# B Physics at LHCb

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### Introduction

#### LHCb: Large Hadron Collider - beauty

Its main purpose the study the CP violation phenomena and rare decays in hadron with b and c quarks.

- B and D hadrons are produced in the forward (or backward) direction.
- The LHCb detector is a single-arm forward spectrometer

Matter and antimatter do not behave in the same way in nature  $\to$  weak interactions are not invariant under C, P and CP transformations.



CP-violation has been observed in

- K (strange): First observed in 1965
- B (beauty): 2000
  - Particularly in the Beauty sector it has been reported in  $B^\pm, B^0, B^0_s$  mesons decays
  - $\Lambda_b^0 \to p\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$  baryon decays LHCb, Nature Physics 13 (2017) 391  $\to$  still this evidence has not been confirmed with larger data sample (arXiv:1912.10741).
- D (charm) sector: 2019  $\rightarrow$  a lot to explore!

### Introduction

The amount of matter and antimatter asymmetry in the universe cannot all be explained within the Standard Model, we search for new sources of CPV!

CP violation naturally arises in the Standard Model through the mixing matrix among the families of quarks, the CKM matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\label{eq:Vckm} V_{\text{CKM}} = \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 - \lambda^2/2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \\ \end{array} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^4),$$

where  $\lambda = \sin \theta_c$ ,  $\rho$  and  $\eta$  are real parameters.

• *CP* violation manifests from the complex nature of  $V_{CKM}$ . The mixing matrix from quarks ( $V_{CKM}$ ) is different from that of antiquarks ( $V_{CKM}^{\dagger}$ )

### CP violation mechanism

Direct CP violation: |A|<sup>2</sup> ≠ |Ā|<sup>2</sup> ⇒ the observables to which we can access (differences in number of events of particle and antiparticles).
 The only mechanism for charged decays (e.g B<sup>±</sup> and b-baryons)

• 
$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B \to f) = \frac{|\bar{A}|^2 - |A|^2}{|\bar{A}|^2 + |\bar{A}|^2} \propto \Sigma_{ij} |A_i| |A_j| \sin(\delta_i - \delta_j) \sin(\phi_i - \phi_j)$$

Three conditions

At least two interfering amplitudes to same final state

Weak phase difference  $\phi_i - \phi_j \neq 0$  explained by the CKM matrix

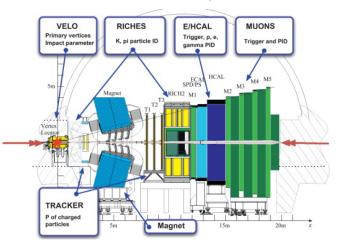
Strong phase difference  $\delta_i-\delta_j\neq 0$  short distance effects Breit-Wigner phase and complex coupling long distance effects - FSI (final state

interactions).

- CP-violation by mixing: related to the difference in the rate oscillation between particle and antiparticle.
- CP-violation through the interference between a decay amplitude and mixing.

### The LHCb detector

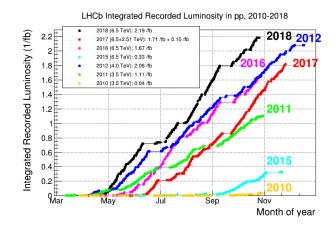
- It's a single-arm forward spectrometer designed for the study of B and D mesons.
- $\bullet$  It covers a pseudo-rapidity range of 1.5<  $\eta <$  5.0 [Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 30, 1530022 (2015)]



# LHCb data sample

• Run I data:  $\mathcal{L}$ =3.0 fb<sup>-1</sup> from pp collisions at 7 TeV (2011) and 8 TeV (2012) in the center-of-mass-energy.

• Run II data: 6.0 fb<sup>-1</sup> from pp collisions at 13 TeV 2015- 2018.



### **Event Selection**

• Online: Selection thanks to the trigger system.

#### L0-trigger selection (hardware)

Select objects related to:

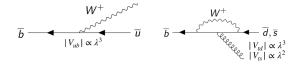
- Hadrons (L0Hadron)
- Photons (L0Photon)
- 6 Electron (L0Electron)
- Muon (L0Muons)
- The L0 trigger uses the information provided by the calorimeters and muon chambers
  - Offline: Refined selection for the obtention of the candidates.

 High-Level trigger (software): Is based in algorithms that perform partial (HLT1) and full reconstruction of all tracks (HLT2).

# Charmless B-decays

\*B-hadron decays without charm or charmonium contributions in their final states.

Decays that involve transitions of the type  $b \to u(s)$  or  $b \to d$ 



#### Charmless B-decays offer a rich environment for CP violation studies

- Dominant tree-level and Penguin Diagrams contribute in the same order of magnitude
- Sensitive ground for CP violation studies.

