

THE FIRST DIRECT OBSERVATION OF TIME REVERSAL VIOLATION



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SYMMETRIES IN THE LAWS OF PHYSICS

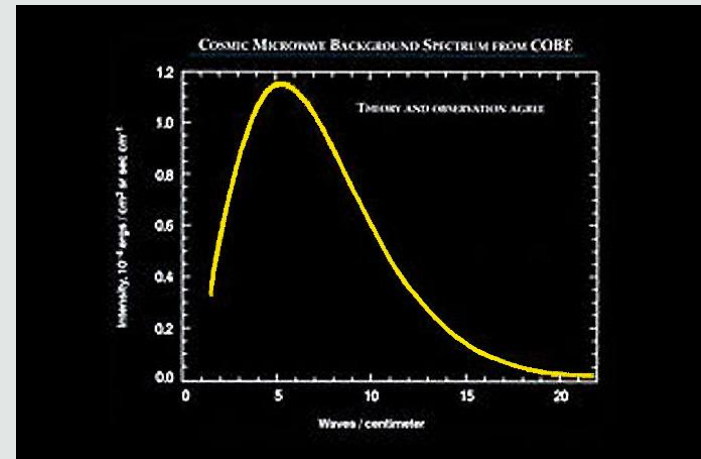
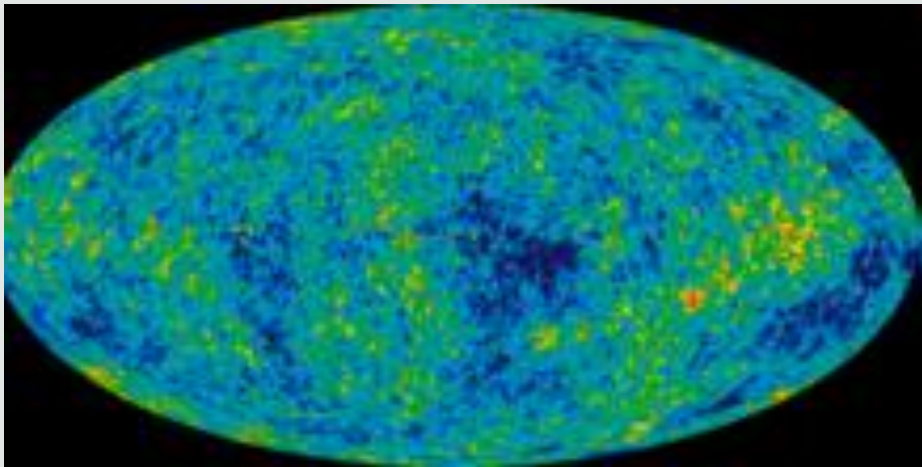
- "Microscopic" Symmetry Violations.
- T-Violation exists in the Standard Model or any field theoretic extension.
- All field theories with Lorentz invariance have CPT symmetry
 - ➡ Automatic connection between CP-violation \leftrightarrow related T-violation
- T and CPT described by ANTIUNITARY rather than unitary operators, introducing many intriguing subtleties.
 - ➡ Observed CP-Violation \Rightarrow T should be violated as well: Is it observed?

**T - Violation means Asymmetry under
Interchange in \leftrightarrow out states**

- Effects in particle physics odd under $t \leftrightarrow -t$ are not necessarily T-violating.
- t -asymmetries can occur in theories with exact T-symmetry.

UNIVERSE t - ASYMMETRY

- No doubt Universe is expanding, even accelerating \Rightarrow asymmetry $t \leftrightarrow -t$
- BUT this is perfectly compatible with laws of physics that are TR symmetric
- This t -asymmetry is due to the initial condition of our Universe \rightarrow Inflation?
- Similar to the fact that in our Universe we have a privileged reference frame
 \leftrightarrow CMB radiation with same temperature



- BUT this is not a violation of Lorentz invariance of the laws of physics

THE “ARROW OF TIME”



➤ Macroscopic t-asymmetry

➤ Nature of Thermodynamics \Rightarrow (Eddington)

Time's Arrow is a property of ENTROPY alone

Time is asymmetric with respect to the amount of order in an isolated system.

➤ Unsolved problem?

Is quantum wave function collapse related to the thermodynamic arrow of time?

➤ In particle physics,

Particle Decay is an example of a time-asymmetric process:

The mismatch between the preparation of $P \rightarrow 1 + \dots + n$ and $1 + \dots + n \rightarrow P$ is not related to T-violation. In fact, it looks like it prevents a true test of T-symmetry in unstable systems [Wolfenstein, Quinn]

➤ Any connection between the Universe t-asymmetry and the “arrow of time”?
Probably YES, saying that the initial condition was improbable: more ordered.

➤ But none of these t-asymmetries is a test of TRV

CAN TR BE TESTED IN UNSTABLE SYSTEMS?

➤ A direct evidence for TRV would mean an experiment that, considered by itself, clearly shows TRV INDEPENDENT of, and unconnected to, the results for CPV

➤ No existing result up to now had demonstrated TRV in this sense.

Two types of experiments can do it:

1) A non-zero expectation value of a T-odd operator for a non-degenerate stationary state → Electric Dipole Moment: P-odd, C-even, T-odd

It can be generated by either

- Strong T-violation → θ -term $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\zeta\sigma} F^{\mu\nu} F^{\zeta\sigma}$ [Peccei & Quinn], or
- Weak T-violation

2) in \leftrightarrow out: $S_{f,i} \rightarrow S_{-i,-f}$ transition.

The Kabir asymmetry $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$ vs. $\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$ has been measured in CP-LEAR with non-vanishing value. But $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$ is a CPT-even transition, so $CP \equiv T$ here! This is apparent in that the effect is t-independent and proportional to $\Delta\Gamma$

CP-Violation observed in Mixing x Decay transitions. Is it possible to search for TRV ?

NEUTRAL MESON FACTORIES

EPR-ENTANGLEMENT: FLAVOUR-TAG

➤ The opportunity arises [M.C. Bañuls, J.B.] from the Quantum Mechanical Entanglement imposed by the EPR correlation:

one can have SEPARATE tests of CP, T and CPT!

➤ $B^0 - \bar{B}^0$ EPR-Entanglement imposed by Particle Identity:

B^0, \bar{B}^0 are two states of a unique (complex) field

➤ The two states connected by C, so that $C\mathcal{P} = +$ [\mathcal{P} : permutation operation].

➤ In neutral meson factories, $B^0 - \bar{B}^0$ produced by $Y(4S)$ -decay: $J=1, S=0 \Rightarrow$

$L=1 \Rightarrow C = - \Rightarrow \mathcal{P} = -, \text{ antisymmetric wave function } \leftrightarrow$

$$Y \rightarrow B^0 \bar{B}^0 \quad |i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[B^0(t_1) \bar{B}^0(t_2) - \bar{B}^0(t_1) B^0(t_2) \right]$$

where the states 1 and 2 are defined by the time of their decay with $t_1 < t_2$.

