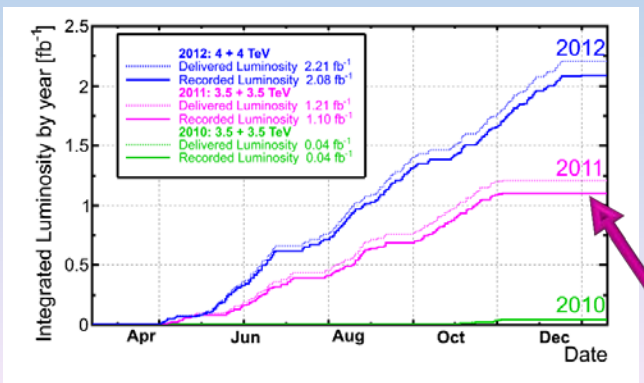
The LHCb Experiment

❖ 912 members from 17 countries in 65 institutes

The LHCb Detector:



- **Single arm forward spectrometer**
- **Excellent tracking and vertexing**
 - ▶ impact parameter resolution $\sim 20\mu\text{m}$ (high P_T)
- **Unique Hadron PID**
 - ▶ Two Rich detectors π, K, p ID up to 100 GeV/c
- **Muon and Calorimeter systems**
 - ▶ read-out at 40MHz. p_T of muon and E_T of hadron & γ input to first level trigger
- **High Level Trigger**
 - ▶ Input 1MHz, full software based, offline reconstruction tuned to trigger time constraints
 - ▶ 29000 logical CPU cores
- **Dipole magnet**
 - ▶ $\int B dl = 4\text{Tm}$, polarity (UP / DOWN) changed every $\sim 100\text{pb}^{-1}$



Neutral Meson Mixing

assuming CPT

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for $\frac{\Gamma_{12}}{M_{12}} \ll 1$

Historical comment:

In the kaon system, A_{fs} , also called "Kabir Asymmetry" or A_T , first direct measurement of T-violation by CPLEAR *Phys.Lett. B 444 (1998) 52*

$$A_{fs}^{kaon} = (6.6 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$$

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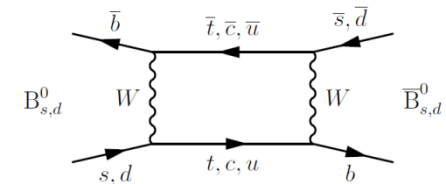
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A.Lenz arXiv:1205.1444

example for a leading order diagram:



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New physics can enhance A_{fs}^d and A_{fs}^s up to 0.01

Interesting place to look for New Physics contributions.

Experimental Considerations I

A measurement of A_{fs} requires

▶ Flavour tagging at decay time: most efficiently done using semileptonic decays, high BR, $\Delta b = \Delta Q$ rule



▶ Flavour tagging at production, expensive, $\epsilon D^2 \cong 3\%$ (LHCb)

● \Rightarrow Use untagged semileptonic asymmetries:

● Time dependent:
$$\frac{R(B \rightarrow \mu^+ X_C)(t) - R(B \rightarrow \mu^- X_C)(t)}{R(B \rightarrow \mu^+ X_C)(t) + R(B \rightarrow \mu^- X_C)(t)} = \frac{A_{fs}}{2} + \left(A_P - \frac{A_{fs}}{2} \right) \left(\frac{\cos \Delta m t}{\cosh \Delta \Gamma t / 2} \right)$$

● Price:

◆ Loose factor 2 in sensitivity

◆ Dependence on production asymmetry $A_P = \frac{N(B_{t=0}) - N(\bar{B}_{t=0})}{N(B_{t=0}) + N(\bar{B}_{t=0})} = O(1\%)$

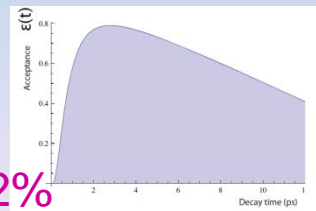
▶ Lifetime reconstruction complicated by missing momentum

● Time integrated:
$$\frac{N(B \rightarrow \mu^+ X_C) - N(B \rightarrow \mu^- X_C)}{N(B \rightarrow \mu^+ X_C) + N(B \rightarrow \mu^- X_C)} = \frac{A_{fs}}{2} + \left(A_P - \frac{A_{fs}}{2} \right) \left[1 + \left(\frac{\Delta m}{\bar{\Gamma}} \right)^2 \right]^{-1}$$

0.14% for B_s

● Gift: ● $\frac{\Delta m_s}{\bar{\Gamma}_s} \approx 26$: wipes out contribution from a B_s production

asymmetry to $< 4 \times 10^{-5}$, well below expected statistical sensitivity



▶ For B_d , will need time dependent analysis

$A_P \times 0.2\%$
with LHCb acceptance

■ LHCb strategy

- ▶ Measure first A_{fs} for B_s using time integrated semileptonic asymmetry
- ▶ Develop time dependent analysis
 - Complication: Determine B lifetime with missing neutrino
 - Challenge method by measuring Δm_s and Δm_d
- ▶ Measure A_{fs} for B_d using time dependent semileptonic asymmetry