# Charmless B decays

- Multi-body decays dominated by rich resonant structures
  - CP violation signatures localized in regions of the phase space have been found.
  - Allows better understanding of B-hadrons dynamics
- Interesting to search for new source of CP violation.

### Broad program at LHCb with Run I/Run II data

e.g

- Dalitz plot analysis
- Time-dependent/independent CPV analysis
- Searches for unobserved decays of B mesons and baryons

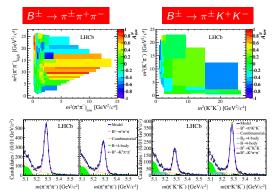
### Outline

- Amplitudes Analysis  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} K^{+} K^{-}$ 
  - $\bullet$   $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , Run I data 2011 + 2012, Phys. Rev. Lett. 123 (2019) 231802
- Amplitudes Analysis  $B^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ 
  - $\mathcal{L}=3~\text{fb}^{-1}$ , Run I data 2011 + 2012, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 031801, Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020) 012006
- ullet Measurements of the relative branching fractions of  $B^+ o h^+ h^{'+} h^{''-}$  decays
  - $\bullet$   $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , Run I data 2011 + 2012, arXiv:2010.11802

# The three-body $B^+ \to h^+ h^{\prime +} h^{\prime -}$ decays: Motivation

$$h^{(')(')}$$
 stand for pions or kaons:  $B^+ \to \pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $B^+ \to K^+K^+K^-$ ,  $B^+ \to \pi^+K^+\pi^-$ ,  $B^+ \to \pi^+K^+K^-$ 

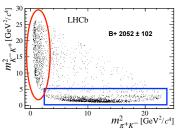
- Interesting decays that have revealed important CP violation effects
- Large integrated CP asymmetries and CP signatures in localized regions of the phase space. Model-independent analysis with Run I data by LHCb [PRD 90 (2014) 112004]

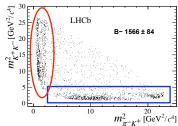


The study of the underlying dynamics was needed.

# Amplitudes Analysis $B^\pm o \pi^\pm K^+ K^-$

$$B^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm} K^+ K^-$$
 phase space separated by  $B^+$  and  $B^-$  [Phys. Rev. Lett. 123 (2019) 231802]





#### Dalitz plot analysis performed using the Isobar model formalism:

$$A(m_{\pi^+K^-}^2, m_{K^+K^-}^2) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} c_i \mathcal{M}_{Ri}(m_{\pi^+K^-}^2, m_{K^+K^-}^2)$$

where  $c_i = a_i e^{i\alpha}$  is the isobar coefficient

is the amplitude for the intermediate state i.

#### From fit to Dalitz plot, we extract:

$$\begin{split} A_{CP} &= (|\bar{c}_i|^2 - |c_i|^2)/(|\bar{c}_i|^2 + |c_i|^2) \\ \mathrm{FF}_i &= \frac{\int (|c_i\mathcal{M}_i|^2 + |\bar{c}_i\overline{\mathcal{M}}_i|^2)\mathrm{d}m_{\pi^\pm K^\mp}^2\mathrm{d}m_{\pi^\pm K^-}^2}{\int (|\mathcal{A}|^2 + |\overline{\mathcal{A}}|^2)\mathrm{d}m_{\pi^\pm K^\mp}^2\mathrm{d}m_{\pi^\pm K^-}^2} \,. \end{split}$$

# Amplitudes Analysis $B^\pm o\pi^\pm K^+K^-$

First Amplitude Analysis for this decay [Phys. Rev. Lett. 123 (2019) 231802]

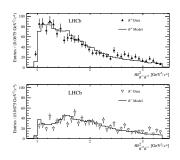
Contribution	Fit Fraction(%)	$A_{CP}(\%)$
K*(892) <sup>0</sup>	$7.5 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.5$	$+12.3 \pm 8.7 \pm 4.5$
$K_0^*(1430)^0$	$4.5 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.2$	$+10.4 \pm 14.9 \pm 8.8$
Single pole	$32.3 \pm 1.5 \pm 4.1$	$-10.7 \pm 5.3 \pm 3.5$
$\rho(1450)^{0}$	$30.7 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.9$	$-10.9 \pm 4.4 \pm 2.4$
f <sub>2</sub> (1270)	$7.5 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.7$	$+26.7 \pm 10.2 \pm 4.8$
Rescattering	$16.4 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.0$	$-66.4 \pm \ 3.8 \pm \ 1.9$
$\phi(1020)$	$0.3 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.1$	$+9.8 \pm 43.6 \pm 26.6$
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Single pole form factor: Phenomenological description of the partonic interaction  $(1+\frac{m_\pi^2 \kappa}{\Lambda^2})^{-1}$  Phys.Rev.D92.054010,2015