Time evolution (including the Mixing $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{B}^0$) preserves $B^0 \bar{B}^0$ terms only.

➡ Perfect for Flavour-Tag: The observation of $B^0 \rightarrow l^+$, for example, at time t_1 , tells us that the complementary (still living) state is \bar{B}^0 at t_1 , and, once the state is prepared at t_1 , we have single state time evolution for $t_1 < t < t_2$.

EPR-ENTANGLEMENT: CP-TAG

- BUT the INDIVIDUAL STATE of each neutral meson is NOT DEFINED BEFORE its collapse as a filter imposed by the observation of the decay of its orthogonal partner!
- One can rewrite $|i\rangle$ in terms of any other pair of orthogonal states of the individual neutral B-mesons:

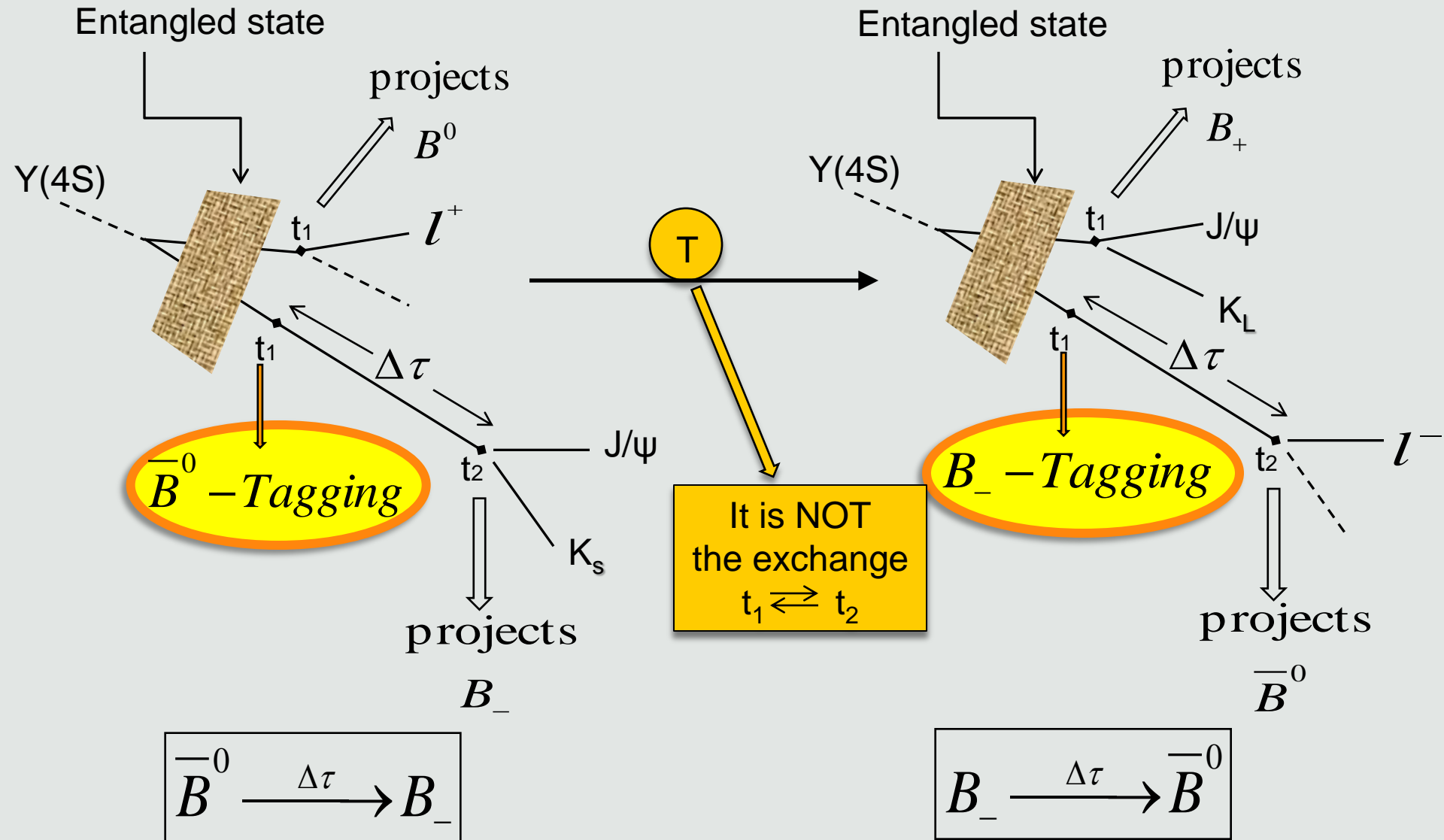
Consider B_+ and B_- , where B_- is filtered by the decay $J/\psi K_+$, K_+ being the neutral K-meson decaying $K_+ \rightarrow \pi\pi$, and B_+ is the orthogonal to B_- , not connected to $J/\psi K_+$.

We may call the preparation of the initial state at t_1 , using the filter imposed by a first observation of one of these decays, a “CP-tag”, although B_{\pm} are not CP-eigenstates of B’s necessarily.

The same entangled state of the system can be rewritten

$$|i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [B_+(t_1)B_-(t_2) - B_-(t_1)B_+(t_2)]$$

WHAT IS T-TRANSFORMATION EXPERIMENTALLY?



GENUINE OBSERVABLES NOT NEEDING $\Delta\Gamma$

- We may proceed to a partition of the complete set of events into four categories, defined by the tag in the first decay at t_1 : B_+, B_-, B^0 or \bar{B}^0 so we have 8 different Decay-Intensities at our disposal as functions of $\Delta\tau = t_2 - t_1 > 0$
- Each of these 8 processes
$$I_i(\Delta\tau) \sim e^{-\Gamma\Delta\tau} \left\{ C_i \cos(\Delta m \Delta\tau) + S_i \sin(\Delta m \Delta\tau) + C'_i \cosh(\Delta\Gamma \Delta\tau) + S'_i \sinh(\Delta\Gamma \Delta\tau) \right\}$$
- For a genuine test of a symmetry, one has to compare the $I_i(\Delta t)$ of a transition and its transformed.
- Careful: Up to now, for CPV analyses in B-factories, BABAR & BELLE have assumed CPT-invariance and $\Delta\Gamma = 0$:
 - ➡ Then $\Delta t \leftrightarrow -\Delta t$ exchange, which is NOT TR-operation, [M.C.Bañuls, J.B.] becomes equivalent to TR.
 - ➡ Only 2 independent Intensities to be compared, if $CP \sim T \sim \Delta t$ are connected.
 - ➡ Alternatively, one may establish $S_i \neq 0$ for a single transition.

