



LHCb results on *Mixing and CP violation in Charm*

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Why study charm physics?

- If new physics (**NP**) exists it should violate **CP** symmetry
- **Up-type** quark: unique probe of NP in the flavor sector, complementary to studies in K and B systems
- Small *CP* asymmetries expected (**0.1% ÷ 1%**)
 - CKM/GIM suppression
 - Large uncertainties due to low-energy strong interaction effects
[[Phys.Lett. B222 \(1989\) 501-506](#)]



- CP violation (CPV) in charm decays has not yet been observed

- Why at *LHCb*?

Huge $c\bar{c}$ production cross-section:

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c} X)_{\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}} \cong 2.4 \text{ mb}$$

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Mixing of neutral D mesons

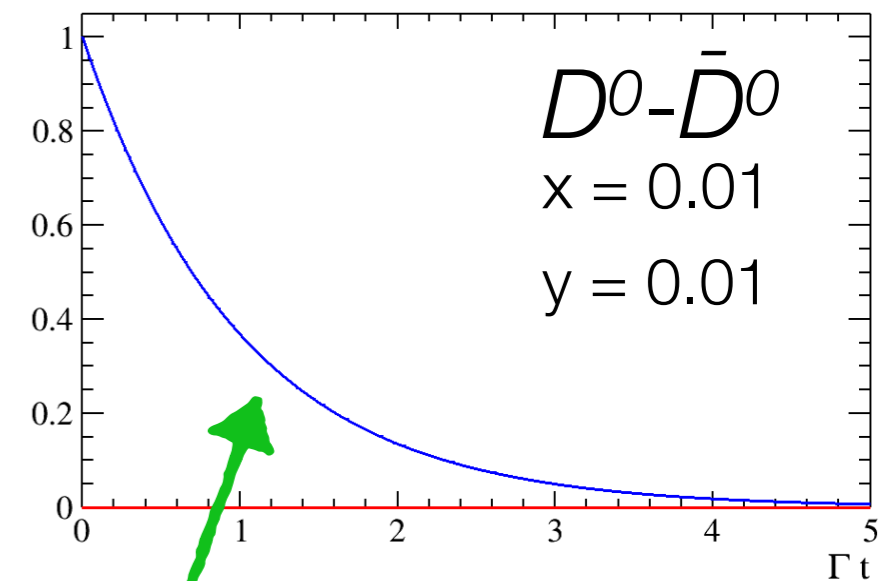
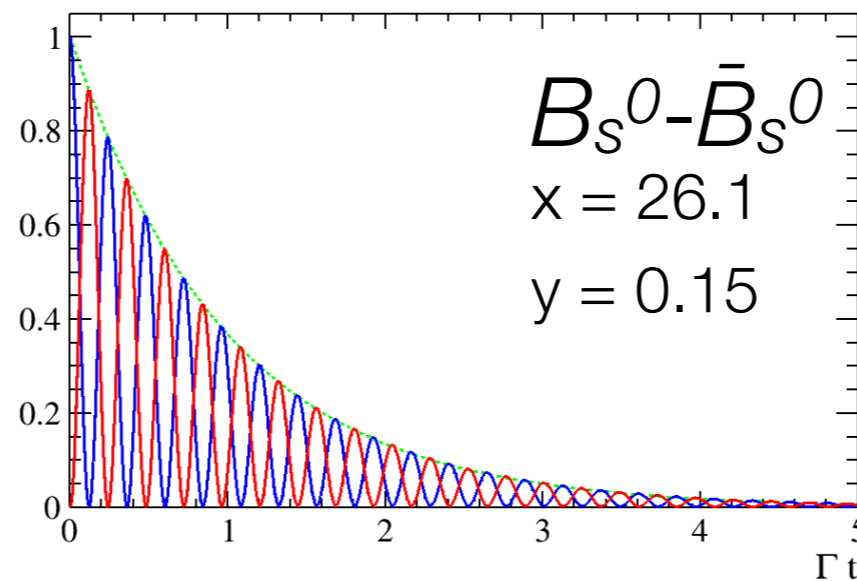
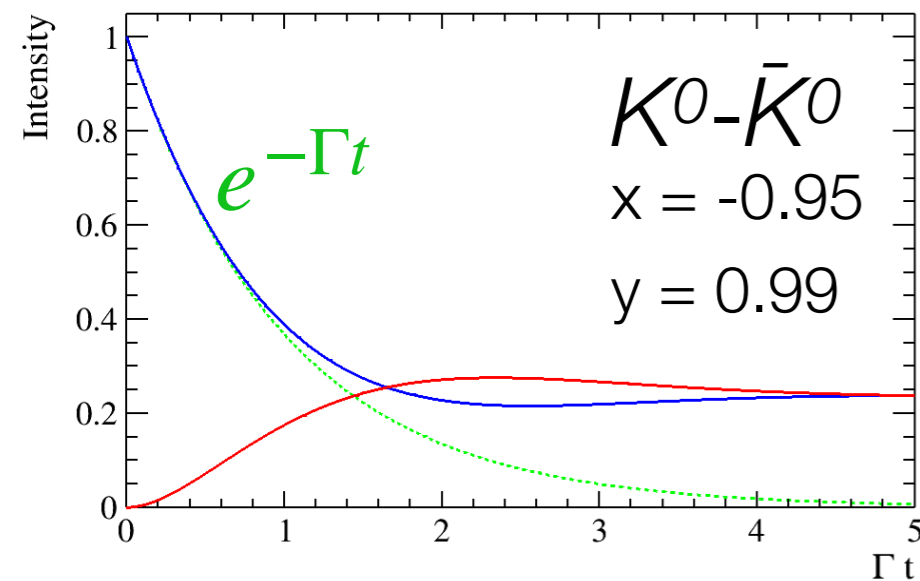
- Mass eigenstates are not the *flavor* eigenstates:

$$|D_{1,2}\rangle = p |D^0\rangle \pm q |\bar{D}^0\rangle$$

$$x = \frac{m_1 - m_2}{\Gamma}$$

- This causes $\mathbf{D} \leftrightarrow \bar{\mathbf{D}}$ transitions described by

$$y = \frac{\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2}{2\Gamma}$$



Tiny mixing in charm!