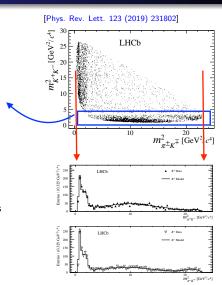
Dedicated rescattering amplitude: Defined in the region 0.95  $< m_{KK} < 1.42~{\rm GeV}/c^2$ ,  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{1-\eta^2}e^{2i\delta}$ , where  $\eta$  and  $\delta$  are taken from [PhysRev. D71, 074016(2005)]

- Large CP asymmetry associated with the rescattering region  $\sim$  -66 %.
  - This represents the largest asymmetry found for a single amplitude
  - Positive *CP* asymmetry found in this region for its coupled channel  $B^\pm \to \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$
- Asymmetries in the  $K\pi$  system consistent with zero.
- Large contribution found for the non-resonant and  $B^\pm \to \rho^0(1450)\pi^\pm$  components,  $\sim 30\%$ .

# Amplitudes Analysis $B^\pm o \pi^\pm K^+$

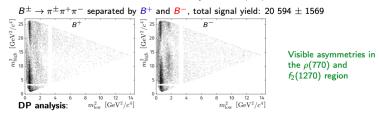


Overall a good data parametrization is obtained



# Amplitude Analysis of $B^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ decays

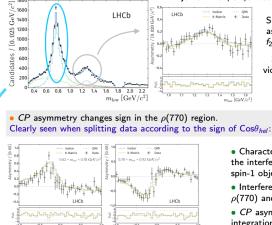
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Isobar description for the non S-wave amplitudes.  $\pi\pi$  S-wave: high level of complexity, many resonances and open channels. Three different complementary approaches were followed.

- •Isobar Model: Pole parametrisation for  $f_0(500)$  and a  $\pi\pi\leftrightarrow KK$  rescattering amplitude for the region  $0.95 < m_{\pi\pi} < 1.42~{\rm GeV}/c^2~({\rm PhysRev.~D71,~074016(2005)})$
- K-Matrix model: Take into account all open channels  $\rightarrow$  rescattering coupling to 5 initial states:  $\pi\pi$ , KK,  $4\pi$ , m, m'.
- Quasi-model-independent: Fit magnitude and phase in regions of the DP.

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Sizable CP asymmetry associated with the  $f_2(1270)$  resonance.

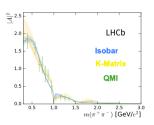
Significance of CP violation found to be  $\sim 15\sigma$ .

Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 031801

- Characteristic pattern due to the interference of spin-0 spin-1 objects.
- Interference between spin-1  $\rho(770)$  and spin-0 S-wave.
- · CP asymmetry vanishing over integration in the  $Cos\theta_{hel}$ .

# Amplitude Analysis of $B^\pm o \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$ decays

• Good agreement between the three approaches in the description of the S-wave squared magnitude.



- Projection separated by  $B^+$  and  $B^-$ :
  - Agreement reinforced.
  - Direct *CP* violation effects at low  $m_{\pi\pi}$  values.
  - Asymmetry flips its sign around 1 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>.

Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 031801 Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020) 012006 LHCb 0.012 0.010 Isobar Model 0.008 0.006 0.004 0.002 2.0 2.5 3. m(π+π-) [GeV/c<sup>2</sup>] = 0.043 = 0.040 LHCb 0.030 0.025 0.020 K-Matrix 0.015 0.005  $m(\pi^{+}\pi^{-})$  [GeV/ $c^{2}$ ] LHCb 0.06 0.04 Quasi-model-Independent  $m(\pi^+\pi^-)$  [GeV/c<sup>2</sup>]

# Measurements of the relative branching fraction of $B^+ \rightarrow h^+ h^{'+} h^{'-}$ decays

#### Motivation

- From amplitude analysis, the fit fractions for contributing resonances are extracted.
  - To convert to quasi-two-body branching fractions, precise knowledge of the three-body branching fractions is needed.
- Current knowledge of the  $B^+ \to h^+ h^{'+} h^{'-}$  BFs (with precisions of 4% to 9%) is not sufficient given the sensitivity of the Dalitz plot analyses.

Mode	PDG average branching fraction (10 <sup>-6</sup> )
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+K^+K^-$	$34.0 \pm 1.4$
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-$	$5.2 \pm 0.4$
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	$51.0 \pm 2.9$
$B^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	$15.2 \pm 1.4$

[PDG]

In this analysis the relative branching fractions of  $B^+ \to h^+ h^{\prime +} h^{\prime -}$  decays is obtained.

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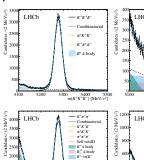
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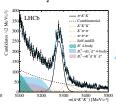
• Using Run I data sample (2011 + 2012), • Pre-selection based on the topology of the decays channels. • Refined offline selection to reduce backgound.

