

Flavour Physics 1

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Introduction

Flavour physics: The study of the properties of quarks and leptons

Standard Model of Elementary Particles





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Flavour physics: The study of the properties of quarks and leptons





Suppose we came into contact with aliens Communication via electromagnetic waves No exchange of charged particles

Is it safe to meet face to face?

Particles and antiparticles annihilate when they interact Is the definition of matter/antimatter just convention? If so, then only a practical example can distinguish

Or is there a fundamental difference between matter and antimatter that we can describe beforehand?





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USC Discrete symmetries

Discrete symmetries are important fundamental questions about Nature



Do particles and antiparticles have identical properties?



In general, C is violated with P in the weak interaction



(a) Dominant process for π^+ decay, neutrino helicity is negative But ν_μ is always left-handed

(b) $P\text{-}{\rm conjugate}$ process forbidden because ν_{μ} would be right-handed

(c) $\mathit{C}\text{-}\mathsf{conjugate}$ process also forbidden because $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ always right-handed

(d) CP-conjugate process has same decay rate as (a)

Combined CP symmetry is preserved

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C and P maximally violated Still cannot explain what a π^+ is

If we say that π^+ decays to a neutral with negative helicity Then they will ask how the sign of helicity is defined

Left and right in helicity still convention

Not enough for ${\boldsymbol{C}}$ to be violated

 ${\it C}$ and ${\it C\!P}$ must be violated to distinguish matter from antimatter



CP violation

Clearest evidence for CP violation Charge asymmetry in K_L^0 decays K_L^0 is a neutral particle Well defined mass and lifetime There is no other particle with equal mass Therefore, K_{I}^{0} is its own antiparticle Can decay as $K_L^0 \to \pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$, or $K_I^0 \to \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$ the C-conjugate process Consider decay rates Momenta and spin of all particles in the final state integrated out P eliminated from consideration Different decay rates violate CP, not just C A small CP asymmetry is observed

PRL **88** (2002) 181601 $Kl3 \equiv K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi l \nu_l$





Our communication problem is solved with $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} l^{\mp} \nu_l$ The less frequent pion has the same charge as the proton CP violation also important to understanding cosmology The Standard Model of Particle Physics is incomplete Predicts almost no visible matter right after the Big Bang

Cosmological observations show this is incorrect by $\mathcal{O}(10^9)$



There must be new sources of matter-antimatter asymmetry



Recall the charged-current Lagrangian of the weak interaction

 $\mathcal{L}_{\rm CC}^+ \propto \bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu d_L W^\mu$

Transform from the weak basis to the physical mass basis

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{CC}}^+ \propto \bar{u}_L' \gamma_\mu (V_u^\dagger V_d) d_L' W^\mu$$

CKM matrix, $V_{\text{CKM}} \equiv V_u^{\dagger} V_d$

Describes strength of quark transitions mediated by \boldsymbol{W} boson



To conserve overall probability, $V_{\rm CKM}^{\dagger}V_{\rm CKM}=\mathbb{1}$

For 3 quark generations, independent parameters in 3×3 matrix

9 mixing angles, 9 complex phases \rightarrow 3 mixing angles, 1 complex phase $\widehat{CPL}_{CC}^+ \neq \mathcal{L}_{CC}^+$ if V_{CKM} is complex

Single complex phase in $V_{\rm CKM}$ the source of all $C\!P$ violation in the SM

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Written explicitly

$$V_{\rm CKM} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix}$$

Only 4/18 parameters are independent

Perform an expansion around Cabibbo angle, $\lambda\equiv |V_{us}|=\sin\theta_C\approx 0.22$

$$V_{\text{CKM}} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$$

More intuitive view of transition strengths

Likely transitions on the diagonal

4 independent parameters remain to be measured

$$\begin{array}{l} V_{cb}=A\lambda^2\\ V_{ub}=A\lambda^3(\rho+i\eta),\ \rho \ \text{and} \ \eta \ \text{parameterise} \ CP \ \text{violation} \end{array}$$

 u_i



Wolfenstein parametrisation

Parameters accessible depend on the decay process being studied





6 triangle relations $\sum_{j=1}^{3} V_{ij}^* V_{jk} = 0, \ i \neq k$, emerge from unitarity



