



Precision Flavour Physics

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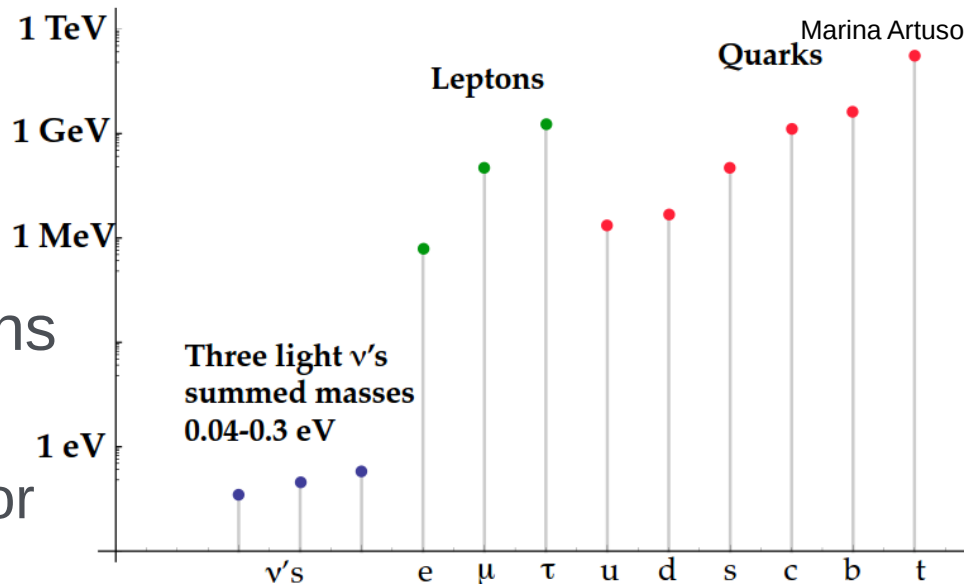
Why flavour physics?

In SM flavour structure arise through the Yukawa couplings to the Higgs field and the weak force

Misalignment of these gives structure of CKM matrix

Any NP model with new flavoured particles or flavour breaking interactions must “hide” behind SM interactions

NP mass scale very large $> \sim 100$ TeV or
NP mimics Yukawa couplings



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Push us to decays with leptons and search for CP violation

Can we learn something from the measurement?

Need to have sensitivity to a high energy scale. Need to differentiate.

What level of statistical accuracy is expected?

Need high luminosity and high trigger efficiency

How will experimental systematic uncertainties be controlled?

Need to access many control channels

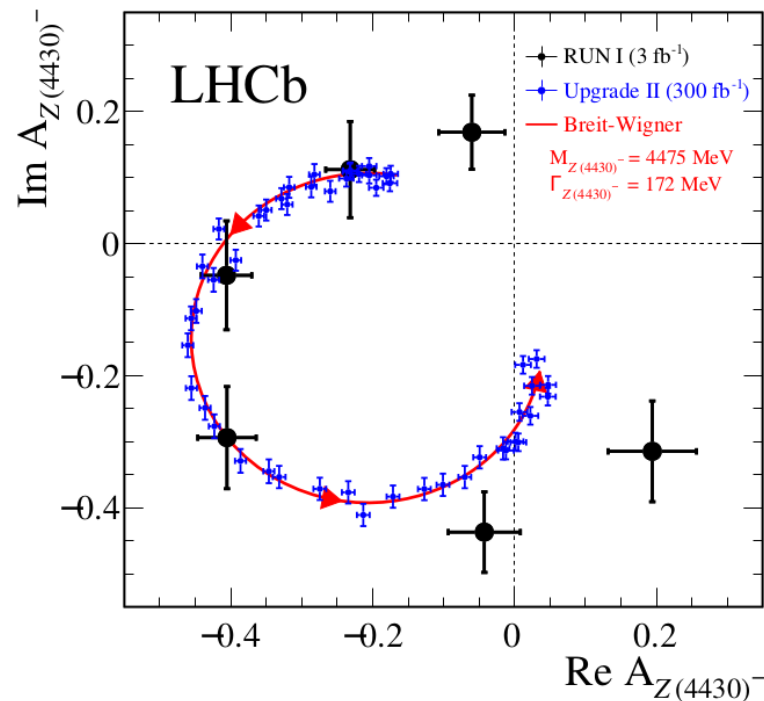
Theoretical uncertainties

In order to see a NP signature, we need to understand the SM

Majority of heavy flavour decays are hadronic

Predictions of branching fractions and phase space distribution of final state particles get huge QCD related uncertainties

As a side story there is a rich spectroscopy programme



Theoretical uncertainties

Solutions to “hadronic problem”