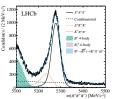
Extraction of the signal and background yields from a simultaneous fit to all channels,

#### LHCb-PAPER-2020-031, arXiv:2010.11802



 $m(K^{+}\pi^{+}\pi^{-})$  [MeV/ $c^{2}$ ]





#### Mass fit results:

Decay	Fit yield
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^+ K^-$	$69\ 310\ \pm\ 280$
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-$	$5760 \pm 140$
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	94 950 $\pm$ 430
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	$25\ 480\ \pm\ 200$

# Branching Fractions determination requires corrections due to:

- Efficiency variation across the phase space - obtained from simulated Data Sample.
- Signal distribution in the 3-body phase space.

### Measurements of the relative branching fraction of $B^+ o h^+ h^{'+} h^{''-}$ decays

Results [LHCb-PAPER-2020-031, arXiv:2010.11802]

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to h^+ h^{'} + h^{'} -)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to h^+ h^+ h^+ -)} = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{hhh}^{corr}}{\mathcal{N}_{syr}^{corr}}, \mathcal{N} \text{ is the signal yield - efficiency corrected.}$$

$\mathcal B$ ratio	Value
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+K^+K^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+K^+K^-)$	$0.151 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.008$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+\pi^+\pi^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+K^+K^-)$	$1.703 \pm 0.011 \pm 0.022$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+K^+K^-)$	$0.488 \pm 0.005 \pm 0.009$

- The relative branching fractions are presented here.
- Large systematic uncertainties
   ▷ dominant from background modelling.

Results applied to quasi-two-body BFs extracted from  $B^+\to\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$  amplitude analysis

$$B(B^+ \to \rho^0(770)\pi^+)$$
 improves from 16% to 6%.

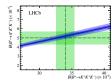
Current WA value [arXiv:1612.07233]:

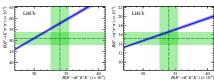
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to \rho^0(770)\pi^+) = (8.3^{+1.2}_{-1.3}) \times 10^{-6}$$

Improved measurement:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to \rho^0(770)\pi^+) = (9.5 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-6}$$

#### Comparison with the current world averages





- All measurements in good agreement
- Furthermore, significant improvement in the precision of all measured ratios is obtained.

# Summary

- A lot of work ongoing in the LHCb experiment, with a very broad program in the search for CP-asymmetries in b- and c-hadrons.
- Amplitude analysis for the decay channel  $B^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm} K^{+} K^{-}$  performed for the first time [Phys. Rev. Lett. 123 (2019) 231802].
  - Largest asymmetry found for a single amplitude ( $\sim$  -66%).
- Amplitude analysis for the decay channel  $B^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$  [Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 031801, Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020) 012006].
  - First observation of CPV in a decay involving a tensor state.
  - First observation of CPV due to interference between two quasi-two body decays.
- Measurement of the relative branching fractions of  $B^+ \to h^+ h^{\prime +} h^{\prime -}$  decays [LHCb-PAPER-2020-031, arXiv:2010.11802].
  - All measurements in good agreement with their WA, furthermore, significant improvement in the precision of all ratios is obtained.
- A lot of analysis in progress with the addition of Run II data, exciting results ahead!

Thank you for your attention

# Backup

# Measurements of the relative branching fraction of $B^+ \rightarrow h^+ h^{''} + h^{''}$ decays

Table 7: Measured relative branching fractions of  $B^+ \to h^+ h'^+ h'^-$  decays, where the first uncertainty is statistical and the second is systematic.

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$ \overline{ \mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+K^+K^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to \pi^+K^+K^-) }$	$6.61\ \pm0.17\pm0.33$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+\pi^+\pi^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+K^+K^-)$	$11.27 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.54$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+K^+K^-)$	$3.23\ \pm0.09\pm0.19$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ K^+ K^-) / \mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-)$	$0.587 \ \pm 0.004 \ \pm 0.008$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+K^+K^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+\pi^+\pi^-)$	$0.0888 \pm 0.0023 \pm 0.0047$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to K^+\pi^+\pi^-)$	$0.2867 \pm 0.0029 \pm 0.0045$
${\cal B}(B^+ \to K^+ K^+ K^-)/{\cal B}(B^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-)$	$2.048 \pm 0.020 \pm 0.040$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+K^+K^-)/\mathcal{B}(B^+\!\to\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-)$	$0.310 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.020$
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# Amplitude Analysis of $B^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ decays

Comparison of the three approaches for the description of the S-wave squared magnitude (left) and phase motion (right)

- Isobar model approach (top)
- K-matrix approach (middle)
- QMI approach (bottom)

