

An experimental perspective on Heavy Flavour physics

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A selective approach

To give a comprehensive overview of experimental results in Heavy Flavour Physics is simply impossible

The number of publications from mainly BaBar and Belle, but also CDF, D0, CLEO and BES are truly staggering.

I will focus on a few of the key measurements and also ignore large parts.

Exclusion of some class of results might mean lack of knowledge from my side rather than lack of importance.

Heavy flavour oscillations

The discovery of $B^0-\bar{B}^0$ oscillations by ARGUS in 1987

Found that oscillation probability larger than expected

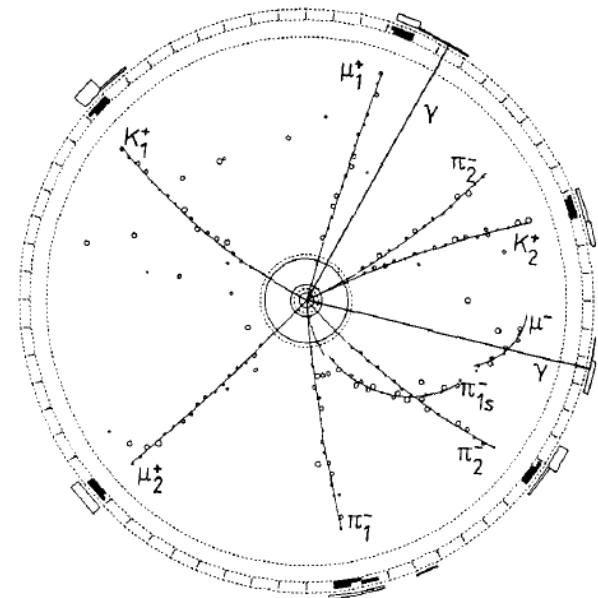
$$x = \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma} > 0.44$$

A clear indication of a very heavy top quark

PLB192,245

Interestingly the letter does not make a big issue of this but does in a table have

$$m_t > 50 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

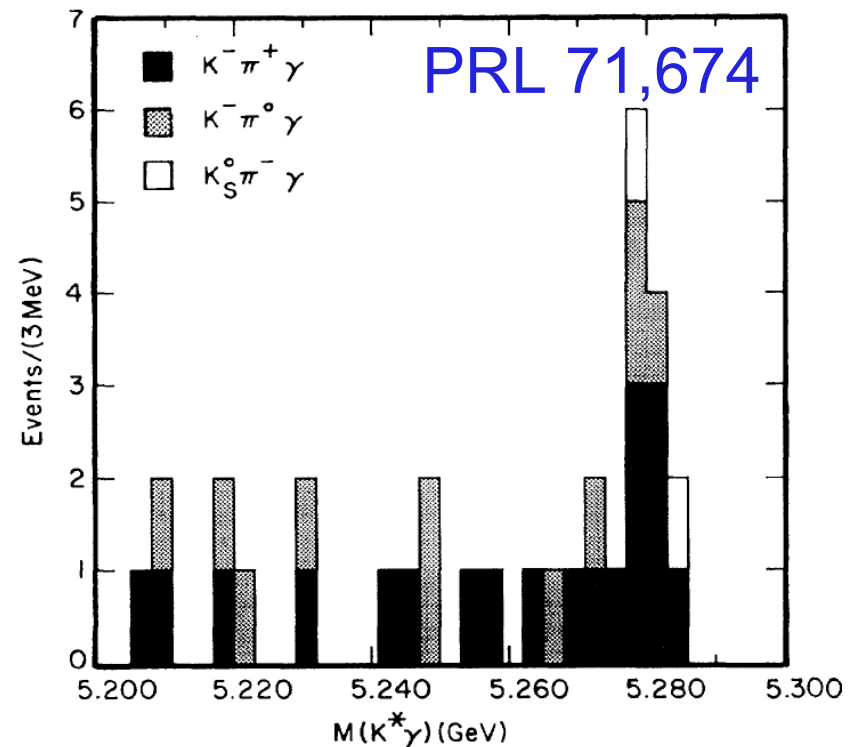
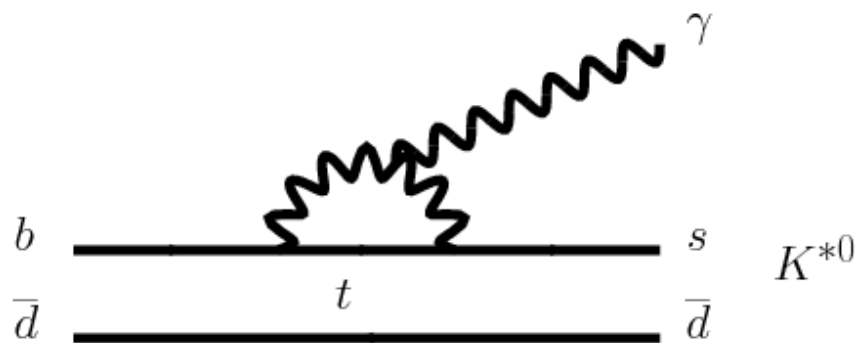


Penguin decays

Discovery of $B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$ by CLEO in 1993 was a clear evidence for the existence of penguin decays

The BR fitted well with the expectations from the SM at the time.

SM is the dominant contributor to FCNC decays

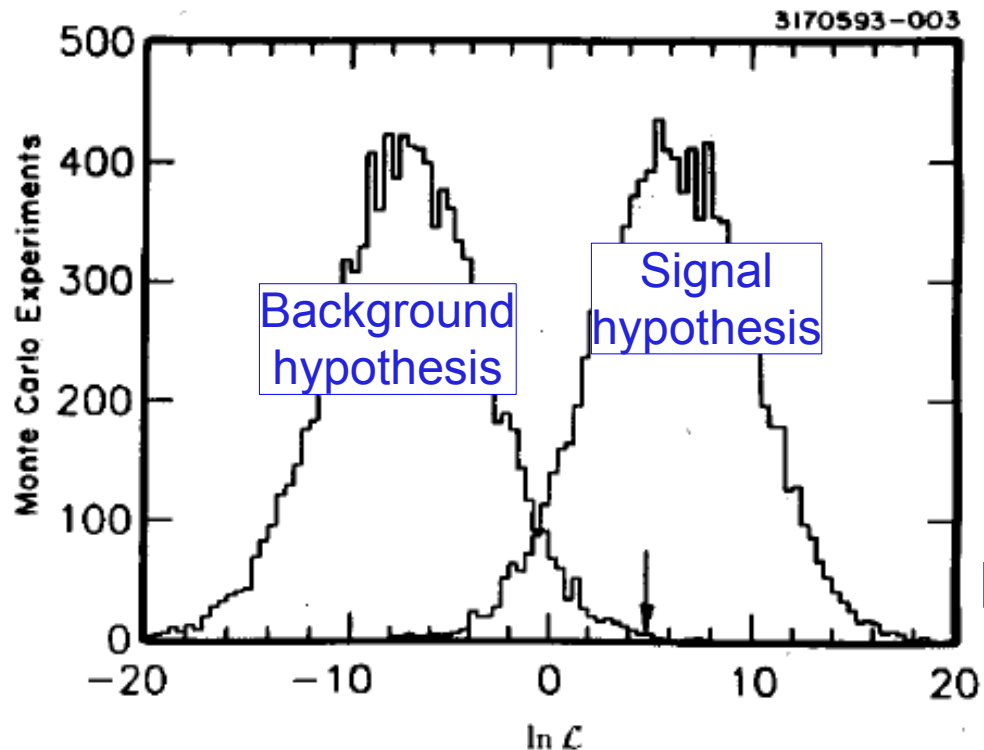


Penguin decays

Significance

Evaluated from likelihood distributions of signal and background samples

0.11% probability to be a background fluctuation.



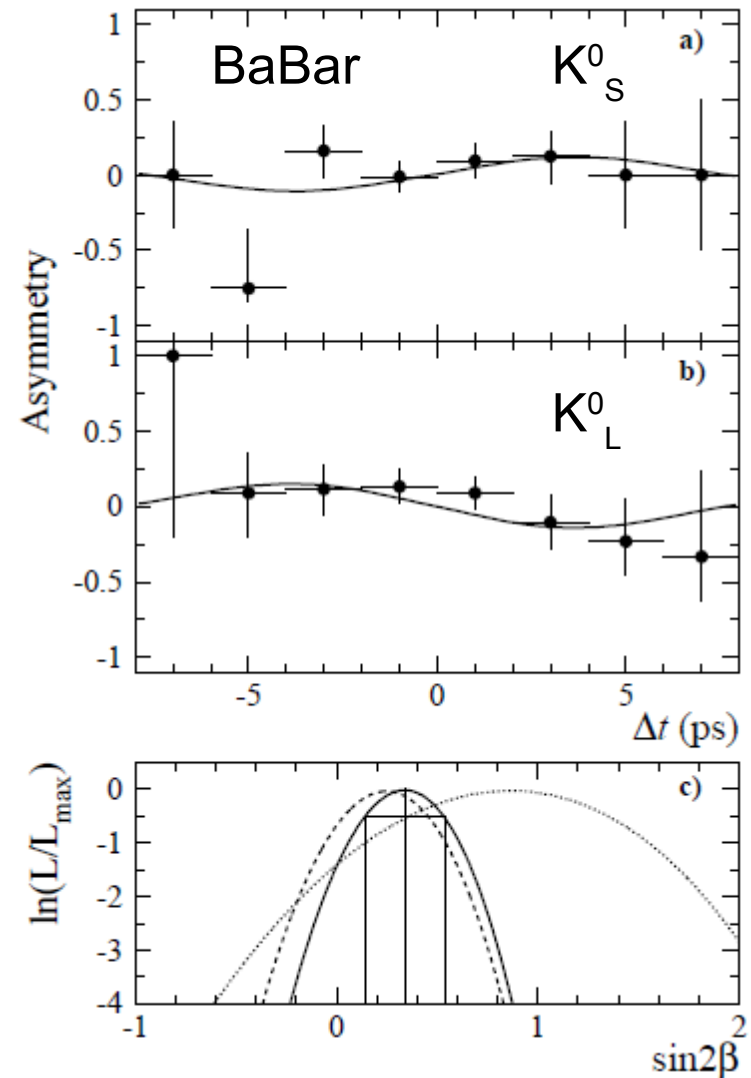
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In 2001 this showed that the SM was also the dominant part of CP violation in mesons.

PRL 86, 2515 (2001)