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Unitarity relation relevant to b-quark transitions

$$V_{\text{CKM}} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \simeq \mathcal{O} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$$

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

$$\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) \qquad \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) \qquad \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$$

$$(\overline{\rho},\overline{\eta})$$

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

$$(0,0) \qquad (1,0)$$
Similar lengths, $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) \Rightarrow$ large internal angles

Large $C\!P$ violation effects expected with $b\mbox{-quark}$ mediation Great experimental environment to study $C\!P\mbox{-violating}$ effects

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Notation on CP-violating phases

 ϕ_1, ϕ_2, ϕ_3 β, α, γ **CP** Violation **CP** Violation



B mesons

CKM physics and $C\!P$ violation studies mostly revolve around B mesons Antiparticle Particle Mass $({\rm GeV}/c^2)$

 B^0_{\circ}

B^+ : bu	B^- : $b\bar{u}$	5.27934 ± 0.00012
$B^0: \bar{b}d$	\bar{B}^0 : $b\bar{d}$	5.27966 ± 0.00012
$B_s^0: \bar{b}s$	\bar{B}^0_s : $b\bar{s}$	5.36692 ± 0.00010

 B^{+}, B^{0}

Cornell Electron Storage Ring, USA Tevatron at Fermilab, USA





B mesons

Neutral B mesons can transform from particle to antiparticle, $B\leftrightarrow ar{B}$

Antiparticle Particle Mass (GeV/ c^2) Mixing frequency (ps⁻¹) B^+ : bu $B^-: b\bar{u} = 5.27934 \pm 0.00012$ $B^0: \bar{b}d$ $\bar{B}^0: b\bar{d}$ 5.27966 ± 0.00012 0.5065 ± 0.0019 $B^0_{\circ}: \bar{b}s$ $\bar{B}^0_{a}: b\bar{s} = 5.36692 \pm 0.00010 = 17.765 \pm 0.006$ $B^0 \leftrightarrow \bar{B}^0$ $B^0_{a} \leftrightarrow \bar{B}^0_{a}$ Tevatron at Fermilab, USA Super $p\bar{p}$ Synchrotron, CERN $p\bar{p} \rightarrow bb$ $p\bar{p} \rightarrow bb$ LIKELIHOOD RATIO 10 Fitted Amplitude Зσ 4 10 60 10¹ data cosine with A=1 28 10⁰ 0 15 0 2 0 25 0 3 0 35 Decay Time Modulo 2n/Am, [ps] X = Fraction of Wrong Sign FIG. 2 Beauty Hadron Decays UA1, Phys. Lett. B186 (1987) 247 CDF, Phys. Rev. Lett. 97 (2006) 242003







${\boldsymbol{B}}$ meson production

SuperKEKB, Japan

 $B\bar{B}$ pairs at rest in $\Upsilon(4S)$ frame Decay time difference important

 $\sim 1~{\rm ps}$ too short to measure Use asymmetric beam energies $B\bar{B}$ pairs boosted

Measure separation instead

 $\sim 0.1 \ \mathrm{mm}$ easily measured



Large Hadron Collider, CERN Operating energy O(10 TeV) 10^3 larger than $b\bar{b}$ threshold Partons with significantly different momentum fractions can produce $b\bar{b}$ greatly boosted along beamline Measure distance from interaction $\sim 10 \text{ mm}$ very easily measured





Hermetic detector





Forward spectrometer





Detector performance



Peak luminosity

$$\mathcal{L} = 4.71 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$$

Data recorded

$$428 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$
 (Belle: 832 fb⁻¹)

 $N_{b\bar{b}}\sim 10^9$

<u>LHC</u>b



Levelled luminosity $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ Data recorded Run 1: 3 fb⁻¹, Run 2: 6 fb⁻¹ $N_{b\bar{b}} \sim 10^{12}$

Cross section of $b\bar{b}$ production in pp collisions $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^5)$ greater

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Detector comparison

Both approaches come with complementary strengths

Hadronic environment

The hadronic background in pp collisions is extremely messy Several trigger levels dedicated to specific topologies required to clean up Electromagnetic calorimetry with e^- or γ remains relatively inefficient In e^+e^- collisions, there is 1 lossless trigger for all B decays Overwhelming advantage in $N_{b\bar{b}}$ pairs at LHCb rapidly diminished $N_{b\bar{b}}$ can be calculated precisely for e^+e^-