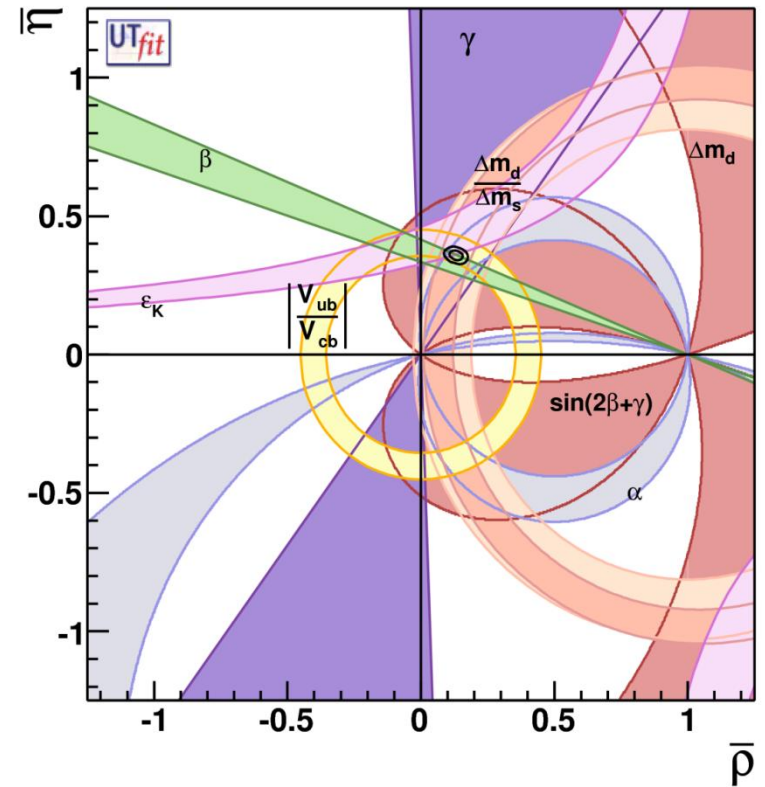
INTERLUDE: CP-Violation in Standard Model

- In the Standard Model, charged weak interactions among quarks are codified in a 3 X 3 unitarity matrix: the **CKM Matrix**.
- The existence of this matrix conveys the fact that the quarks which participate to weak processes are a linear combination of mass eigenstates
- The unitarity conditions can be represented by triangles in the complex plane.
- For the B-Bbar system, the unitarity triangle is given by

$$V_{ud}V_{ub}^* + V_{cd}V_{cb}^* + V_{td}V_{tb}^* = 0$$

- Flavour Mixing and CP-Violation are described with high precision in the SM:

$$S_i \sim \sin(2\beta) = 0.67 \pm 0.02$$



GENUINE OBSERVABLES NOT NEEDING $\Delta\Gamma$

- 1) Take $B_0 \rightarrow B_+$ as the Reference transition and call (X,Y) the observed decays at times t_1 and t_2 . The CP, T and CPT transformed transitions are

Transition	$B^0 \rightarrow B_+$	$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow B_+$	$B_+ \rightarrow B^0$	$B_+ \rightarrow \bar{B}^0$
(X,Y)	($l^-, J/\psi K_L$)	($l^+, J/\psi K_L$)	($J/\psi K_S, l^+$)	($J/\psi K_S, l^-$)
Transformation	Reference	CP	T	CPT

Exercise: Check that the 4 processes are experimentally independent and that Δt -exchange (in the same experimental “sample”) $X \leftrightarrow Y$ is NOT in the Table

- 2) Take $B^0 \rightarrow B_-$ as the Reference transition. The CP, T and CPT transformed transitions are

Transition	$B^0 \rightarrow B_-$	$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow B_-$	$B_- \rightarrow B^0$	$B_- \rightarrow \bar{B}^0$
(X,Y)	($l^-, J/\psi K_S$)	($l^+, J/\psi K_S$)	($J/\psi K_L, l^+$)	($J/\psi K_L, l^-$)
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➡ A second Asymmetry for each of the 3 transformations can be built!

- 3) Select (Y,X) from 1) as Reference.

- 4) Select (Y,X) from 2) as Reference.

- Only QM EPR-Entanglement and time resolution assumed.

4 Model-Independent Asymmetries for CP



4 Model-Independent Asymmetries for T

T-VIOLATING PARAMETERS

➤ Asymmetries in time dependent decay rates for any pair of T-conjugated transitions would be apparent through differences between $S_{\alpha,\beta}^{\pm}$ or $C_{\alpha,\beta}^{\pm}$

➤ Example:

A significant difference between the S_{ℓ^+,K_S}^+ and S_{ℓ^-,K_L}^- coefficients implies observation of T violation.

➤ In the standard model these coefficients are related as a consequence of CPT invariance and $\Delta\Gamma = 0$ [J.B., M.C.Bañuls]

$$\begin{aligned} S &= S_{l^+,K_S}^+ = -S_{l^-,K_S}^+ = -S_{l^+,K_S}^- = S_{l^-,K_S}^- = \\ &\quad -S_{l^+,K_L}^+ = S_{l^-,K_L}^+ = S_{l^+,K_L}^- = -S_{l^-,K_L}^- \approx 0.7 \\ C &= C_{l^+,K_S}^+ = -C_{l^-,K_S}^+ = C_{l^+,K_S}^- = -C_{l^-,K_S}^- = \\ &\quad C_{l^+,K_L}^+ = -C_{l^-,K_L}^+ = C_{l^+,K_L}^- = -C_{l^-,K_L}^- \approx 0 \end{aligned}$$

➤ Any non-vanishing value of the asymmetry parameters

$$\Delta S_T^+ = S_{\ell^-,K_L}^- - S_{\ell^+,K_S}^+$$

$$\Delta S_T^- = S_{\ell^-,K_L}^+ - S_{\ell^+,K_S}^-$$

$$\Delta C_T^+ = C_{\ell^-,K_L}^- - C_{\ell^+,K_S}^+$$

$$\Delta C_T^- = C_{\ell^-,K_L}^+ - C_{\ell^+,K_S}^-$$

measures T violation in the time evolution between the two decays.