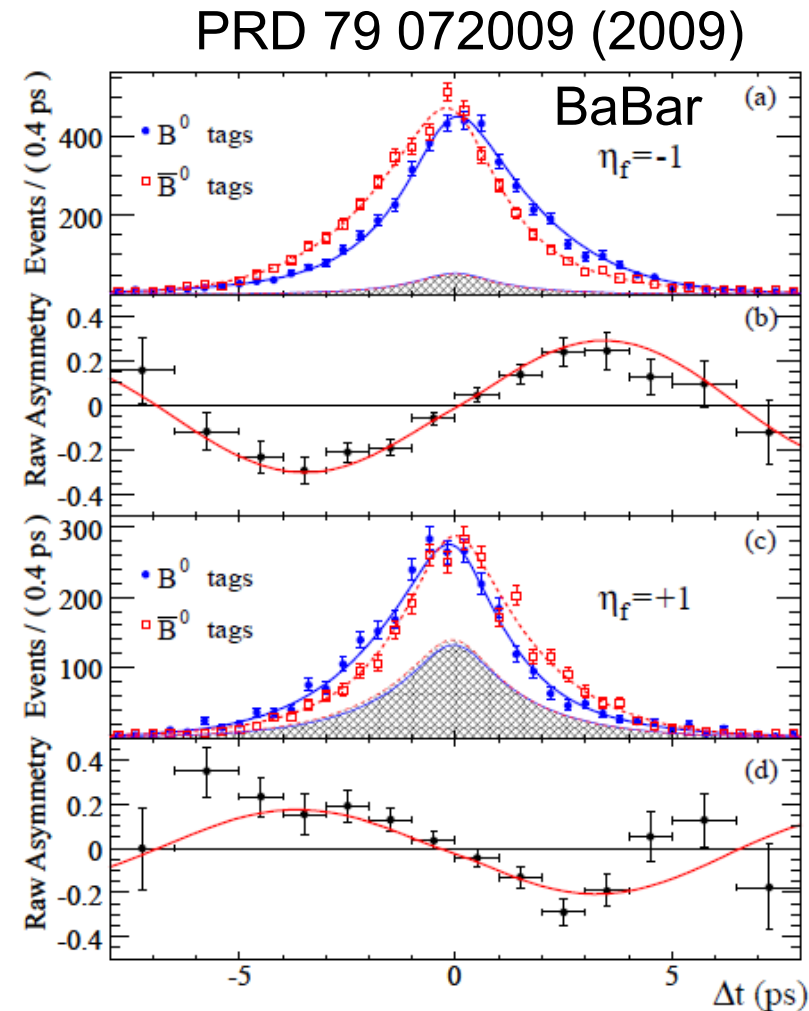


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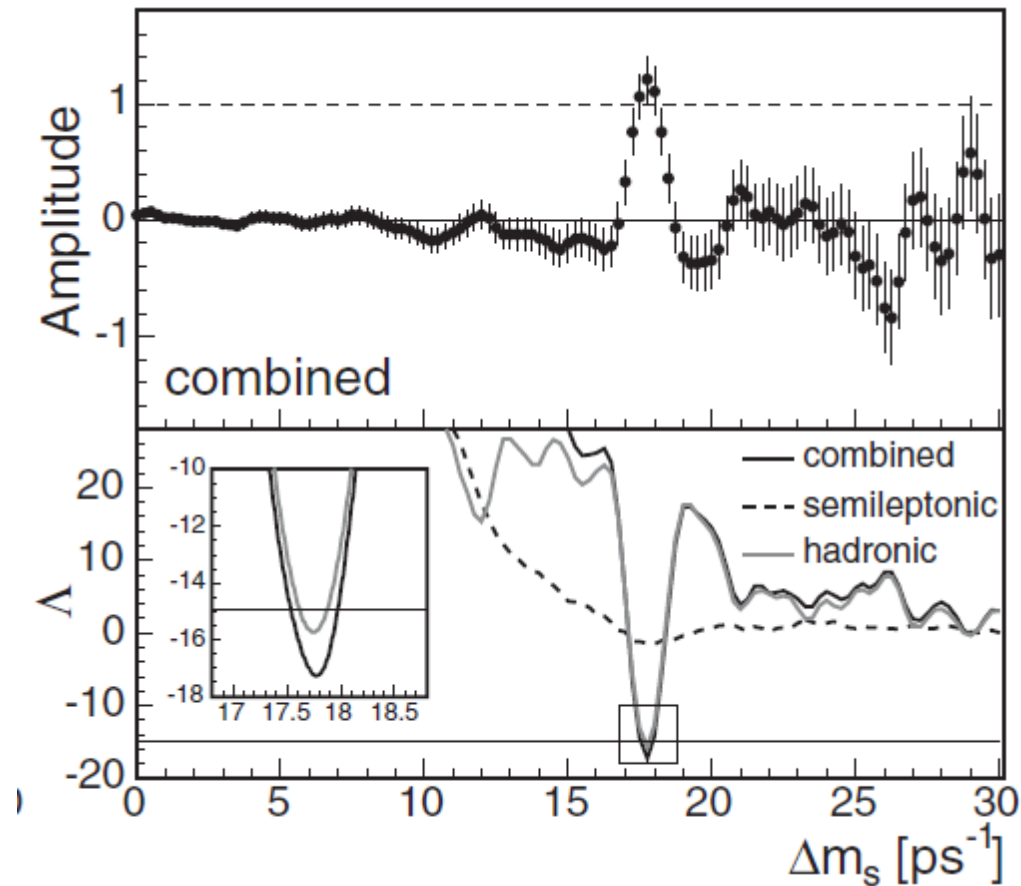
Now one of the precision measurements



Oscillations in B_s^0 system

2006 saw the observation of B_s^0 oscillations from CDF

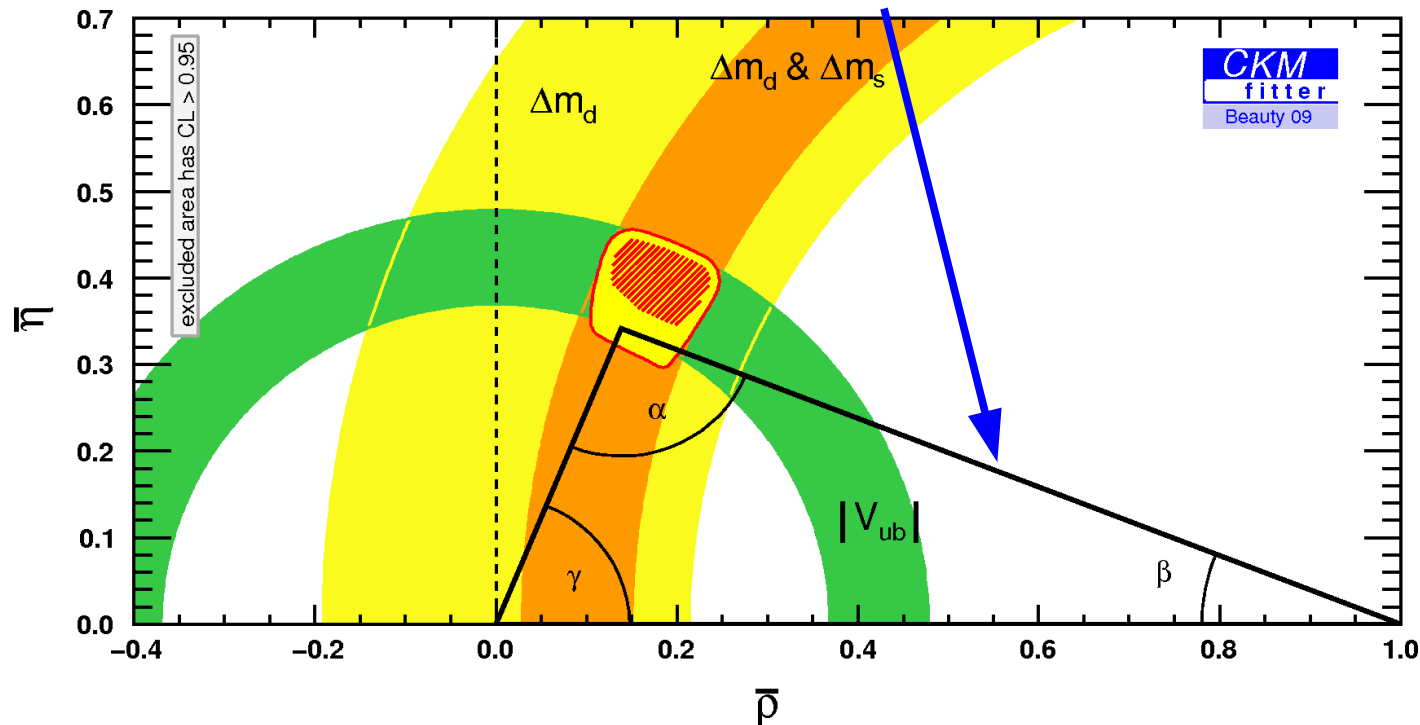
$$\Delta m_s = 17.77 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.07 \text{ ps}^{-1} \text{ PRL 97, 242003}$$



Oscillations in B_s^0 system

If assuming SM

$$\left| \frac{V_{td}}{V_{ts}} \right| = \xi \sqrt{\frac{\Delta m_d m_{B^0}}{\Delta m_s m_{B_s^0}}}$$



Dominated by theory uncertainty on ξ so no further benefits from experimental precision

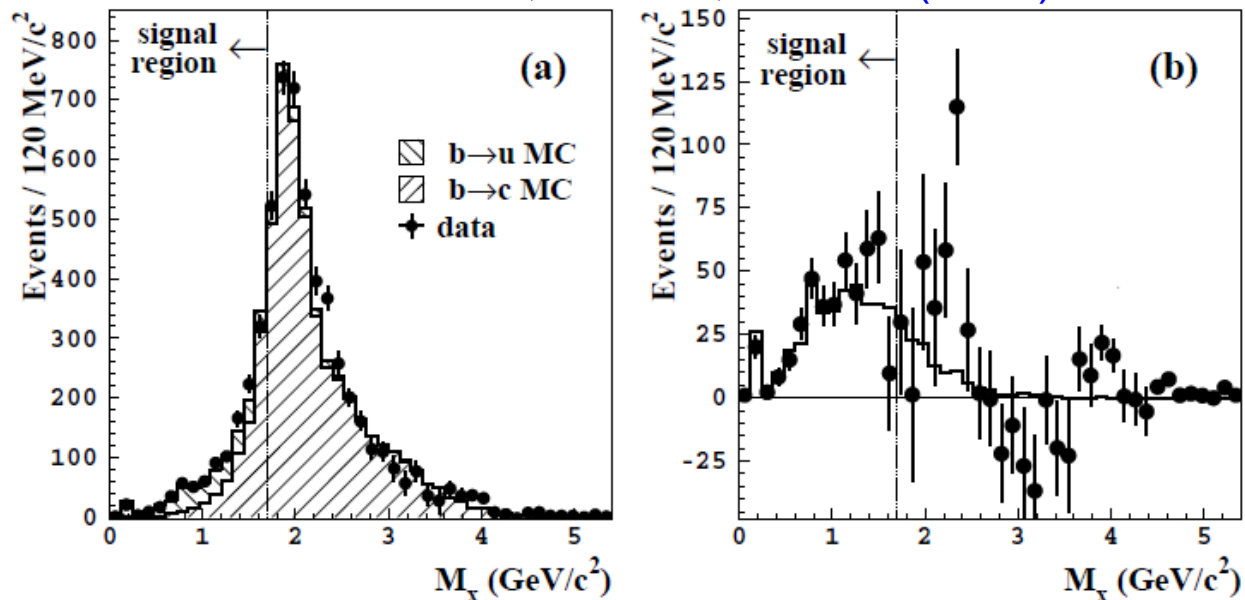
V_{ub} (inclusive)

Not in itself a measurement that is sensitive to NP

Instead provides a strong constraint on Unitarity triangle.

Due to background from $b \rightarrow c l \nu$ it is impossible to reconstruct $b \rightarrow u l \nu$ in a fully inclusive way.

BELLE, PRL 95, 241801 (2005)



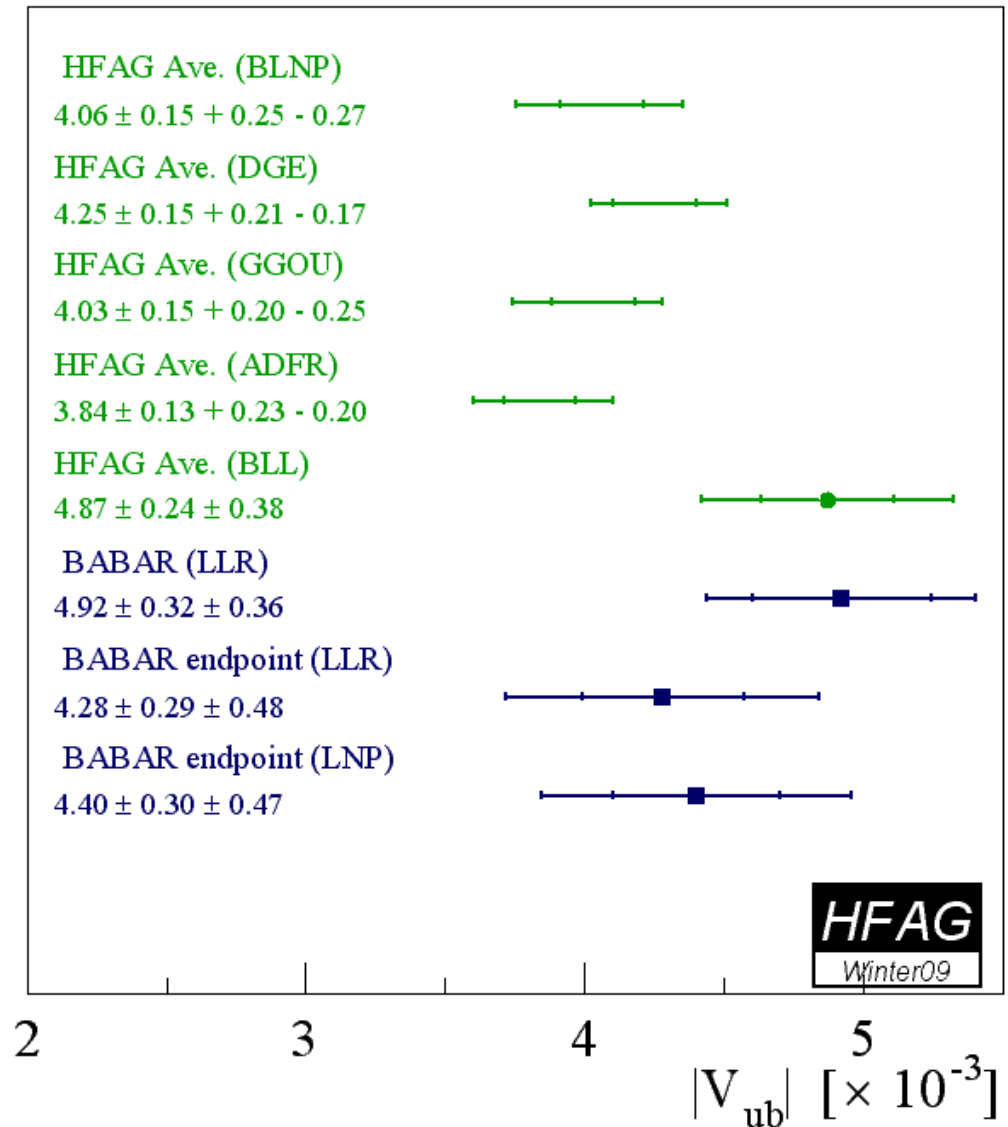
V_{ub} (inclusive)

Different analyses selects different regions of phase space.

