

# CP violation in baryons: theoretical perspective

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Modelling-independent searches for CP violation in multibody decays

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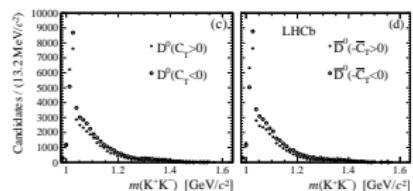
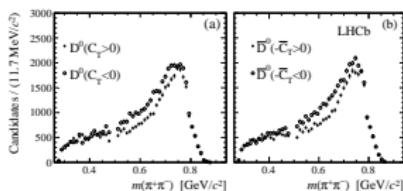
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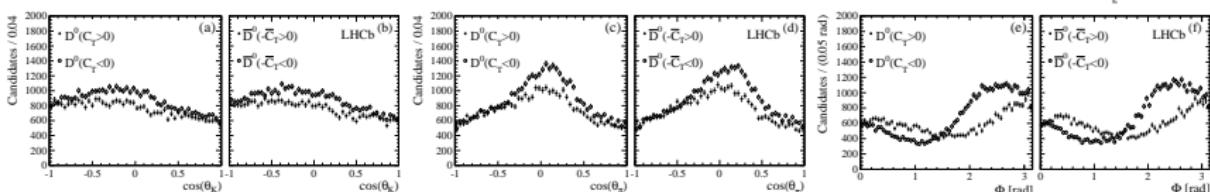
# Multibody hadronic decays

- Multidimensional phase space

e.g. 5d in  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$ :



[1408.1299]



- Large statistics

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

$171\,300 \pm 600$  candidates [1408.1299]

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$

$6\,646 \pm 105$  [1609.05216]

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi^-K^+K^-$$

$1\,030 \pm 56$  [1609.05216]

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda\phi \rightarrow p\pi^-K^+K^-$$

$89 \pm 13$  [1603.02870]

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda K^+K^- \rightarrow p\pi^-K^+K^-$$

$185 \pm 15$  [1603.00413]

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-$$

$28\,834 \pm 204$  [1603.06961]

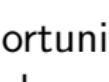
$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^-\psi(2S) \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-$$

$665 \pm 28$  [1603.06961]

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# The paradox of richness and complexity

- Rich variety of interfering contributions

Intermediate states in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	$\text{Br} / 10^{-4}$
	$(\phi \rho^0)_S, \quad \phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-, \quad \rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ $9.3 \pm 1.2$ $0.83 \pm 0.23$
	$(K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0})_S, \quad K^{*0} \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp$ $1.48 \pm 0.30$
	$\phi(\pi^+ \pi^-)_S, \quad \phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ $2.50 \pm 0.33$
	$(K^- \pi^+)_P (K^+ \pi^-)_S$ $2.6 \pm 0.5$
	$K_1^+ K^-, \quad K_1^+ \rightarrow K^{*0} \pi^+$ $K_1^- K^+, \quad K_1^- \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} \pi^-$ $1.8 \pm 0.5$ $0.22 \pm 0.12$
	$K_1^+ K^-, \quad K_1^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 K^+$ $K_1^- K^+, \quad K_1^- \rightarrow \rho^0 K^-$ $1.14 \pm 0.26$ $1.46 \pm 0.25$
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[CLEO '12]

⇒ Opportunities for CP violation searches  
but also modelling challenges!

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# Motion reversal $\hat{T}$

$\hat{T}$  flips  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{s}$ .

(often called *naive time reversal*)

$\hat{T}$ -oddity arises from  $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p^\mu q^\nu r^\rho s^\sigma$  contractions ...

€ from the Lagrangian:  $i\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{i}{2}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\rho\sigma}$

€ from chiral fermions:  $\gamma^5 \equiv \frac{i}{4!}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\gamma^\mu\gamma^\nu\gamma^\rho\gamma^\sigma$

... of four independent momenta or spin vectors.

→ minimal multiplicity

e.g. spinless four-body decays

# Differential CP violation

Compare the CP-conjugate amplitudes (squared)

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phase-space point by phase-space point.

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⇒ The  $\varphi$  phases is defined to contain all ‘CP-oddity’.