GENUINE CPV-ASYMMETRIES

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{CP,1} &= \frac{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_L) - \Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_L)}{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_L) + \Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_L)} \\
 A_{CP,2} &= \frac{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_S) - \Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_S)}{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_S) + \Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_S)} \\
 A_{CP,3} &= \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^-) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^+)}{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^-) + \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^+)} \\
 A_{CP,4} &= \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^-) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^+)}{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^-) + \Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^+)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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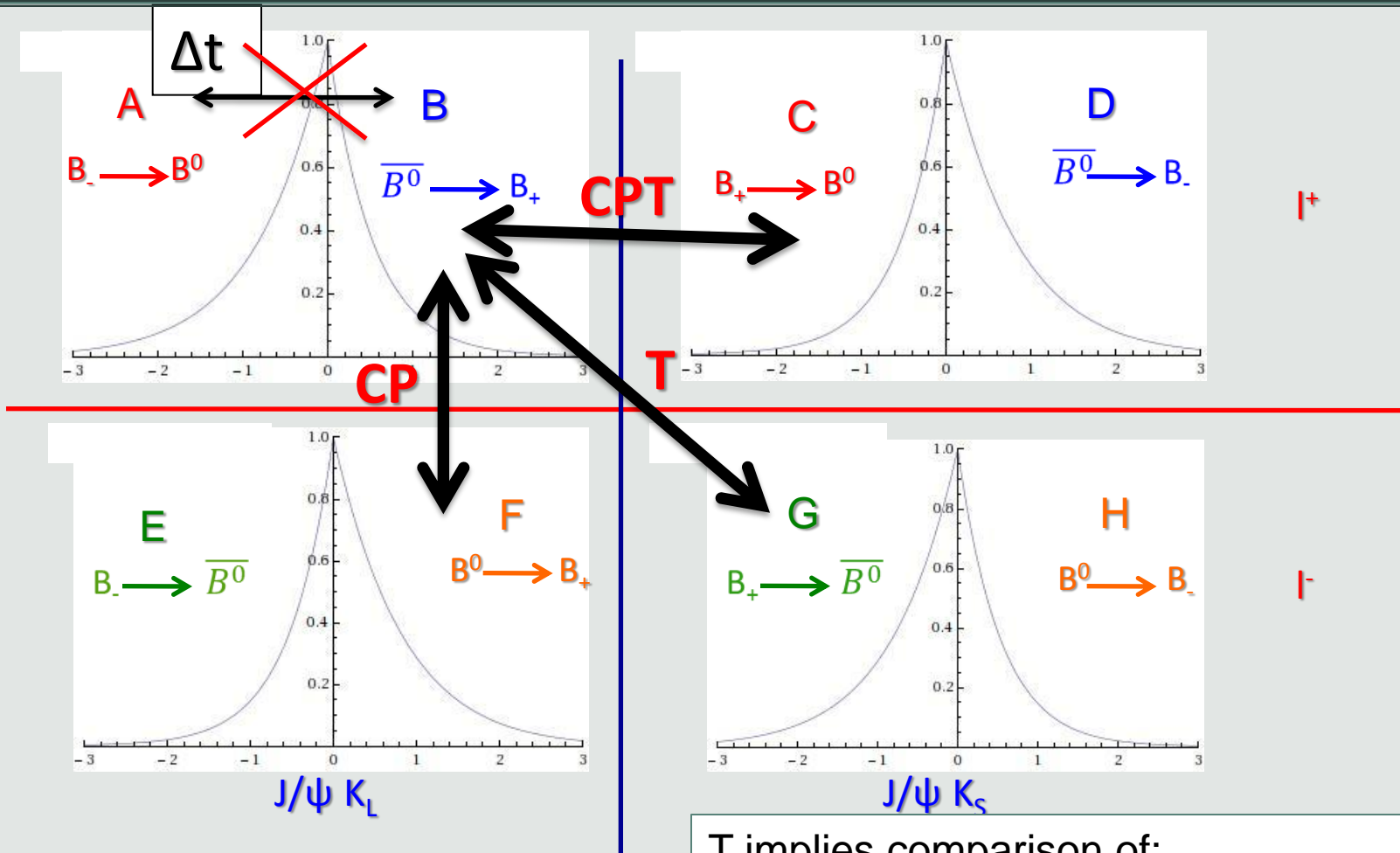
GENUINE TRV-ASYMMETRIES

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta t \rightarrow A_{T,1} &= \frac{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_L) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^+)}{+} \\
 A_{T,2} &= \frac{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_S) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^+)}{+} \leftarrow \Delta t \\
 A_{T,3} &= \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^-) - \Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_S)}{+} \\
 A_{T,4} &= \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^-) - \Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_L)}{+} \leftarrow \Delta t
 \end{aligned}$$

GENUINE CPTV-ASYMMETRIES

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta t \left\{ \begin{aligned} &A_{CPT,1} = \frac{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_L) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^-)}{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_S) + \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^-)} \\ &A_{CPT,2} = \frac{\Gamma(l^-, J / \Psi K_S) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^-)}{\Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_L) + \Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^+)} \end{aligned} \right. \\
 \begin{aligned} &A_{CPT,3} = \frac{\Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_L) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_S, l^+)}{\Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_S) + \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^+)} \\ &A_{CPT,4} = \frac{\Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_S) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^+)}{\Gamma(l^+, J / \Psi K_S) + \Gamma(J / \Psi K_L, l^+)} \end{aligned} \left. \begin{aligned} &\Delta t \\ &\Delta t \end{aligned} \right\}
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FOUNDATIONS OF THE ANALYSIS



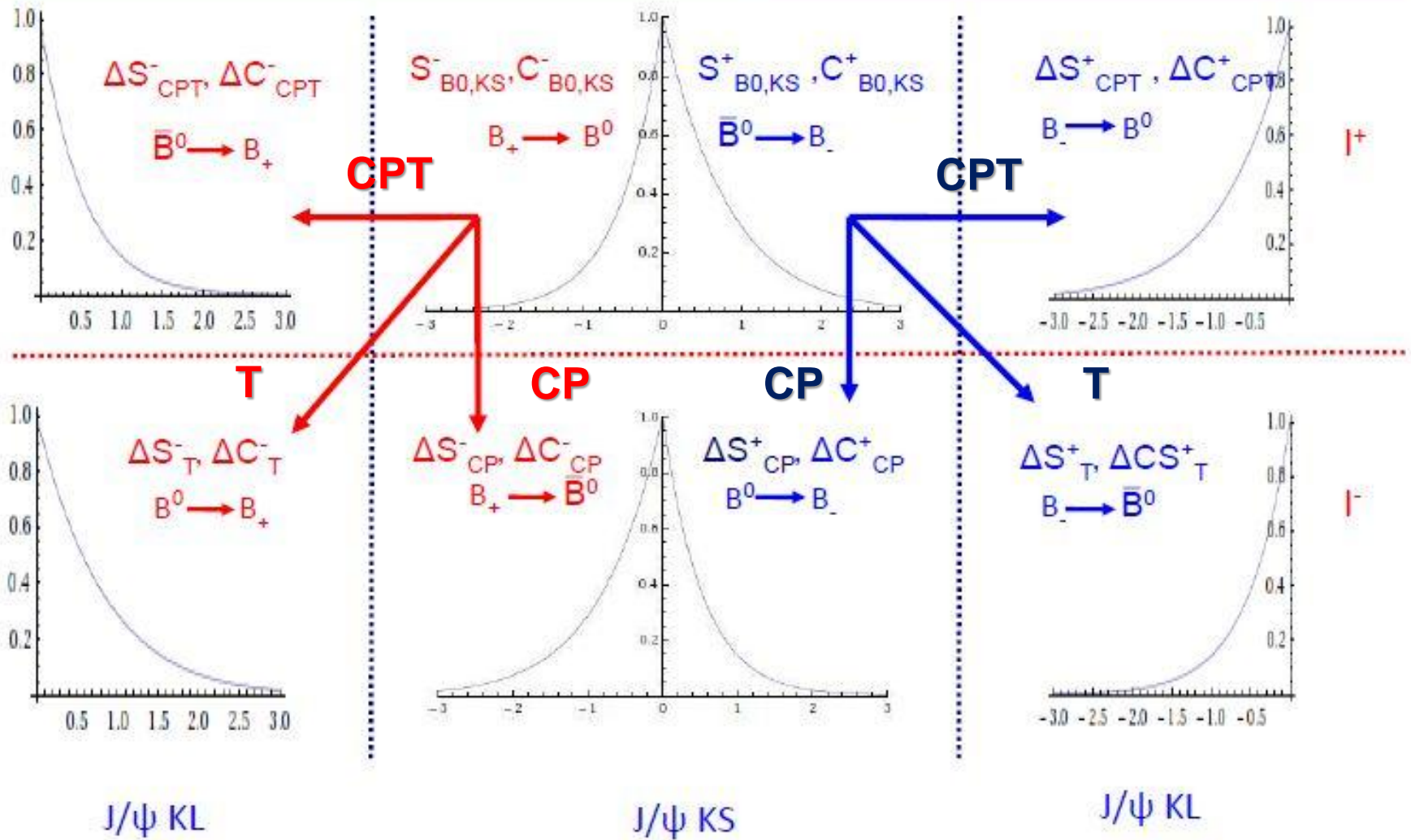
In total we can build:

- 4 Independent **T** comparisons.
- 4 Independent **CP** comparisons.
- 4 Independent **CPT** comparisons.

T implies comparison of:

- 1) "Opposite Δt sign", i.e. , in \leftrightarrow out
- 2) Different CP states ($J/\psi K_S$ vs. $J/\psi K_L$)
- 3) Opposite flavour states (B^0 vs. \bar{B}^0)

$\Delta S^\pm, \Delta C^\pm$ parameters



EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

	PARAMETER	FINAL RESULT	
T	ΔS_T^+	$-1.37 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.06$	<div>CP</div> <div>REF.</div>
	ΔS_T^-	$1.17 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.11$	
	ΔC_T^+	$0.10 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.08$	
	ΔC_T^-	$1.04 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.08$	
CPT	ΔS_{CP}^+	$-1.30 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.07$	
	ΔS_{CP}^-	$1.33 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.06$	
	ΔC_{CP}^+	$0.07 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.03$	
	ΔC_{CP}^-	$0.08 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.04$	
	ΔS_{CPT}^+	$0.16 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.09$	
	ΔS_{CPT}^-	$-0.03 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.06$	
	ΔC_{CPT}^+	$0.15 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.07$	
	ΔC_{CPT}^-	$0.03 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.08$	
	$S_{B^0, K_S^0}^+$	$0.545 \pm 0.084 \pm 0.06$	
	$S_{B^0, K_S^0}^-$	$-0.660 \pm 0.059 \pm 0.04$	
	$C_{B^0, K_S^0}^+$	$0.011 \pm 0.064 \pm 0.05$	
	$C_{B^0, K_S^0}^-$	$0.049 \pm 0.056 \pm 0.03$	