Different theoretical models used for combination.

Arithmetic average of these gives

$$|V_{ub}| = (411 + 27 - 28) \times 10^{-5}$$

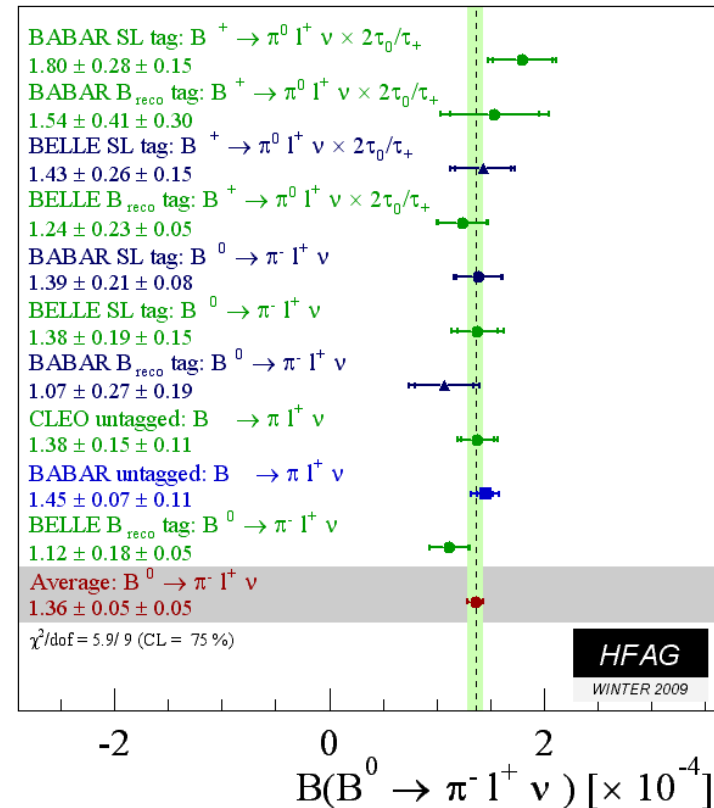
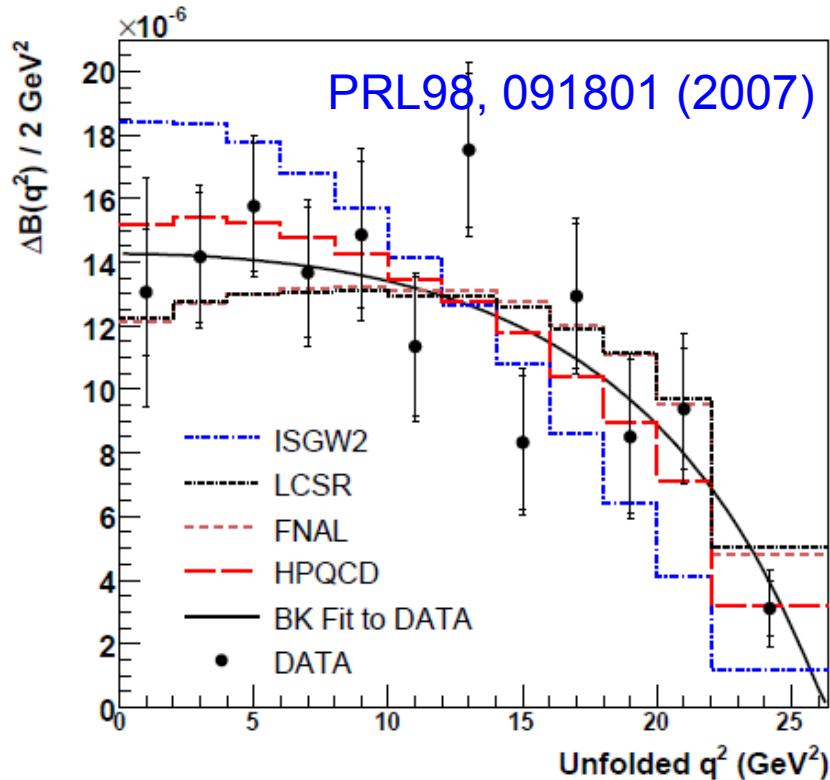


V_{ub} (exclusive)

Measurement can be done with exclusive $B \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ decay as well.

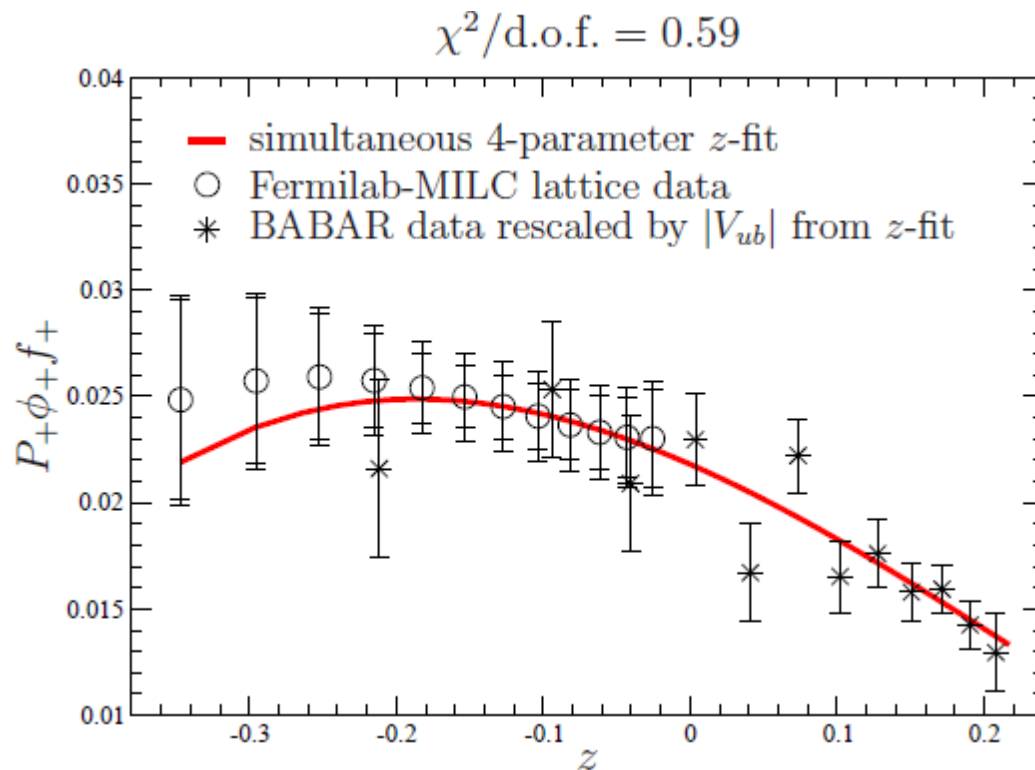
A fit to the momentum transfer squared (q^2) is performed

BR($B \rightarrow \pi l \nu$) extracted



V_{ub} (exclusive)

To get from exclusive BR to V_{ub} , requires the use of either LQCD (high q^2) or light cone sum rules (low q^2) to get form factor.



One result to quote is

$$V_{ub} = (3.38 \pm 0.36) 10^{-3}$$

ArXiv 0907.5386

Errors are of similar size to the errors from the inclusive measurements.

Oscillations in D^0 system

Oscillations in the D^0 system finally discovered in 2006 after many years of searching

Both x and y are at the % level

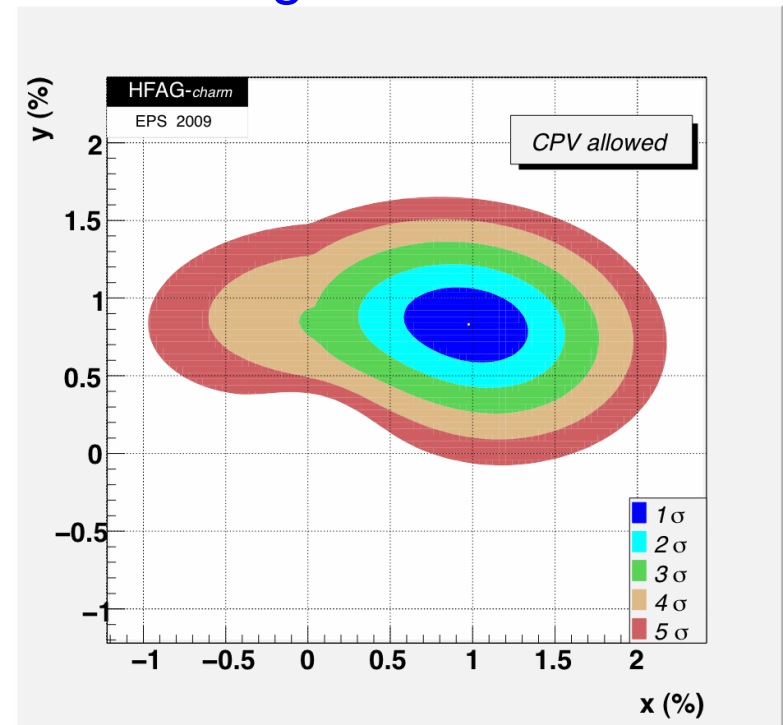
At the high end of SM predictions but in no way excluded.

Frustrating!

The observation concludes the discovery of oscillations in mesons.

No $T^0\bar{T}^0$ oscillations as no hadronisation.