$$|\langle P^0(0) | P^0(t) \rangle|^2 \propto e^{-\Gamma t} [\cosh(y\Gamma t) + \cos(x\Gamma t)]$$

$$|\langle P^0(0) | \bar{P}^0(t) \rangle|^2 \propto e^{-\Gamma t} [\cosh(y\Gamma t) - \cos(x\Gamma t)]$$

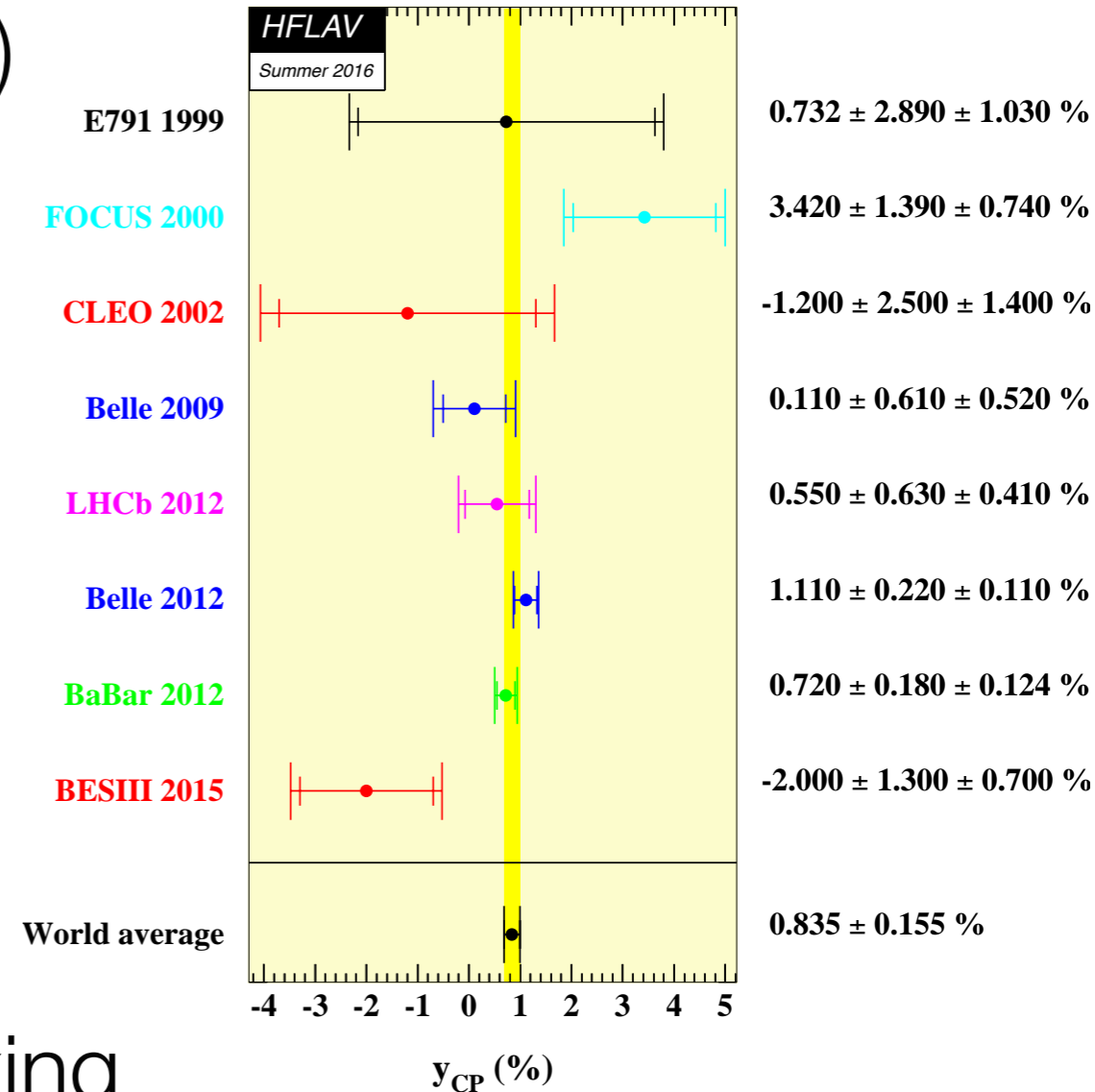
Measurement of the charm-mixing parameter y_{CP}

- Compare decay widths of D^0 decaying to CP -eigenstates (Γ^{CP}) and to CP -mixed states (Γ):

$$y_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma^{CP}}{\Gamma} - 1 = \Delta_{\Gamma}\tau$$

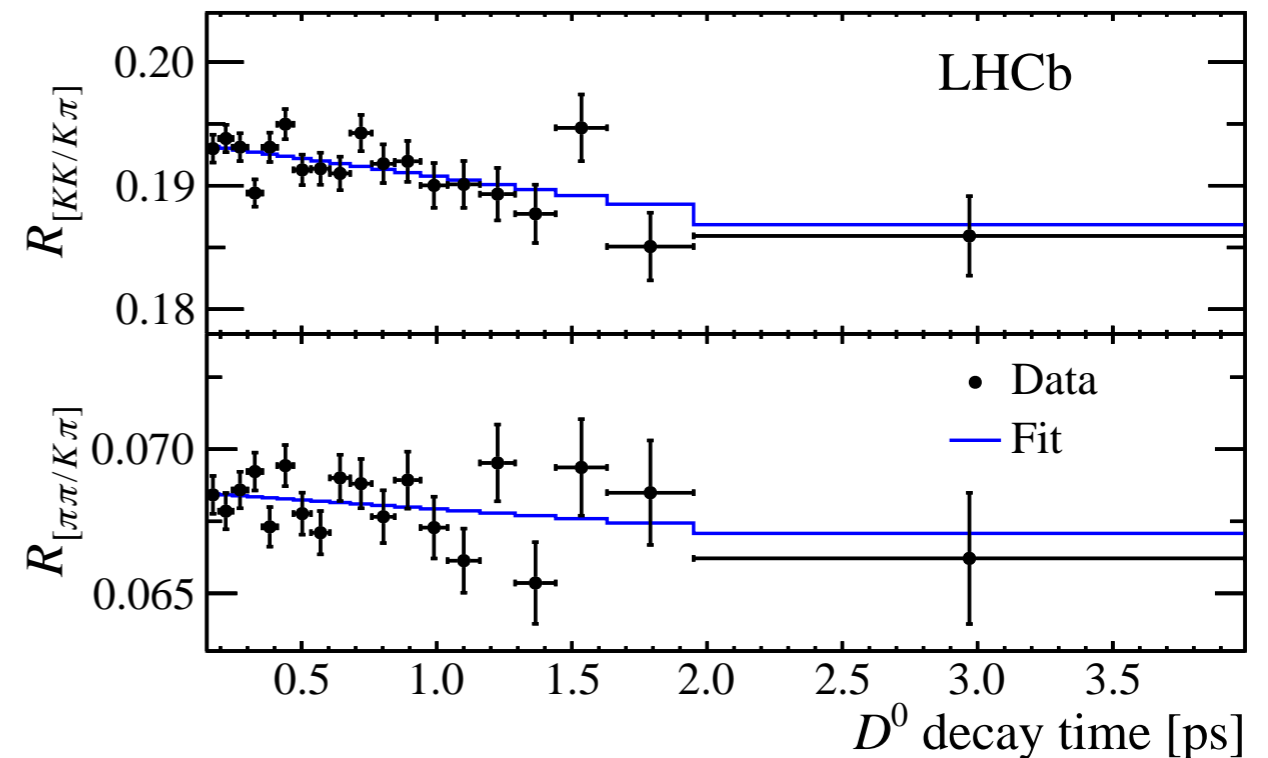
$$\Delta_{\Gamma} = \Gamma^{CP} - \Gamma$$