## CP violation and strong phases

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$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\Phi} \Big _{CP\text{-odd}}^{\hat{T}\text{-odd}}$	$\propto 'cos \delta sin \varphi'$	Sensitivity to small differences of CP-odd phases between decay amplitudes of identical —or vanishing— CP-even phases.
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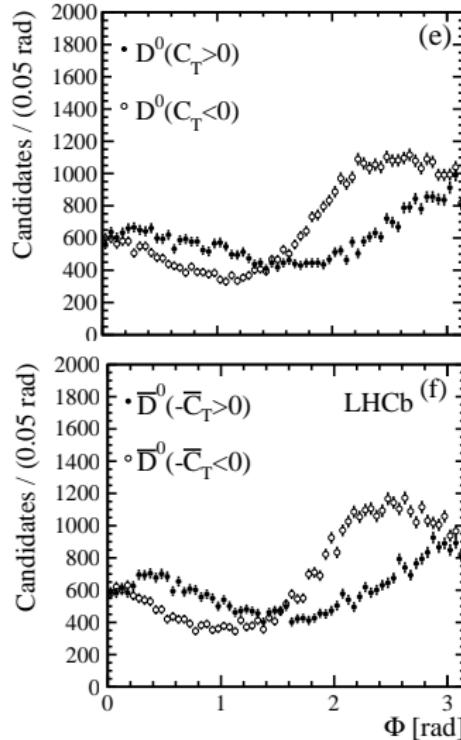
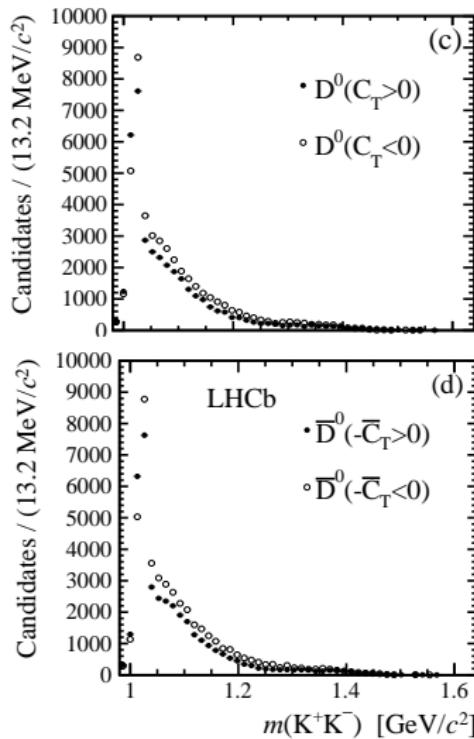
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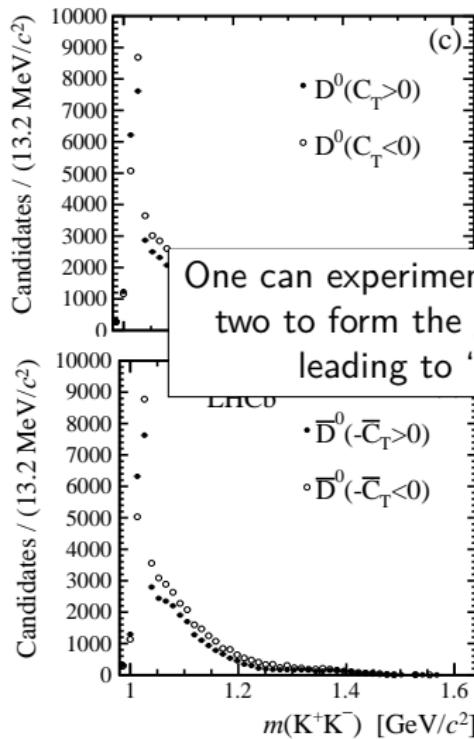
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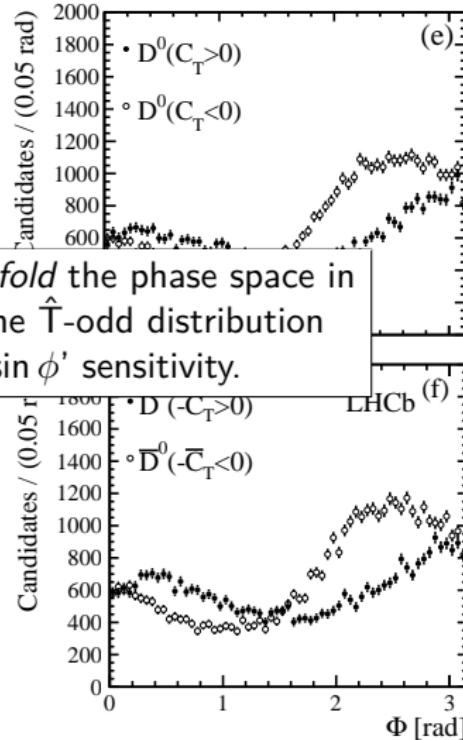
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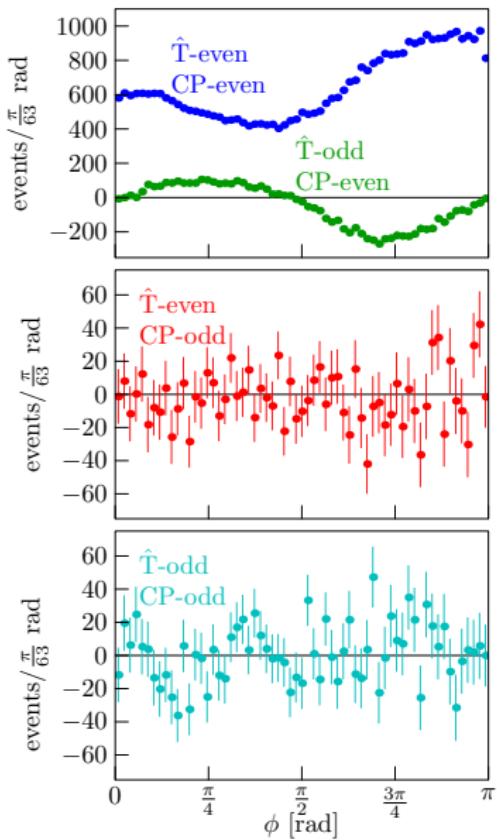
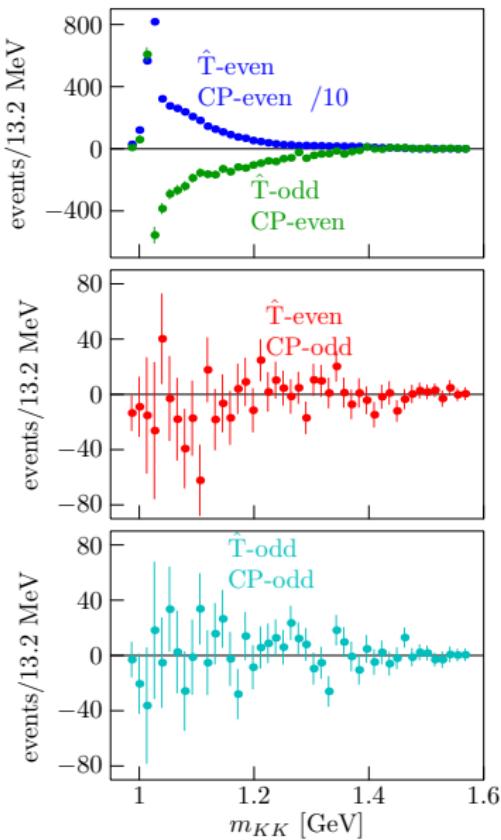