No mixing excluded at 10σ



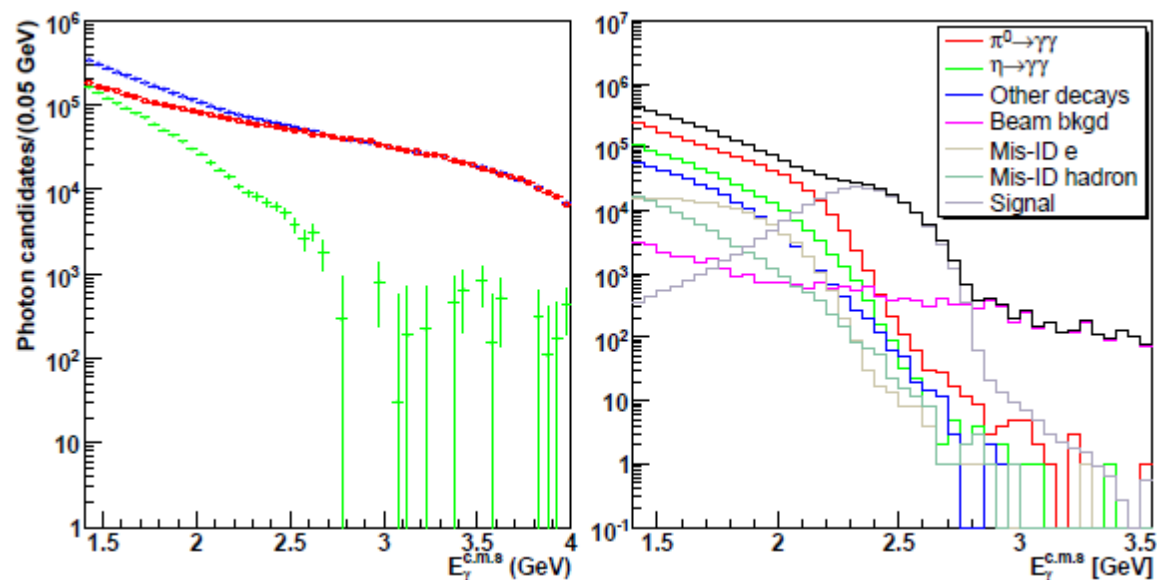
Inclusive $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

NNLO calculations from theory reduce the theoretical error to $\sim 10\%$ in SM

Similar type error in many SUSY scenarios as well

Experimental measurement a challenge due to backgrounds

Has to introduce photon energy cut-off

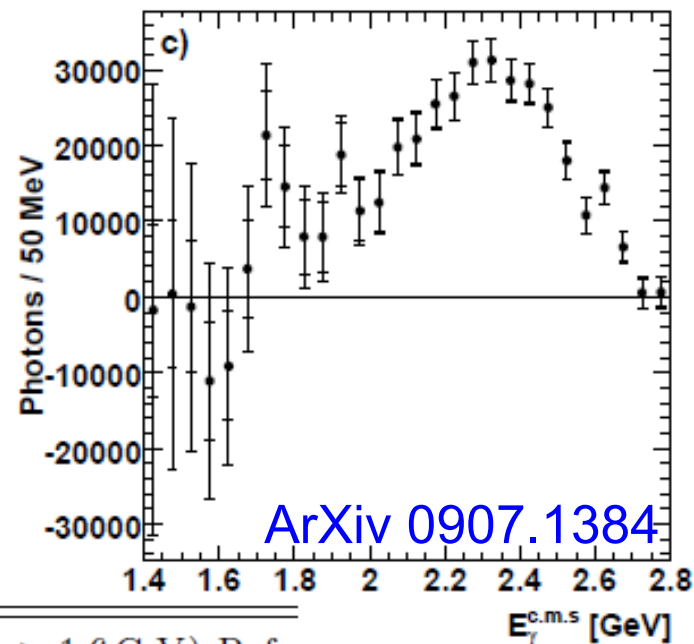


Inclusive $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

Latest BELLE measurement has $E_\gamma > 1.7$ GeV

Experimental extrapolation to 1.6 GeV

Theory calculation from 1.6 GeV to zero



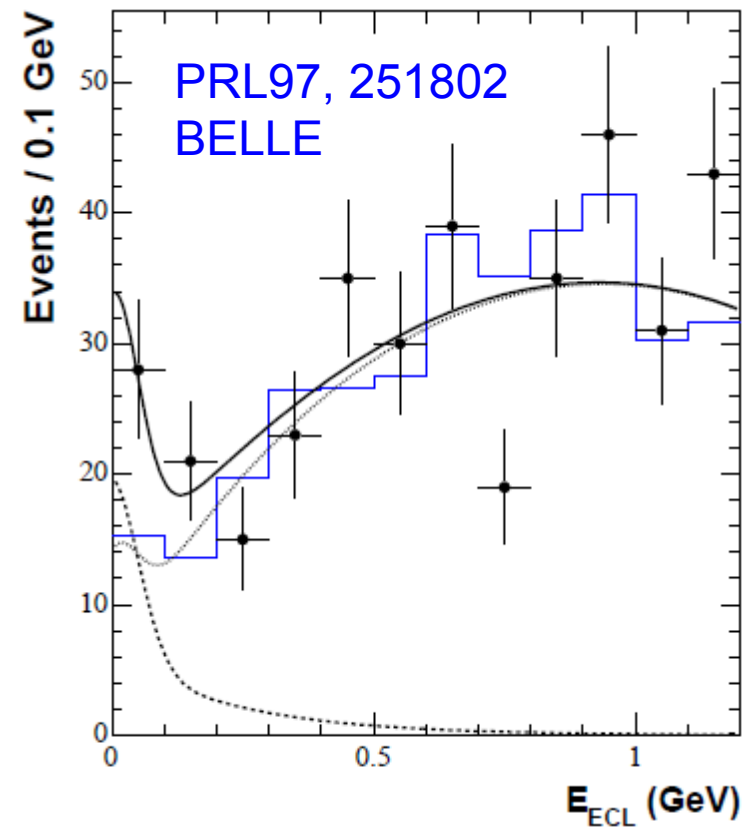
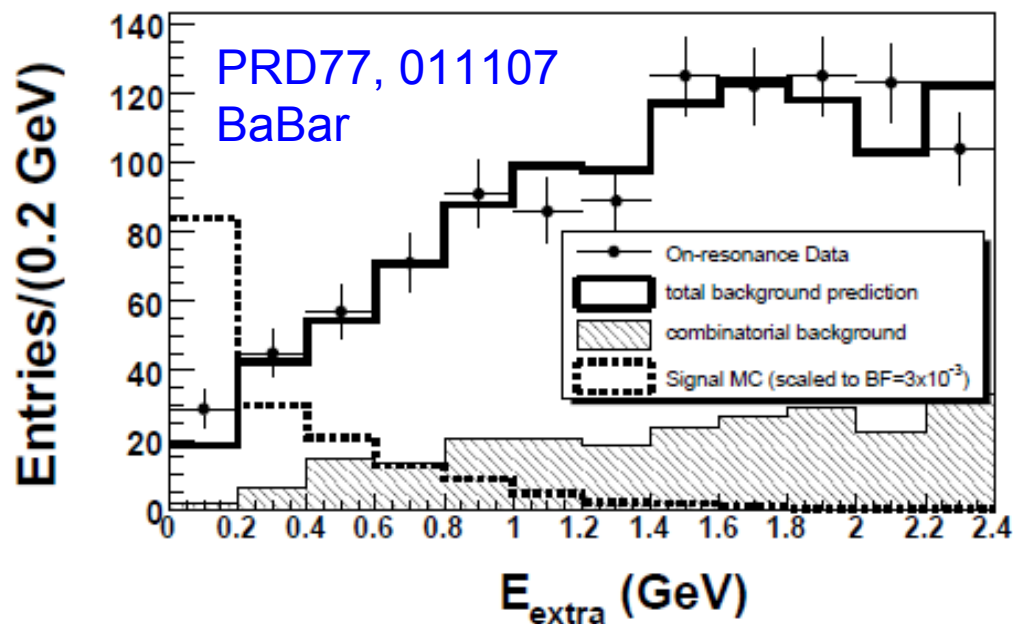
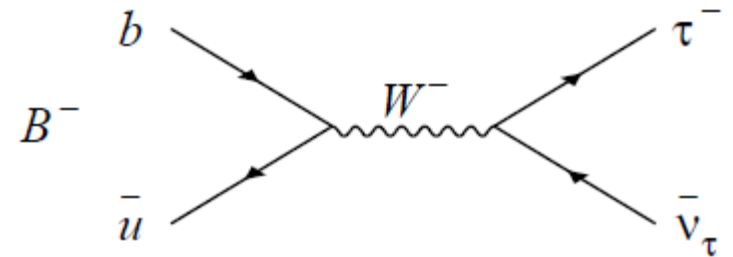
| Method | Data set | E_γ^{\min} | $\mathcal{B}(E_\gamma > E_\gamma^{\min})$ | $\mathcal{B}(E_\gamma > 1.6 \text{ GeV})$ | Ref. |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------|
| CLEO fully inclusive | 9 | 2.0 | $305 \pm 41 \pm 26$ | 329 ± 53 | [555] |
| BABAR fully inclusive | 82 | 1.9 | $367 \pm 29 \pm 34 \pm 29$ | 392 ± 56 | [551] |
| BABAR semi-inclusive | 82 | 1.9 | $327 \pm 18^{+55}_{-40} +4_{-9}$ | 349 ± 57 | [552] |
| BABAR B -recoil | 210 | 1.9 | $366 \pm 85 \pm 60$ | 391 ± 111 | [669] |
| Belle semi-inclusive | 6 | 2.24 | — | 369 ± 94 | [670] |
| Belle fully inclusive | 605 | 1.7 | $332 \pm 16 \pm 37 \pm 1$ | 337 ± 43 | [662] |
| Average | — | — | — | $352 \pm 23 \pm 9$ | |
| Theory prediction | — | — | — | 315 ± 23 | [645] |

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$B^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu$

Due to the multiple neutrinos in the final state this is a challenging measurement

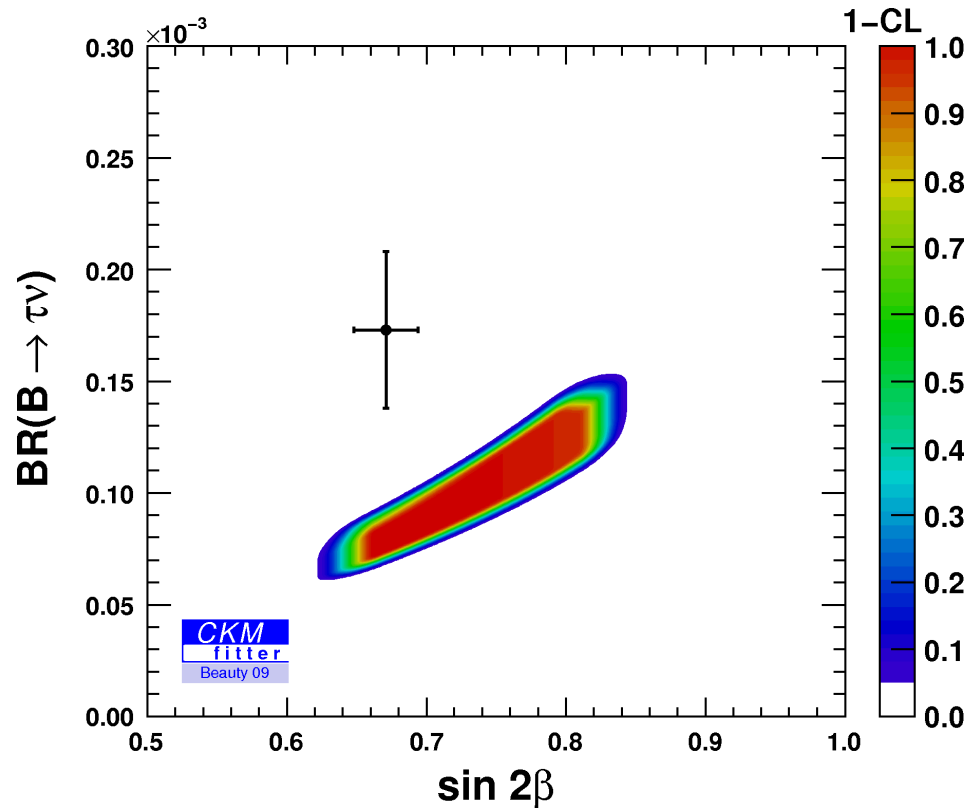
Analysis is using recoil tagging (see later)



$B^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu$

This decay has a very precise prediction in the SM

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \tau^- \bar{\nu}_\tau) = \frac{G_F^2 m_B m_\tau^2}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\tau^2}{m_B^2}\right)^2 f_B^2 |V_{ub}|^2 \tau_B$$



