

Mixing and CP Violation in Charm at LHCb

A photograph of the University of Glasgow building, a large, ornate red brick structure with a prominent central clock tower and Gothic architectural details. The building is set against a clear blue sky. In the foreground, there is a paved plaza with several trees, benches, and a central stone monument. A few people are visible walking in the plaza.

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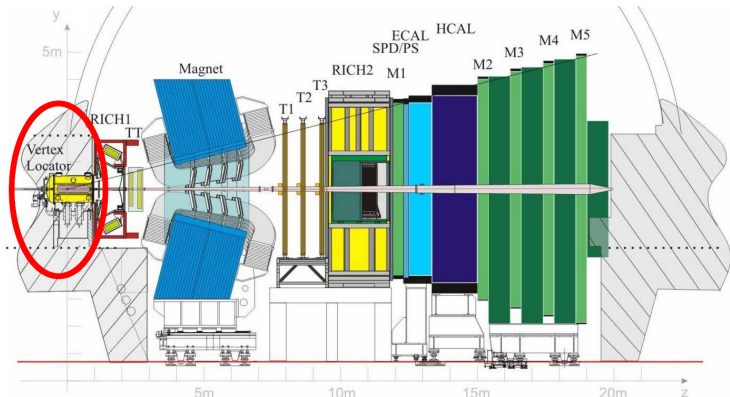
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Charm at LHCb - the quest for non-zero CPV

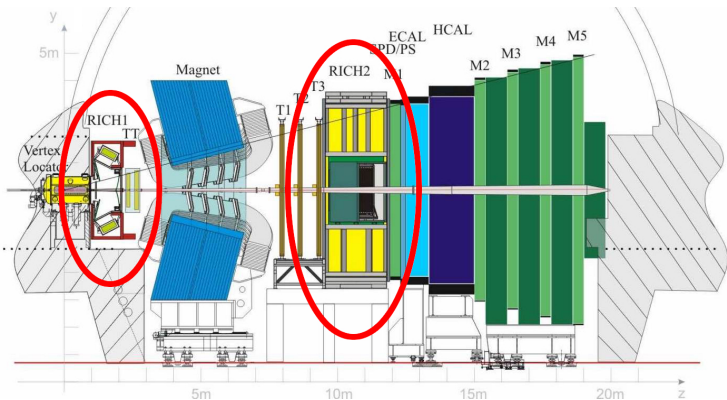
- CP violation in charm is predicted to be very small in the standard model since $\arg(V_{cd})$ is $\mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$.
- Non-SM particles can enhance mixing & CPV through loop amplitudes.
- Large $c\bar{c}$ production cross section of $\sim 2400 \mu\text{b}$ [1] in the LHCb detector acceptance allows for high precision measurements, potentially revealing new physics.

LHCb - high precision detector



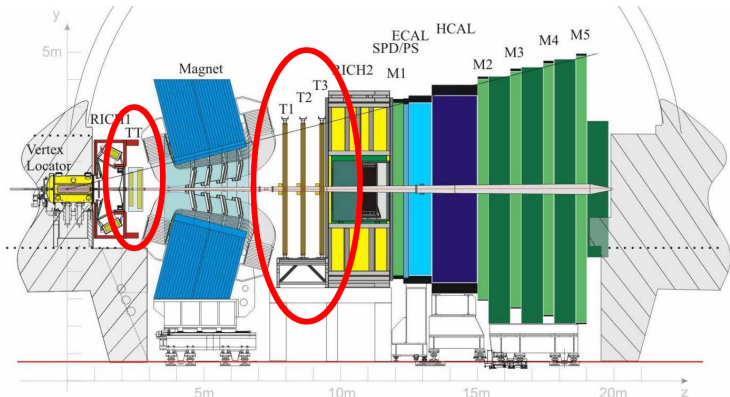
- Silicon strip Vertex Locator provides fine tracking for primary & secondary vertex reconstruction.
- Achieves impact parameter (IP) resolutions of $(15 + 29/p_T [\text{GeV}/c]) \mu\text{m}$ [2].