- Use $\mathbf{K^+K^-}$ and $\mathbf{\pi^+\pi^-}$ (CP -even) and $\mathbf{K^-\pi^+}$ (CP -mixed) states
- y_{CP} differs from 0 because of mixing
- if CP symmetry is violated y_{CP} differs from y



Strategy and results

- Use D^0 from semi-leptonic B decays (Run-1 data)
- Determine the $\mathbf{K^+K^-}$, $\mathbf{\pi^+\pi^-}$ and $\mathbf{K^+\pi^-}$ signal yields in bins of D^0 decay time
- Fit the *acceptance-corrected* ratio of $\mathbf{K^+K^-/K^+\pi^-}$ and $\mathbf{\pi^+\pi^-/K^+\pi^-}$ to measure $\mathbf{y_{CP}}$

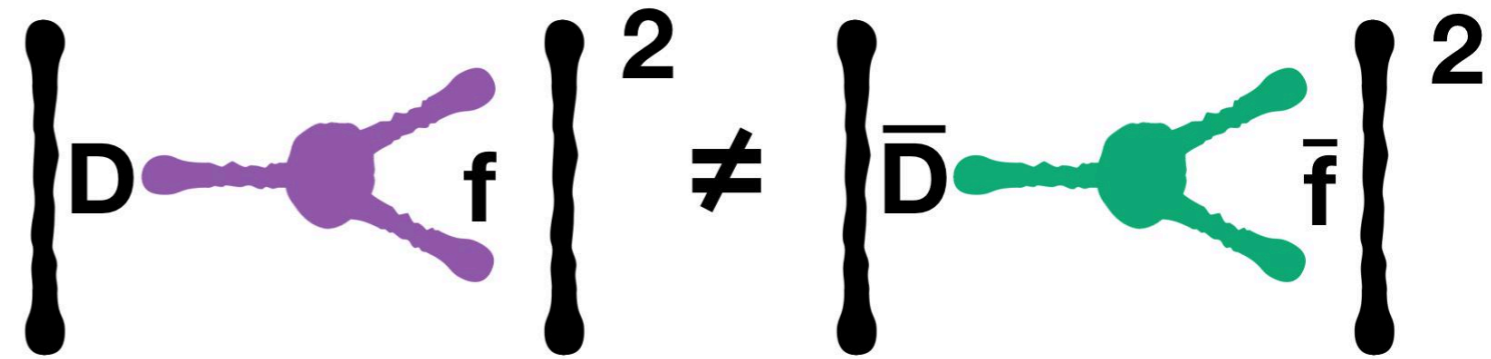


- Results are consistent between modes, and combined give:

$$y_{CP} = (0.57 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst)})\%$$

- Consistent and, as precise as, the world average
- Consistent with world average value of $y = (0.62 \pm 0.07) \%$

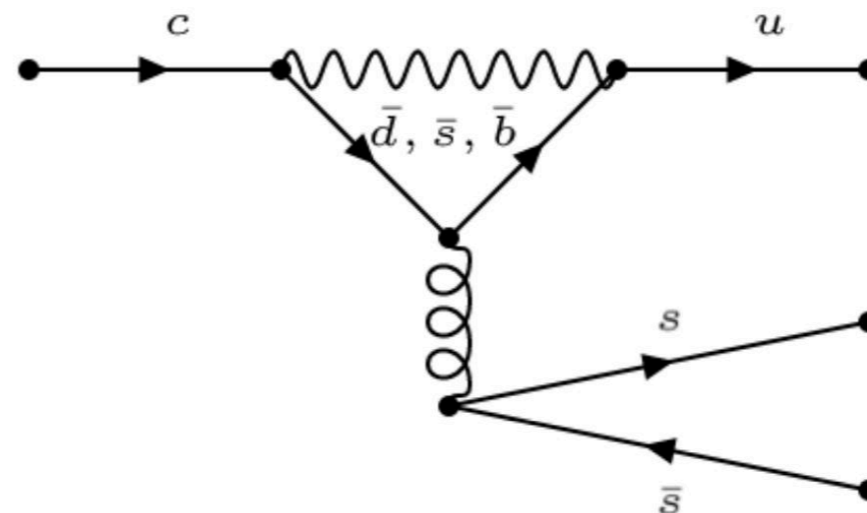
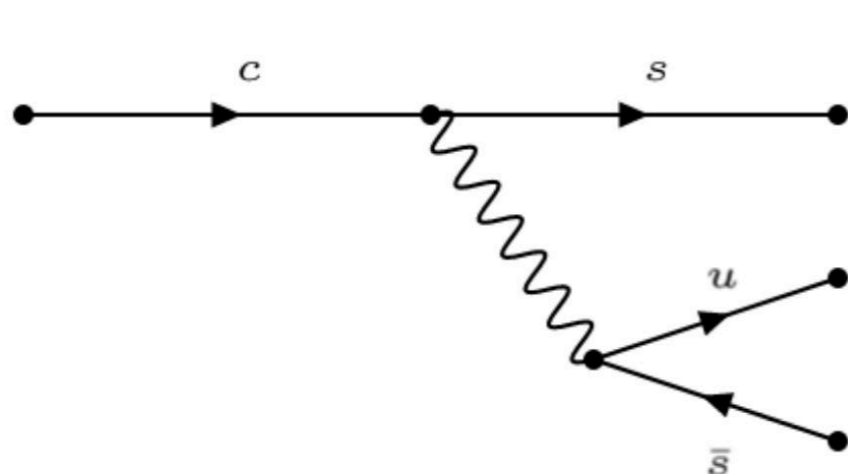
Direct CP violation