Sin 2 β from penguins

A multitude of measurements of $\sin 2\beta$ in gluonic penguins

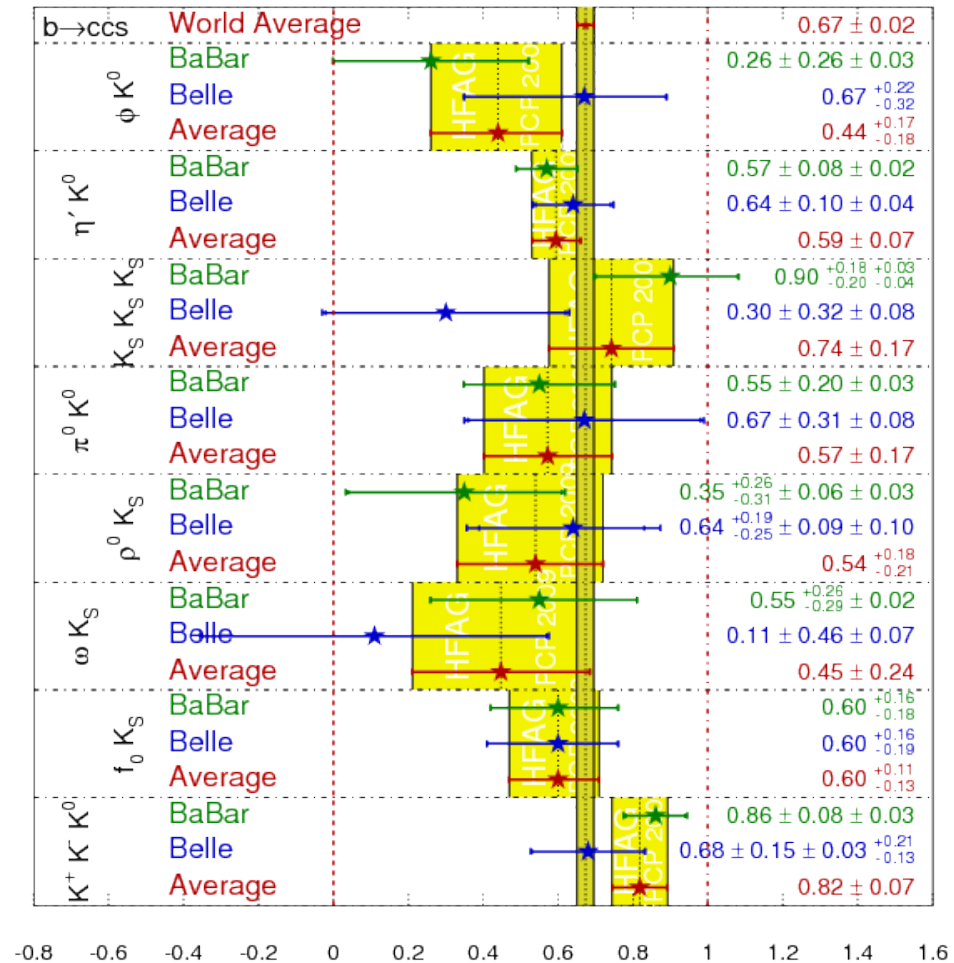
At a time a large discrepancy was developing compared to $\sin 2\beta$ from charmonium decays

Theoretically difficult for high precision

Move towards few high quality channels.

$$\sin(2\beta^{\text{eff}}) \equiv \sin(2\phi_1^{\text{eff}})$$

HFAG
FCP 2009
PRELIMINARY



Isospin ratio in $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} l^+ l^-$

Looking at the isospin asymmetry

$$A_I^{K^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{(*)0} l^+ l^-) - r \mathcal{B}(B^\pm \rightarrow K^{(*)\pm} l^+ l^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{(*)0} l^+ l^-) + r \mathcal{B}(B^\pm \rightarrow K^{(*)\pm} l^+ l^-)}$$

For q^2 (di-lepton mass) $< 7 \text{ GeV}^2$

BaBar PRL 102:091803,2009

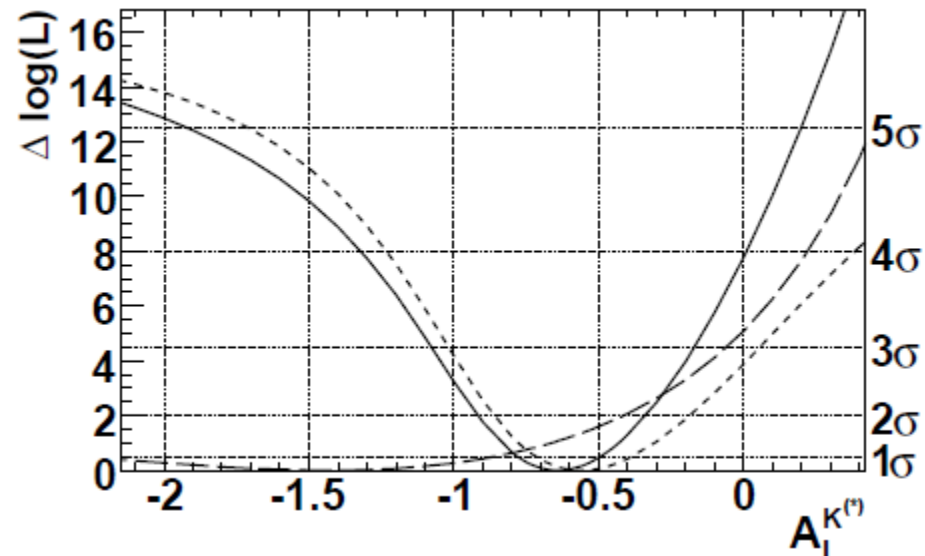
sees $A_I = -0.56 + 0.17 - 0.15 \pm 0.03$

For $K^* \gamma$ (i.e. $q^2=0$)

PRL.103:211802,2009 they

see $0.017 < A_I < 0.116$

PRL 102:091803,2009



$B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

Decay a very sensitive probe for Higgs sector of any New Physics model

SM BR predicted to 10% precision at $3.6 \pm 0.3 \cdot 10^{-9}$

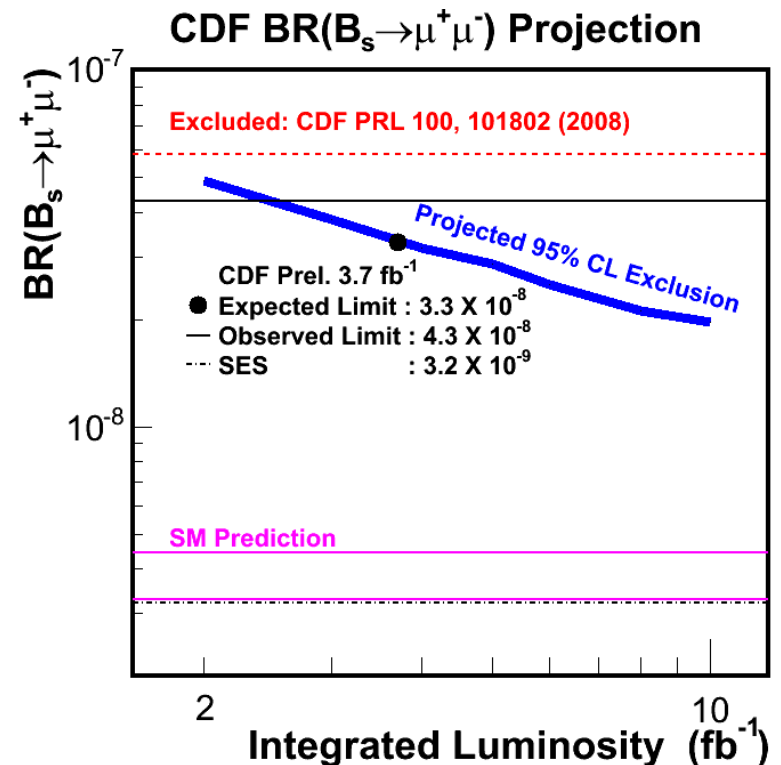
Currently best result is from CDF 3.7 fb^{-1}

$$\text{BR} < 4.3 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ 95\%CL}$$

LHC will quickly catch up.

We will very soon know if this is exciting.

On the other hand, if limit goes below $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-9}$ it will be hard to identify New Physics.



$B_s \rightarrow J/\Psi \phi$

The equivalent time dependent CPV measurement to $B_d \rightarrow J/\Psi K_s^0$ but more exciting and much harder

Exciting

The non-vanishing $\Delta\Gamma$ in B_s oscillations gives another observable

As SM value of CPV any significant value is New Physics

Harder

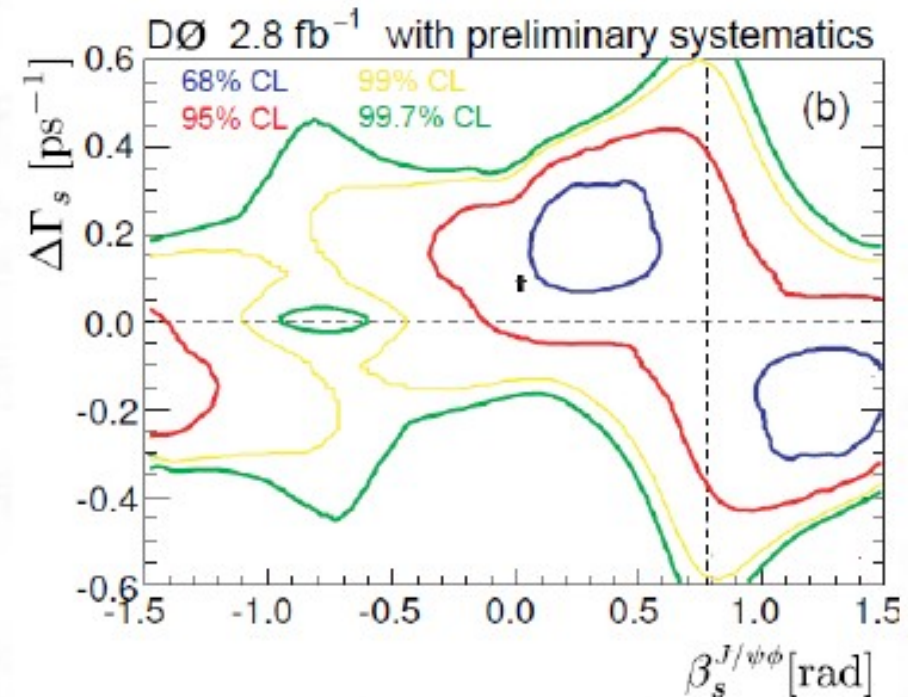
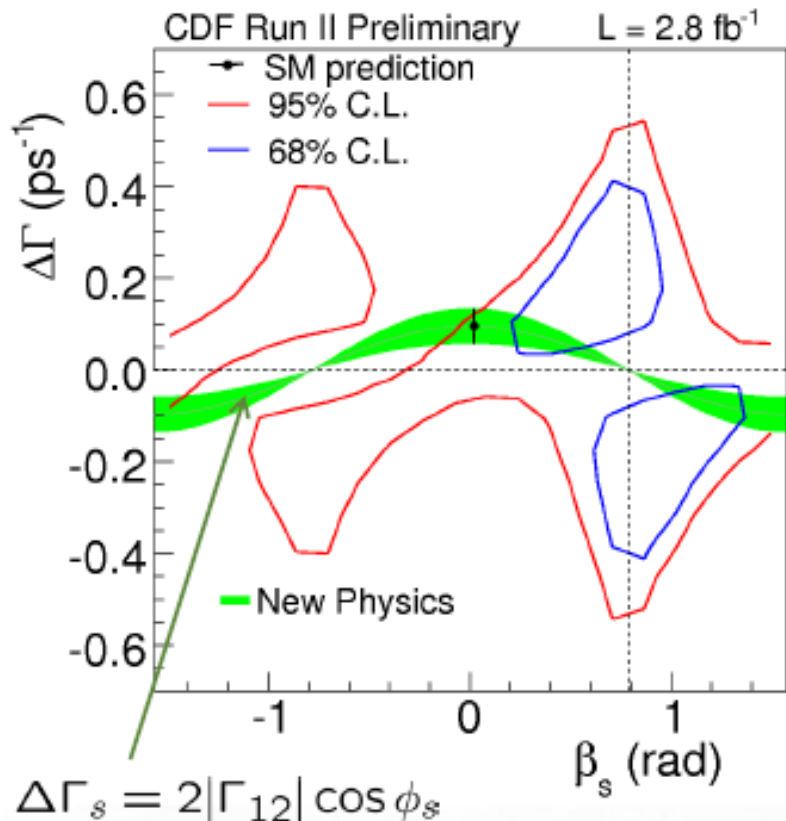
B_s oscillations are fast and can only be done at hadron machines.