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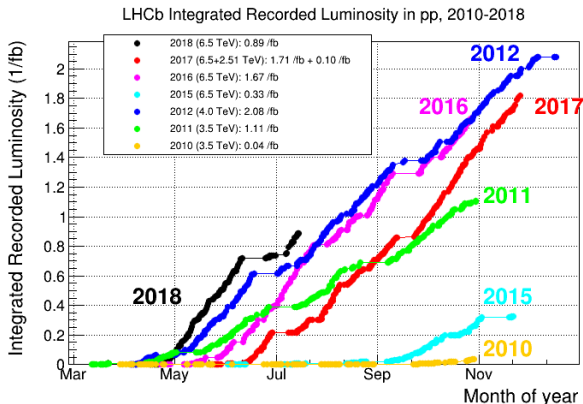
- Two Ring Imaging Cherenkov detectors provide particle ID over a large momentum range.
- Excellent K/π separation & suppression of mis-ID backgrounds [2].

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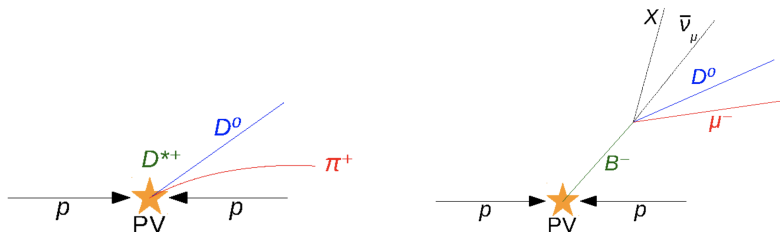
- Tracking stations before and after dipole magnet provide momentum measurements.
- Resolution ranges from 0.5% at low momentum to 1.0% at 200 GeV/c [2].

LHCb data set



- Run 1: 1 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ & 2 fb^{-1} at 8 TeV .
- Run 2: 4.6 fb^{-1} so far at 13 TeV .
- Analyses presented cover Run 1 (3 fb^{-1}) or Run 1 plus 2015 & 2016 (5 fb^{-1}).

Flavour tagging - prompt or secondary



- Use either $D^{*\pm} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^\pm$ (prompt) or $B \rightarrow D^0 \mu^\mp X$ (secondary).
- Secondary samples are cleaner as the μ^\mp is used for triggering, but lower stats due to smaller $b\bar{b}$ production cross section.
- Prompt & secondary are affected by different production & detection asymmetries.
- Both are backgrounds for each other.

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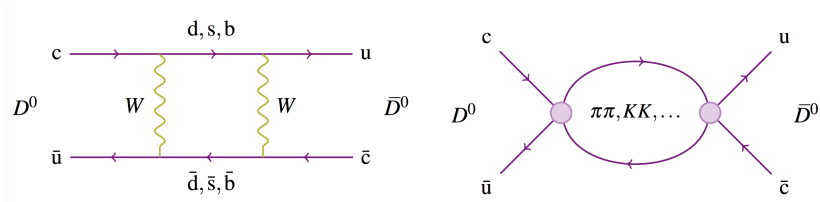
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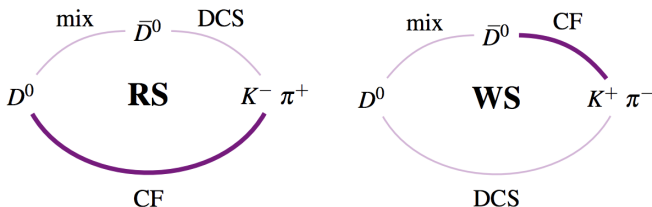
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D^0 mixing

- Mass eigenstates of D^0 system are combinations of flavour eigenstates: $|D_{1,2}\rangle = p|D^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$.
- Rate of mixing parametrised by $x = (m_2 - m_1)/\Gamma$ and $y = (\Gamma_2 - \Gamma_1)/2\Gamma$, with $m_{1,2}$ ($\Gamma_{1,2}$) the mass (width) of the mass eigenstates and Γ their average width.