■ Flavour specific final states are prone to detector induced charge asymmetries

- ▶ Different reconstruction efficiencies for particle and antiparticles due to different hadronic interactions with detector material
 - Controlled by using calibration channels
- ▶ Left/Right asymmetric detector efficiencies together with a dipole magnet
 - Mitigated by changing magnet polarities

Signal Yields

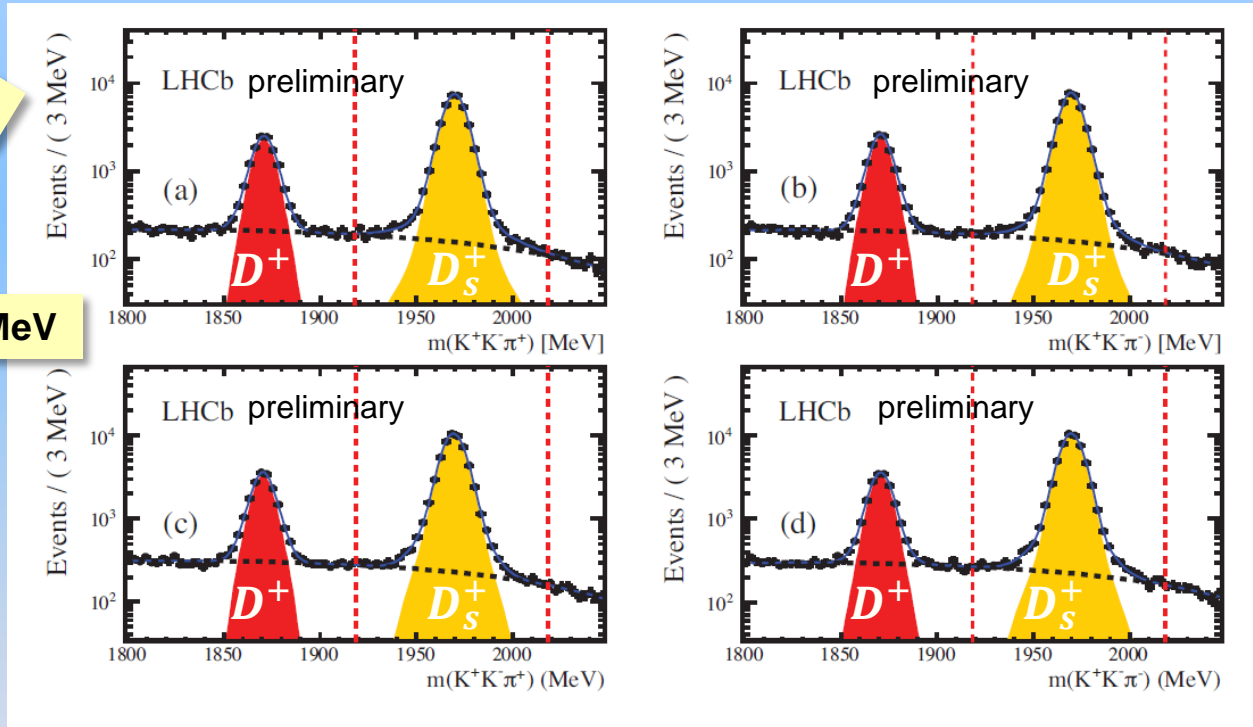
- PDF = double Gaussian with common mean for signal, 2nd order Chebyshev polynomial for background

LOG scale!

Magnet UP

$|m(KK) - m(\Phi)| < 20 \text{ MeV}$

Magnet DOWN



► Fitted raw yields

Total statistics: **184817 ± 484**

	Magnet Up	Magnet Down
mass fitting		
$D_s^- \mu^+$	38742 ± 218	53768 ± 264
$D_s^+ \mu^-$	38055 ± 223	54252 ± 259

■ Master formula

$$\varepsilon(\mu^\pm) = \varepsilon^{Trigger}(\mu^\pm) \times \varepsilon^{PID}(\mu^\pm)$$

$$\blacktriangleright A_{meas}^s = \underbrace{\frac{N(D_S^- \mu^+)/\varepsilon(\mu^+) - N(D_S^+ \mu^-)/\varepsilon(\mu^-)}{N(D_S^- \mu^+)/\varepsilon(\mu^+) + N(D_S^+ \mu^-)/\varepsilon(\mu^-)}}_{A_\mu^c} - A_{track} - A_{bkg}$$

■ Correct event yields for muon related asymmetries

- ▶ Due to PID and trigger
 - By use of calibration channels

■ Determine asymmetry caused by track reconstruction

- ▶ Due to different interactions of particle/anti-particle with detector and to magnet effects
 - By use of calibration channels