Angular analysis as final state is vector-vector with CP even and CP odd components.

Need to fit for $\Delta\Gamma$ as well.

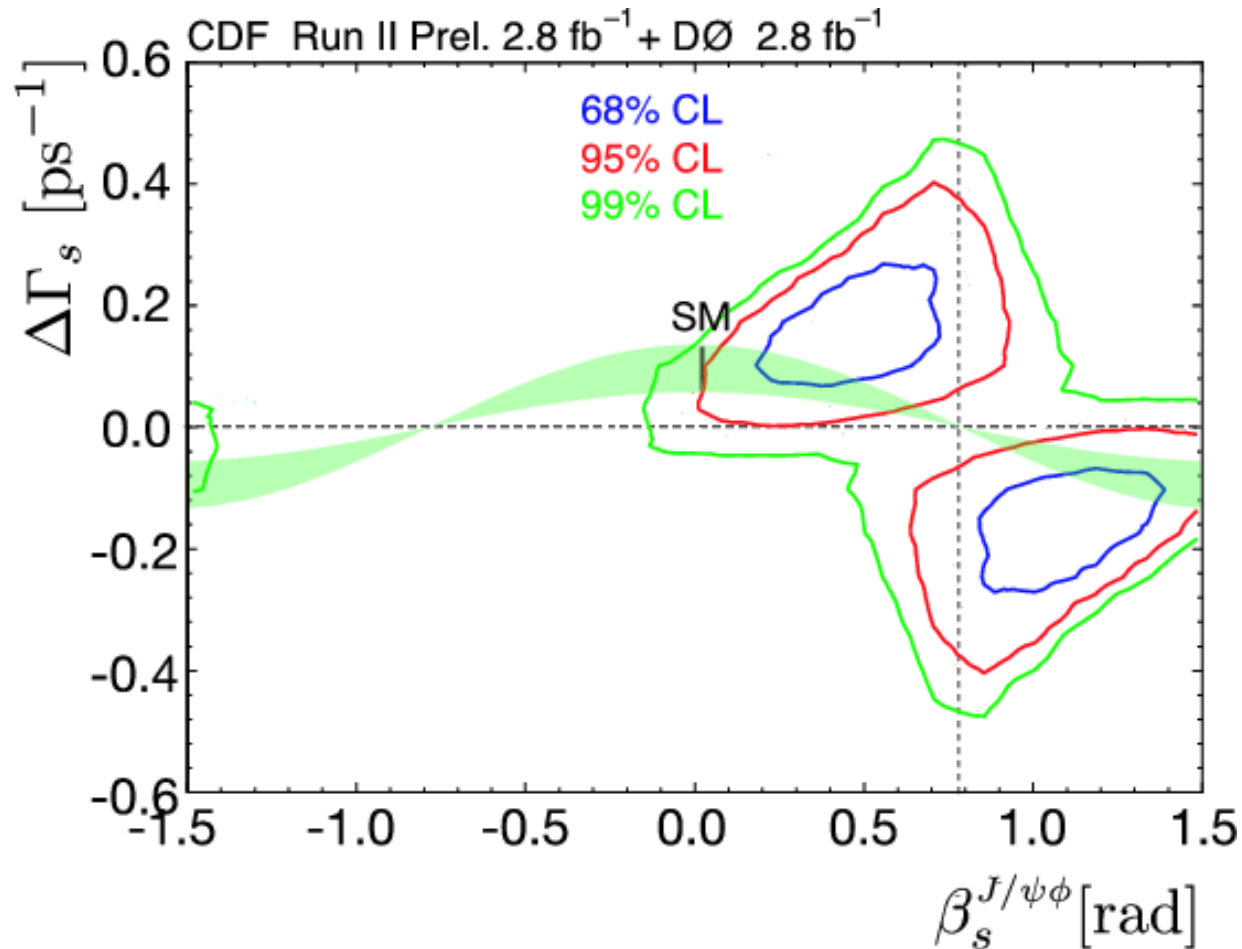
$B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

Measurements from the Tevatron have a central value with large CPV.



$B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

For CPV we have combined result β_s is within $[0.10, 1.42]$ at 95% CL. 2.3σ from SM value.



Branching ratio for $B_d \rightarrow K^* \gamma$

Huge increase in statistics for decay

| Year | Pub | Events | BR ($\times 10^6$) |
|-------|-----------------|----------|------------------------|
| 1993 | PRL 71,674 | 8 | $45.5 \pm 7.0 \pm 3.4$ |
| 2004 | PR D 69, 112001 | 474 | $40.1 \pm 2.1 \pm 1.7$ |
| 2009 | PRL 103, 21180 | 22700 | $44.7 \pm 10 \pm 1.6$ |
| 2010? | | 34k / fb | |

Theoretical prediction of BR cannot match experimental precision

Look at inclusive decays

Look at other observables like polarization of photons

Properties of $B_d \rightarrow K^* \gamma$

The decay is sensitive to two Wilson coefficients

$$C_7^{(\text{eff})} \text{ and } C_7'^{(\text{eff})}$$

In SM these are well calculated

$$C_7^{(\text{eff})} \text{ known with 10\% relative accuracy}$$

$$C_7'^{(\text{eff})}/C_7^{(\text{eff})} \sim 0.04 \text{ (more or less } m_s/m_b \text{)}$$

Exclusive BR measures $|C_7^{(\text{eff})}|^2 + |C_7'^{(\text{eff})}|^2$

Measurement destroyed by form factor that adds large uncertainty

Instead look at γ_L/γ_R which directly measures $C_7'^{(\text{eff})}/C_7^{(\text{eff})}$

But how to measure the polarisation of a final state photon!?

Measure photon polarization in $B_d \rightarrow K^* \gamma$

With only $C_7^{(\text{eff})}$ we have $\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} \gamma_L$ and $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma_R$.

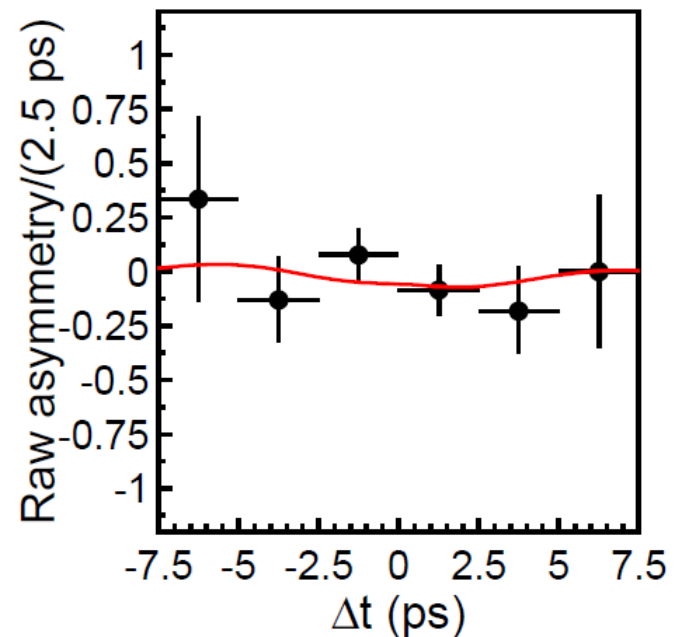
As final states are different there is no interference from B oscillations.

Or in other words time dependent CP violation is reduced from level in $B_d \rightarrow J/\Psi K_s^0$ by factor $2 C_7'^{(\text{eff})}/C_7^{(\text{eff})}$

Need shared final state
 $K^{*0}/\bar{K}^{*0} \rightarrow K_s^0 \pi^0$ for this measurement to work.

Belle measures $S = -0.3 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$
 from PRD74:111104,2006

We really need this as a
 5% measurement.



Introduce $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$

The decay $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$ looks in principle hopeless

Should measure time dependent CPV in $B_s \rightarrow J/\Psi\phi$ reduced by factor $2 C_7^{('eff)}/C_7^{(eff)}$

CPV in $B_s \rightarrow J/\Psi\phi$ in SM is around 0.04

(Expected) width difference $\Delta\Gamma$ between B_s eigenstates comes to the rescue.

$$\Gamma(B_q(\bar{B}_q) \rightarrow f^{CP}\gamma) \propto e^{-\Gamma_q t} \left(\cosh \frac{\Delta\Gamma_q t}{2} - \boxed{A^\Delta \sinh \frac{\Delta\Gamma_q t}{2}} \pm \right. \\ \left. \pm C \cos \Delta m_q t \mp S \sin \Delta m_q t \right)$$

$$A^\Delta \sim 2 C_7^{('eff)}/C_7^{(eff)}$$

F.Muheim, Y.Xie & R.Zwicky, Phys.Lett.B664:174-179,2008

No flavour tagging required

Only charged particles in final state it

Introduce $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$

LHCb expects 11k events in a nominal year (2 fb^{-1}) of running.

This gives statistical resolution in $C_7^{(\text{eff})}/C_7^{(\text{eff})}$ of around 0.1

Factor 2 better than result from full B-factory measurement

Very challenging systematics of method.

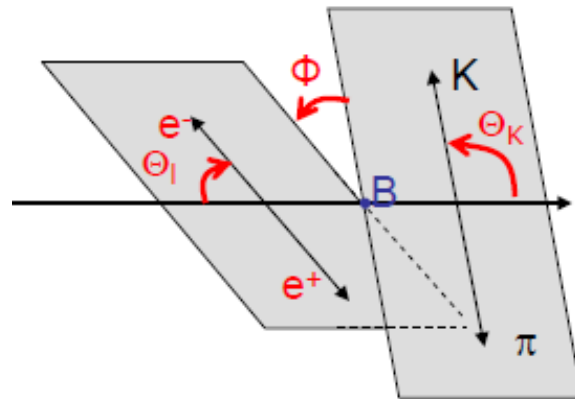
In reality measure an effective lifetime that is different from the true B_s lifetime.

Sensitive to bias in lifetime and to acceptance (efficiency as function of proper time)

Look at $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$

Another way to find the photon polarisation is to let the photon “decay”

Look at $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$ for very low $e^+ e^-$ invariant masses



Distribution in ϕ angle measures $C_7^{\prime(\text{eff})}/C_7^{(\text{eff})}$

Small statistics

Background rejection a big issue

Easy systematics

As good as $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$?

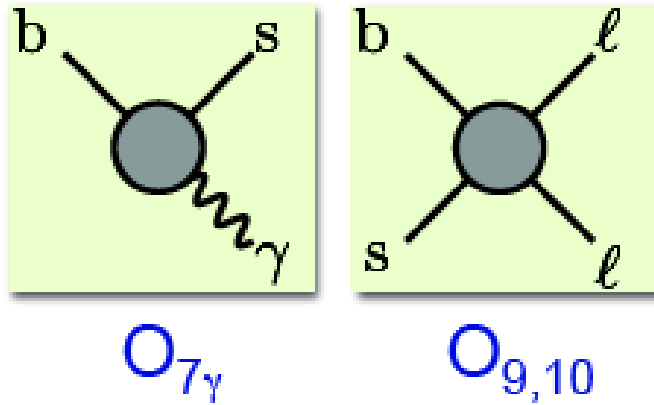
Progress to $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

Much better statistics for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ compared to $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$ as muons are easier to trigger and reconstruct.

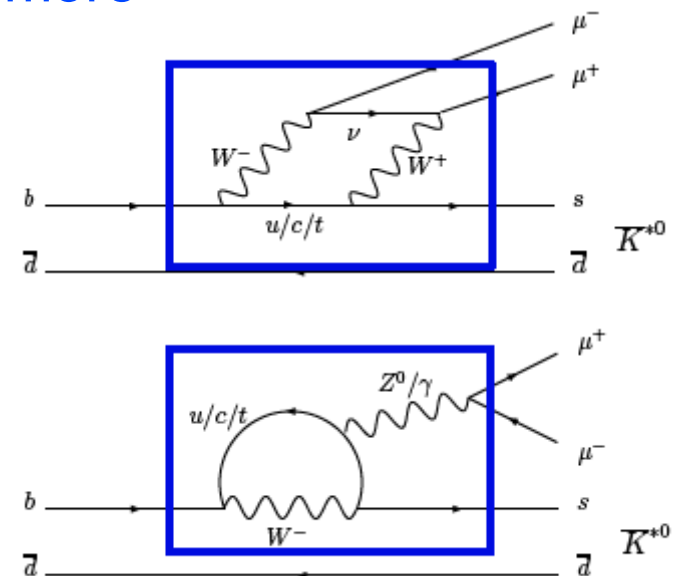
Muon mass means we can't replicate the previous measurement.