Wrong sign/right sign formalism



- “Wrong sign” (WS) $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ decays proceed via DCS amplitudes or mixing followed by CF “right sign” (RS) decay $D^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$.
- Consequently, the ratio of WS to RS decays as a function of proper decay time t is given by

$$R(t) \simeq R_D + \sqrt{R_D} y' \frac{t}{\tau} + \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4} \left(\frac{t}{\tau} \right)^2,$$

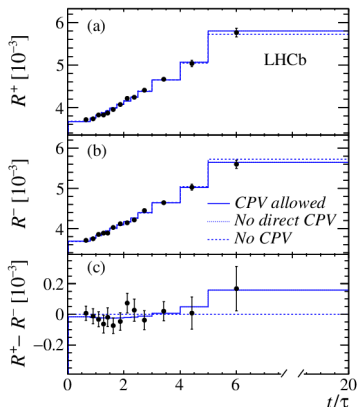
with τ the average D^0 lifetime, $x' \equiv x \cos \delta + y \sin \delta$,

$y' = y \cos \delta - x \sin \delta$, and

$$\mathcal{A}(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) / \mathcal{A}(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+) = -\sqrt{R_D} e^{-i\delta}.$$

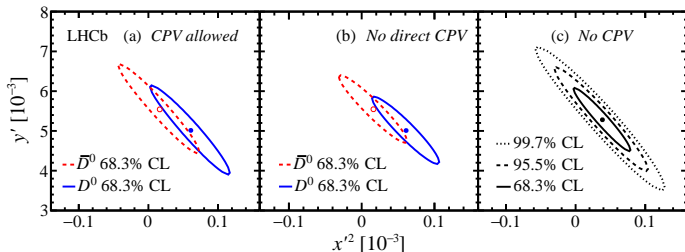
Ratio fits

- Using 2011-2016 prompt-tagged data with a cuts based & artificial neural network selection, mass fits find 1.77×10^8 RS & 7.22×10^5 WS signal candidates.



- Ratio of WS/RS yields in bins of decay time determined independently for D^0 (R^+) and \bar{D}^0 (R^-) candidates.
- Detection asymmetry of $K^\mp \pi^\pm$ corrected for using ratio of $D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-$ and $D^- \rightarrow K_S^0 (\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) \pi^-$.
- Remaining secondaries contamination estimated from fits to χ^2 distribution of hypothesis that D^0 is prompt.
- Incorrectly reconstructed tagging pions suppressed using MVA trained on track quality variables.

Results



- Assuming no CPV:

$$x'^2 = (3.9 \pm 2.7) \times 10^{-5}, \quad y' = (5.28 \pm 0.52) \times 10^{-3},$$

$$R_D = (3.454 \pm 0.031) \times 10^{-3}.$$

- Allowing CPV:

$$A_D \equiv \frac{R_D^+ - R_D^-}{R_D^+ + R_D^-} = (-0.1 \pm 9.1) \times 10^{-3}, \quad \text{and} \quad 1.00 < |q/p| < 1.35 \quad (68.3\% \text{ CL}).$$

- Uncertainties include systematics, the dominant of which are from residual secondaries & misreconstructed tagging pions.

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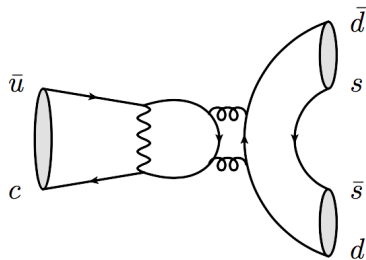
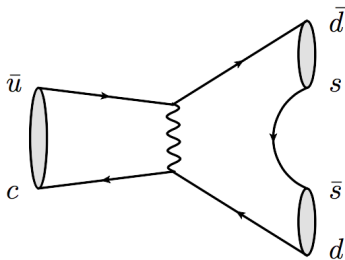
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Direct CPV can be relatively large

- $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0$ decays proceed via exchange & loop amplitudes that are suppressed by SU(3) flavour symmetry.
- Amplitudes have similar size but different strong & weak phases, so CPV can be up to 1.1% [4].
- Current best measurement from Belle of $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K_S^0 K_S^0) = (-0.02 \pm 1.53 \pm 0.17)\%$ [5].



$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ used to cancel nuisance asymmetries

- Using prompt-tagged D^0 candidates decaying to a CP eigenstate, the measured asymmetry

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(f) = \frac{N(D^0 \rightarrow f) - N(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)}{N(D^0 \rightarrow f) + N(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)} \simeq \mathcal{A}_{CP}(f) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Prod.}}^{D^{*\pm}} + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det.}}^{\pi^\pm}$$

with $\mathcal{A}_{\text{Prod.}}^{D^{*\pm}}$ the $D^{*\pm}$ production asymmetry and $\mathcal{A}_{\text{Det.}}^{\pi^\pm}$ the detection asymmetry of the tagging π^\pm .