- Corresponds to

$$A_{CP} = \frac{|A_f|^2 - |\bar{A}_{\bar{f}}|^2}{|A_f|^2 + |\bar{A}_{\bar{f}}|^2} \neq 0$$

- Most promising channels are **Cabibbo-suppressed** (CS) decays because CPV may arise from the *interference* between the **tree** and the **penguin** amplitude



Experimentally...

- *Raw asymmetry* between the observed yields:

$$A(D \rightarrow f) = \frac{N(D \rightarrow f) - N(\bar{D} \rightarrow \bar{f})}{N(D \rightarrow f) + N(\bar{D} \rightarrow \bar{f})}$$

- Contributions other than **A_{CP}**:

$$A_P(D) = \frac{\sigma(D) - \sigma(\bar{D})}{\sigma(D) + \sigma(\bar{D})}$$

$$A_D(f) = \frac{\epsilon(f) - \epsilon(\bar{f})}{\epsilon(f) + \epsilon(\bar{f})}$$

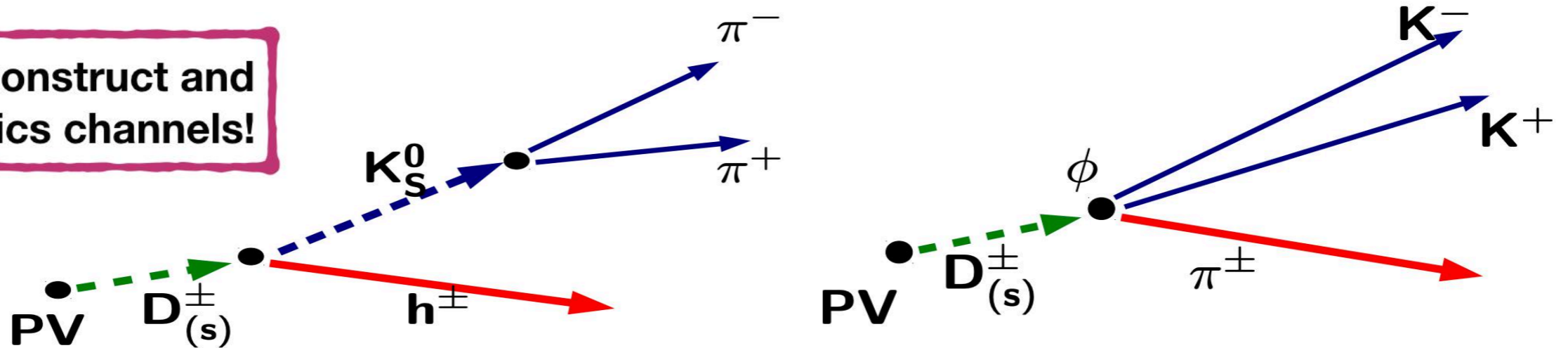
Production asymmetry

Detection and reconstruction asymmetry

CP asymmetries in the CS

$D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S \pi^+$, $D^+ \rightarrow K_S K^+$ and $D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+$ decays

Easy-to-reconstruct and high-statistics channels!



- Best measurements to date are from LHCb Run-1:
[JHEP 06 (2013) 112] and [JHEP 1410 (2014) 025]

Channel	\mathcal{A}_{CP} (%)	Dataset
$D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+$	$+0.38 \pm 0.46$ (stat) ± 0.17 (syst)	2011-2012 (3.2/fb)
$D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+$	$+0.03 \pm 0.17$ (stat) ± 0.14 (syst)	
$D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+$	-0.04 ± 0.14 (stat) ± 0.14 (syst)	2011 (1.1/fb)

NEW

- Today, updated results using 3.8/fb of **Run-2** data collected during 2015-2017

Strategy

- Correct *raw asymmetries* A using kinematically weighted samples of Cabibbo-favored $D_{(s)}^+$ decays (where CPV can be neglected)

Production and detection asymmetries cancel out !

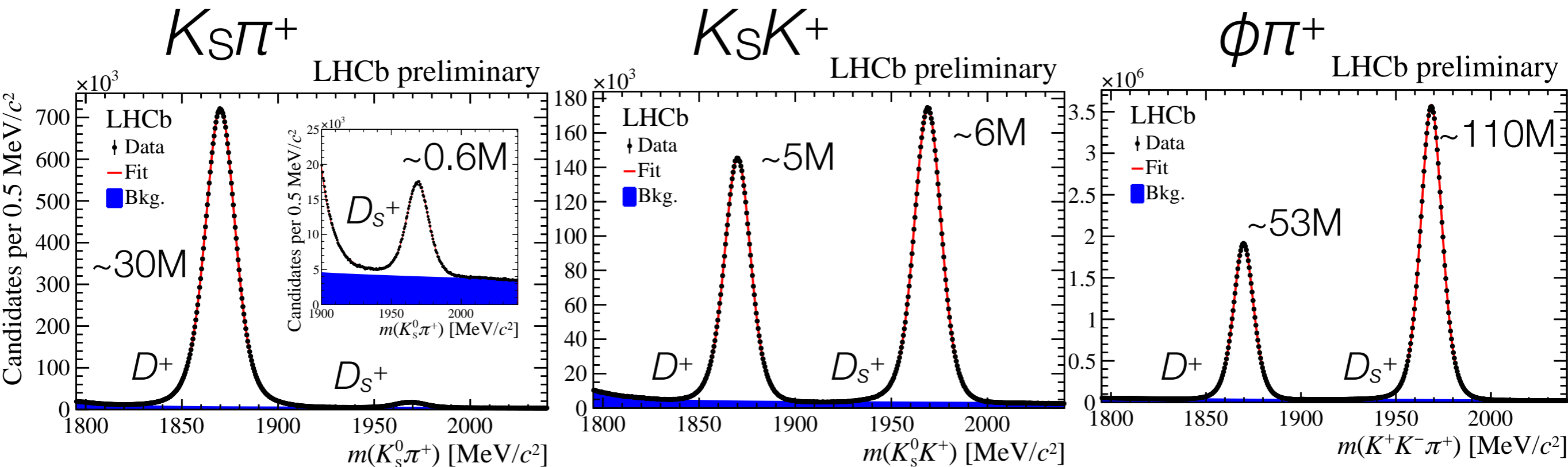
$$A_{CP}(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) = [A(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) - A_D(K^0)] - A(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+)$$