However, we get access to so much more

Interference between these



... and their primed counterparts



What to measure in $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

As an exclusive decay we need to find a way to cancel form factors

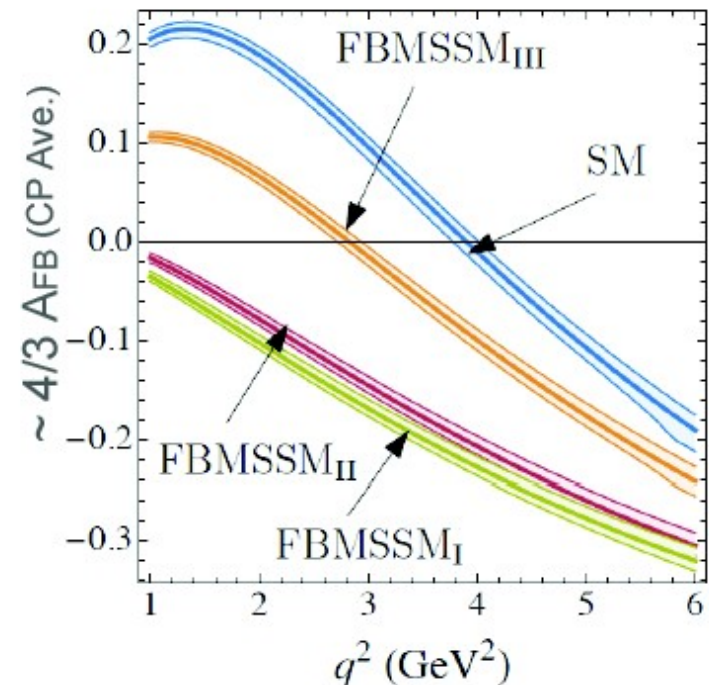
In full expression we have 9 form factors

Can in low q^2 region use SCET to reduce this to just 2

Most well known is A_{FB} , the forward-backward asymmetry

FF cancellation only at zero crossing point

Sensitive to changes in C_7 and C_9



Altmannshofer et al, JHEP 0901:019,2009

Current measurements of A_{FB}

Three results have arrived in the past 2 years

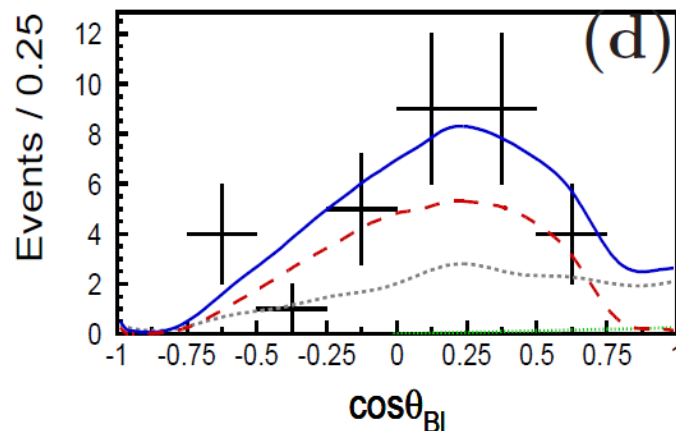
Belle PRL 103:171801 (2009).

BaBar PRD 79:031102 (2009)

CDF preliminary (HCP 2009)

Example below of θ_l in $q^2 < 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ from Belle

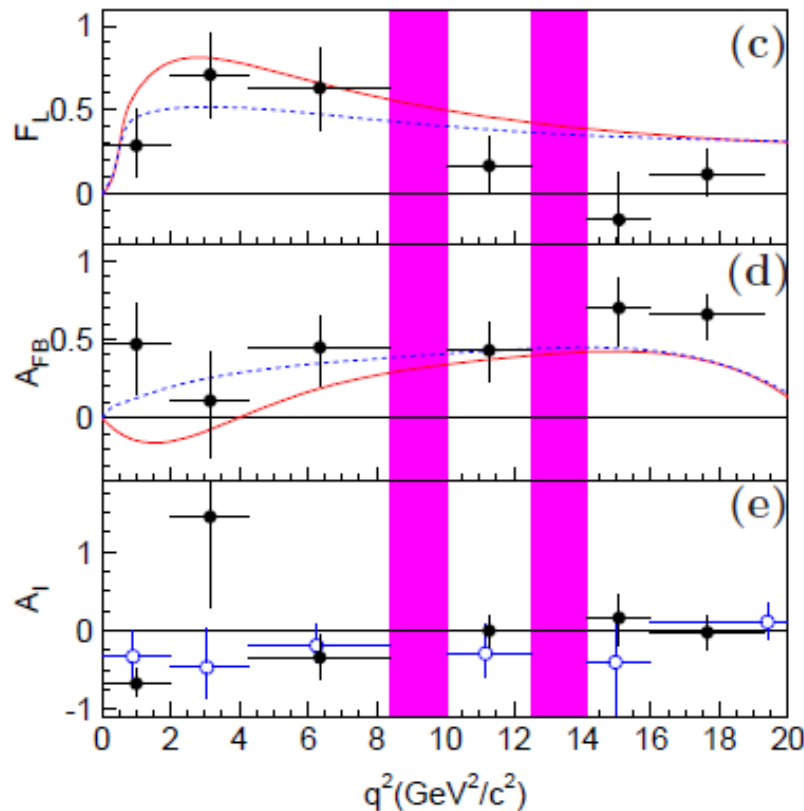
Clearly statistics are still very limited for this type of measurement.



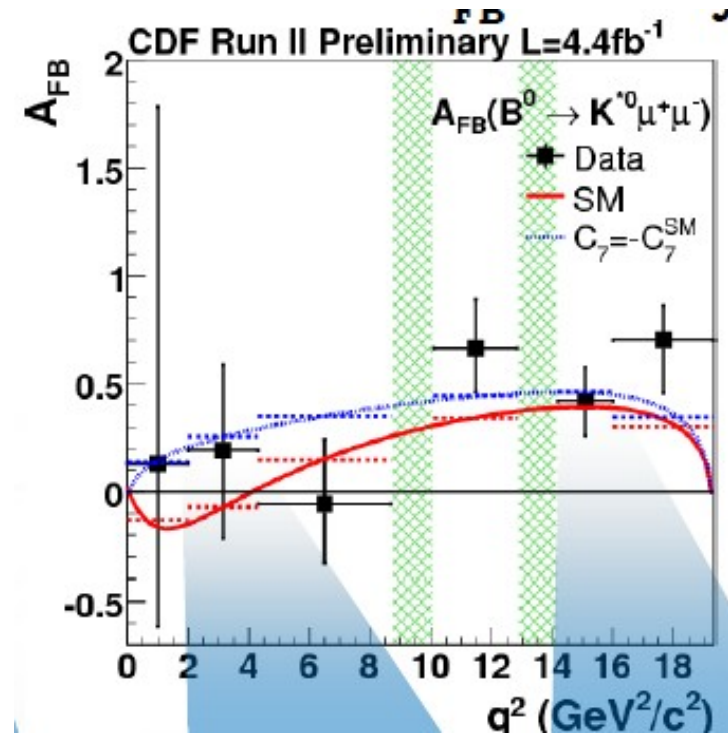
Current measurements of A_{FB}

Results are interesting in that all 3 experiments see sign of A_{FB} in low q^2 region which is opposite to SM.

Belle



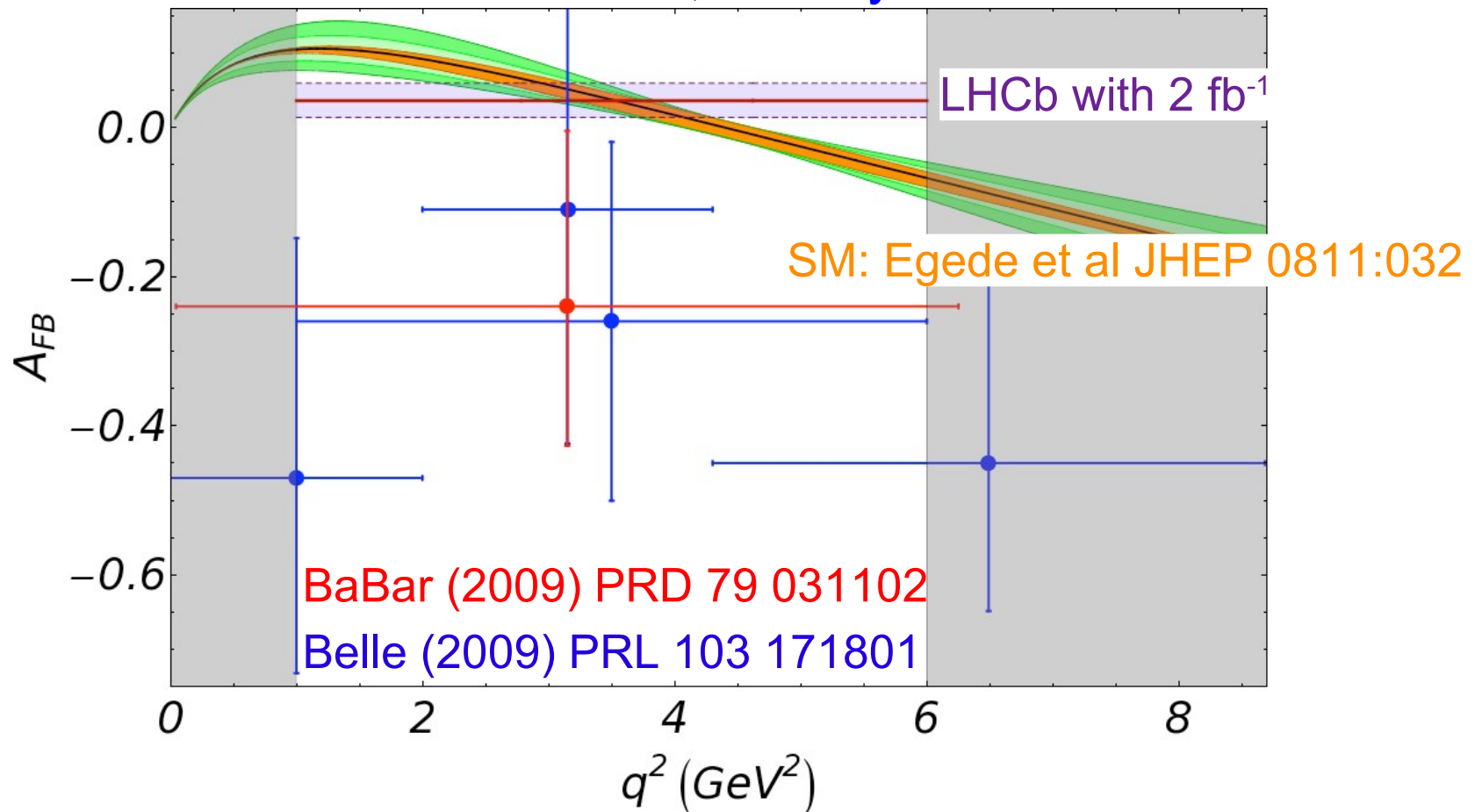
CDF



Current measurements of A_{FB}

Just 0.1 fb^{-1} should give equivalent result for LHCb

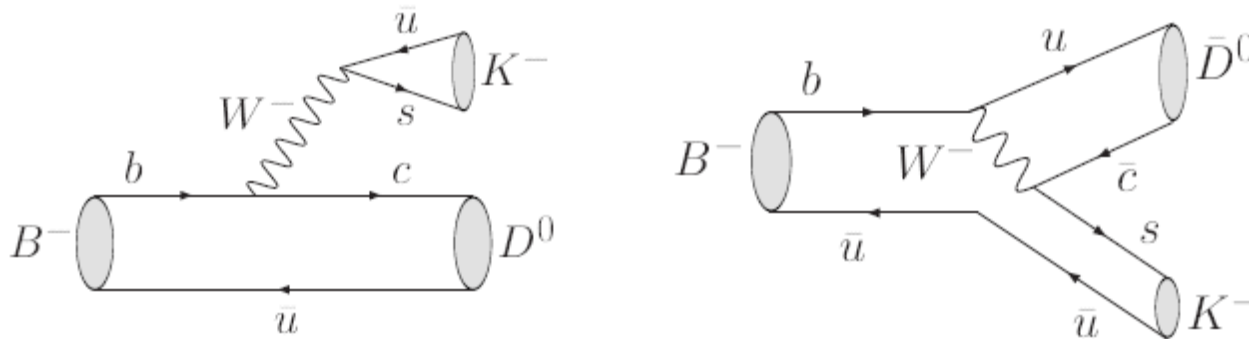
W. Reece, Beauty 2009



CP angle γ

A multitude of methods available for measuring CP angle γ .