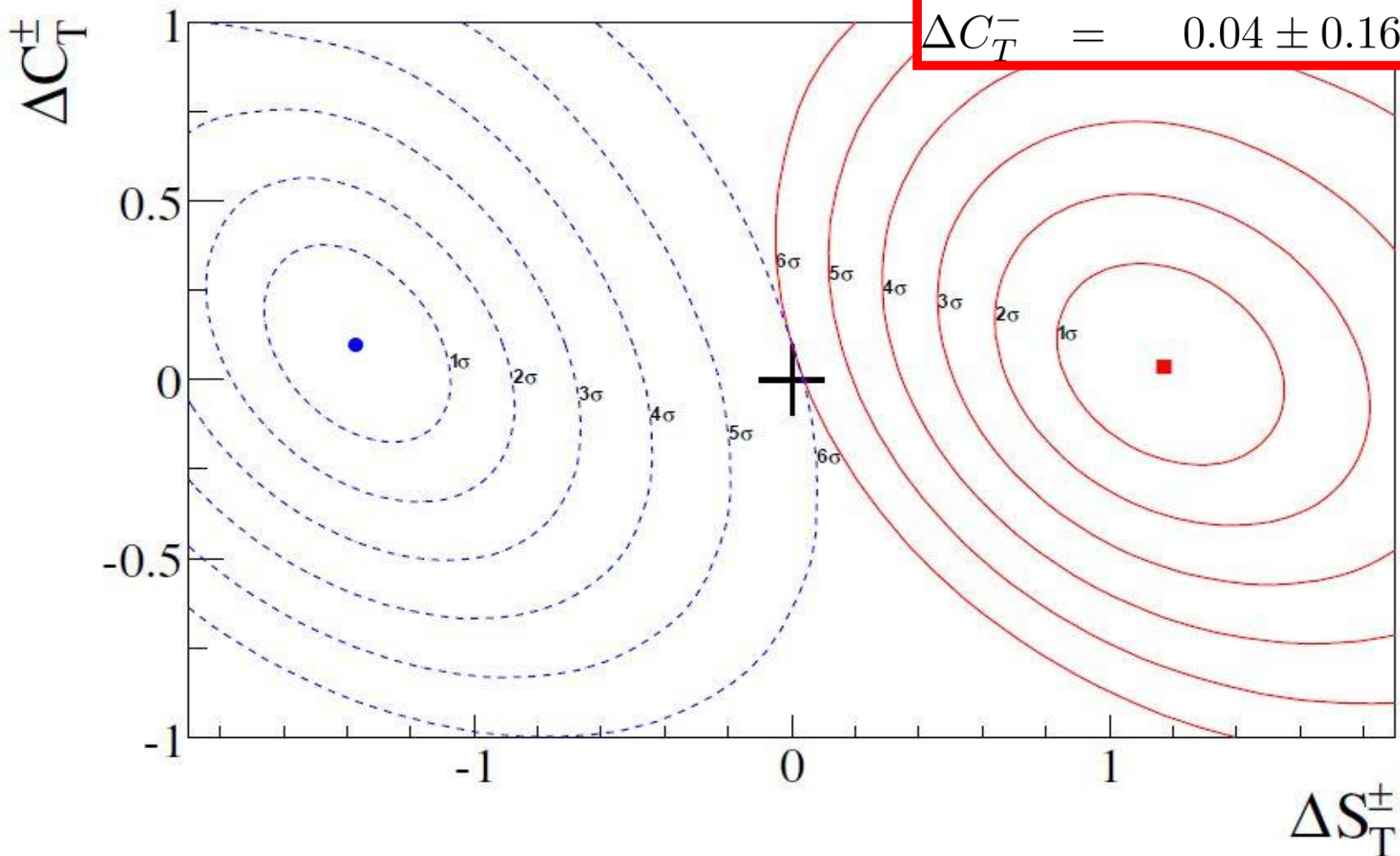
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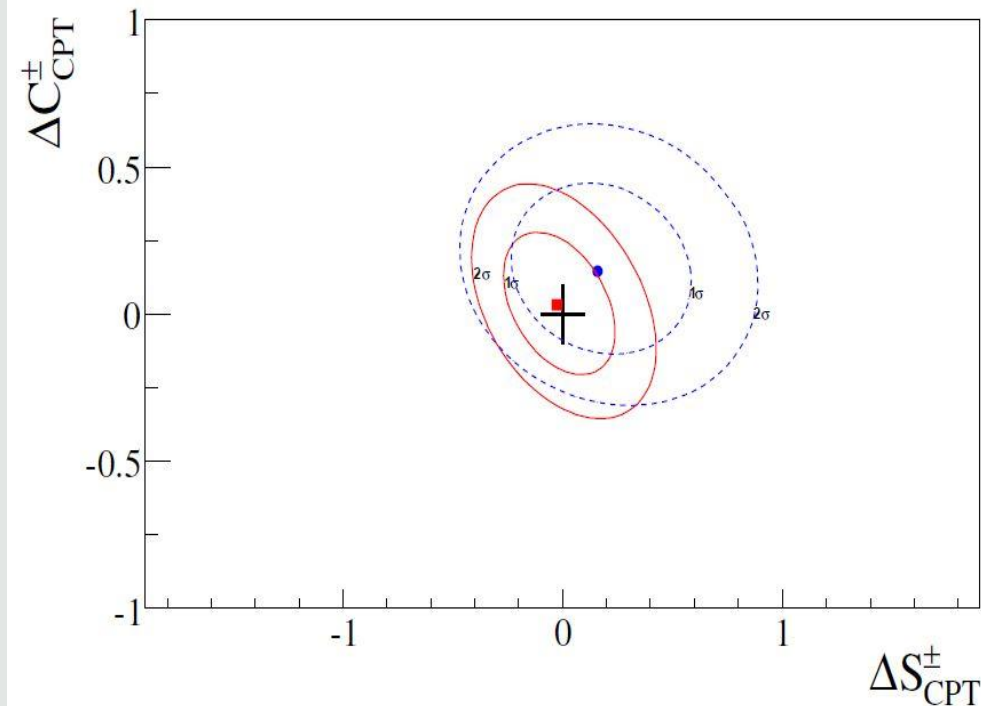
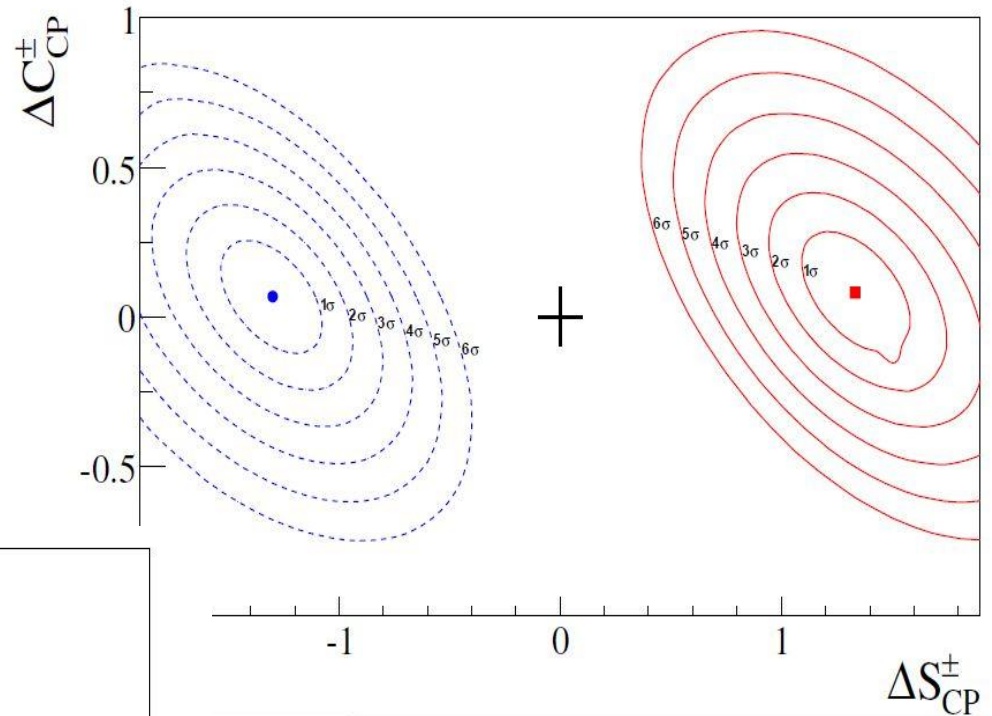
$$\Delta C_T^+ = 0.10 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.08$$