$$A_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+) = [A(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+) - A_D(\bar{K}^0)] - [A(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) - A_D(\bar{K}^0)] \\ - [A(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+) - A_D(\bar{K}^0)] + A(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+)$$

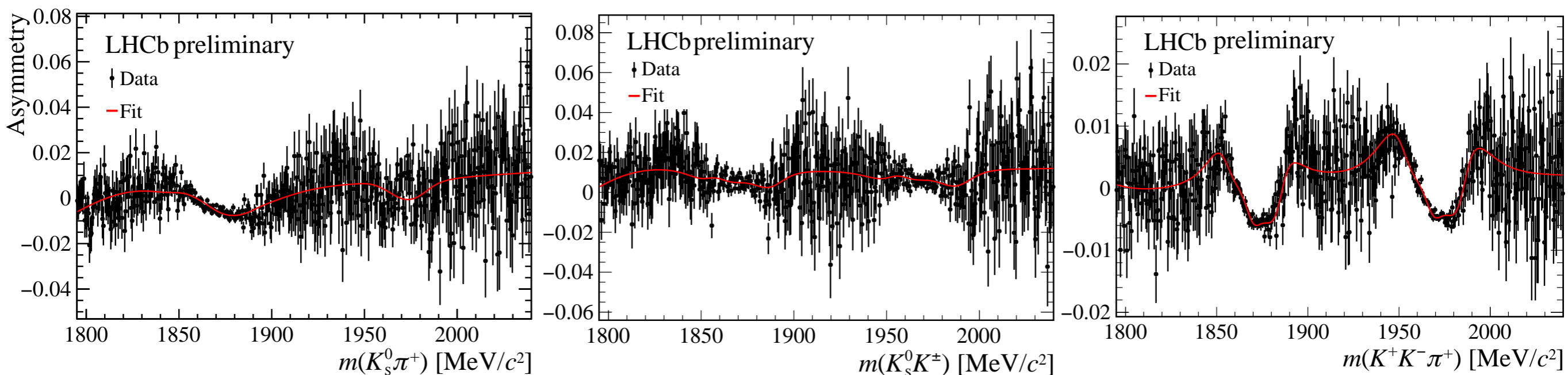
$$A_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) = A(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) - [A(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) - A_D(\bar{K}^0)]$$

where $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $A_D(K^0) = -A_D(\bar{K}^0)$ is the detection asymmetry of neutral kaons, which includes mixing and CPV effects

Determination of raw asymmetries



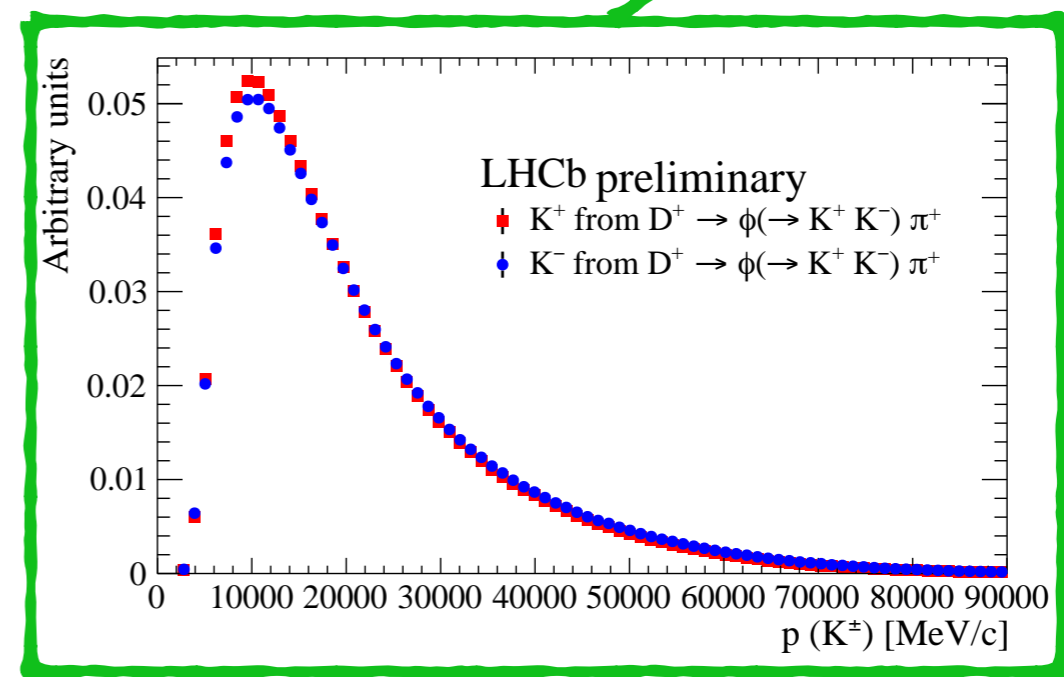
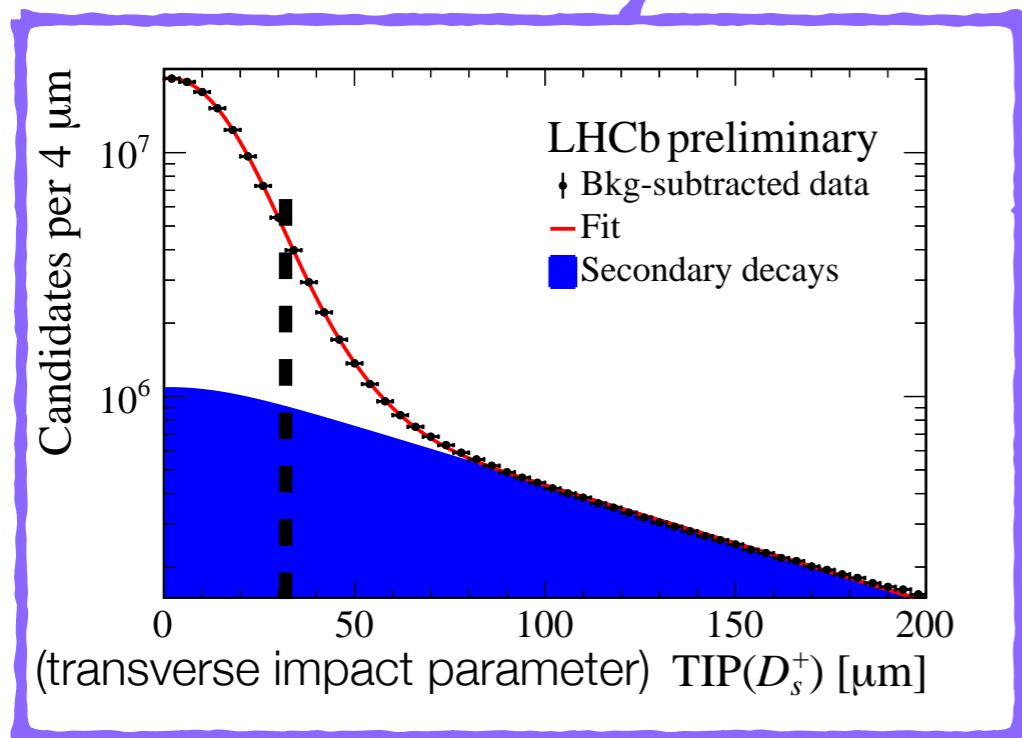
Raw asymmetries projection:



Systematics

Table 1: Summary of the systematic uncertainties (in units of 10^{-3}) on the measured quantities. The total is the sum in quadrature of the different sources.

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Source	$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+)$	$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+)$	$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+)$
Fit model	→ 0.39	→ 0.44	→ 0.24
Secondary decays	↗ 0.30	↗ 0.12	0.03
Kinematic diff.	0.09	0.09	0.04
Neutral kaon asym.	0.05	0.05	0.04
Charged kaon asym.	0.08	0.09	↘ 0.15
Total	0.51	0.48	0.29



Results

- CP asymmetries:

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_{CP}(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) &= (1.3 \pm 1.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-3}, \\ \mathcal{A}_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+) &= (-0.09 \pm 0.65 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.48 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-3}, \\ \mathcal{A}_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) &= (0.05 \pm 0.42 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.29 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-3}.\end{aligned}$$

- When averaged with previous LHCb measurements they yield

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_{CP}(D_s^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) &= (1.6 \pm 1.7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-3}, \\ \mathcal{A}_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+) &= (-0.04 \pm 0.61 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.45 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-3}, \\ \mathcal{A}_{CP}(D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) &= (0.03 \pm 0.40 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.29 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-3}.\end{aligned}$$

- No evidence of CPV is found

Summary

- Presented new results in Charm physics at LHCb
 - Measurement of mixing parameter y_{CP} as precise as the World average
 - For the first time: a search for direct CP violation in $D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow K_S h^+$ and $D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+$ decays
In $D^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+$ measured the most precise A_{CP} in charm hadrons!
- All results so far are *consistent* with CP symmetry
- However they are limited by *statistics*, and a large amount of data remains to be analyzed



Thanks for your attention!