■ Determine asymmetry caused by background

- ▶ Prompt and B related
 - Determine from data

Muon Related Asymmetry

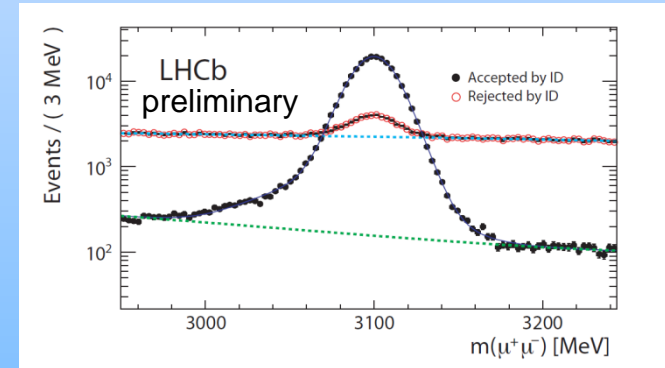
Calibration channel: $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

Two samples used

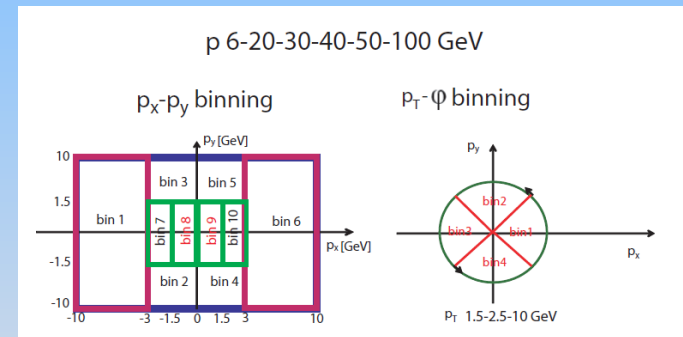
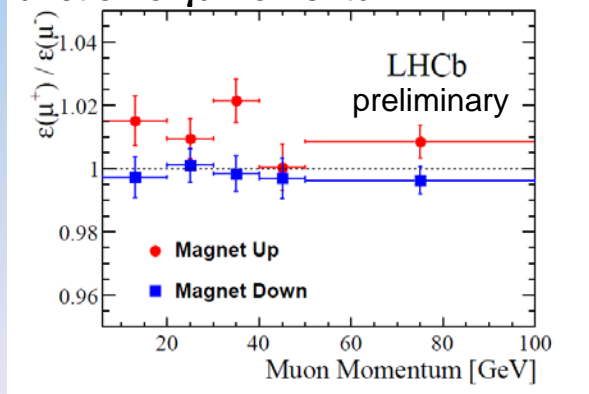
- Events triggered by hadronic B decays not including J/ψ in the final state **KS**
- Events triggered by single muon **MS**

Tag&Probe

- Tag = one good muon, probe = track not used in trigger and PID forming a good vertex with the tag and invariant mass close to J/ψ mass
- Determine PID and trigger efficiencies of μ^+ and μ^- in kinematic bins:



Efficiency ratio as function of μ momentum:



LHCb preliminary

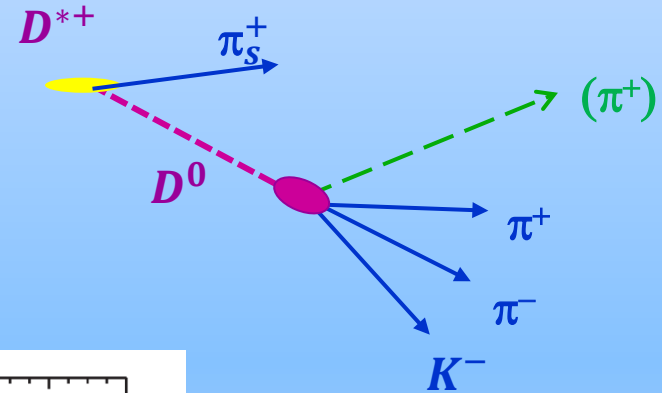
A_{μ}^c [%]	KS muon correction		MS muon correction		Average
Magnet	$pp_x p_y$	$pp_t \phi$	$pp_x p_y$	$pp_t \phi$	
Up	$+0.38 \pm 0.38$	$+0.30 \pm 0.38$	$+0.64 \pm 0.37$	$+0.63 \pm 0.37$	$+0.49 \pm 0.38$
Down	-0.17 ± 0.32	-0.25 ± 0.32	-0.60 ± 0.32	-0.62 ± 0.32	-0.41 ± 0.32
Avg.	$+0.11 \pm 0.25$	$+0.02 \pm 0.27$	$+0.02 \pm 0.24$	$+0.01 \pm 0.24$	$+0.04 \pm 0.25$

► For final result, use average of both samples and methods

Tracking Asymmetry

$\mu^\pm \pi^\mp$:

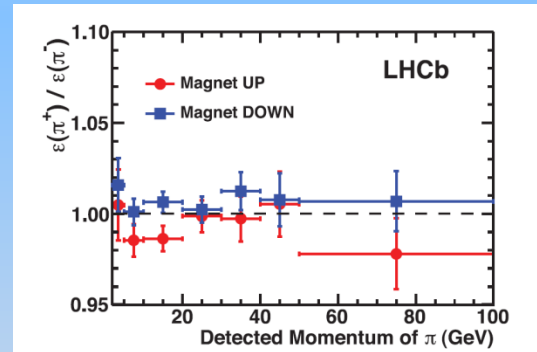
- Use partially reconstructed decays: vertex and kinematic constraints determine momentum of the missing π^+ .
- Determine tracking efficiency ratio $\varepsilon(\pi^+)/\varepsilon(\pi^-)$ as function of momentum:



Method used in an earlier measurement of the D_s production asymmetry:
R.Aaij et al PLB 713 (2012) 186

Kinematic weighting with signal:

$$A_{track}(\mu^\pm \pi^\mp) = (0.01 \pm 0.13)\%$$

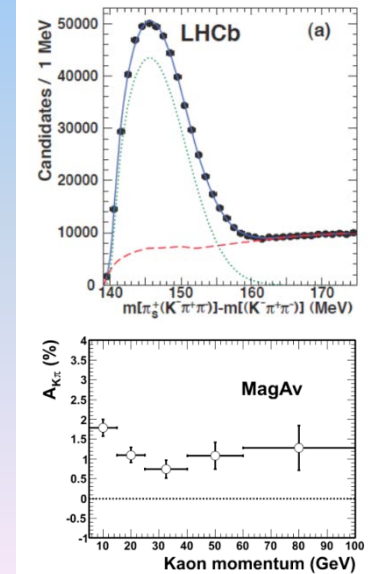


No asymmetry in pure $\Phi(1020) \rightarrow K^+ K^-$

- BUT**, small s-wave contribution, $K^+ K^-$ momentum slightly differs. Kaon asymmetry determined from:

$$\frac{N(D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-)}{N(D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)} \times \frac{N(D^+ \rightarrow K_s^0 \pi^+)}{N(D^- \rightarrow K_s^0 \pi^-)} = \frac{\varepsilon(K^+ \pi^-)}{\varepsilon(K^- \pi^+)}$$

$$A_{track}(K^+ K^-) = (0.012 \pm 0.004)\%$$

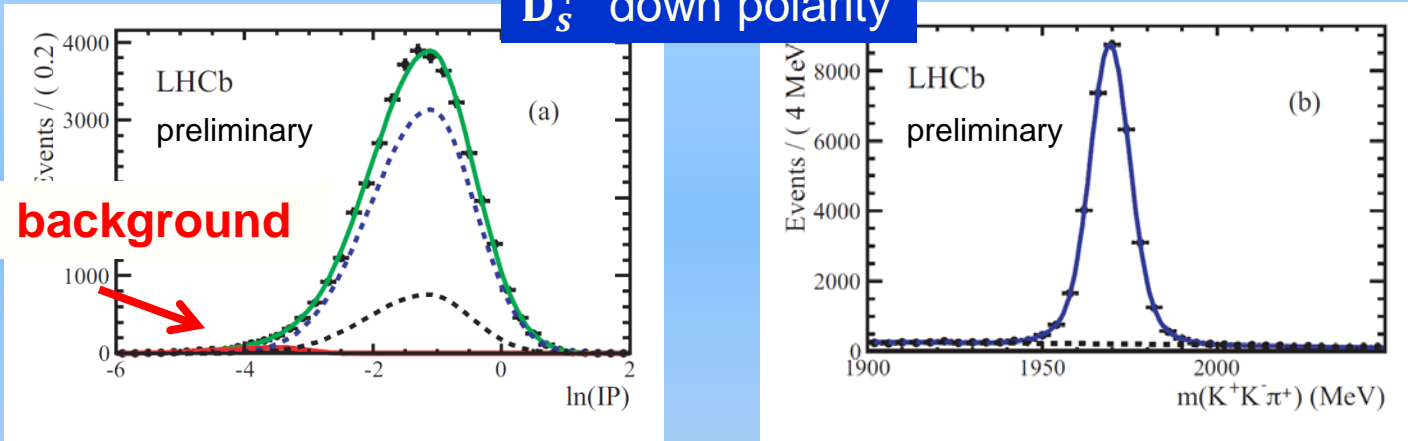


Background Asymmetries

- Prompt D_s background estimated from 2-dim fit of $\ln(\text{IP}/\text{mm})$ vs. $m(K^+K^-\pi^+)$

D_s^+ down polarity

Prompt D_s background



$$\begin{aligned}
 \blacktriangleright A_{bkg}^{UP} &= (+0.14 \pm 0.07)\% \\
 \blacktriangleright A_{bkg}^{DOWN} &= (-0.05 \pm 0.05)\% \quad \Rightarrow A_{bkg} = (0.04 \pm 0.04)\%
 \end{aligned}$$