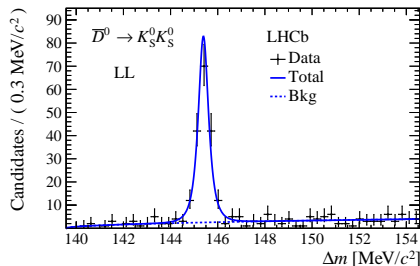
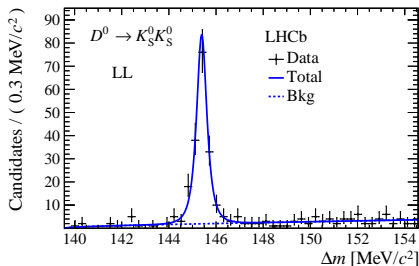
- Assuming similar kinematics between $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0$ and $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$, one can measure [6]

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K_S^0 K_S^0) = \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(K_S^0 K_S^0) - \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(K^+ K^-) + \mathcal{A}_{CP}(K^+ K^-)$$

using the previous measurement of

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K^+ K^-) = (0.04 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.10)\% \text{ [7].}$$

Mass fits extract raw asymmetry



- From 2015-2016 data, reconstructing $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$, select candidates using kinematic cuts and an MVA classifier.
- Main background from $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ suppressed with flight distance cuts on K_S^0 candidates.
- Separate according to whether both K_S^0 decay within the VELO (LL) or one decays downstream of the VELO (LD).
- Perform fits to $\Delta m \equiv m(D^{*\pm}) - m(D^0)$ to extract \mathcal{A}_{Raw} , finding ~ 1000 signal $K_S^0 K_S^0$ candidates.

Results - consistent with Standard Model

- Combining with $\mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(K^+ K^-)$ and $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K^+ K^-)$ gives

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(LL) = (6.7 \pm 3.8 \pm 0.9)\%,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(LD) = (-5.3 \pm 7.4 \pm 1.3)\%.$$

- Averaging with the previous LHCb measurement using Run 1 data gives

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K_S^0 K_S^0) = (2.0 \pm 2.9 \pm 1.0)\%.$$

- Dominant systematic from Δm modelling - expected to scale with statistics.

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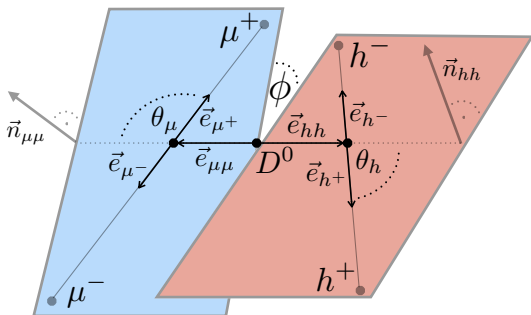
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New physics sensitivity in angular distributions

- “Short distance” $c \rightarrow u \mu^+ \mu^-$ FCNC processes very rare in SM but potentially greatly enhanced by new physics.
- In addition, CP & angular asymmetries can be enhanced to $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$.
- “Long distance” tree level SM processes dominate around $\mu^+ \mu^-$ resonances, so greatest sensitivity is in off-resonance regions of $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$.
- Good modes for studying such effects at LHCb are $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-$, with h a π or K , which have recently been observed [5].

5D phase space parametrisation



- $m(h^+ h^-)$ & $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$.
- Angle ϕ between $h^+ h^-$ and $\mu^+ \mu^-$ planes in D^0 rest frame.
- Angle θ_μ between μ^+ (μ^-) and opposite of D^0 (\bar{D}^0) in the $\mu^+ \mu^-$ rest frame.
- Angle θ_h between h^+ (h^-) and opposite of D^0 (\bar{D}^0) in the $h^+ h^-$ rest frame.