LHCb cannot measure absolute branching fractions

b-hadron production

 e^+e^- limited to $B^+\text{, }B^0$ at $\Upsilon(4S)\text{, but can produce }B^0_s$ at $\Upsilon(5S)$

pp leads to every b-hadron, including extras like B_c^+ and Λ_b^0

b-hadron boost

For pp, much larger boost means superior charged PID and time resolution Belle-II has better coverage, but cannot resolve $B^0_s - \bar{B}^0_s$ oscillations

Beam energy

Known CMS energy of e^+e^- allows reconstruction of undetectable K^0_L , ν_l Partial reconstruction sometimes viable at LHCb





Both experiments looking to increase data sample sizes by $O(10^2)$ Naively expect uncertainties to drop by factor of 10







The smallest CKM element

$$|V_{ub}/V_{cb}| \equiv \sqrt{\bar{\rho}^2 + \bar{\eta}^2} \lambda / (1 - \lambda^2/2)$$





Generally measured from semileptonic $B\to D^{(*)}l^+\nu_l$ decays Only 1 CKM element participates

For cleanest $B \rightarrow Dl^+ \nu_l$, from heavy-quark effective theory (HQET)

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dw} = \frac{G_F^2 m_D^3}{48\pi^3} (m_B + m_D)^2 (w^2 - 1)^{3/2} \eta_{\rm EW}^2 \mathcal{G}^2(w) |V_{cb}|^2$$

M. Neubert, Phys. Lett. B264 (1991) 455

 $\eta_{\rm EW} = 1.0066 \pm 0.0050$: Small electroweak, electromagnetic correction $\mathcal{G}(w)$: Form factor depending on the recoil energy, $w \equiv p_B \cdot p_D$ Flavour Physics 1 27



V_{cb} theory

Phenomenological parameterisation (CLN)

- $\mathcal{G}(w) = \mathcal{G}(1)[1 8\rho^2 z + (51\rho^2 10)z^2 (252\rho^2 84)z^3]$
- I. Caprini, L. Lellouch and M. Neubert, Nucl. Phys. B530 (1998) 153
- $z{:}$ Linear transform of $w{,}\ z=0$ at w=1
- $\rho^2 :$ Slope at at w=1, free parameter of the model
- $\mathcal{G}(1)$: Form factor at zero recoil w = 1, predicted to high precision $\mathcal{G}(1) = 1.0541 \pm 0.0083$, Lattice QCD Fermilab Lattice, MILC Collaborations, Phys. Rev. D **92** (2015) 034506



Measured $d\Gamma/dw$ fit with CLN model Belle, Phys. Rev. D **93** (2016) 032006

 V_{cb} measured by extrapolating differential decay rate to w=1



$B \to \bar{D}l^+ \nu_l$ results



Including excited $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)} l^+ \nu_l$ results

 $|V_{cb}| = (38.90 \pm 0.53) \times 10^{-3}$



V_{ub} theory

Similarly for V_{ub} , semileptonic decays such as $B \to \pi l^+ \nu_l$ can be studied However, semileptonic decays are 3-body decays at minimum Input from theory to model decay rates as functions of the hadron recoil Experimental uncertainty still dominant, but unclear if this will hold



 $B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau$ annihilation has no hadrons in the final state Theoretically cleaner

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = \frac{G_F^2 m_B m_\tau^2 \tau_B}{8\pi^3} \left(1 - \frac{m_\tau^2}{m_B^2}\right)^2 f_{B^+}^2 |V_{ub}|^2$$

 $f_{B^+} = 189.4 \pm 1.4 \text{ MeV}$ [FLAG]: *B* decay constant from lattice QCD Theory uncertainty in $B \rightarrow \pi l^+ \nu_l$ decays around 4 times larger



$B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau$ results

Belle Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. **110** (2013) 131801 Difficult signal reconstruction

Final state contains 2-3 neutrinos depending on how the τ^+ decays However, Belle produces 2 *B* mesons with known CMS energy Fully reconstruct accompanying B_{Tag} in common channels



