## Plan of the lectures:

An introduction to flavour physics

Phenomenology of B and D decays
 Time evolution and time-dependent asymmetries of B<sub>d,s</sub>
 CPV in B<sub>s</sub> mixing
 Time-dependent studies of "penguin modes"
 CPV in charged B decays [measuring γ]
 Rare B decays
 Exclusive rare B decays
 CP violation in the charm system
 The puzzle of Δa -

The puzzle of  $\Delta a_{CP}$ 

Flavour physics beyond the SM

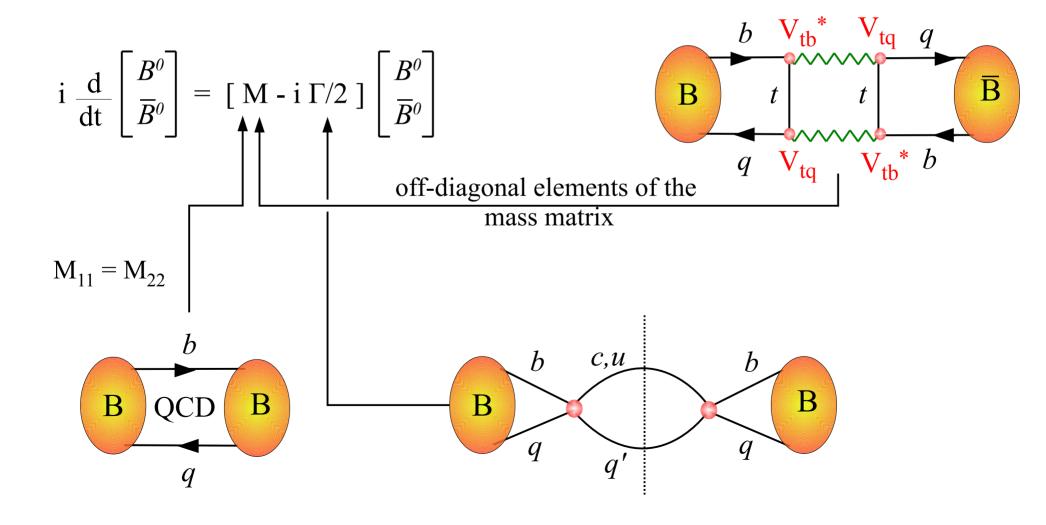
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$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} B^{0} \\ \overline{B}^{0} \end{bmatrix} = [M - i \Gamma/2] \begin{bmatrix} B^{0} \\ \overline{B}^{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

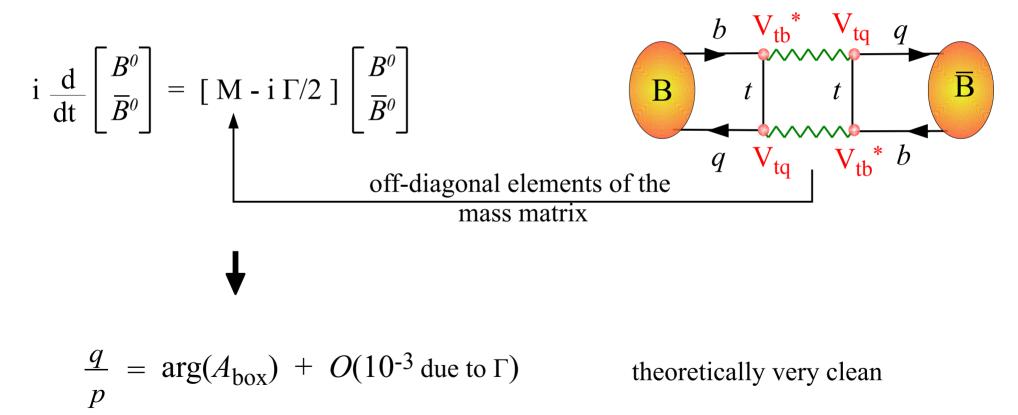
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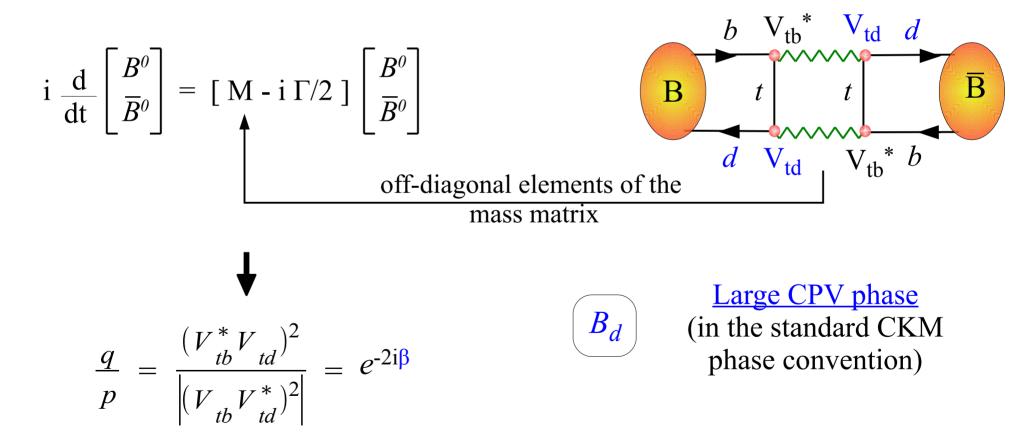


 $\Delta m_{\rm B} \propto |A_{\rm box}| \times |\langle \bar{\rm B}| (\bar{b}_L \gamma_{\mu} q_L)^2 |{\rm B} \rangle|$ 

O(10%-30%) theory error

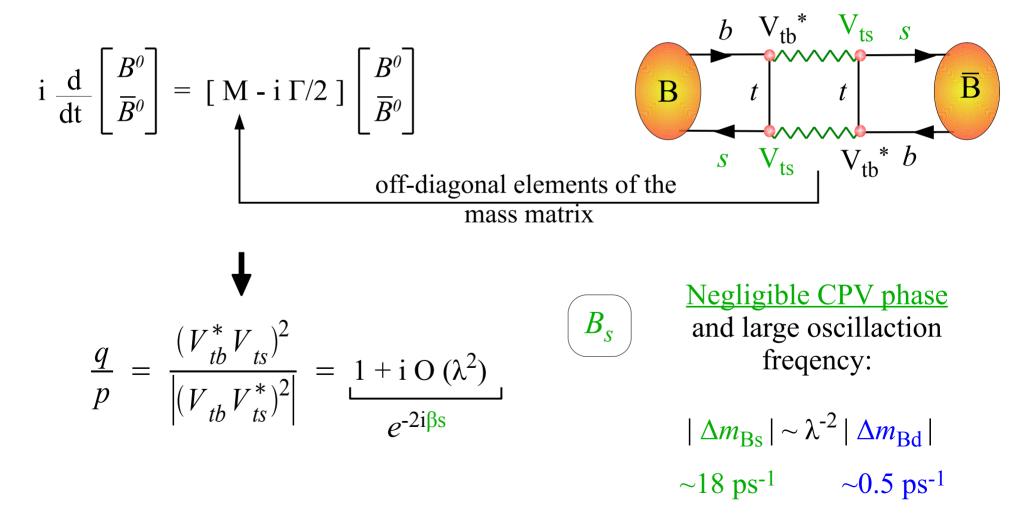
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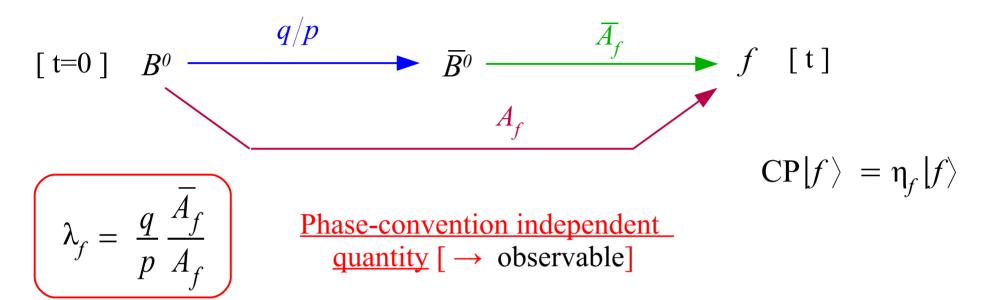