One can experimentally *fold* the phase space in  
two to form the genuine  $\hat{T}$ -odd distribution  
leading to ' $\cos \delta \sin \phi$ ' sensitivity.



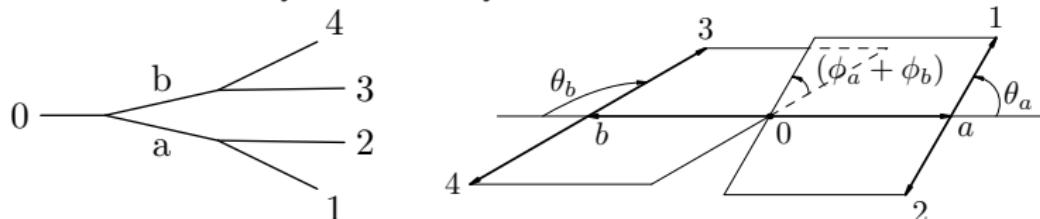
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## Spinless case: modelling-independent analysis

1. Fix a phase-space parametrisation which biases the analysis sensitivity



2. Define  $\hat{T}$ -odd-CP-odd asymmetries systematically over the full phase space

$$\mathcal{A}_m^{kl} \equiv \int d\Phi \text{ sign} \left\{ P_k(\cos \theta_a) P_l(\cos \theta_b) \sin n(\phi_a + \phi_b) \prod_i (m_a^2 - M_i^2) \prod_j (m_b^2 - M_j^2) \right\} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\Phi} - \frac{1}{\bar{\Gamma}} \frac{d\bar{\Gamma}}{d\Phi} \right)$$

3. back to 1., with another parametrisation

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## Spinful case: preliminary remarks

One does not measure the spins of stable particles.

Final-state spins will be summed over.

Only is the initial polarization kept,

only the P-even– $\hat{T}$ -odd component  $P_z$  ( $\perp$  to the production plane).