■ Backgrounds from B hadrons

$D_s^+ h^- X$ sample, $h = K/\pi$ identified with RICH, and folded with μ -misidentification probabilities from $D^* \rightarrow D^0(K\pi)\pi$ calibration sample

- ▶ False- μ and D_s from b-hadron decays: $A_{bkg} < 0.01\%$
- ▶ μ and D_s from b-hadron decays: $A_{bkg} = (0.01 \pm 0.04)\%$
 e.g. $\bar{B} \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D} X, \bar{D} \rightarrow \mu^- X$

using measurements of branching fractions, b-hadron fractions, production asymmetries

Putting all together

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{meas}^s &= \underbrace{\frac{N(D_s^- \mu^+)/\epsilon(\mu^+) - N(D_s^+ \mu^-)/\epsilon(\mu^-)}{N(D_s^- \mu^+)/\epsilon(\mu^+) + N(D_s^+ \mu^-)/\epsilon(\mu^-)}}_{A_\mu^c = (0.04 \pm 0.25)\%} - \underbrace{A_{track}}_{= (0.02 \pm 0.13)\%} - \underbrace{A_{bkg}}_{= (0.05 \pm 0.05)\%} \\
 &= (-0.03 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.18\%)
 \end{aligned}$$

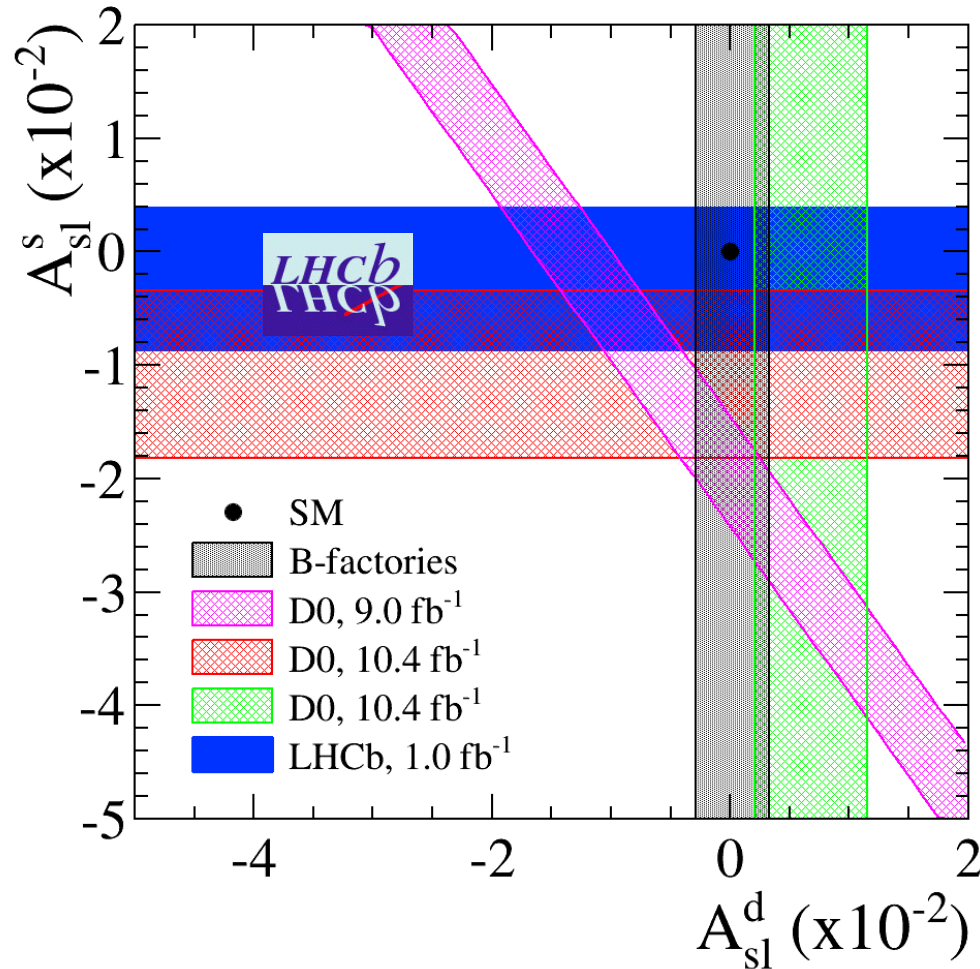
Systematic uncertainties:

Sources	$\sigma(A_{meas}^s)$ [%]
Signal modeling and muon correction	0.07
Statistical uncertainty on the efficiency ratios	0.08
Background subtraction	0.05
Asymmetry in track reconstruction	0.13
Field-up and field-down different run conditions	0.01
Software trigger bias (topological trigger)	0.05
Total	0.18

LHCb preliminary:

$$A_{fs}^s = 2 \times A_{meas}^s = (-0.06 \pm 0.50 \pm 0.36)\%$$

Comparison with other experiments



$$A_{fs}^s = (-0.06 \pm 0.50 \pm 0.36)\%$$

- Most precise measurement
- In agreement with SM prediction

See plenary talk of Stephanie Hansmann-Menzemer for comparison with other experiments