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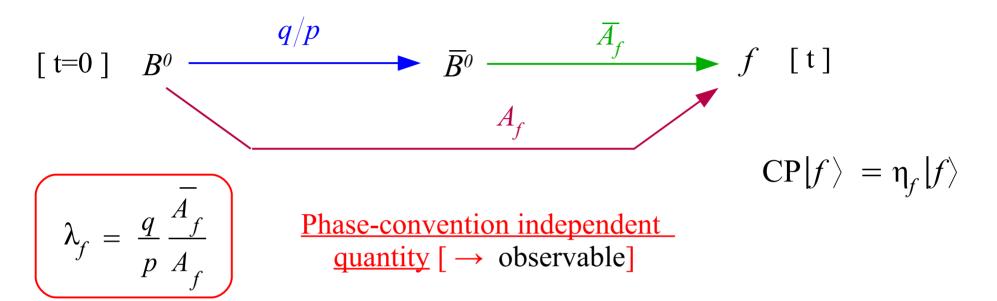
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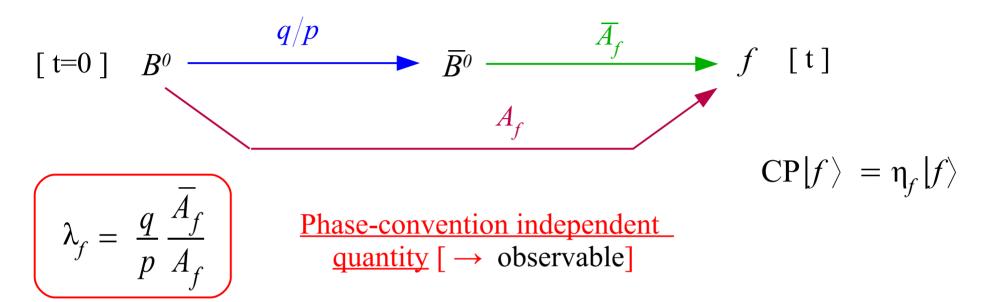
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Key points to successfully use this method:  $s_f = \text{Im}(\lambda_f)$   $c_f = \text{Re}(\lambda_f)$ 

- [EXP]: <u>flavour tagging</u> and <u>time-dependent resolution</u> are essential ingredients
- [TH]: identify final states such that  $A_f$  is dominated by a single weak phase

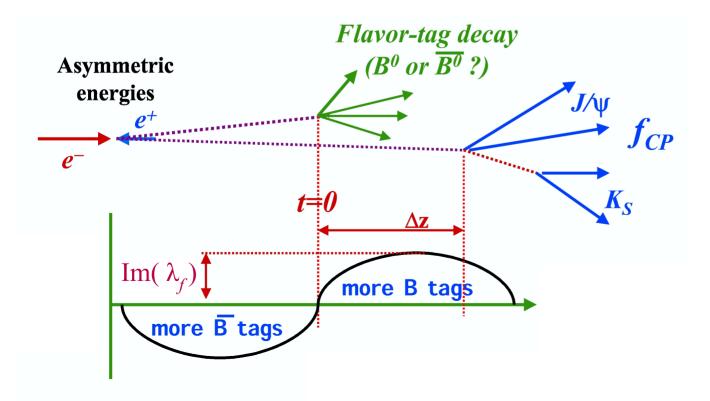
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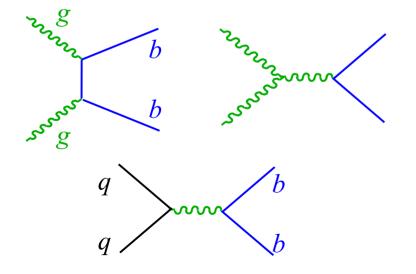


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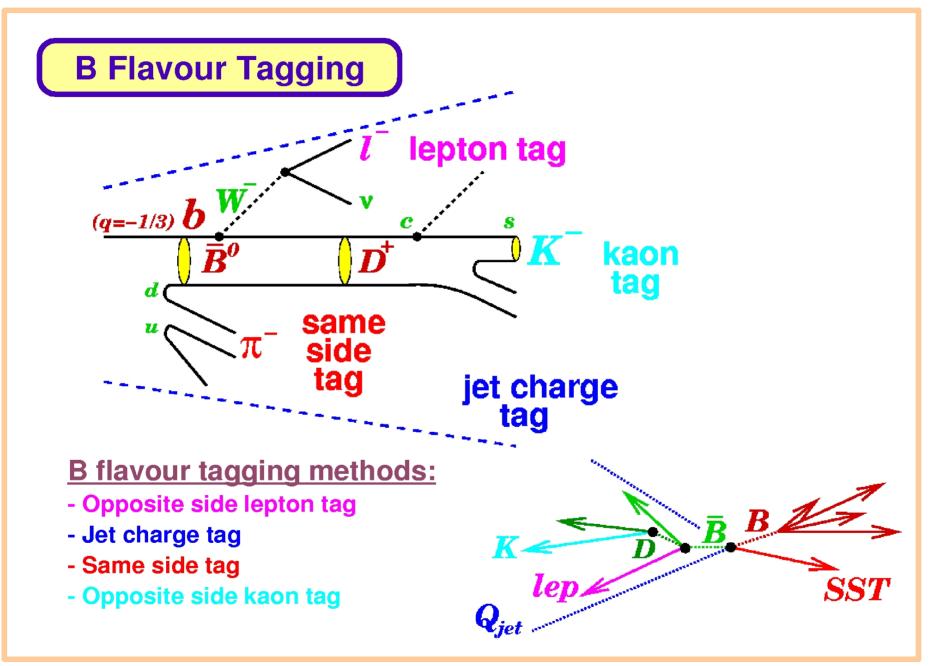
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Hadron colliders:



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- coherent quantum state for neutral B
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- dirty environment [  $\sigma(B) / \sigma(bkg) < 0.01$  ]
- incoherent quantum state
- high stat. [  $\sim 10^{12}$  B pairs / 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> ]
- all hadrons with b-quarks produced

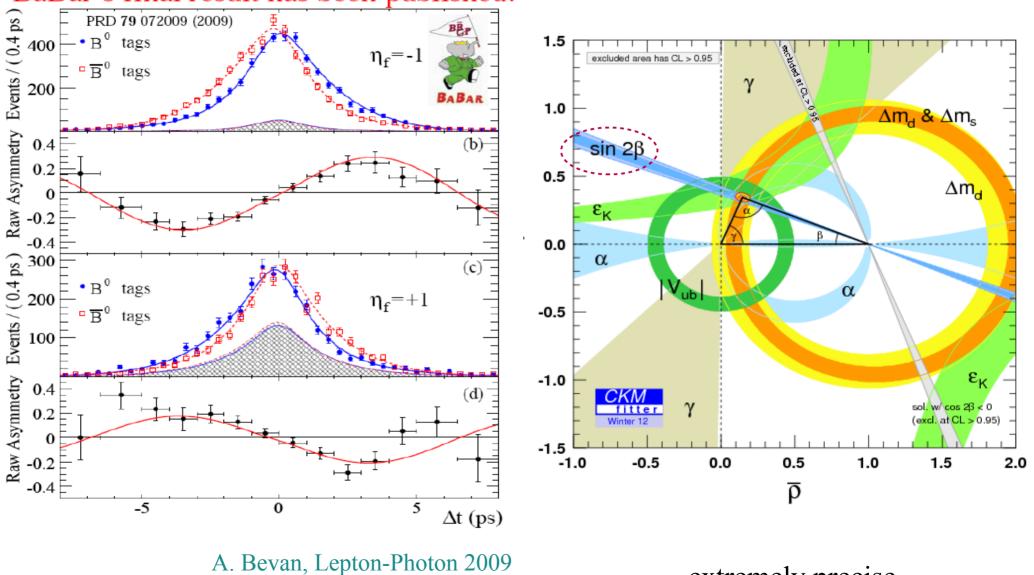


flat triangle

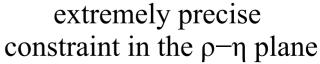
Golden channel for B factories

When is  $A_f$  dominated by a single weak phase?  $|B_{d}\rangle \rightarrow |\psi K_{S}\rangle$  $[b+d \rightarrow c\bar{c}s+d]$ V<sub>ub</sub> c,t $g(\gamma, Z)$ С  $O(\alpha_s \lambda^5)$ real  $O(\lambda^2)$ real O( $\alpha_{\rm s} \lambda^2$ ) dominant | amplitude pollution  $\leq 1 \%$  $\operatorname{Im}(\lambda_f) = \sin(2\beta)$  $V_{tb}^{*}V_{ts} = -V_{cb}^{*}V_{cs} - V_{ub}^{*}V_{us}$ (from the mixing) extremely precise

constraint in the  $\rho-\eta$  plane

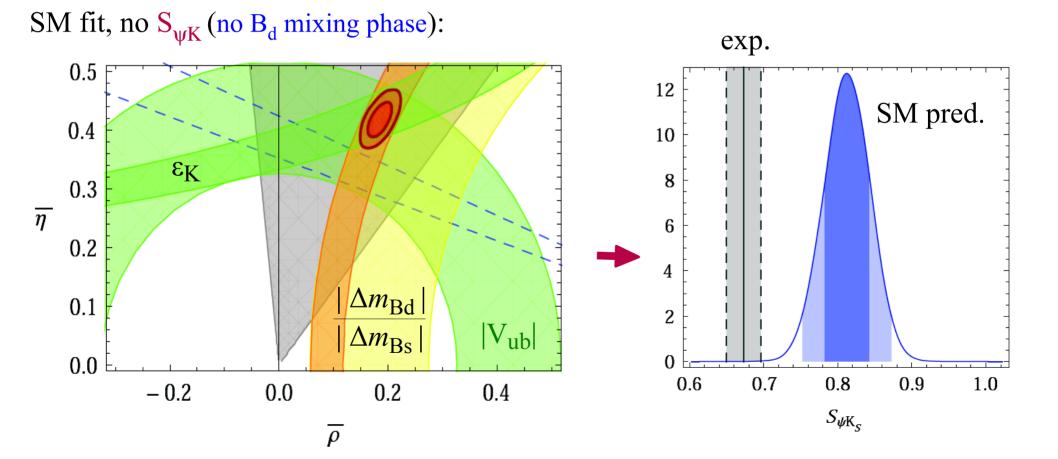


### BaBar's final result has been published:

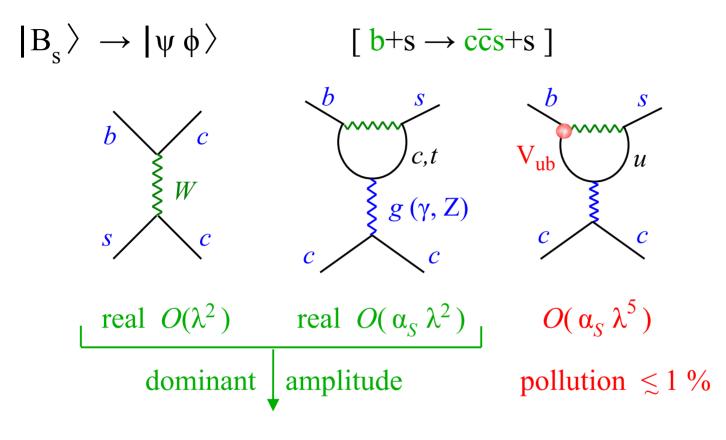


N.B.: Despite the overall consistency of the CKM picture, looking more closely the agreement of the various constraints is not so good. At present there is a  $\sim 2\sigma$  tension between

- the value of  $\varepsilon_{K}$  (CPV in K<sup>0</sup> mixing) [or |V<sub>ub</sub>| extracted from B $\rightarrow \tau v$ ]
- the value of  $sin(2\beta)$  extracted from  $B_d \rightarrow \psi K$

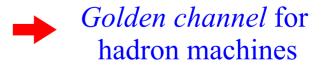


### The golden channel for $B_s$ mixing is



$$\mathrm{Im}(\lambda_f) = \frac{\sin(2\beta_s)}{\cos(2\beta_s)} = 0 + \mathrm{O}(\lambda^2) \approx 0.04$$

It is not a constraint in the  $\rho$ - $\eta$  plane but is a very significant test of the SM



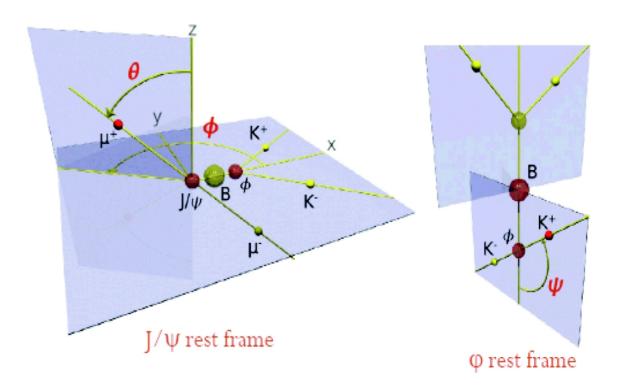
## *Measuring CPV in B<sub>s</sub> mixing*