Asymmetry definitions

- The most sensitive observables are

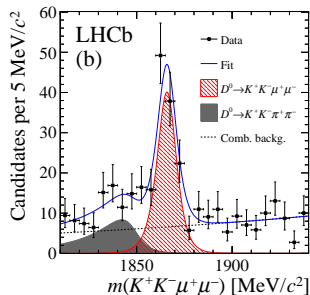
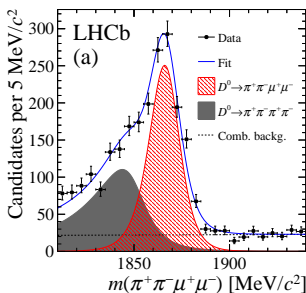
$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{FB}} = \frac{\Gamma(\cos \theta_\mu > 0) - \Gamma(\cos \theta_\mu < 0)}{\Gamma(\cos \theta_\mu > 0) + \Gamma(\cos \theta_\mu < 0)},$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{2\phi} = \frac{\Gamma(\sin 2\phi > 0) - \Gamma(\sin 2\phi < 0)}{\Gamma(\sin 2\phi > 0) + \Gamma(\sin 2\phi < 0)},$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}} = \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-) - \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-) + \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-)}.$$

- These are measured in $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$ regions around the η , ρ^0/ω , and ϕ resonances, as well as low and high mass regions.

Mass fits for yields



- Using prompt-tagged data from 2011-2016, after a Boosted-Decision-Tree (BDT) selection, fits yield 1326 ± 45 $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ & 137 ± 14 $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$.
- Main background from double mis-ID $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ reduced with MVA using PID info.
- Efficiency across phase space is corrected for using a BDT to determine weights, trained on simulated data.

Asymmetry measurements - consistent with zero

- For \mathcal{A}_{CP} , nuisance asymmetries are removed using $\mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-)$ as for $\mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0)$.
- Integrating over $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$, asymmetries are found to be

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{FB}}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.3 \pm 3.7 \pm 0.6)\%,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{2\phi}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = (-0.6 \pm 3.7 \pm 0.6)\%,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = (4.9 \pm 3.8 \pm 0.7)\%,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{FB}}(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = (0 \pm 11 \pm 2)\%,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{2\phi}(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = (9 \pm 11 \pm 1)\%,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = (0 \pm 11 \pm 2)\%.$$

- Asymmetries in bins of $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$ also consistent with zero.
- Dominant systematics arise from efficiency corrections, & nuisance asymmetries for \mathcal{A}_{CP} .

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Formalism

- SCS $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow ph^+h^-$ decays can exhibit CPV as in $D^0 \rightarrow h^+h^-$ decays.
- Using $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^\pm \mu^\mp X$ decays gives a clean sample.
- Measured asymmetry

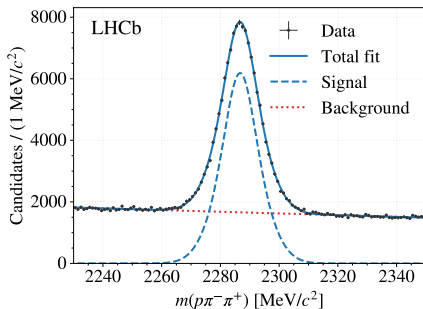
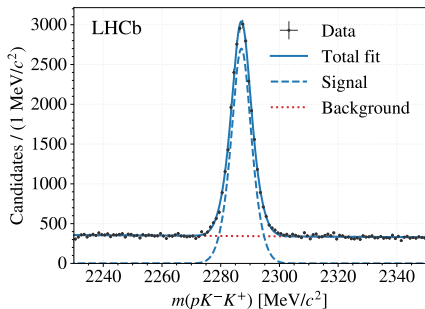
$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(ph^+h^-) = \mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}(ph^+h^-) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Prod}}^{A_b^0}(ph^+h^-\mu) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}^\mu(\mu) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}^{ph^+h^-}(ph^+h^-)$$

- Weighting $p\pi^+\pi^-\mu$ to match $pK^+K^-\mu$ phase space ensures cancellation of nuisance asymmetries in

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}^{\text{wgt}} &\equiv \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(pK^+K^-) - \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}^{\text{wgt}}(p\pi^+\pi^-) \\ &\simeq \mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+K^-) - \mathcal{A}_{\text{CP}}^{\text{wgt}}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-). \end{aligned}$$

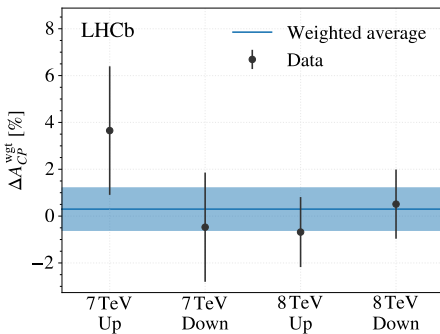
- However, weighting can distort $p\pi^+\pi^-$ phase space and any local CP asymmetries.