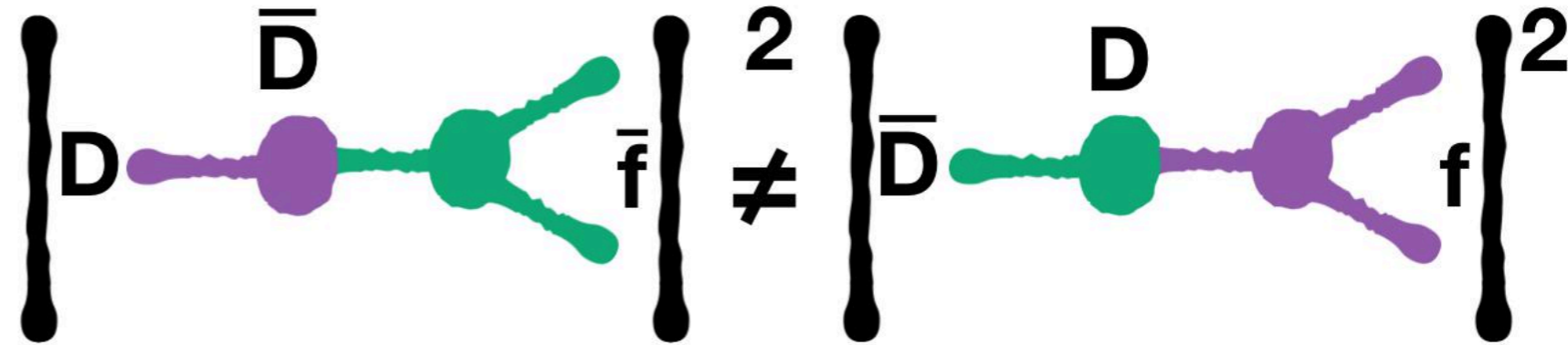


Back-up slides

Mixing and CP violation

- CPV in **mixing**

Occurs if $|q/p| \neq 1$

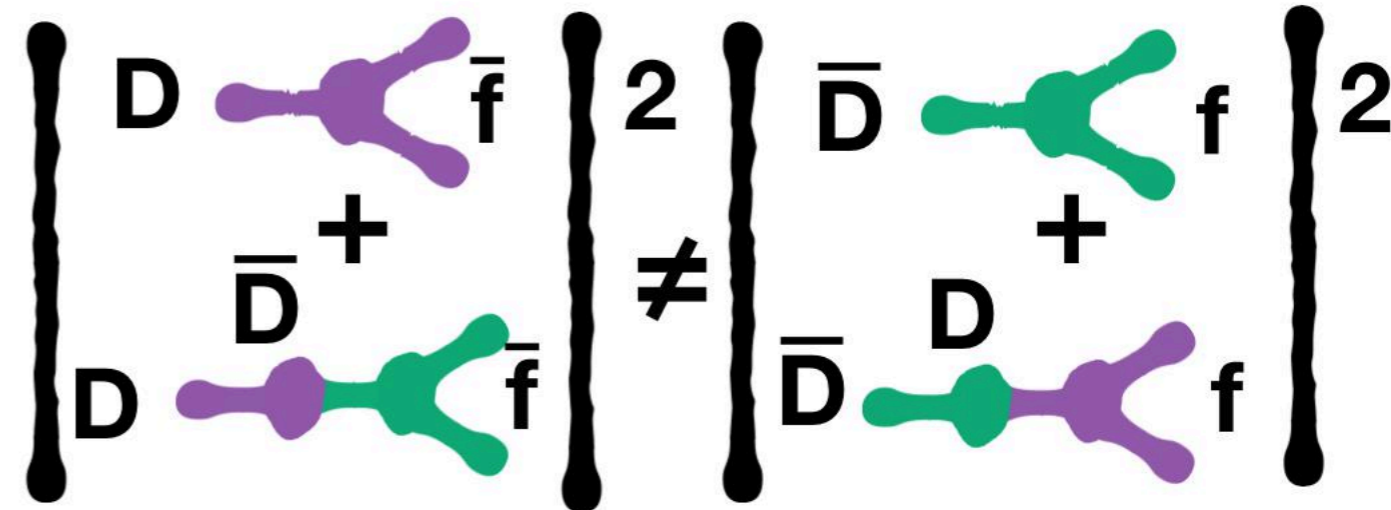


- CPV in **interference**

between mixing and decay

Occurs if

$$\phi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \arg(q\bar{A}_{\bar{f}} / pA_f) \neq 0$$



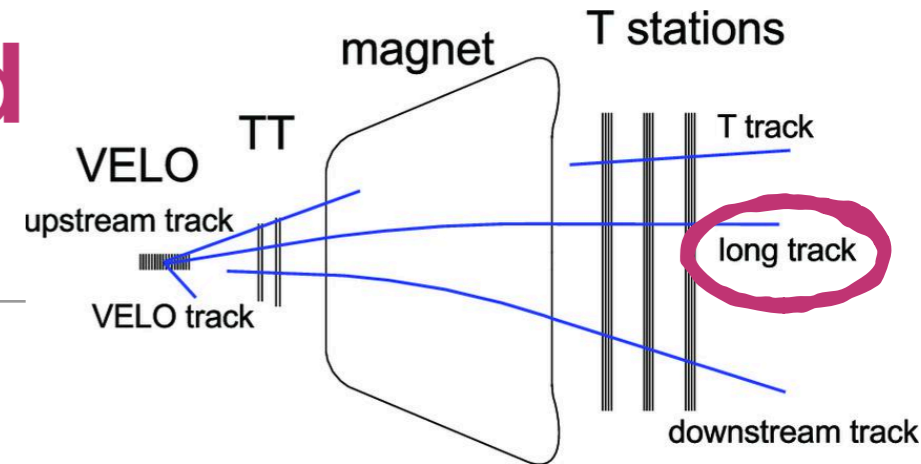
- Charm-mixing parameter y_{CP}

$$y_{CP} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[y \cos \phi \left(\left[\frac{q}{p} \right] + \left[\frac{p}{q} \right] \right) - x \sin \phi \left(\left[\frac{q}{p} \right] - \left[\frac{p}{q} \right] \right) \right]$$