While strategies for measuring γ in the past dominated by time dependent analysis of $B_s^- \rightarrow D_s^+ K^-$, it is now B_d decays that dominate



Measurements of γ provides “SM clean” measurement from tree level diagrams.

CP angle γ

GLW: Measure direct CPV in decays $B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP} K^+$,
 $D_{CP} \rightarrow K^+ K^-, \pi^+ \pi^-, \dots$

ADS: Look instead at the $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ decay interfering with the doubly Cabibbo suppressed $\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$.

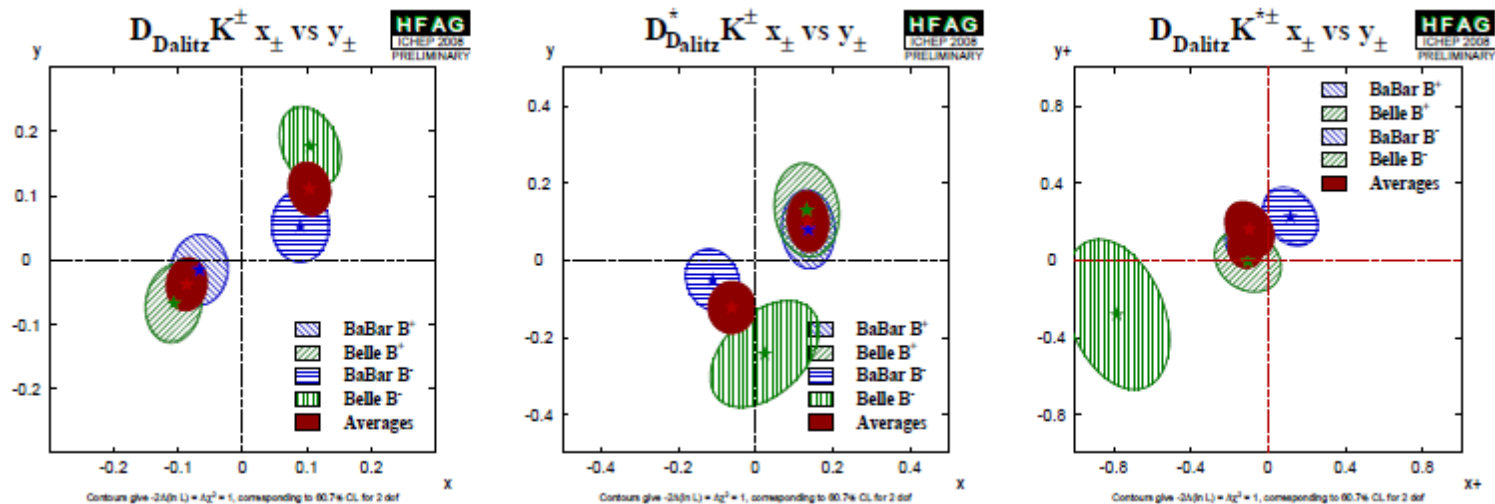
Dalitz: Use the final state $D^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ and extract everything from Dalitz plot analysis.

Dalitz analysis of $B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^+ \pi^-$ final state also possible.

All methods make simultaneous determination of γ with nuisance parameters such as the strong phase difference δ , and the relative strength of amplitudes r_B .

CP angle γ

Dalitz method currently the most sensitive



Results derived in terms of Cartesian coordinates (x, y) to get error treatment correct as $r_B \rightarrow 0$.

The uncertainty on γ is currently in tens of degrees. LHCb will be able to bring this down to a few degrees.

Theoretical errors are minimal for most methods.

Current experimental status

If the goal of heavy flavour physics is to observe physics not described by the Standard Model we have not yet achieved it

As we have seen there are multiple effects in the 2 to 3 σ region but nothing beyond that.

There are now 3 challenges for the long term future

- Get more statistics for the future

- Beat down experimental systematics

- Reduce or work around theoretical errors

LHCb upgrade and Super-B factories take different routes to achieve this.

Sin 2 β measurements

Measurement from $b \rightarrow c\bar{c}s$

HFAG average is $\sin 2\beta = 0.691 \pm 0.031$.

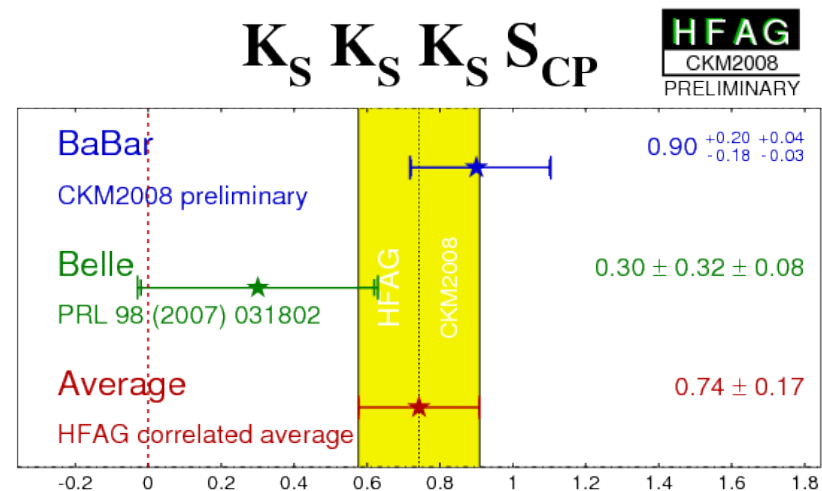
No need for much better precision.

$B^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 K_s^0 K_s^0$

Theory predicts $\Delta s_f = |\sin 2\beta - \sin 2\beta_{\text{eff}}| < 0.05$

To reach theory error
at an SFF would take about
75 ab^{-1} .

A difference would be
strong sign of NP in
either box or penguin.

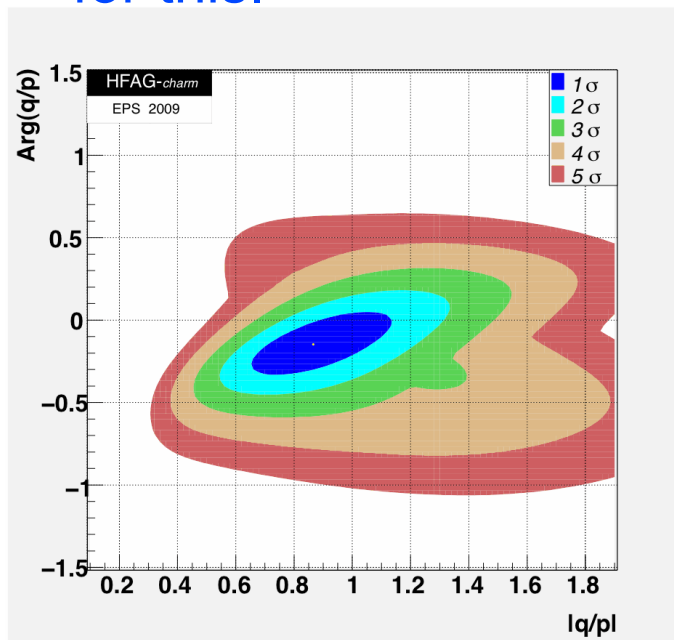


CP violation in D mesons

Further accuracy on parameters for D^0 oscillations is of limited interest.

SM predictions have large uncertainty.

However, a discovery of CP violation would be clean NP signature, and we need to know the oscillations parameters for this.



Current experimental results have very low precision

Statistics will be there for LHCb, but systematics obviously a big challenge

Recoil tagging

The method of (fully) reconstructing one of the B-mesons at the $Y(4S)$ resonance gives the possibility to obtain a very clean signal sample from the other B.

At a Super-B factory this method has potential for channels which are currently systematic limited

$$B^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu$$

$$B \rightarrow X_s \gamma \text{ inclusive BR}$$

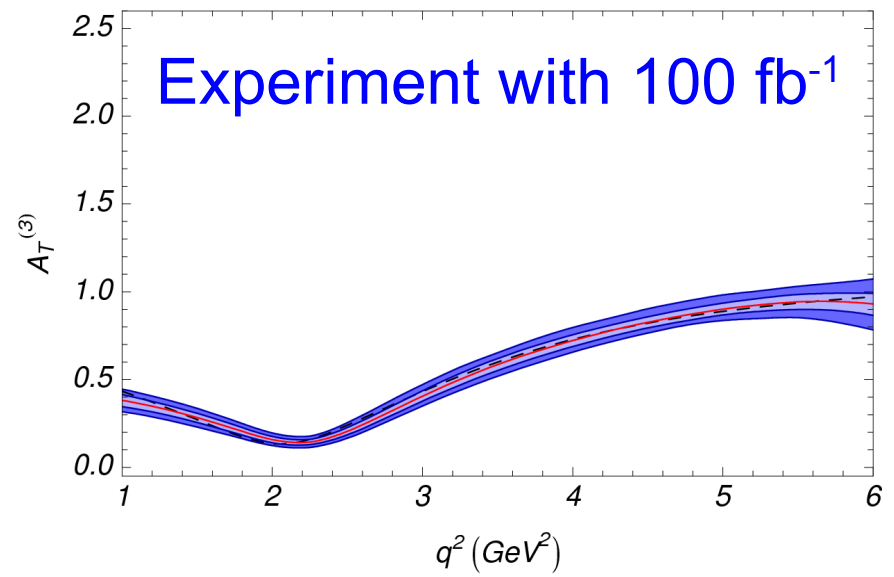
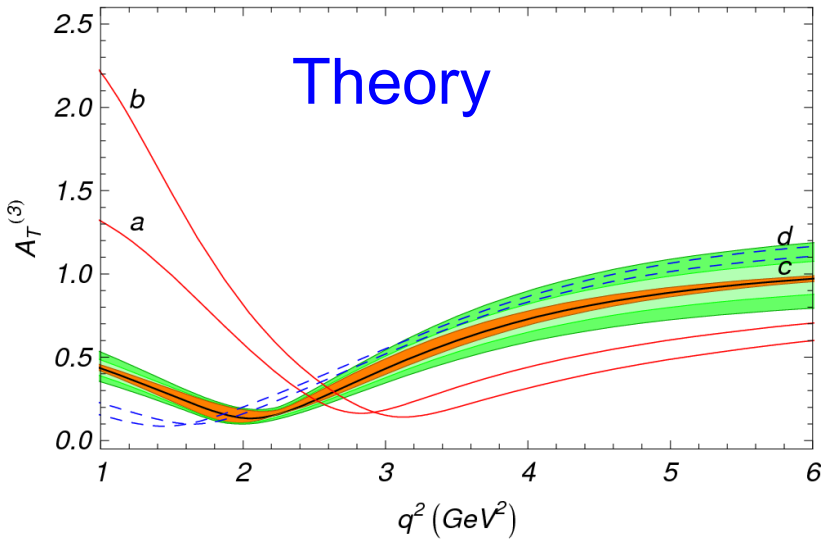
Measurements of V_{ub}

To really gain from this method data samples of the order of 75 ab^{-1} are required.

Further observables in $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

A full angular analysis of the $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay carries a multitude of observables.

To take full advantage of these will take very large datasets which will only be available at an LHCb-upgrade.



Conclusion

An amazing amount of results have been accumulated in the past decade for heavy flavour physics

Some hints for New Physics

Phase in B_s oscillations

$B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ branching ratio

Isospin asymmetry in $B_d \rightarrow K^{(*)} |^+ |^-$

... but no clear signals

Future discoveries and precision measurements around the corner

$B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

CP angle γ

A_{FB} in $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$