$$\Delta C_T^- = 0.04 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.08$$



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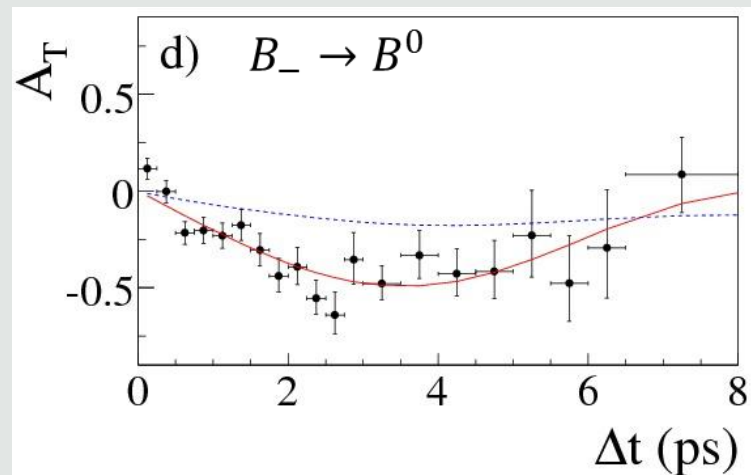
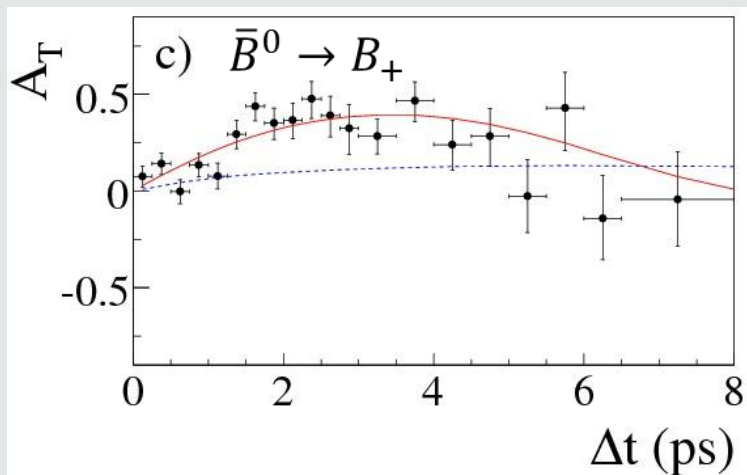
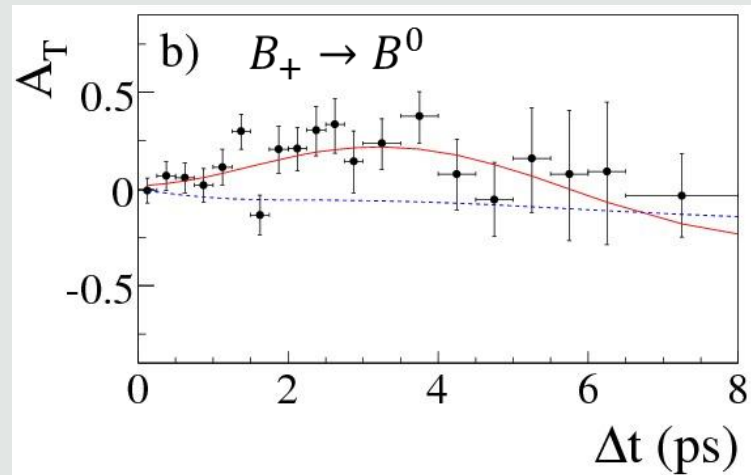
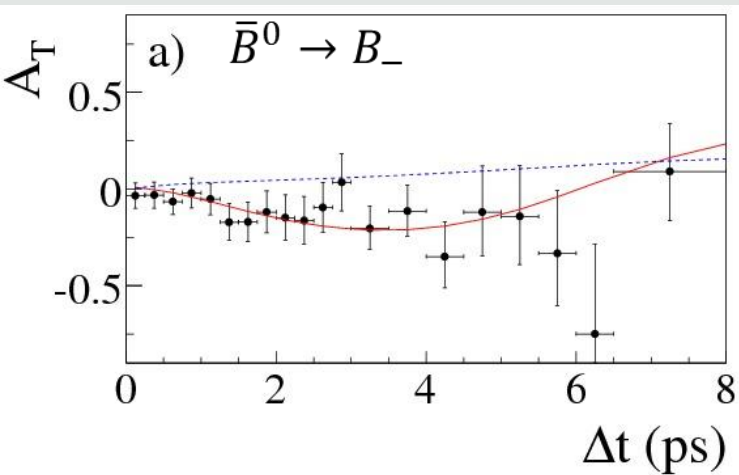
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$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S_{CPT}^+ &= 0.16 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.09 \\ \Delta S_{CPT}^- &= -0.03 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.06 \\ \Delta C_{CPT}^+ &= 0.15 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.07 \\ \Delta C_{CPT}^- &= 0.03 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.08\end{aligned}$$

T RAW ASYMMETRIES & SIGNIFICANCE

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 s_{NoT}^2 = 226 & & 14\sigma \\
 s_{NoCP}^2 = 307 & \rightarrow & 16.6\sigma \\
 s_{NoCPT}^2 = 5 & & 0.33\sigma
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{rcl} s_{NoT}^2 = 226 \\ s_{NoCP}^2 = 307 \\ s_{NoCPT}^2 = 5 \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Stat.} \\ \text{only} \\ \Delta v=8 \end{array}$$



CONCLUSION

- Observed t-Asymmetries are not T-violating:
Genuine TRV means Asymmetry under $\text{in} \rightarrow \text{out}$
- Unique opportunity for unstable systems: EPR-Entanglement between the two neutral mesons in B, and Φ , factories.
- Mixing x Decay Channels \rightarrow 8 different Decay-Intensities.
In appropriate combinations,
 - 4 Genuine independent Asymmetries for each: CP, T, CPT
 - 2 Independent Asymmetry parameters for each CP, T, CPT
- T-violating parameters in the time evolution of a neutral B meson, between flavour and CP decay times, have been measured
- BABAR observes a large deviation of T invariance at 14σ level
- The results are consistent with CPT invariance in the time-evolution of the $B^0 - \bar{B}^0$ system, connecting CPV and TRV in DIFFERENT transitions.
- This is the first direct observation of Time Reversal Violation in any system.

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH
FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

IS EPR-ENTANGLEMENT APPLICABLE?

- Proposed tests of separate CP, T, CPT symmetries based on EPR-Entanglement imposed by Particle Identity:

K^0, \bar{K}^0 are two states of identical particles.

- Time evolution (including the Mixing $K^0 - \bar{K}^0$) preserves $K^0 \bar{K}^0$, or $K_+ K_-$, terms only.

➡ Perfect for tagging: Flavour-Tag, CP-Tag,...

- What if the K^0, \bar{K}^0 Identity is lost ?

The two particle system would not satisfy the requirement $C\mathcal{P} = +$.

In perturbation theory, if still $J=1$, $C=-$,

$$|i\rangle = |\textit{antisymmetric}\rangle + \omega |\textit{symmetric}\rangle \implies \text{the } \omega\text{-effect}$$

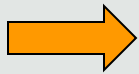
➡ For the symmetric component, time evolution: $\omega K^0 K^0$ terms \longleftrightarrow
Demise of tagging

➡ Look for Correlated Decay Observables.

THE ω -EFFECT

- In some Quantum Gravity models, matter propagation in topologically non-trivial space-time vacua suffers a possible loss of quantum coherence or “decoherence”.
- Originated by space-time foam backgrounds? [Wheeler, Ellis et al.]