The extraction of the  $B_s$  mixing phase differs (and is somehow more challenging) with respect to the  $B_d$  case for three main reasons:

•  $|\psi \phi\rangle$  is not a CP eigenstate and a complete angular analysis of the 4-body final state is needed in order to disentangle the amplitudes with different CP

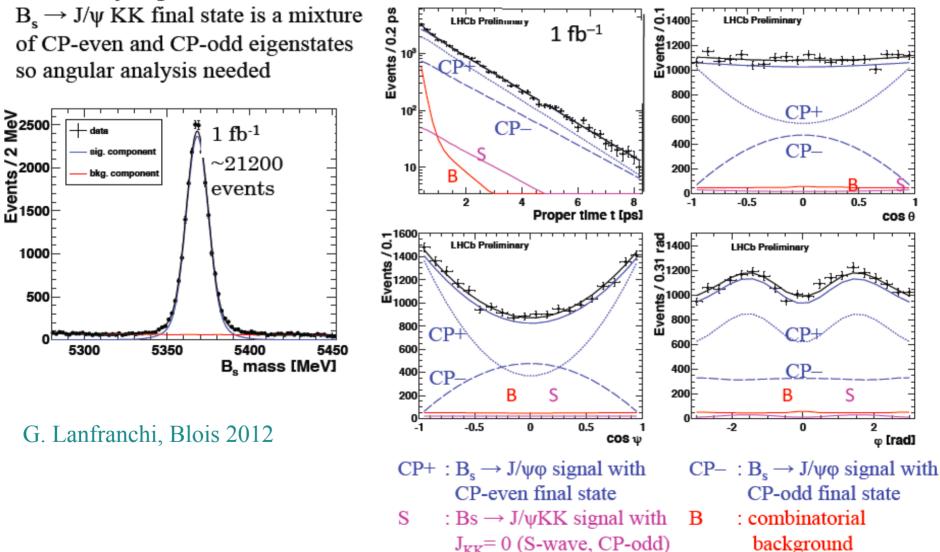
• Since  $\Delta\Gamma_s \neq 0$ , a simultaneous fit of the width difference and the mixing phase is needed

• The flavour tag is much more involved at hadron machines

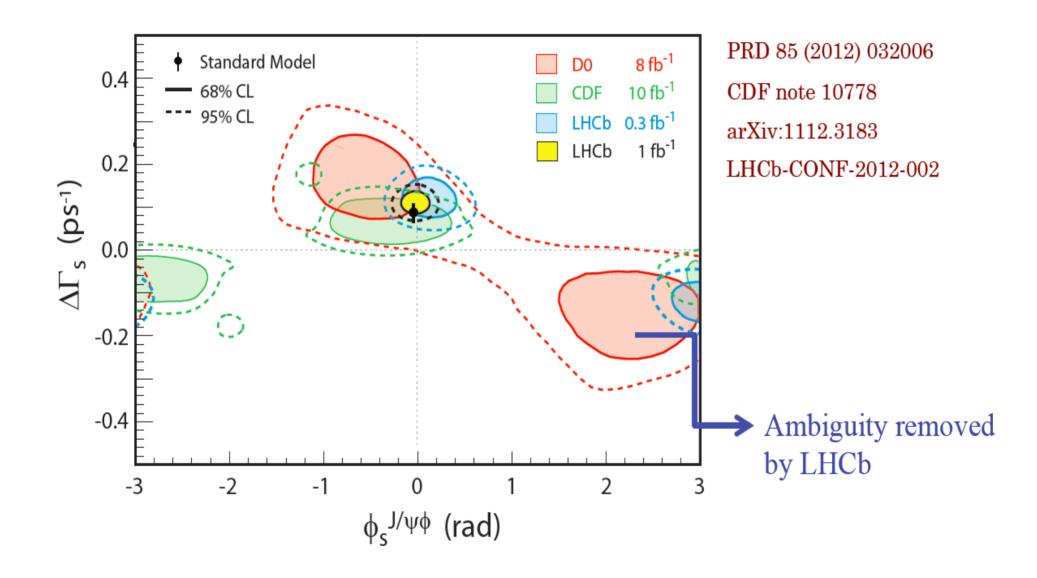


# Here $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$ : LHCb latest result [1fb<sup>-1</sup>]

Full fit of tagged and untagged rates as a function of B<sub>s</sub> mass, proper time and transversity angles: LHCb-CONF-2012-002, 1/fb

