

Measurements of indirect CP asymmetries in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays

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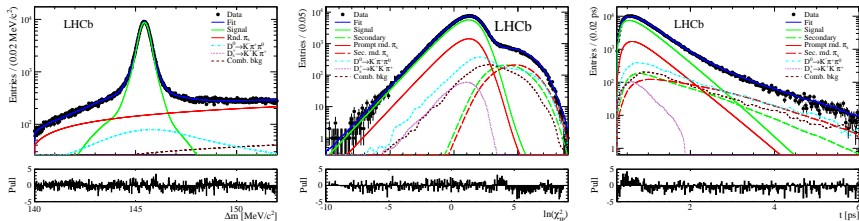
- Mass eigenstates of D^0 system defined as $|D_{1,2}\rangle = p|D^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$, with p and q complex. Masses and decay widths denoted by $m_{1,2}$ and $\Gamma_{1,2}$, resp.
- CP asymmetry of effective lifetime of D^0 decaying to CP eigenstate final state, f , is sensitive to indirect CPV

$$A_{\Gamma} \equiv \frac{\hat{\Gamma}(D^0 \rightarrow f) - \hat{\Gamma}(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)}{\hat{\Gamma}(D^0 \rightarrow f) + \hat{\Gamma}(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)} \approx \eta_{CP} \left[\frac{1}{2}(A_m + A_d)y \cos \phi - x \sin \phi \right].$$

- $\hat{\Gamma}$ is inverse of effective lifetime, η_{CP} the CP eigenvalue of f ,
 $x \equiv 2(m_2 - m_1)/(\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2)$, $y \equiv (\Gamma_2 - \Gamma_1)/(\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2)$,
 $A_m \equiv (|q/p|^2 - |p/q|^2)/(|q/p|^2 + |p/q|^2)$,
 $A_d \equiv (|A_f|^2 - |\bar{A}_f|^2)/(|A_f|^2 + |\bar{A}_f|^2)$, with $\bar{A}_f^{(-)}$ the decay amplitude,
 and $\phi \equiv \arg(q\bar{A}_f/pA_f)$.
- Indirect CPV for D^0 predicted to be very small in Standard Model - observation of significantly larger CPV would indicate new physics.

Methodology

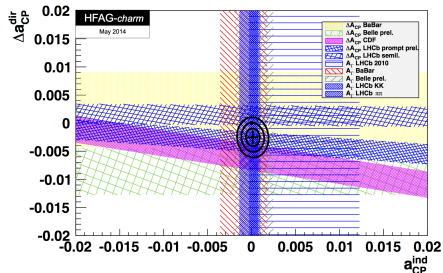
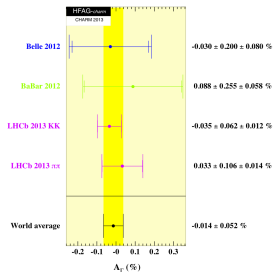
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- $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi_s^+$ gives D^0 flavour. $K^+ K^-$ and $\pi^+ \pi^-$ final states used.
- Combinatorial and partially reconstructed backgrounds discriminated by fit to D^0 mass and $\Delta m \equiv m(D^{*+}) - m(D^0)$.
- Background from $B \rightarrow D^0 X$ decays is discriminated by fit to decay-time and χ^2 of hypothesis that D^0 originates directly from pp collision - χ^2_{IP} .
- Selection efficiency vs decay-time obtained from data using per-candidate acceptance functions.

Results & Systematics

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- Using 1 fb^{-1} of data collected in 2011 yields:

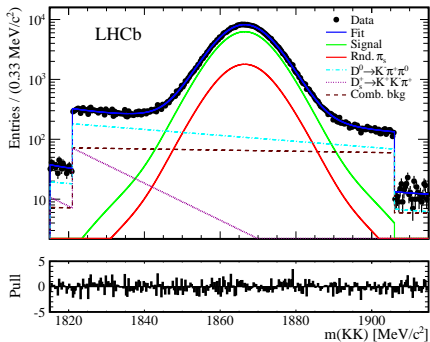
$$A_{\Gamma}(\pi\pi) = (0.33 \pm 1.06 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-3},$$

$$A_{\Gamma}(\text{KK}) = (-0.35 \pm 0.62 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-3}.$$

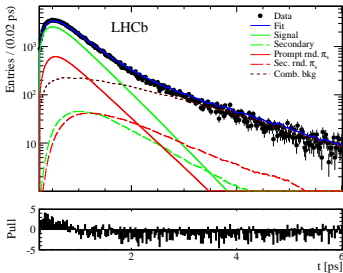
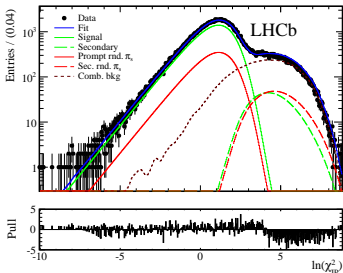
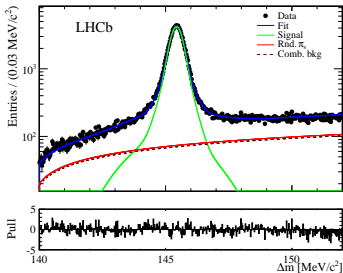
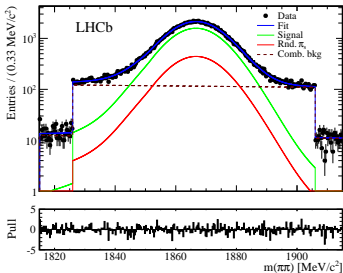
- Dominant systematics from modelling of the acceptance vs decay-time and $B \rightarrow D^0 X$ decays.
- Most precise measurements of their kind to date.
- No indication of CP violation.