- Make (part of the) final state insensitive to QCD

 - Move to leptonic, semileptonic, rare semileptonic decays

- Exploit that we know that there is no (significant) CP violation in QCD

 - Measure CP violation in b- and c-hadron decays

- Test symmetries or forbidden transitions in SM

 - Lepton non-universality, lepton number violation, baryon number violation

Theoretical uncertainties

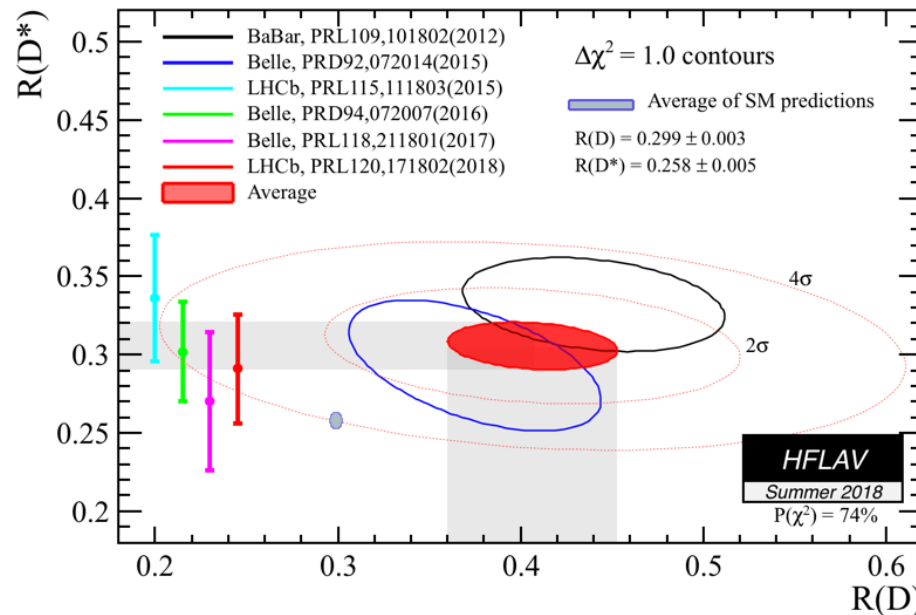
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Theory uncertainties are very small

Angular analysis of $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \tau^- \nu$ the next step for semileptonic analysis

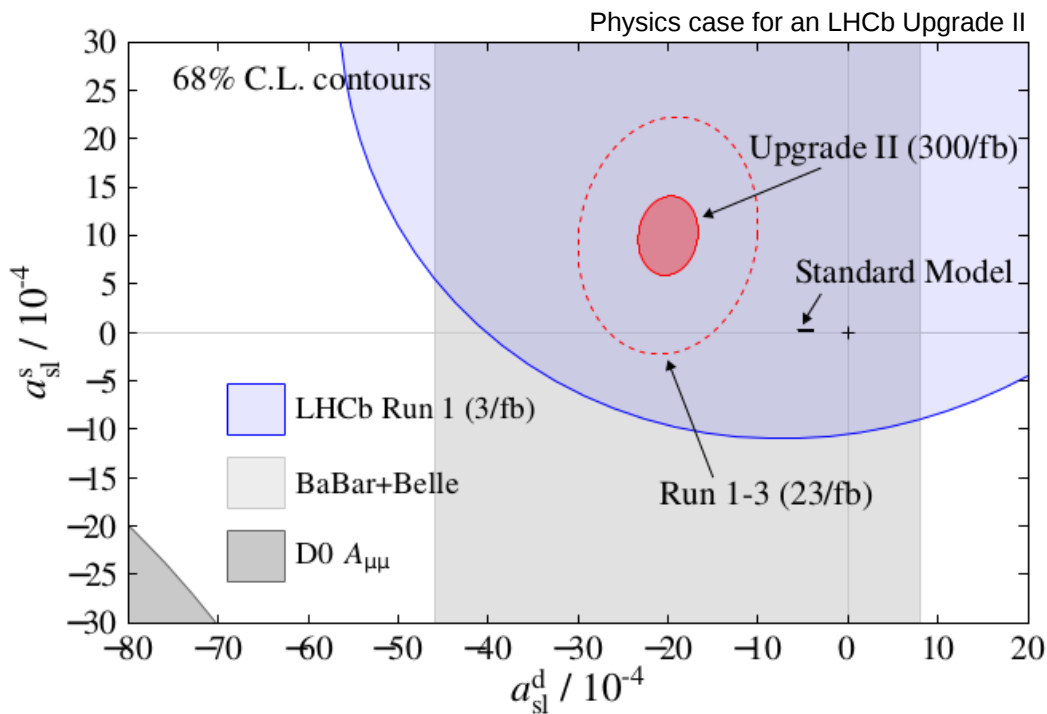
Will require huge data samples due to poor S/N for τ channel



Theoretical uncertainties

Exploit that we know that there is no (significant) CP violation in QCD

As example, the CP violation in B^0 and B_s^0 mixing has theory uncertainty far below even 300 fb^{-1} sensitivity



Can we learn something from the measurement?