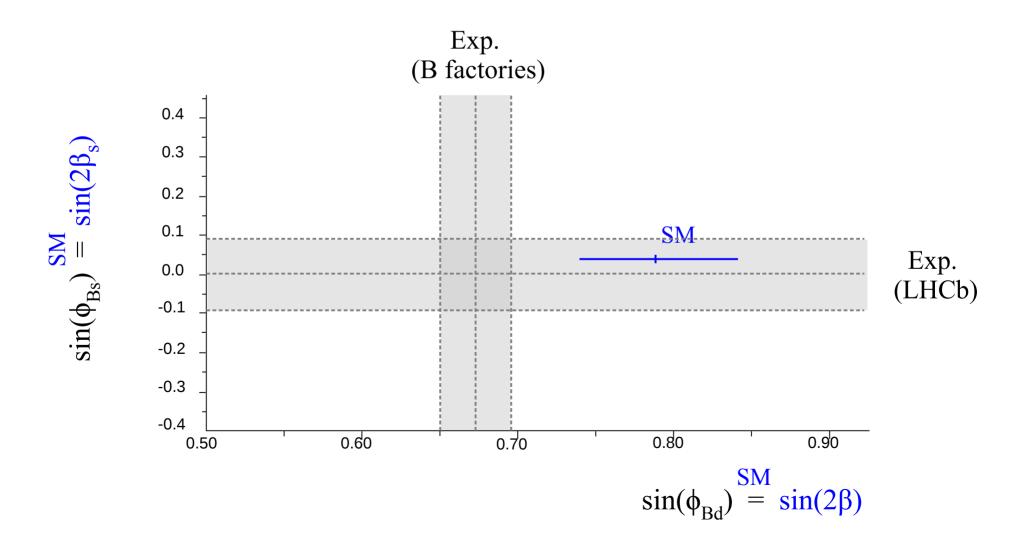


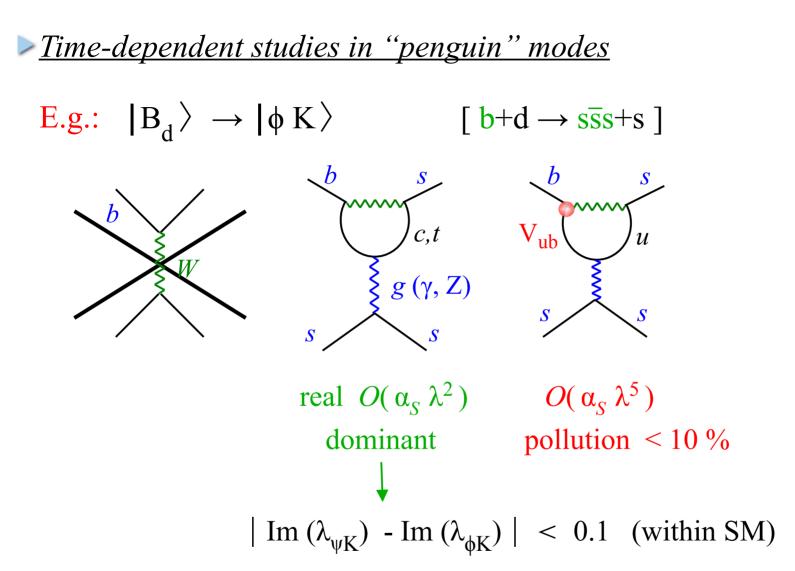




So far there is an excellent agreement with the SM.

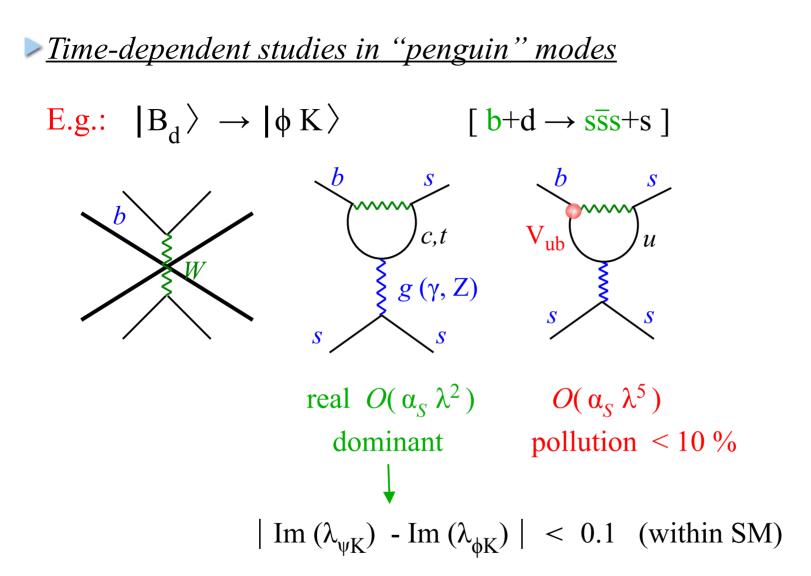
But we cannot exclude surprises with more precise measurements, especially given the "tension" in the  $B_d$  case. *There is still a lot to learn*...





These modes are not interesting for precise determinations of CKM elements, neither for very precise tests of the SM, but are potentially sensitive to NP:

 $| \operatorname{Im} (\lambda_{\psi K}) - \operatorname{Im} (\lambda_{\phi K}) | \gg 0.1$  New Physics !

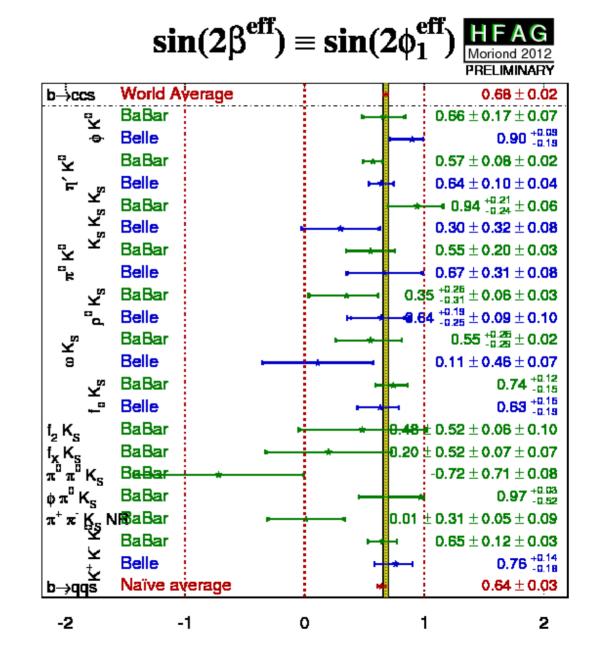


Unfortunately there are not many *pure penguin* channels of this type, moreover, even for pure penguin modes, it is very difficult to control the theory error below the  $\sim 10\%$  level

## <u>Time-dependent studies in "penguin" modes</u>

A few years ago there was a lot of (partly unjustified...), "excitement". Right now:

- The most clean observables show no significant deviations.
- In most cases the exp. precision is already below the level of the irreducible th. errors.



## <u>CPV in charged B decays</u>

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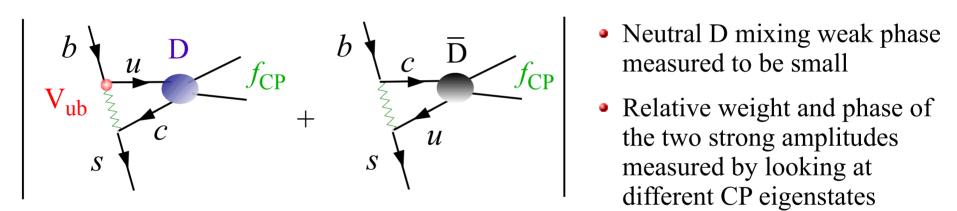
$$\stackrel{\bigstar}{\models} \stackrel{\bigstar}{\models}$$
weak phase
strong phase

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{B}^{-} \to f^{-}) = |\mathbf{A}_{1}^{+} \mathbf{e}^{-\mathbf{i}\gamma} \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{i}\delta} \mathbf{A}_{2}|^{2}$$

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A notable exception are the  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow D(\overline{D}) + K^{\pm} \rightarrow f_{CP} + K^{\pm}$  decays



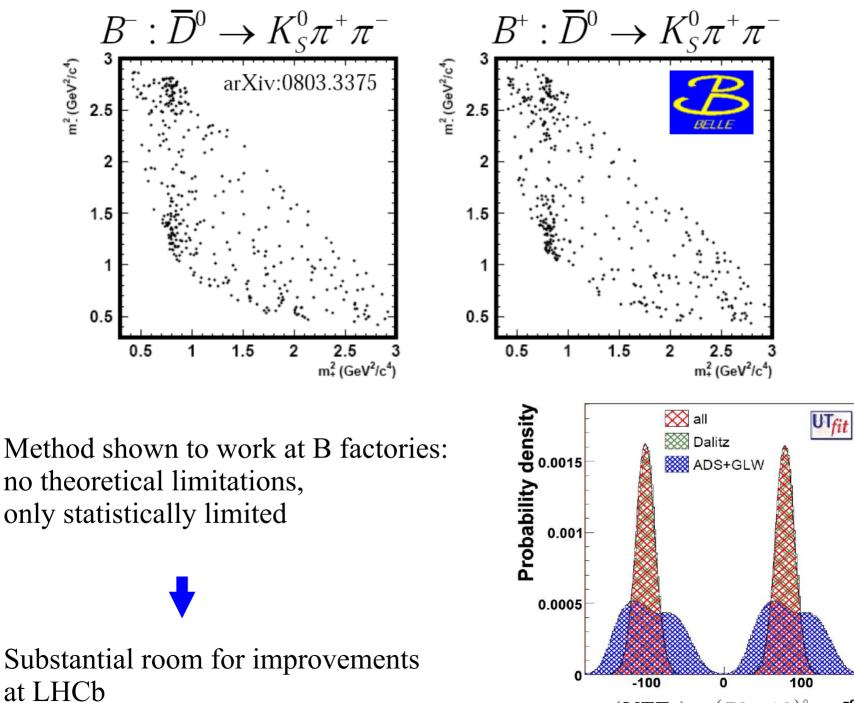
- different CP eigenstates

Clean way to extract phase  $\gamma = \arg(V_{ub})$ :