Towards Measuring A_{fs}^d

Mixing

"like sign"

"opposite sign"

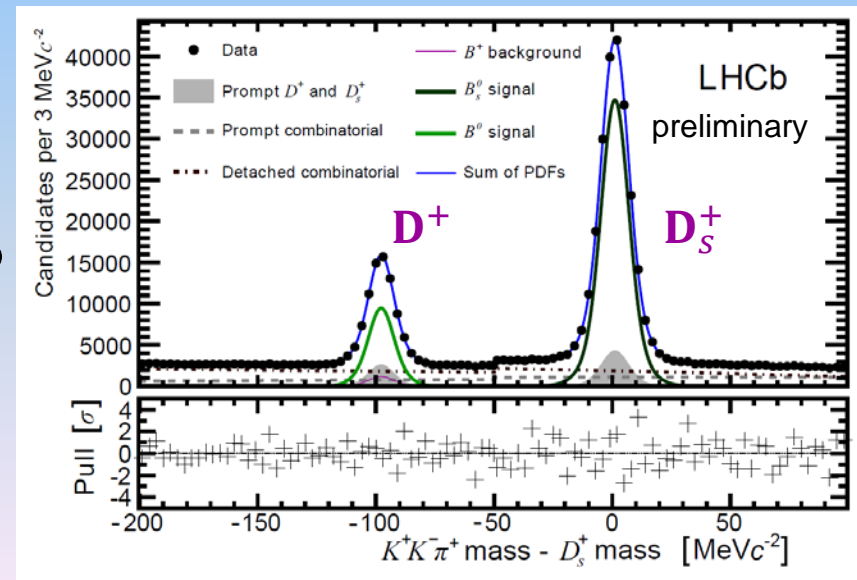
$$A_{\Delta m}(t) = \frac{[\mathcal{R}(\bar{B}_{t=0} \rightarrow \bar{B}) + \mathcal{R}(B_{t=0} \rightarrow B)] - [\mathcal{R}(\bar{B}_{t=0} \rightarrow B) + \mathcal{R}(B_{t=0} \rightarrow \bar{B})]}{[\mathcal{R}(\bar{B}_{t=0} \rightarrow \bar{B}) + \mathcal{R}(B_{t=0} \rightarrow B)] + [\mathcal{R}(\bar{B}_{t=0} \rightarrow B) + \mathcal{R}(B_{t=0} \rightarrow \bar{B})]} = \frac{\cos \Delta m t}{\cosh \frac{\Delta \Gamma}{2} t}$$

- Use $B_{d,(s)} \rightarrow D_{(s)}^- [K^+ K^- \pi^-] \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ for flavour tagging at decay time, no requirement on $m(K^+ K^-)$
- Use opposite-side and same-side tagging at production time*

► Mass distribution of tagged events:
in total: ~600 000 candidates

► $A_{\Delta m}$ diluted by mistag probability ω

- $A_{\Delta m}^{exp} = (1 - 2\omega)A_{\Delta m}$
- ω free fit parameter, 0.33-0.36



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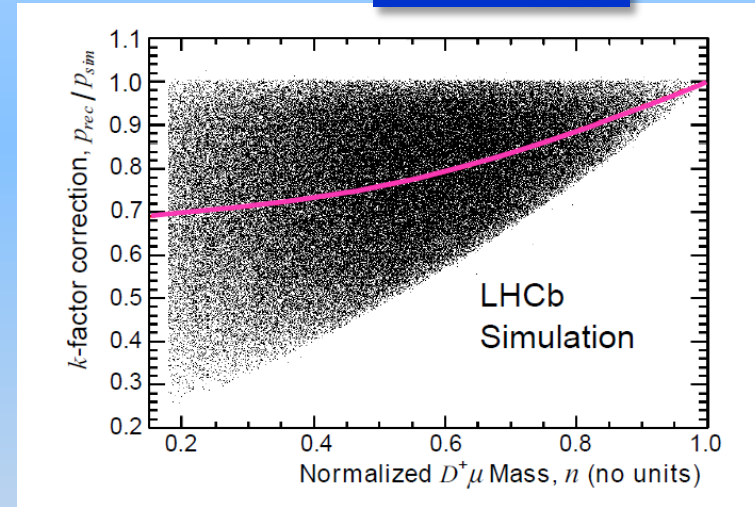
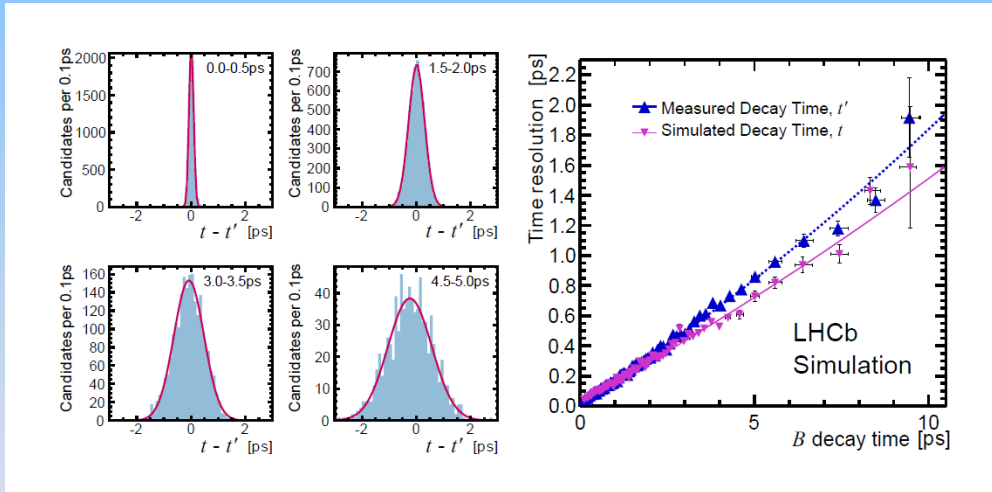
Determining Decay Time