 $^{3\}sigma$ significance



$|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$ average







Phase of V_{ub}^* $\phi_3 \equiv \arctan(\bar{\eta}/\bar{\rho})$

ϕ_3 theory

Consider $B^+ \to DK^+$ decays

Neutral D represents D^0 or \bar{D}^0

D decays to the same final state, $D^0 \to f$ and $\bar{D}^0 \to f$

Interference environment between the dominant $b\to c\bar{u}s$ with the corresponding doubly-Cabibbo and colour-suppressed $b\to u\bar{c}s$



 r_B : Strong ratio of colour-suppressed to colour-favoured amplitudes δ_B : Strong phase difference between both diagrams, blind to flavour Strong parameters blind to flavour, *ie.* the *B* charge Sensitivity to $2\phi_3$ comes from the inclusion of B^- decays Flavour Physics 1



Pollution of experimental measurement arises from electroweak processes



Irreducible theory error calculated to be $|\delta\phi_3|/\phi_3 \lesssim \mathcal{O}(10^{-7})$

J. Brod and J. Zupan, JHEP **01** (2014) 051

Well beyond reach of any currently planned future experiment Improving the experimental ϕ_3 measurement will always be relevant

3 approaches to ϕ_3 depending on the $D \to f$ decay

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GLW method

The original method

M. Gronau and D. London, Phys. Lett. **B253** (1991) 483

M. Gronau and D. Wyler, Phys. Lett. B265 (1991) 172

D decays to a $C\!P$ eigenstate, $D_{C\!P} \to K^+ K^-$, $\pi^+ \pi^-$



 $CP\text{-even } D_{CP}\text{: } \delta_B$ $CP\text{-odd } D_{CP}\text{: } \delta_B \to \delta_B + \pi$

 \mathcal{R}_{CP} : Sum of B^- and B^+ rates normalised by a flavour-specific D decay

$$\frac{\Gamma(B^- \to D_{CP}K^-) + \Gamma(B^+ \to D_{CP}K^+)}{\Gamma(B^- \to D^0[K^-\pi^+]K^-) + \Gamma(B^+ \to \bar{D}^0[K^+\pi^-]K^+)} = 1 + r_B^2 + 2r_B \cos \delta_B \cos \phi_3$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}: B^- \text{ and } B^+ \text{ decay rate asymmetry}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(B^- \to D_{CP}K^-) - \Gamma(B^+ \to D_{CP}K^+)}{\Gamma(B^- \to D_{CP}K^-) + \Gamma(B^+ \to D_{CP}K^+)} = \frac{2r_B \sin \delta_B \sin \phi_3}{\mathcal{R}_{CP}}$$



GLW results

Method can be adapted for excited D and K states of $B^+ \rightarrow DK^+$



GLW approach to ϕ_3 dominated by LHCb



Enhancing sensitivity to ϕ_3

D. Atwood, I. Dunietz and A. Soni, Phys. Rev. Lett. **78** (1997) 3257 Match Cabibbo-favoured B decay with Cabbibo-suppressed D decay





Larger asymmetries at the cost of additional D hadronic parameters



 R_{\pm} : Ratio of Cabibbo-suppressed to favoured decay rates for B^{\pm}

$$\frac{\Gamma(B^{\pm} \to D_{\mathrm{Sup}}K^{\pm})}{\Gamma(B^{\pm} \to D_{\mathrm{Fav}}K^{\pm})} = \frac{r_B^2 + r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \cos(\delta_B + \delta_D \pm \phi_3)}{1 + r_B^2 r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \cos(\delta_B - \delta_D \pm \phi_3)}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{ADS} = \frac{R_- + R_+}{2}, \qquad \mathcal{A}_{ADS} = \frac{R_- - R_+}{R_- + R_+}$$



ADS results

Method can be adapted for excited D and K states of $B^+ \to DK^+$

Can also be adapted for $B\to D\pi$



ADS approach again dominated by LHCb



BPGGSZ method

Earlier approaches to measure ϕ_3 considered 2-body D decays Experimentally much simpler to work with, but suppressed

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(D_{CP} \to K^+ K^-) &\sim 4 \times 10^{-3} \\ \mathcal{B}(D_{\mathrm{Sup}} \to K^+ \pi^-) &\sim 2 \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