- Gronau-London-Wyler/Atwood-Dunietz-Soni methods:  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow (K\pi, \pi\pi) + K^{\pm}$
- Giri-Grossman-Soffer-Zupan method:  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow (K_S \pi^+ \pi^-) + K^{\pm}$

*full Dalitz-Plot analysis* 

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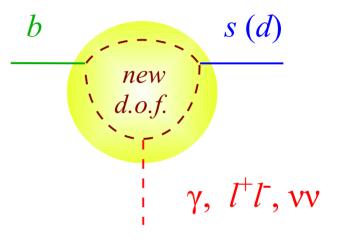


 $\gamma(UTFit) = (78 \pm 12)^{\circ} \gamma \Gamma^{\circ}$ 

## ▶<u>Rare B decays</u>

Similarly to  $\Delta F=2$  mixings, rare decays mediated by *Flavour Changing Neutral Current* (FCNC) amplitudes are useful probes for *precision* tests of flavor dynamics beyond the SM

- No SM tree-level contribution
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ELECTROWEAK STRUCTURE

## The $\Delta F=1$ sector is, in principle, much more reach:

FLAVOUR COUPLING:

	$b \rightarrow s ~(\sim \lambda^2)$	$b \rightarrow d (\sim \lambda^3)$	$s \rightarrow d (\sim \lambda^5)$	
$\Delta F=2$ box	$(Q_L^{\ b} \Gamma Q_L^{\ s})^2$	•••		
$\Delta F=1$ 4-quark box	:	The FCNC matrix	<:	
gluon penguin		each box correspond to an independent combination of dimension-6 $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ -invariant operators		
γ penguin				
Z <sup>0</sup> penguin		$\mathscr{L}_{eff} = \mathscr{L}_{SM} + \sum_{d \ge 5} \frac{c_n}{\Lambda^{d-4}} O_n^d$		
H <sup>0</sup> penguin				

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# ...although not all observables are theoretically very clean

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$\Delta F=2$ box	$\Delta M_{Bs}$ $A_{CP}(B_s \rightarrow \psi \phi)$	$\Delta M_{Bd}$ $A_{CP}(B_d \rightarrow \psi K)$	$\Delta M_K, \epsilon_K$
$\Delta F=1$ 4-quark box	$B_d \rightarrow \phi K, B_d \rightarrow K \pi,$	$B_d \rightarrow \pi \pi, B_d \rightarrow \rho \pi, \dots$	$\epsilon'/\epsilon, K \rightarrow 3\pi,$
gluon penguin	$\begin{split} & B_d \rightarrow X_s \gamma, \ B_d \rightarrow \phi K, \\ & B_d \rightarrow K \pi, \dots \end{split}$	$B_d \rightarrow X_d \gamma, B_d \rightarrow \pi \pi, \dots$	$\epsilon'/\epsilon, K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 l^+ l^-, \dots$
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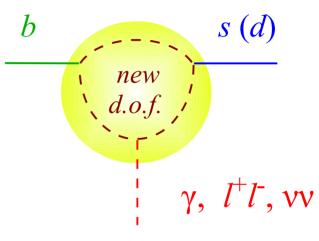
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- The key point is the relation between patonic & hadronic worlds

Fully inclusive decays usually good precision thanks to heavy-quark symmetry

 $\Gamma(b \to s\gamma) \xrightarrow{m_b \to \infty} \Gamma(B \to X_s \gamma)$ 

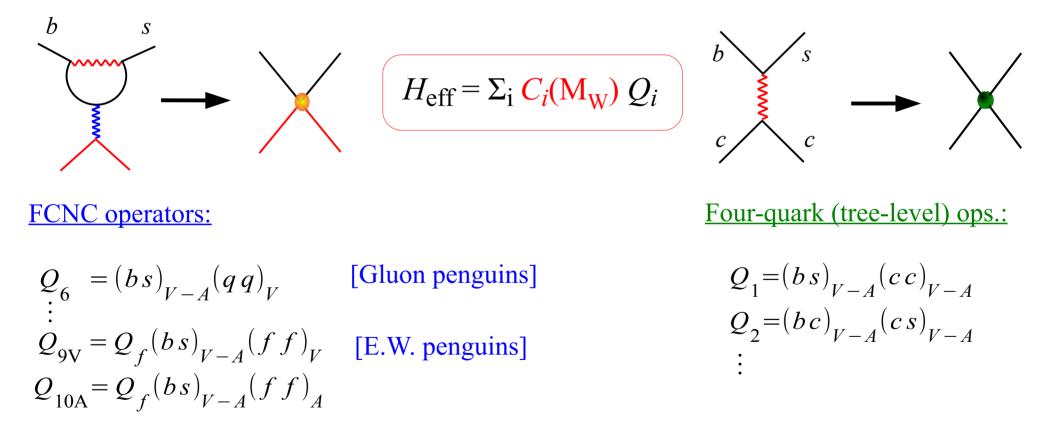
*Exclusive decays* generally more difficult than inclusive, with some notable exceptions:

 $B \rightarrow (0, K, K^*) + \mu^{-}\mu^{+}$ 



Three-step procedure to deal with the various scales of the problem:

 $1^{st}$  step: Construction of a local eff. Hamiltonian at the electroweak scale integrating out all the heavy fields around m<sub>W</sub> (including the heavy SM fields)



The interesting short-distance info is encoded in the  $C_i(M_W)$  (*initial conditions*) of the Wilson coefficients of the FCNC operators

## $2^{nd}$ step: Evolution of $H_{eff}$ down to low scales using RGE

Penguin operators:

$$Q_{6} = (bs)_{V-A}(qq)_{V}$$
  

$$Q_{9V} = Q_{f}(bs)_{V-A}(ff)_{V}$$
  

$$Q_{10A} = Q_{f}(bs)_{V-A}(ff)_{A}$$

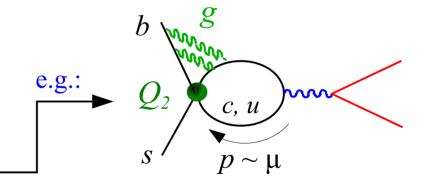
 $H_{\rm eff} = \Sigma_{\rm i} C_i(M_{\rm W}) Q_i$ 

$$H_{\rm eff} = \Sigma_{\rm i} \, C_i (\mu \sim \rm m_b) \, Q_i$$

$$Q_{1} = (bs)_{V-A} (cc)_{V-A}$$
$$Q_{2} = (bc)_{V-A} (cs)_{V-A}$$

Sources of long-distance effects: [*dilution of the interesting short-distance info*]:

• Mixing of the four-quark  $Q_i$  into the FCNC  $Q_i$ [perturbative long-distance contribution] —



- <u>Small</u> in the case of <u>electroweak penguins</u> (Q<sub>10A</sub>) because of the power-like GIM mechanism [mixing parametrically suppressed by  $O(m_c^2/m_t^2)$ ]
- <u>Large</u> for <u>gluon penguins</u>

3<sup>rd</sup> step: Evaluation of the hadronic matrix elements

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Putting all the ingredients together in the case of  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ [best inclusive mode so far ]:

NNLO SM th. estimate:To be compared with: $B(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.15 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-4}$  $B(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.57 \pm 0.24) \times 10^{-4}$ [Misiak et al. '07][present exp. W.A.]

A great success for the SM... ...and a great challenge for many of its extensions !

*Exclusive rare B decays* 

The accuracy on *exclusive* FCNC *B* decays of the type  $B \rightarrow H^+(\gamma, l^+l^-)$  depends on the th. control of  $B \rightarrow H$  hadronic form factors :

$$A(B \to f) = \sum_{i} C_{i}(\mu) \langle f | Q_{i} | B \rangle(\mu) \qquad \mu \sim m_{b}$$

 Several progress in the last few years [Light-cone sum rules, Heavy-quark expansion, Lattice] but typical errors still ~ 30%

The most difficult exclusive observables are the total branching ratios however, *f.f.* uncertainties can be considerably reduced in appropriate ratios or <u>differential distributions</u>, or considering very peculiar final states.

Notable examples:

I.  $B(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ 

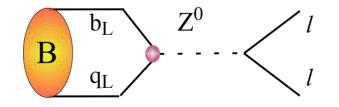
II. Differential distributions in  $B \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ 

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- Very clean signature
- Strong sensitivity to scalar currents beyond the SM [Higgs penguin]

Sizable deviations possible in multi-Higgs models, even without new flavor structures [ SUSY @ large tan $\beta$  ]

**SM** expectations:

 $B(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)_{SM} = 3.2(2) \times 10^{-9}$  $B(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)_{SM} = 1.0(1) \times 10^{-10}$  *e* channels suppressed by  $(m_e/m_\mu)^2$ *τ* channels enhanced by  $(m_\tau/m_\mu)^2$ 

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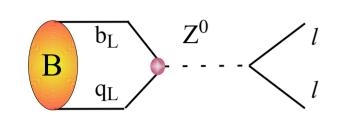
- Very clean signature
- <u>Strong sensitivity to scalar currents beyond the SM</u> [*Higgs penguin*]

**Exercise** [to understand why  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow ll$  is interesting]:

- Compute  $B_u \rightarrow lv$  at the tree-level and compare it with the result obtained in the *gauge-less* limit
- Help:  $\langle 0 | \overline{b} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 u | B(p) \rangle = i f_B m_B^2 / m_b \& \text{neglect } m_B / M_W$

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$$B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

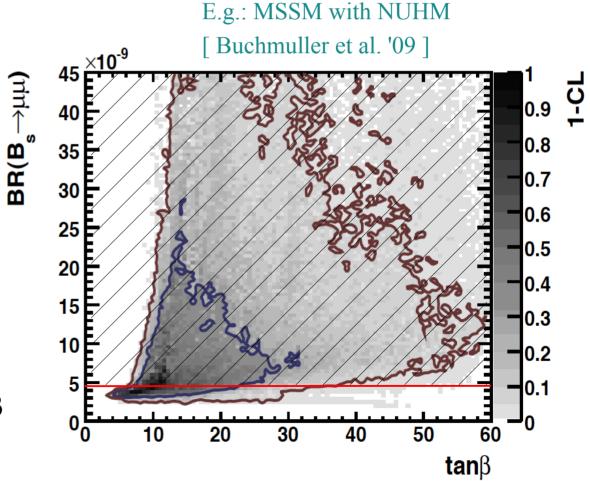


#### The recent exp. bounds:

Intervals at 95% CL for BR(B<sub>s</sub>→  $\mu^+ \mu^-$ ) D0 (PLB 693 2010 539) CDF (H. Miyake, La Thuile 2012) ATLAS (arXiv:1204.0735) -CMS (arXiv:1203.3976) -CMS (arXiv:1203.4493) SM 0 1 2 3 4 5 BR(B<sub>s</sub>→  $\mu^+ \mu$ ) (10<sup>6</sup>)

Have strongly restricted the large  $tan\beta$  scenario of minimal SUSY models

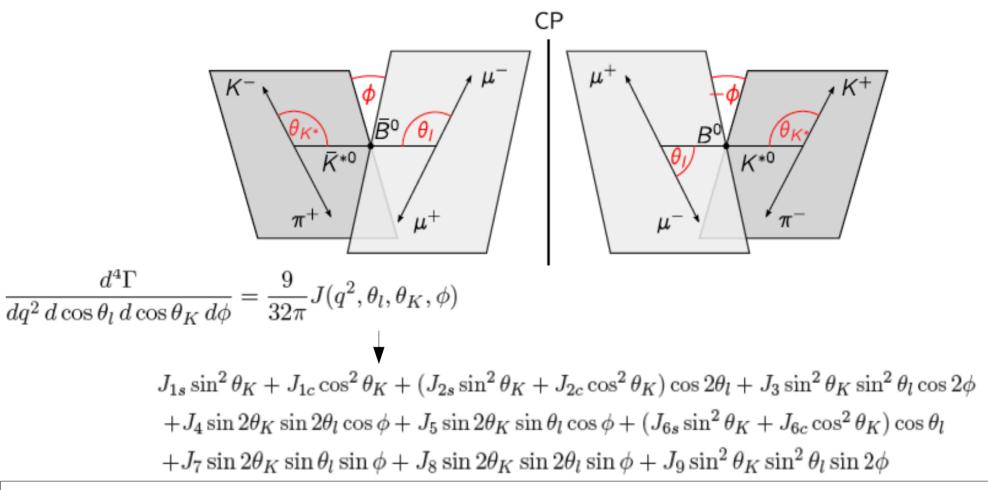
The amplitude is dominated by the longitudinal component of the Z (or the contribution of the Goldstone bosons)  $\rightarrow$  particularly sensitive to possible modifications of the Higgs sector.