Mass fits



- Using 2011-2012 data, mass fits find $\sim 25\text{k}$ $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^+K^-$ and $\sim 161\text{k}$ $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-$ signal candidates.
- BDTs used for both efficiency correction and weighting of $p\pi^+\pi^-$ as a function of phase space.

Results - consistent with zero



- Averaging across data-taking periods & magnet polarities gives

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(\rho K^+ K^-) = (3.72 \pm 0.78)\%, \quad \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}^{\text{wgt}}(\rho \pi^+ \pi^-) = (3.42 \pm 0.47)\%,$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{A}_{CP}^{\text{wgt}} = (0.30 \pm 0.91 \pm 0.61)\%.$$

- Dominant systematics are efficiency correction & mass modelling.
- Future studies of local CPV may increase sensitivity.

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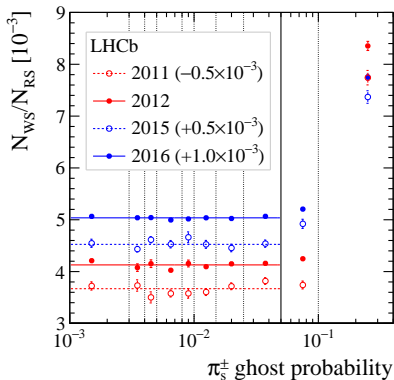
- LHCb has an extensive charm physics programme examining a wide range of decay modes.
- Precision on mixing measurements continues to be pushed.
- First searches for CPV in $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ angular distributions and charm baryon decays.
- No evidence for CPV yet.
- Plenty more opportunities to be made of Run 1+2 dataset.
- Great prospects for discoveries after the LHCb upgrade, due to start data taking in 2020.

Cheers!



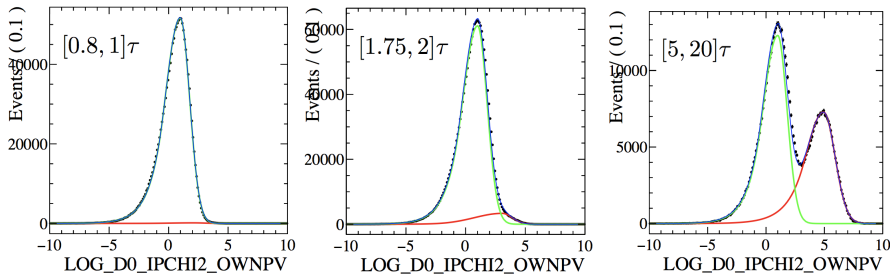
Backup

Misreconstructed tagging pions in $D^0 \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp$



- Below the nominal cut of < 0.05 , the χ^2 for being flat are (2011) 12.8, (2012) 9.3, (2015) 7.7 and (2016) 3.7 for 7 degrees of freedom.
- Uncertainties on WS/RS yield in each decay time bin are scaled by $\sqrt{\chi^2/\text{NDF}}$ for all samples with $\chi^2 > 7$.

Secondaries contamination in $D^0 \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp$



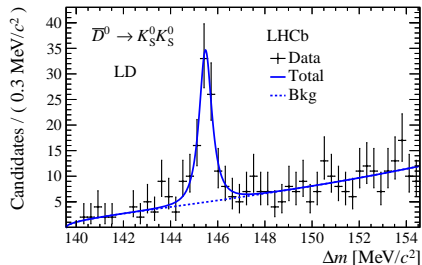
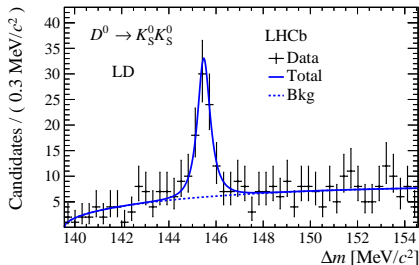
- Sideband subtracted $\ln(IP\chi^2)$ fits for RS decays in 2011 dataset.
- Fits used to extract secondaries fraction in region $IP \chi^2 < 9$.
- First decay time bin, $t < 0.8\tau$, used to fix tail parameters of signal PDF.
- Secondaries shape constrained from sub-sample of $B \rightarrow D^{*-} \mu^+ X$.