Backup

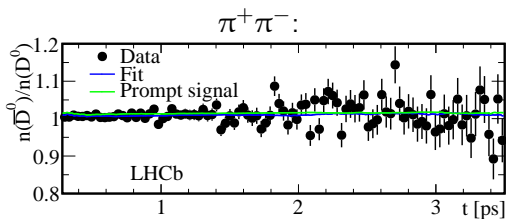
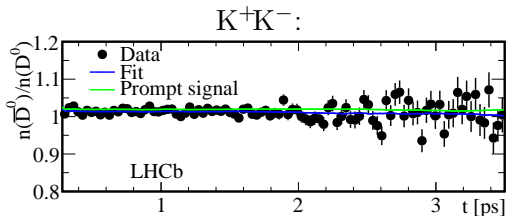
K^+K^- Mass fit



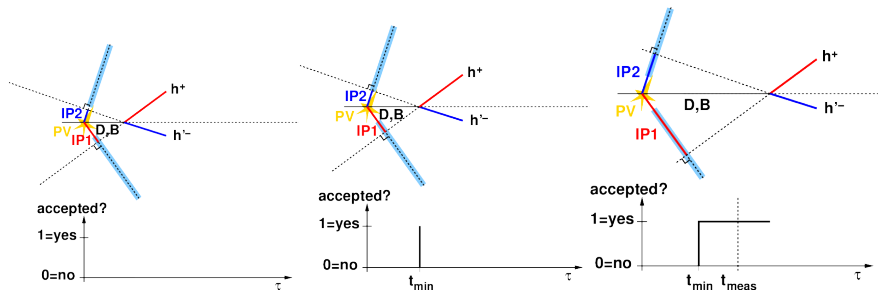
$\pi^+\pi^-$ Fits



Decay-Time Ratios



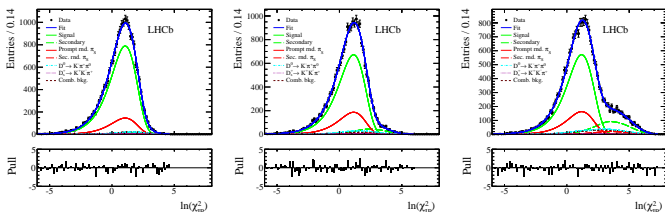
Swimming



- Move PV to change decay-time of candidate.
- Re-evaluate selection decision at each decay-time to build the acceptance function for that candidate.
- Average acceptance calculated as sum of per-candidate acceptance functions.

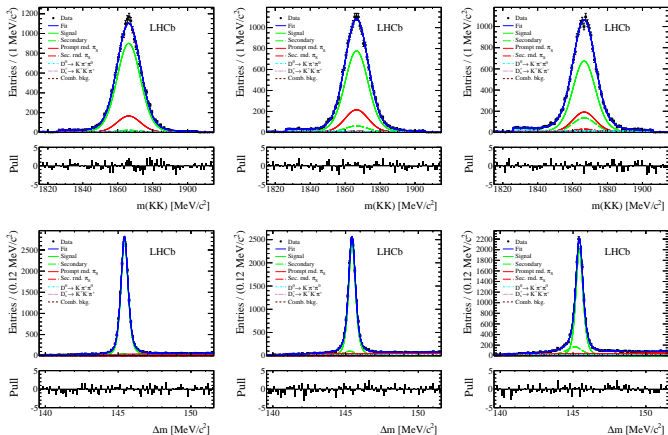
Binned Fit

- Complementary technique of fitting for yields in bins of decay time also used.
- Acceptance effects cancel in ratio - no need to know acceptance.
- Fits to K^+K^- data for decay-times 0.25 – 0.37 ps, 0.74 – 0.78 ps, and 1.55 – 1.80 ps (left to right):



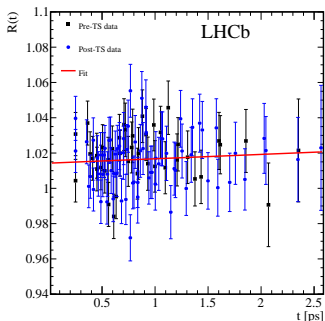
Binned Fit, Mass and Δm Fits

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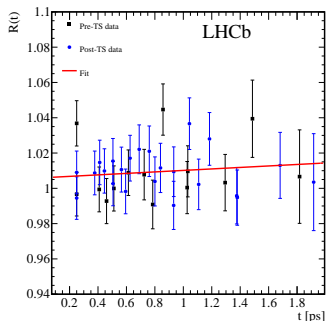


Binned Fit Results

K^+K^- :



$\pi^+\pi^-$:



$$A_{\Gamma}(\pi\pi) = (0.85 \pm 1.22 \pm 1.13) \times 10^{-3},$$
$$A_{\Gamma}(KK) = (0.50 \pm 0.65 \pm 0.89) \times 10^{-3}.$$