Differential distributions in 
$$B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$B^0 \to K^{0*} \left( \to K^+ \pi^- \right) \, \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$\overline{B}{}^0 \rightarrow \overline{K}{}^{0*} (\rightarrow K^- \pi^+) \mu^+ \mu^-$$



The angular distribution give access to several observables (12 indep. terms !)
Self-tagging mode: easy to measure <u>CP asymmetries</u>

E.g.: The FB asymmetry

$$A_{FB} = \int \frac{d^2 B(B \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-)}{ds \, d \cos \theta} \, sgn(\cos \theta) \propto \Re \left\{ C_{10}^* \left[ s \, C_9 + r(s) \, C_7 \right] \right\}$$
  

$$\theta = \text{angle between } \mu^+ \& B \text{ momenta}$$
  
in the dilepton rest frame  
th. error ~5 %

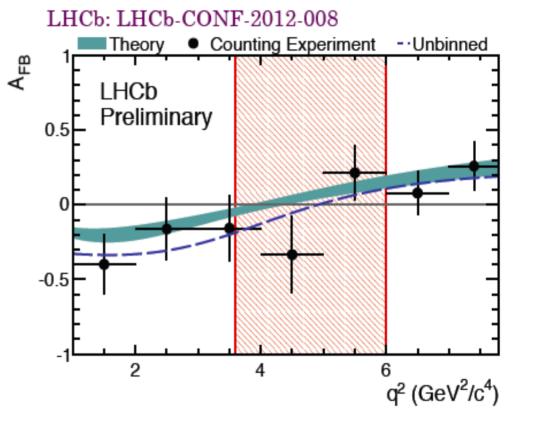
- Direct access to the *relative phases* of the C<sub>i</sub>
- Proportional to  $C_{10}$  ( $\rightarrow$  interference of axial & vector currents  $\rightarrow$  small QCD corrections)
- Particularly clean prediction:  $A_{FB}(s) = 0$  for  $s = q^2/m_b^2 \sim C_7/C_9$
- Hadronic uncertainties substantially decreased with a proper normalization.

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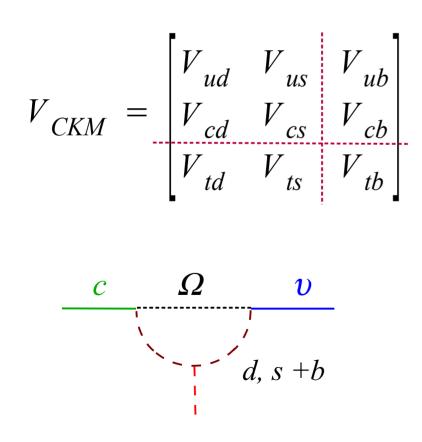
Has recently been tested with good precision by LHCb, but there are many more observables that could be studied in this mode.



### *<u>CP violation in the charm system</u>*

The physics of charm mixing and charm decays ( $c \rightarrow u$  transitions) is quite different with respect to the B<sub>s,d</sub> ( $b \rightarrow s,d$ ) and K ( $s \rightarrow d$ ) systems.

No top-enhancement of FCNC amplitudes (both  $\Delta F=2 \& \Delta F=1$ ):



- $V_{CKM} = \begin{vmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{vmatrix}$  In all CP-conserving amplitudes we can safely approximate the CKM matrix to a <u>2x2 real</u> mixing matrix, and long-distance contributions are largely dominant
  - CP-violating amplitudes are not calculable with high-accuracy within the SM, but are expected to be very small because of the CKM hierarchy ⇒ possible interesting null-tests of the SM

### *<u>CP violation in the charm system</u>*

The *news of the year* in flavour physics is the evidence of CP violation in twobody Cabibbo-suppressed charm decays D $\rightarrow$ KK,  $\pi\pi$  (c $\rightarrow$ u+ss,dd) observed by LHCb & CDF:

$$\Delta a_{\rm CP} = a_{\rm CP} ({\rm K}^+{\rm K}^-) - a_{\rm CP} (\pi^+\pi^-) = (0.67 \pm 0.16)\%$$

•Unambiguos evidence of direct CP violation:

$$a_{\rm CP}^{\rm (dir)} = \frac{\Gamma(D \rightarrow \rm PP) - \Gamma(\overline{D} \rightarrow \rm PP)}{\Gamma(D \rightarrow \rm PP) + \Gamma(\overline{D} \rightarrow \rm PP)}$$

• <u>Totally unexpected</u>, at least according to all the pre-LHCb predictions of the last 20 years: direct CPV in charm above 0.1% quoted as "clear signal of physics beyond the SM"...

 $\blacktriangleright The puzzle of \Delta a_{CP}$ 

Let's consider the relevant SM effective Hamiltonian ( $|\Delta c|=1$ ,  $|\Delta s|=0$ ) renormalized at a scale  $m_c < \mu < m_b$ 

nguin operators

he perturbative regime:  $C_i \sim \alpha_s(\mu)/\pi$ 

O(1) Wilson coeff.

 $Q_2^q = (\bar{u}_\alpha q_\beta)_{V-A} (\bar{q}_\beta c_\alpha)_{V-A}$ 

$$\lambda_q = V_{cq}^* V_{uq} = \begin{bmatrix} +\lambda + \dots & (q=d) \\ -\lambda + \dots & (q=s) \\ A^2 \lambda^5 e^{-i\gamma} & (q=b) \end{bmatrix} \qquad \lambda_d + \lambda_s + \lambda_b = 0$$



To a good approximation, for sufficiently heavy  $\mu$ :

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$$= -\lambda_{s} (\mathcal{H}_{|\Delta c|=1}^{d} - \mathcal{H}_{|\Delta c|=1}^{s}) - \lambda_{b} \mathcal{H}_{|\Delta c|=1}^{d}$$

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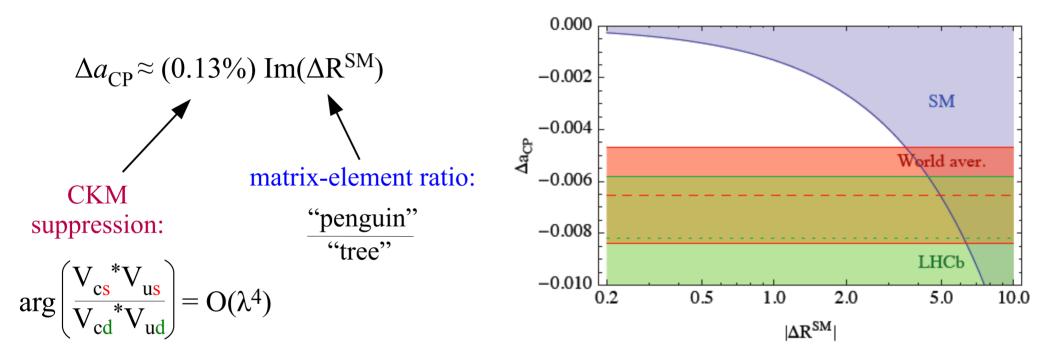
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The observed  $\Delta a_{CP}$  is large compared to its "natural" SM expectation, but is not large enough, compared to SM uncertainties, to be considered a clear signal of NP:



 $\Delta R>1$  is not what we expect for  $m_c >> \Lambda_{QCD}$ , but is not impossible treating the charm as a light quark (*possible connection with the*  $\Delta I=1/2$  *rule in Kaons*) More works (and especially more observables) needed in order to clarify the situation.