$K^- \pi^+$ detection asymmetry

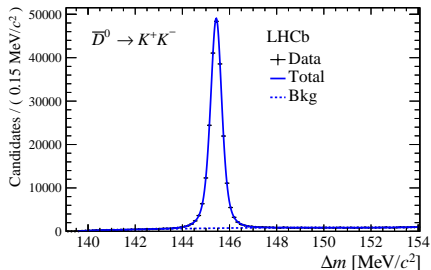
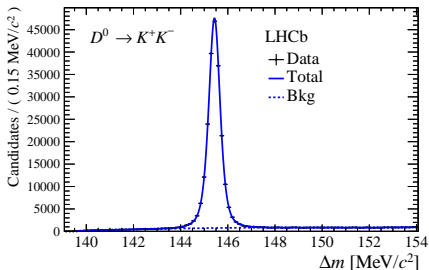
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(K^- \pi^+ \pi^+) &= \mathcal{A}_{\text{Prod}}(D^+) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(K^- \pi^+) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(\pi^+_{\text{trig}}) \\ \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(\bar{K}^0 \pi^+) &= \mathcal{A}_{\text{Prod}}(D^+) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(\bar{K}^0) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(\pi^+_{\text{trig}}) \\ \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(K^- \pi^+) &= -\mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(K^+ \pi^-) = \frac{\epsilon(K^- \pi^+) - \epsilon(K^+ \pi^-)}{\epsilon(K^- \pi^+) + \epsilon(K^+ \pi^-)} \\ &= \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(K^- \pi^+ \pi^+) - \mathcal{A}_{\text{Raw}}(\bar{K}^0 \pi^+) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(\bar{K}^0)\end{aligned}$$

- π^+_{trig} is the pion which passed the first level software trigger.
- Use $\mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(\bar{K}^0) = (0.054 \pm 0.014)\%$ from [JHEP 07 \(2014\) 041](#).
- Calculate $\mathcal{A}_{\text{Det}}(K^- \pi^+)$ in bins of K^- momentum.

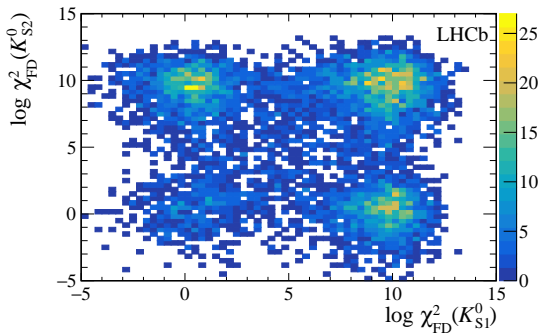
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$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ mass fits for $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K_S^0 K_S^0)$

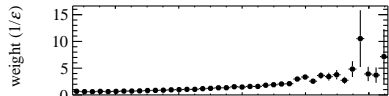
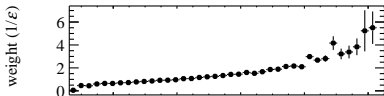
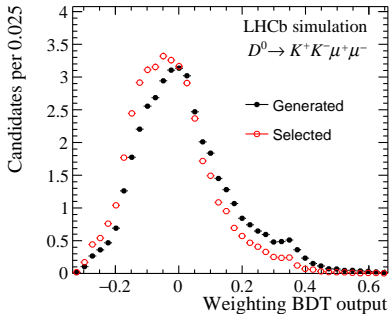
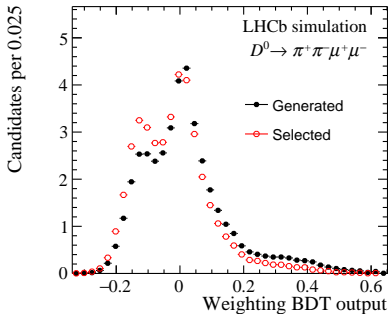


K_S^0 flight distance



- Top right: signal.
- Top left & bottom right: $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$.
- Bottom left: combinatorial background.

$D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ efficiency calculation



- Weight $1/\epsilon$ is calculated as $(n. \text{ generated}) / (n. \text{ selected})$ in each bin of classifier output.

$D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ asymmetries in bins of $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$