One targets the phases of the weak decay amplitudes,  
rather than that of the strong production amplitudes.

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amplitudes of identical —or vanishing— CP-even phases.

# Spinful case: more richness to exploit ...

## More angles

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The azimuthal angles appear in other combinations than  $(\phi_a + \phi_b)$ .

## $\hat{T}$ -oddity with lower multiplicity

namely, in the three-body decay of a polarized particle

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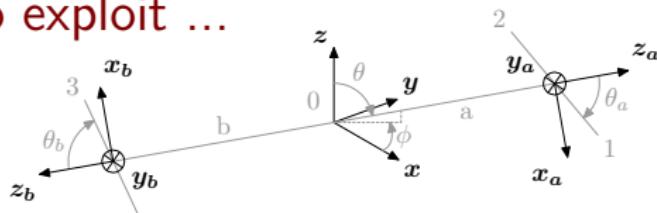
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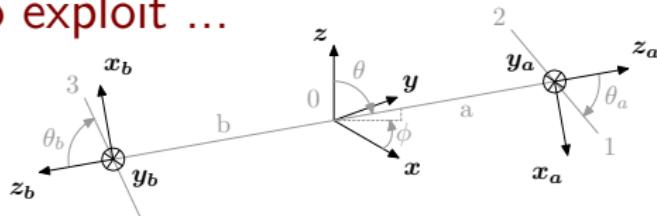
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... which cause  $\hat{T}$ -folding issues.



## Spinful case: ... and new ambiguities

The folding along the  $P_z$  direction is not feasible.

⇒ the genuine  $\hat{T}$ -odd decay distribution is not accessible!

One can only form *angular*  $\angle\hat{T}$ -odd distributions

but, some only provide ' $\sin \delta \sin \varphi$ ' sensitivities!

and, some  $\angle\hat{T}$ -even ones provide ' $\cos \delta \sin \varphi$ ' sensitivities!

Some modelling is needed to resolve these new ambiguities.

General modelling is provided by the helicity formalism.

[Jacob, Wick 59']

Specifying the resonance+spin structure however becomes needed.

# Spinful case: resolving ambiguities

e.g. for  $\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 0 0 0$  like  $\begin{array}{l} \Lambda_b \rightarrow N^* \rho \rightarrow p\pi\pi\pi \\ \Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \phi \rightarrow p\pi KK \end{array}$

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+3	$\text{Re}\{B_+^* B_-\}$	$\alpha_a$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \sin \theta_a \sin^2 \theta_b \cos(\phi_a + 2\phi_b)$
-3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* B_+\} + \text{Im}\{A_-^* B_-\}$		$P_z$	$\sin \theta$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* B_-\} - \text{Im}\{A_-^* B_+\}$	$\alpha_a$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta_a \sin 2\theta_b \sin(\phi_a + \phi_b)$
-3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\rightarrow \text{'cos } \delta \sin \varphi'$		$P_z$	$\sin \theta \cos \theta_a \sin 2\theta_b \sin \phi_b$
-6	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* A_-\}$	$\alpha_a$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \sin \theta_a \cos^2 \theta_b \sin \phi_a$
+3	$\text{Im}\{B_+^* B_-\}$	$\alpha_a$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \sin \theta_a \sin^2 \theta_b \sin(\phi_a + 2\phi_b)$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* B_-\} + \text{Im}\{A_-^* B_+\}$	$\alpha_a$	$\sin \theta_a$	$\sin 2\theta_b \sin(\phi_a + \phi_b)$

# Spinful case: resolving ambiguities

e.g. for  $\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 0 0 0$  like  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow N^* \rho \rightarrow p\pi\pi\pi$   
 $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \phi \rightarrow p\pi KK$