■ k-factor corrects in average for the missing momentum

► Obtained from MC studies tuned to describe real data

$$k = \frac{P_{rec}}{P_{true}}$$

- k-factor spread smaller for high $D_{(s)}^- \mu^+$ mass
- Average k-factor parametrized with 4th order polynomial as function of $D_{(s)}^- \mu^+$ mass
- Decay time resolution becomes worse with decay time



$$\text{Normalized } D_{(s)}^- \mu^+ \text{ mass } n = \frac{M(D\mu) - M_D - M_\mu}{M_B - M_D - M_\mu}$$

- Mixing asymmetry distorted by resolution folded with decay time acceptance and by background.
 - Taken care in the fit procedure

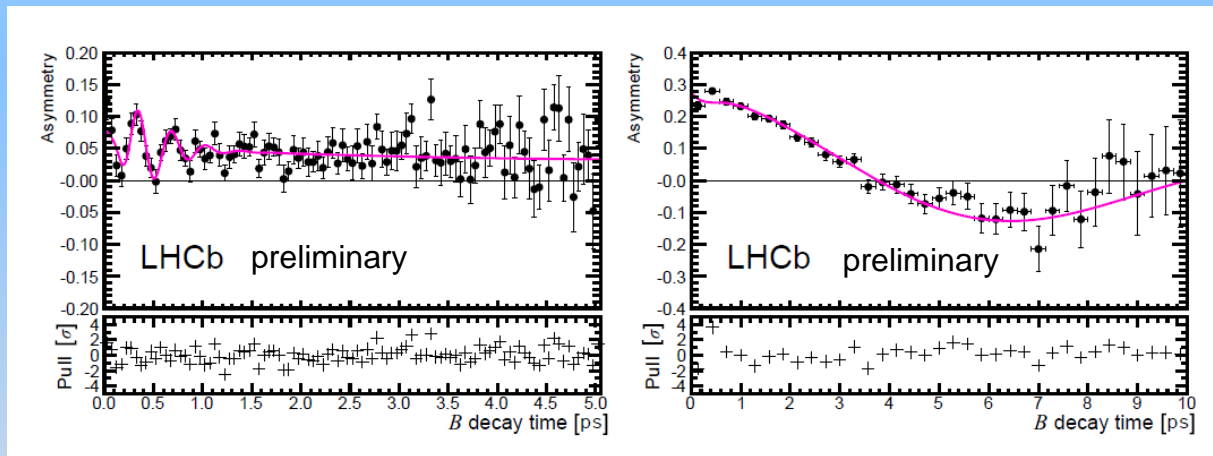
Binned, multidimensional, log-likelihood fits of the like and opposite sign decay rates

- Projection of the fitted PDF

Around D_s mass peak

around D^+ mass peak

(20 MeV/c²)



p-value = 19.6%

No mixing rejected by 5.8σ for B_s and 13σ for B_d

LHCb preliminary

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$$\Delta m_d(PDG) = (0.507 \pm 0.004) ps^{-1}$$

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First observation of B_s mixing with semileptonic only decays

■ A_{fs}^S final result with 1fb^{-1}

- ▶ $A_{fs}^S = (-0.06 \pm 0.50 \pm 0.36)\%$ LHCb preliminary
- ▶ Most precise measurement until now
- ▶ Result is consistent with the SM prediction of ~ 0

■ First measurement of Δm_s with only semileptonic decays

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- ▶ $\Delta m_d = (0.503 \pm 0.011_{stat} \pm 0.013_{sys})\text{ps}^{-1}$
- ▶ **On the right track to measure A_{fs}^d**