What about $\mathcal{B}(D\to K^0_S\pi^+\pi^-)\sim 3\%?$ $|A(B^+\to DK^+)|^2 =$





BPGGSZ method

GLW and ADS approaches also suffer from insufficient degrees of freedom to constrain ϕ_3

GLW: $\Gamma(B^{\pm}) \rightarrow r_B, \, \delta_B$ and ϕ_3 ADS: $\Gamma(B_{\text{Fav}}^{\pm}), \Gamma(B_{\text{Sup}}^{\pm}) \rightarrow r_B, \delta_B, r_D, \delta_D$ and ϕ_3

External input incurs additional theory error

Alternatively, harness 3-body decays such as $D \to K^0_{\rm S} \pi^+ \pi^-$



GLW- and ADS-like analysis

Proceeds via excited $\pi^+\pi^-$ and $K^{\pm}\pi^{\mp}$ intermediate states

 $K_{S}^{0}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ Admixture of broad overlapping resonant states across phase space

> Amplitude A_D , known without ambiguity through interference

Measures $\Gamma(B^{\pm})$ as each point in phase space $(m^2_{K^0_c\pi^+},\,m^2_{K^0_c\pi^-})$ r_B , δ_B and ϕ_3 independent of phase space, sufficient degrees of freedom Flavour Physics 1



BPGGSZ method

D decay amplitude A_D , can be determined in 2 ways

- 1. Unbinned model-dependent amplitude analysis Unacceptable additional bias incurred through model systematic uncertainty
- 2. Binned model-independent amplitude analysis A. Bondar and A. Poluektov, Eur. Phys. J. **C55** (2008) 51

A. Giri, Y. Grossman, A. Soffer and J. Zupan, Phys. Rev. D **68** (2003) 054018 Harness quantum-correlated $e^+e^- \rightarrow \psi(3770) \rightarrow D^0 \bar{D}^0$ decays Data from legacy CLEO (USA) and BESIII (China) experiments Gives average strong phase in each bin of D decay phase space, $\bar{\delta}_D$





Constraint dominated by BPGGSZ approach Other approaches involving B^0 and B^0_s decays also possible





Neutral meson mixing

There is no symmetry that forbids neutral meson mixing

Arises because flavour eigenstates are not the physical mass eigenstates Express light (L) and heavy (H) eigenstates in terms of flavour states

$$|B_{L,H}\rangle = p|B^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{B}^0\rangle$$

Effective Hamiltonian of 2-state system in flavour basis

$$\boldsymbol{H} = \boldsymbol{M} - \frac{i}{2}\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} - i\Gamma_{11}/2 & M_{12} - i\Gamma_{12}/2 \\ M_{21} - i\Gamma_{21}/2 & M_{22} - i\Gamma_{22}/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

 ${\boldsymbol{M}}$ is the Hermitian mass matrix, $M_{21}=M_{12}^{*}$

- Γ is the Hermitian decay matrix, $\Gamma_{21}=\Gamma_{12}^{*}$
- $-rac{i}{2}\Gamma$ is the anti-Hermitian part

Flavour not conserved in weak interaction due to particle decay

$$C\!PT$$
 conserved, $M_{11}=M_{22}=m$, $\Gamma_{11}=\Gamma_{22}=\Gamma$

Average mass and decay width



Solve the time-dependent Schrödinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} |B(t)\rangle \\ |\bar{B}(t)\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \boldsymbol{H} \begin{pmatrix} |B(t)\rangle \\ |\bar{B}(t)\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

JSC Neutral meson mixing

Diagonalise Hamiltonian to obtain eigenvalues for physical mass states $\lambda_{L,H}=H\pm\sqrt{H_{12}H_{21}}$

Equate directly to Hamiltonian eigenvalues for the mass basis

$$\lambda_{L,H} = m_{L,H} - i\Gamma_{L,H}/2 = m - i\Gamma/2 \pm (\Delta m - i\Delta\Gamma/2)/2$$

where $\Delta m \equiv m_H - m_L$ and $\Delta \Gamma \equiv \Gamma_L - \Gamma_H$

From this, relations between the mass and flavour eigenstates are derived

$$(\Delta m - i\Delta\Gamma/2)^2 = 4(M_{12} - i\Gamma_{12}/2)(M_{12}^* - i\Gamma_{12}^*/2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[(\Delta m)^2 - (\Delta \Gamma/2)^2 = 4|M_{12}|^2 - |\Gamma_{12}|^2 \text{ and } \Delta m \Delta \Gamma = 4\Re(M_{12}\Gamma_{12}^*) \right]$$