+3	$ A_+ ^2 +  A_- ^2$		$\cos^2 \theta_b$
+3/2	$ B_+ ^2 +  B_- ^2$		$\cdot 2a$
+3	$ A_+ ^2 -  A_- ^2$	$\alpha_a$	$\angle \hat{T}$ -even angular distrib.
+3/2	$ B_+ ^2 -  B_- ^2$	$\alpha_a$	$\cos \theta_a \quad \sin \theta_b$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Re}\{A_+^* B_-\} - \text{Re}\{A_-^* B_+\}$	$\alpha_a$	$\sin \theta_a \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \cos(\phi_a + \phi_b)$
+3	$ A_+ ^2 +  A_- ^2$	$P_z$	$\cos \theta \quad \cos^2 \theta_b$
-3/2	$\rightarrow 'sin \delta sin \varphi'$	$P_z$	$\cos \theta \quad \sin^2 \theta_b$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Re}\{A_+^* B_+\} - \text{Re}\{A_-^* B_-\}$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \cos \phi_b$
+3	$ A_+ ^2 +  A_- ^2$	$P_z$	$\cos \theta \quad \sin \theta_a \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \cos(\phi_a + \phi_b)$
-3/2	$ B_+ ^2 +  B_- ^2$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \quad \cos \theta_a \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \cos \phi_b$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Re}\{A_+^* B_-\} + \text{Re}\{A_-^* B_+\}$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \quad \sin \theta_a \quad \cos^2 \theta_b \quad \cos \phi_a$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Re}\{A_+^* B_+\} + \text{Re}\{A_-^* B_-\}$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \quad \sin \theta_a \quad \sin^2 \theta_b \quad \cos(\phi_a + 2\phi_b)$
-6	$\text{Re}\{A_+^* A_-\}$	$P_z$	
+3	$\text{Re}\{B_+^* B_-\}$	$P_z$	
-3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* B_+\} + \text{Im}\{A_-^* B_-\}$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \sin \phi_b$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* B_-\} - \text{Im}\{A_-^* B_+\}$	$\alpha_a$	$\cos \theta \quad \sin \theta_a \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \sin(\phi_a + \phi_b)$
-3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im} \rightarrow 'cos \delta sin \varphi'$	$\alpha_a$	$\sin \theta \quad \cos \theta_a \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \sin \phi_b$
-6	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* A_-\}$	$P_z$	$\sin \theta \quad \sin \theta_a \quad \cos^2 \theta_b \quad \sin \phi_a$
+3	$\text{Im}\{B_+^* B_-\}$	$\alpha_a$	$\sin \theta \quad \sin \theta_a \quad \sin^2 \theta_b \quad \sin(\phi_a + 2\phi_b)$
+3/ $\sqrt{2}$	$\text{Im}\{A_+^* B_-\} + \text{Im}\{A_-^* B_+\}$	$\alpha_a$	$\sin \theta_a \quad \sin 2\theta_b \quad \sin(\phi_a + \phi_b)$

## Spinful case: resolving ambiguities

With a resonance structure isolated, the helicity formalism determines which  $\angle \hat{T}$ -odd and  $\angle \hat{T}$ -even angular distributions lead to ' $\cos \delta \sin \varphi$ ' sensitivities in decay amplitudes.

$$\mathcal{A}_{mno}^{jkl} \equiv \int d\Omega \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\Omega} - \frac{1}{\bar{\Gamma}} \frac{d\bar{\Gamma}}{d\Omega} \right) \text{sign} \left\{ f_j(\cos \theta) f_k(\cos \theta_a) f_l(\cos \theta_b) \sin \left( m\phi_a + n\phi_b + o\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right\}$$

with  $o \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $j + m + n + o \in 2\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \angle \hat{T}$ -odd  
 $j + m + n + o \in (2\mathbb{Z} + 1) \rightarrow \angle \hat{T}$ -even

+ further understanding gained:

e.g., in strongly-produced  $\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 0 0 0$ ,

- vanishing 'classic'  $\sin(\phi_a + \phi_b)$  asymmetry (integrated  $a_{CP}^{\hat{T}\text{-odd}}$ )
- vanishing asymmetries based on 'special' angles [hep-ph/0602043]

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \Phi_a &= \frac{\cos \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi_a + \sin \phi \cos \phi_a}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi_a \sin^2 \theta}}, & \sin \Phi_a &= \frac{\cos \theta \sin \phi \sin \phi_a - \cos \phi \cos \phi_a}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi_a \sin^2 \theta}}, \\ \cos \Phi_b &= \frac{\cos \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi_b - \sin \phi \cos \phi_b}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi_b \sin^2 \theta}}, & \sin \Phi_b &= \frac{\cos \theta \sin \phi \sin \phi_b + \cos \phi \cos \phi_b}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi_b \sin^2 \theta}}. \end{aligned}$$

measured in  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \phi \rightarrow p\pi KK$

[1603.02870]

## CP violation in baryons: theoretical perspective

Differential distributions are rich of opportunities to search for CP violation.

Genuine  $\hat{T}$ -odd distributions allow to probe CP violation with ' $\cos \delta \sin \varphi$ ' sensitivity.

In spinless decays, systematic search procedures are free of modelling limitations.

In spinful decays, the genuine  $\hat{T}$ -odd distributions do not seem accessible.

But the helicity formalism indicates which *angular* distributions lead to ' $\cos \delta \sin \varphi$ ' sensitivities to decay amplitude phases.