■ Significant increase of precision in the coming years

- ▶ 3fb^{-1} on tape from Run I
 - Using Cabibbo favored decays, $B_d \rightarrow D^- [K^- \pi^+ \pi^-] \mu^+ \nu_\mu$, expect $\sigma_{stat}(A_{fs}^d) < 0.1\%$
- ▶ 2015: Increase of beam energy, $\sim 2\text{x}$ more b production cross section
- ▶ After 2018: LHCb upgrade, aim for 50fb^{-1} with increased trigger efficiency

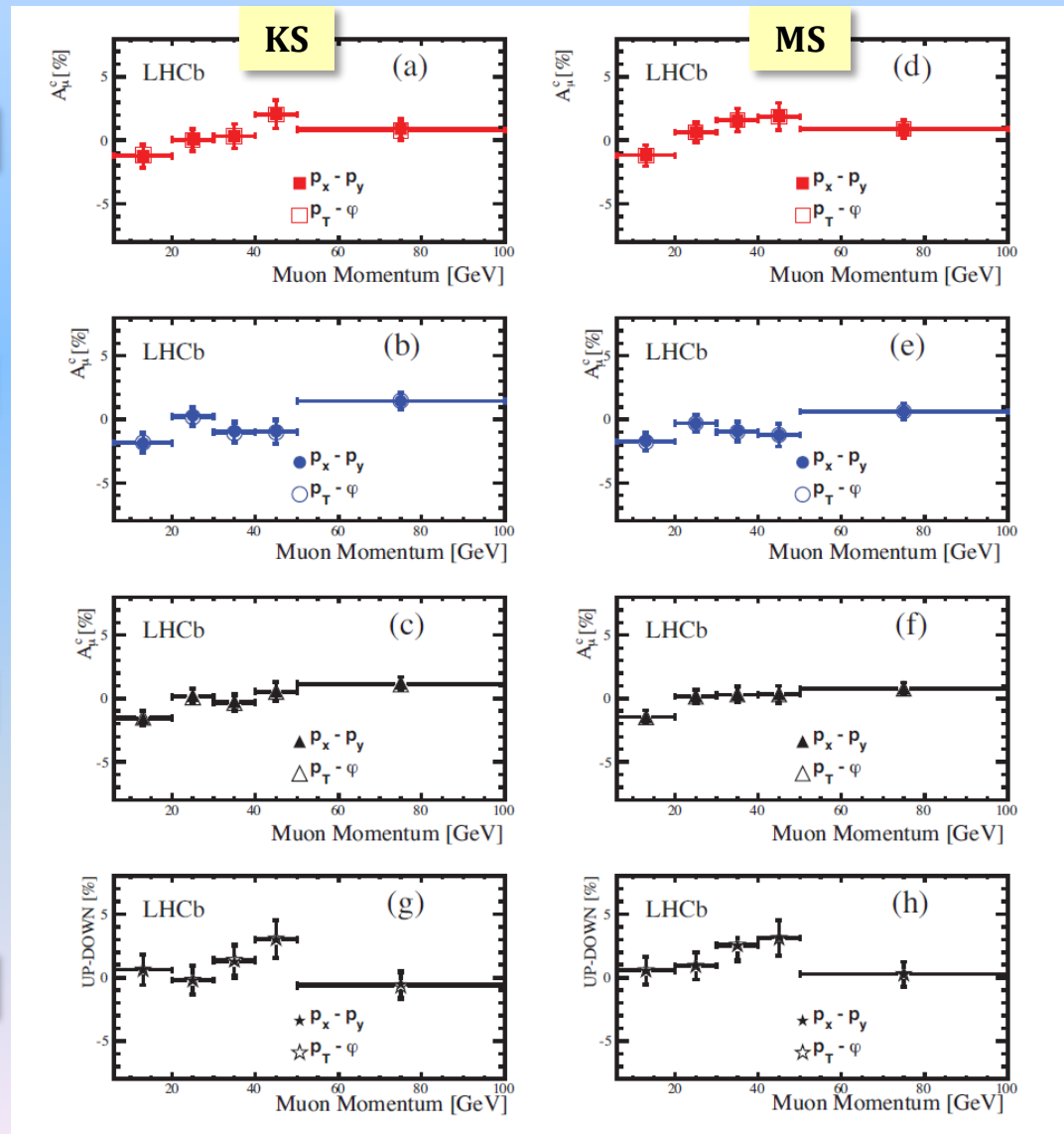
Muon Corrected Asymmetry

UP polarity

DOWN polarity

Average

Difference



Mixing Result, systematic errors

■ Systematic errors

Source of uncertainty	Method	Systematic uncertainty	
		Δm_s [ps^{-1}]	Δm_d [ps^{-1}]
k -factor	simulation	0.06	0.0052
detector alignment	calibration	0.03	0.0008
values of $\Delta\Gamma$	data refit	n/a	0.0004
model bias	simulation	0.09	0.0055
signal proper-time model	data refit	0.09	0.007
other models and binning	data refit	0.05	0.001
B^+ (\mathcal{B} , efficiency, tagging)	data refit	n/a	0.008
total	sum in quadrature	0.15	0.013

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