The eigenvectors of the Hamiltonian for the physical mass states are

$$|B_{L,H}\rangle = \sqrt{H_{12}H_{21}}|B^0\rangle \pm H_{21}|\bar{B}^0\rangle$$

cf $|B_{L,H}\rangle = p|B^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{B}^0\rangle$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{q}{p} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{M_{12}^* - i\Gamma_{12}^*/2}{M_{12} - i\Gamma_{12}/2}} = -\frac{\Delta m + i\Delta\Gamma/2}{2M_{12} - i\Gamma_{12}}}$$



Solving time-dependent Schrodinger equation now trivial

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |B_{L,H}(t)\rangle = m_{L,H} - i\frac{\Gamma_{L,H}}{2} |B_{L,H}\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow |B_{L,H}(t)\rangle = e^{-im_{L,H}t}e^{-\Gamma_{L,H}t/2}|B_{L,H}\rangle$$

Substitute $|B_{L,H}\rangle = p|B^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{B}^0\rangle$ and invert

Gives expressions for the time-evolution of the flavour states

$$|B(t)\rangle = g_{+}(t)|B\rangle + \frac{q}{p}g_{-}(t)|\bar{B}\rangle$$
$$|\bar{B}(t)\rangle = g_{+}(t)|B\rangle + \frac{p}{q}g_{-}(t)|\bar{B}\rangle$$

where
$$g_{\pm} \equiv \frac{1}{2} (e^{-im_{H}t} e^{-\Gamma_{H}t/2} \pm e^{-im_{L}t} e^{-\Gamma_{L}t/2})$$



Neutral meson mixing

Consider decay into CP-conjugate final state, f

Static decay amplitude, $\stackrel{(-)}{A} \equiv \langle f | \stackrel{(-)}{B} \rangle$

Time dependent decay rate given by

$$\Gamma^{(-)}(t) = |\langle f| \stackrel{(-)}{B}(t) \rangle|^2$$

$$= \frac{e^{-t/\tau}}{4\tau} \left[\cosh \frac{\Delta\Gamma t}{2} - \frac{2\Re(\lambda_{CP})}{|\lambda_{CP}|^2 + 1} \sinh \frac{\Delta\Gamma t}{2} \\ \pm \frac{|\lambda_{CP}|^2 - 1}{|\lambda_{CP}|^2 + 1} \cos \Delta mt \pm \frac{2\Im(\lambda_{CP})}{|\lambda_{CP}|^2 + 1} \sin \Delta mt \right]$$

Lifetime, $\tau = 1/\Gamma$

Physical observables are decay time t and flavour of the neutral B decay Time-dependent decay rates differ only if CP-violation parameter not 1

$$\lambda_{CP} \equiv \frac{q}{p} \frac{\bar{A}}{A}$$



Measure difference Δt instead, resolution $\sigma_{\Delta t} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ ps $cf \tau_B \sim 1.5$ ps B_s^0 oscillates $\sim 20 \text{ ps}^{-1}$, insufficient resolution to resolve No knowledge of absolute position in detector, no efficiency effects

<u>LHCb</u>

Measure flight length from primary vertex, L

$$\begin{split} t &= m_B L/|\vec{p}_B|\\ \sigma_t &\sim \mathcal{O}(1/\Delta m_s) \text{ ps, negligible otherwise}\\ \text{Heavily impacted by efficiency effects}\\ \text{Lifetime bias most critical to study} \end{split}$$





Exploits C = -1 eigenvalue of $\Upsilon(4S)$, $B^0 - \overline{B}^0$ oscillations are correlated Search for flavours-specific signatures on the tag side *eg* lepton charge

Tagging efficiency: $\epsilon_{tag} = 31.7 \pm 0.4\%$

<u>LHCb</u>

Opposite side similar to Belle II Same side cascade down to $B_{\rm sig}$ Much more difficult environment