The matter quantum system is an open system, interacting with the “environment” of quantum gravitational d. o. f. \Rightarrow Apparent loss of unitarity for low-energy observers



Not a well-defined S-matrix between asymptotic states \Rightarrow
The CPT-operator is NOT well-defined [Wald]

- It should be disentangled from the case of effective theories for Lorentz violation, in which CPT breaking means $[H_{\text{eff}}, \text{CPT}] \neq 0$.
- The CPT “Violation” discussed here would be an “intrinsic” microscopic time irreversibility, so that \bar{K}^0 is not “well-defined” from K^0 . It implies:
 - 1) a modified single $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$ evolution: α, β, γ parameterization [Lindblad].
 - 2) for entangled Kaon states in a Φ -factory, **the ω -effect**

ω -EFFECT OBSERVABLES

[J.B., Mavromatos, Papavassiliou]

- Consider the Φ -decay amplitude

$$A(X, Y) = \langle X | K_S \rangle \langle Y | K_S \rangle N(A_1 + A_2)$$

$$A_1 = e^{-i(\lambda_L + \lambda_S)t/2} \left[\eta_X e^{-i\Delta\lambda\Delta t/2} - \eta_Y e^{i\Delta\lambda\Delta t/2} \right]$$

$$A_2 = \omega \left[e^{-i\lambda_S t} - \eta_X \eta_Y e^{-i\lambda_L t} \right]$$



- Strategy: Choose a channel suppressed by η 's: $X = Y = \bar{u}^+ \bar{u}^-$, CP “forbidden”

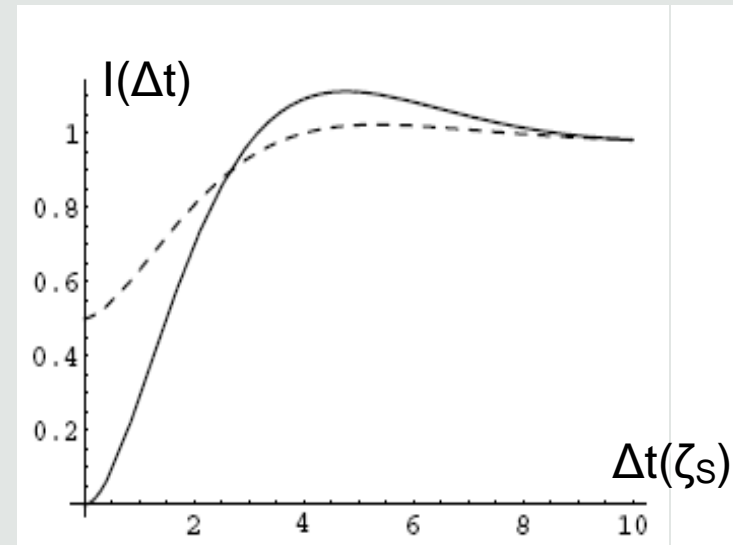
➡ Enhanced effects $\omega/|\eta_{+-}|$

- Intensity

$$I(\Delta t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Delta t}^{\infty} dt |A(X, Y)|^2$$

$$\text{for } |\omega| = |\eta_{+-}|$$

$$\Omega = \phi_{+-} - 0.16\pi$$



MEASUREMENT OF ω -EFFECT

- KLOE [Di Domenico et al.] obtained the first measurement of the ω -parameter

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Re}(\omega) &= (-1.6^{+3.0}_{-2.1_{\text{stat}}} \pm 0.4_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4} \\ \text{Im}(\omega) &= (-1.7^{+3.3}_{-3.0_{\text{stat}}} \pm 1.2_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned} \right\} |\omega| < 1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ at 95\% CL}$$

- At least one order of magnitude improvement is expected with KLOE-2 at the upgraded DAΦNE.

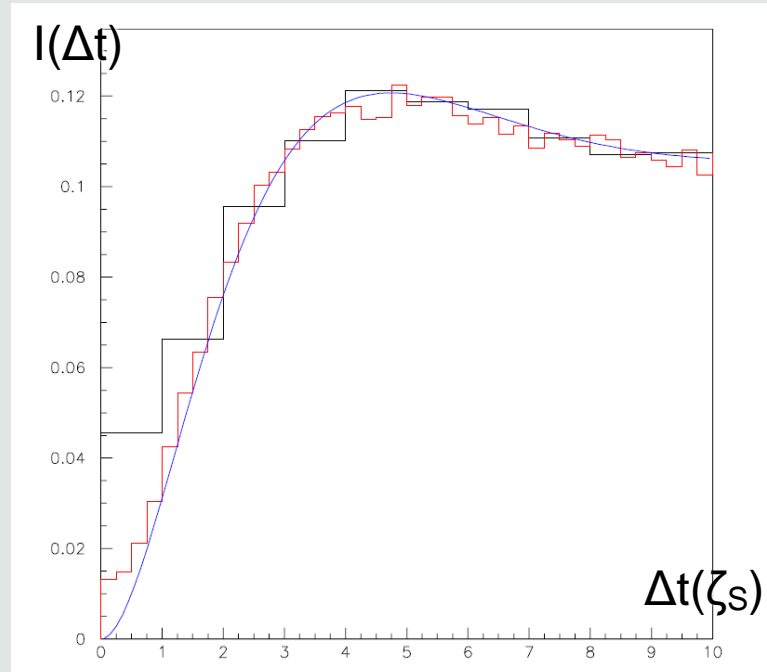
- All decoherence effects, including the ω -effect, manifest as a DEVIATION from the QM prediction of the correlation

$$I(\pi^+\pi^-, \pi^+\pi^-; \Delta t=0)=0.$$

Hence the reconstruction of events in the region near $\Delta t \approx 0$ is crucial \longleftrightarrow vertex resolution.


- In B-factories, there is no such privileged channel.

- With currently available data from BABAR and BELLE, the CPV semileptonic charge asymmetry, in equal sign dilepton channel $I(l^\pm l^\pm; \Delta t)$, gives the bounds [Alvarez, J.B., Nebot]
- $$-0.0084 \leq \text{Re}(\omega) \leq 0.0100 \text{ at 95\%CL}$$



Monte Carlo simulation of $I(\pi^+\pi^-, \pi^+\pi^-; \Delta t)$, with the KLOE resolution $\sigma_{\Delta t} \approx \zeta_s$ and with the expected KLOE-2 resolution $\sigma_{\Delta t} \approx 0.3 \zeta_s$

ω -EFFECT FROM SPACE-TIME FOAM MODEL

- ω -effect: as the result of local distortions of space-time in the neighborhood of defects, interacting with matter [J.B., Mavromatos, Sarkar].
- Recoil of Planck-mass defect \Rightarrow metric deformation $g_{0i} \sim \Delta k^i / M_P = \zeta k^i / M_P$
- Lorentz invariance still holds macroscopically $\langle \zeta k^i \rangle = 0$, but
- One has non-trivial quantum fluctuations $\langle \zeta^2 k_i k_j \rangle \propto \delta_{ij} \zeta^2 |\vec{k}|^2$
- Stochastic effects of the space-time foam  $|\omega|^2 \sim \frac{\zeta^2 |\vec{k}|^4}{M_P^2 \Delta m^2}$
enhanced by quasi-degeneracy of mass eigenstates.
- At the DAΦNE energy, $|\omega| \sim 10^{-4} \zeta$, which lies within the sensitivity of KLOE-2 for not much small values of the momentum transfer fraction ζ .
- In some concrete string-theory-inspired models examined by [Mavromatos, Sarkar], $\zeta \sim \sum m^2 / |\vec{k}|^2$