CPV in mixing

CPV in interference

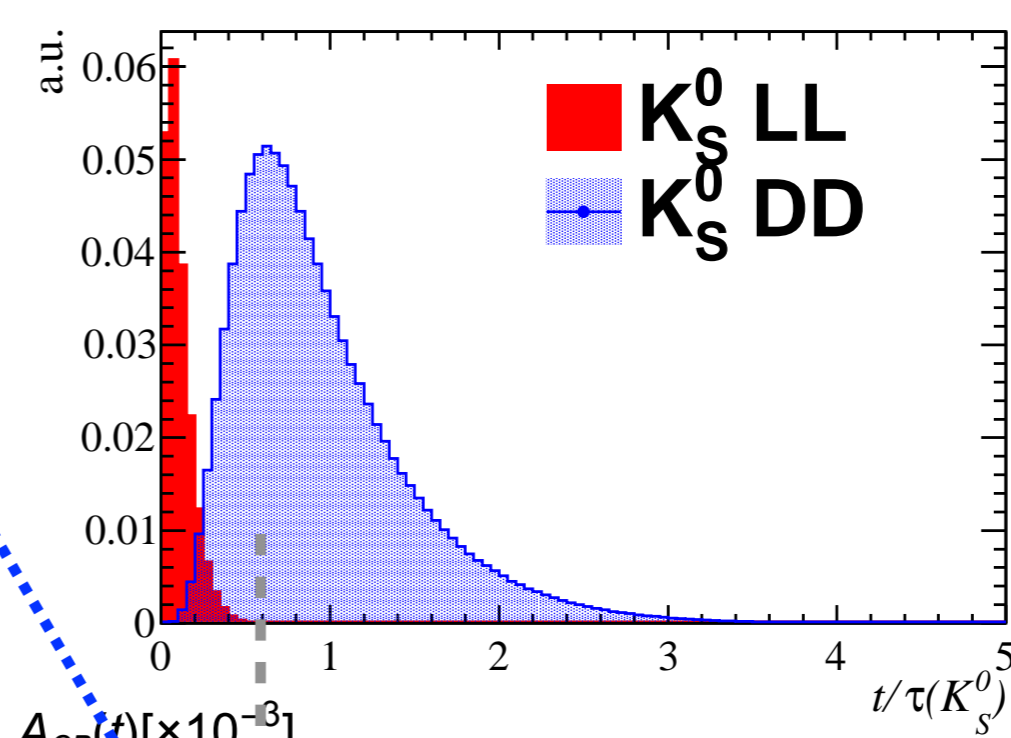
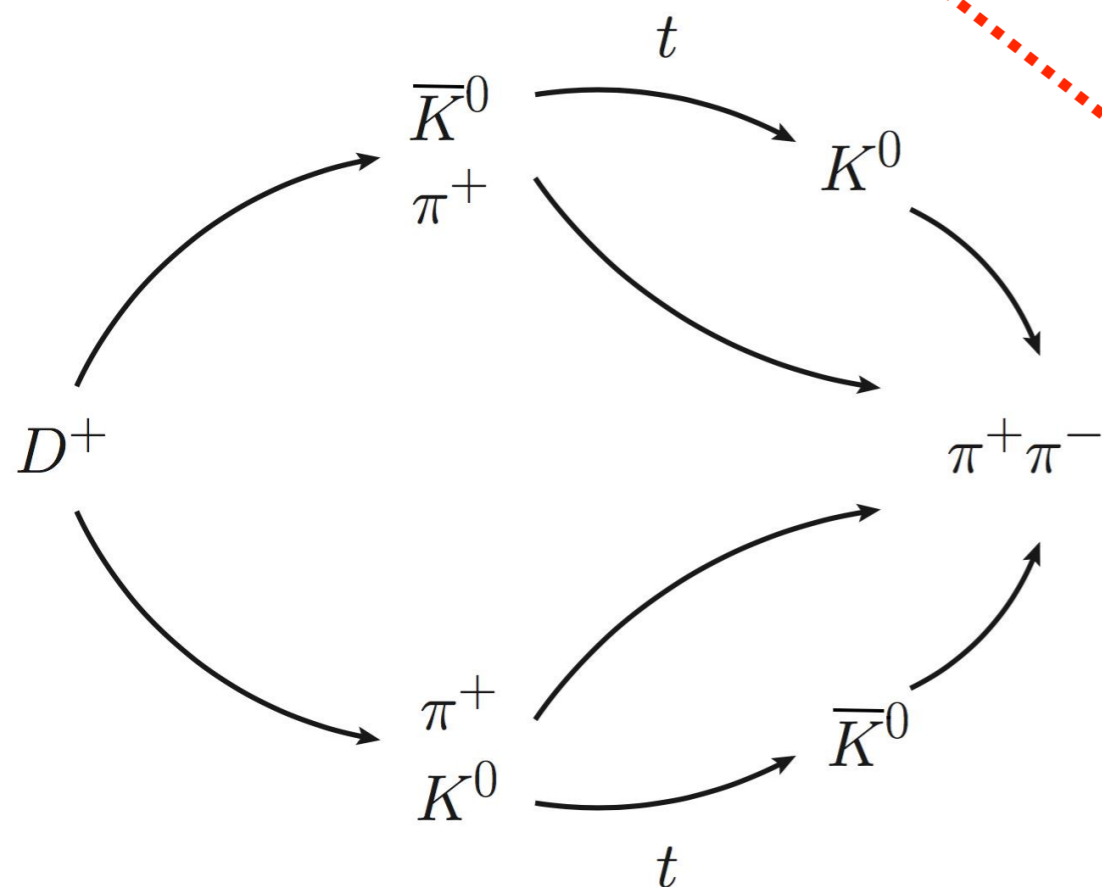
CP violation in Cabibbo-favored $D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow K_S h^+$ decays



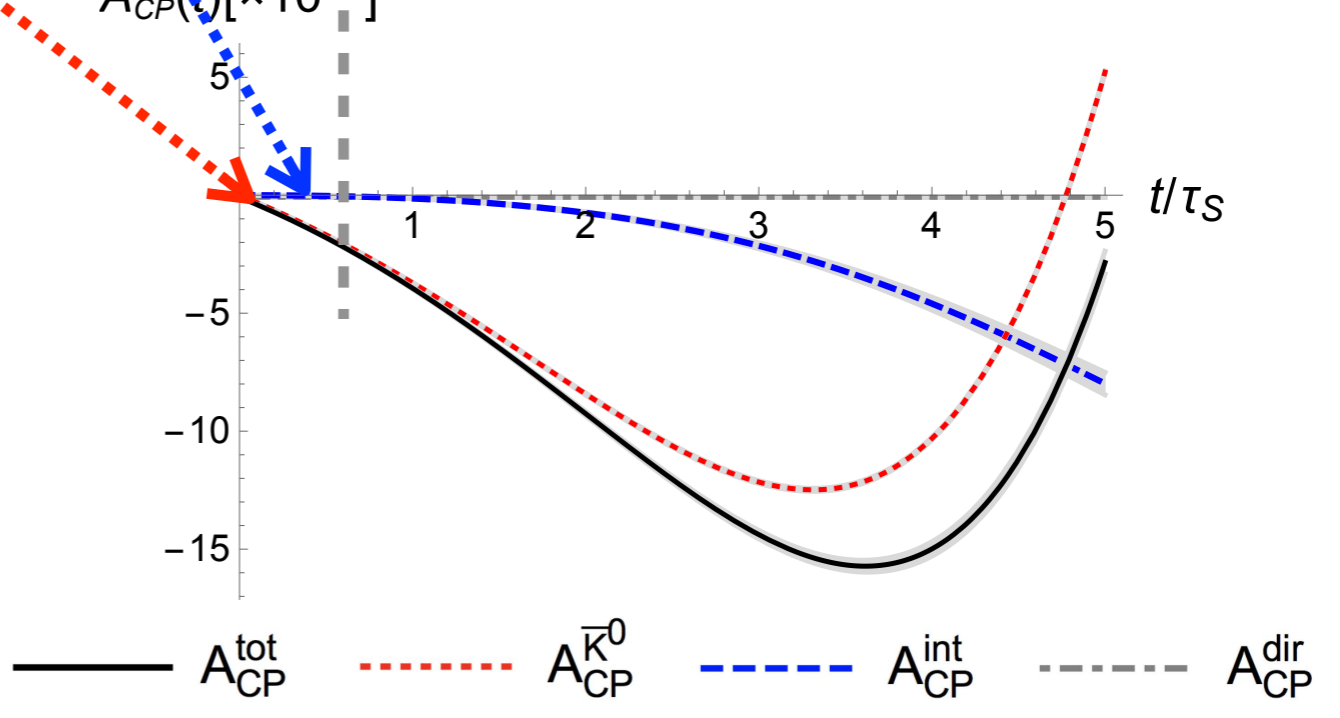
- K_S reconstructed from two long tracks (LL)

Effect that we ignore

Effect that we consider



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