Highly signal-dependent $\epsilon_{\rm tag} \sim 3-8\%$









Frequency of $B - \bar{B}$ oscillations $\Delta m_d / \Delta m_s \simeq |M_{12}^d / M_{12}^s|$

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$\Delta m_d/\Delta m_s$ theory

Flavour eigenstates are not the same as the mass eigenstates Neutral meson mixing $B^0_{d,s} \leftrightarrow \bar{B}^0_{d,s}$ in consequence Mass difference sets the oscillation frequency

$$\begin{split} \Delta m_{d,s} &= m_H^{d,s} - m_L^{d,s} = 2\Re(\sqrt{H_{12}^{d,s}H_{21}^{d,s}}) \\ &\simeq 2|M_{12}^{d,s}| \left(1 - \frac{|\Gamma_{12}^{d,s}|^2}{8|M_{12}^{d,s}|^2} \sin^2 \phi_{12}^{d,s} + ...\right) \\ \text{lote that } |\Gamma_{12}^{d,s}/M_{12}^{d,s}|^2 \sim \mathcal{O}(m_b/m_t)^4 \\ \Delta m_{d,s} &\simeq 2|M_{12}^{d,s}| \\ \text{Dispersive "off-shell" contributions dominate mixing} \end{split}$$





$\Delta m_d/\Delta m_s$ theory

Calculation of $\Delta m_{d,s}$ fairly complicated

Theory uncertainties much greater than experimental uncertainties Situation improves with the ratio

$$\frac{\Delta m_d}{\Delta m_s} = \underbrace{[(1-\bar{\rho})^2 + \bar{\eta}^2] \lambda^2 \left[1 + \lambda^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \bar{\rho}\right)\right]^2}_{|V_{td}/V_{ts}|^2} \frac{m_{B_d}}{m_{B_s}} \frac{f_{B_d}^2}{f_{B_s}^2} \frac{\hat{B}_{B_d}}{\hat{B}_{B_s}}$$

Cancellation of all short-distance QCD effects

Non-perturbative effects of the bound quarks

B decay constants: $f_{B_{d,s}}$

Quark confinement bag model factors: $\hat{B}_{B_{d,s}}$ Calculated within Lattice QCD, HQET sum rule

$$\sqrt{\frac{f_{B_s}^2}{f_{B_d}^2}\frac{\hat{B}_{B_s}}{\hat{B}_{B_d}}} = 1.2014^{+0.0065}_{-0.0072}$$

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$\Delta m_d/\Delta m_s$ results

For flavour-specific decay $B \to f$ or $\overline{B} \to \overline{f}$, two rates can be measured $B \to f$: $\Gamma_{\text{Unmix}}(t) \propto e^{-\Gamma t} [\cosh(\Delta \Gamma t/2) + \cos(\Delta m t)]$ $\bar{B} \to B \to f$: $\Gamma_{\rm Mix}(t) \propto e^{-\Gamma t} [\cosh(\Delta \Gamma t/2) - \cos(\Delta m t)]$ Flavour-tagging algorithm to check if B or \overline{B} correctly matches f or \overline{f} $\frac{\Gamma_{\text{Unmix}}(t) - \Gamma_{\text{Mix}}(t)}{\Gamma_{\text{Unmix}}(t) + \Gamma_{\text{Mix}}(t)} = \cos(\Delta m t)$ Decay rate asymmetry, Δm_d Δm_s $B^0 \to D^{(*)-} \mu^+ \nu_\mu X$ [EPJC] $B^0_s \to D^-_s \pi^+$ [Nature] $-B^0_s \to D^-_s \pi^+$ $-\overline{B}^0_s \to B^0_s \to D^-_s \pi^+$ — Untagged $\begin{array}{c} {\rm Decays} \\ {\rm Decays} \ / \ (0.04 \ {\rm bs}) \\ {\rm 0.001} \\ {\rm 1500} \\ {\rm 1000} \end{array}$ £ LHCb -0.5 0 LHCb 500 $6 \, \text{fb}^{-1}$ 0 2 6 t [ps] $t \, [ps]$

$\Delta m_d/\Delta m_s$ average





$$\frac{\Delta m_d}{\Delta m_s} = 0.02851 \pm 0.00011$$

Experimental uncertainty 0.4%, while theory at 0.6%

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