Concentrating on the BSM physics, the quest is to be able to reach for high mass scales

Look at features that are forbidden or heavily suppressed in SM

Rare decays like $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

CP violation where there is little or none in SM

$B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$, Charm decays, B mixing

Closure tests

Unitarity of CKM matrix

Can we learn something from the measurement?

Just to know there is something new is not good enough

We need to differentiate

Measurement of single branching, e.g. $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ not useful for this

How does NP fit in with the quark sector?

Look at Cabibbo suppressed transitions

And the lepton sector?

Lepton flavour violation in addition to lepton non-universality?

Statistical accuracy

The current LHCb detector configuration will be used until end of Run-2 (2018)

~ factor 5 on Run-1 yield

The LHCb upgrade will take data for 6 years from 2021

~ factor 25

This ignores trigger improvements

A proposed LHCb upgrade phase-II will take data after 2030

~ factor 200



Statistical accuracy

The upgrades of CMS and ATLAS will take place after Run 3 (2025)

Primary design consideration is not flavour physics

With ~ 200 pp collisions per bunch crossing, flavour physics will be constrained in signatures or limited to special runs

Trigger would have to be a dedicated trigger like what CMS is doing this year

From detector technology point of view, both detectors capable of flavour physics

Experimental systematic uncertainty

The hardest of all limitations to predict

Angular acceptance in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

Use of $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ as control channel and more efficient simulation

Understand penguin pollution in CP violation measurements

There is a need to understand exactly what we measure CPV of

Relative efficiency of different lepton species

For e/μ this will turn easier with higher resolution calorimeter

For τ/μ the improved vertex detector will aid differentiation and modelling

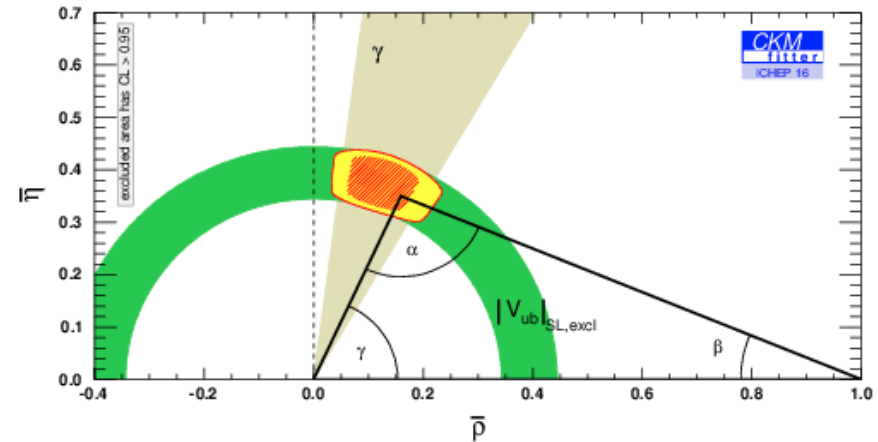
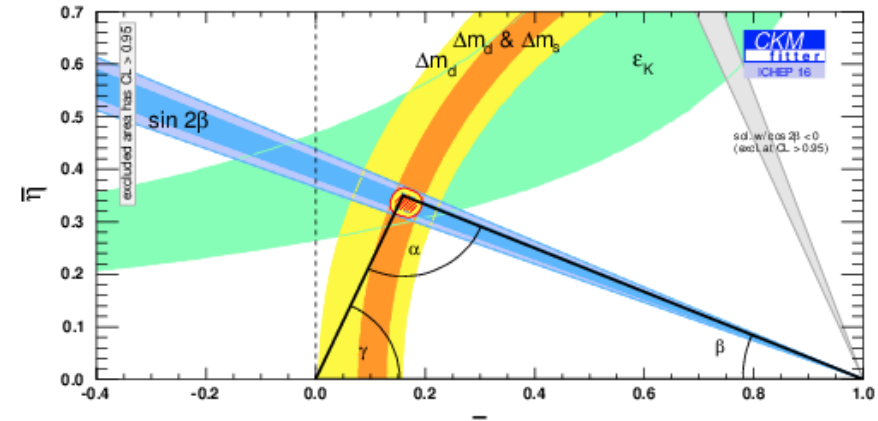
Unitarity triangle

We have very detailed knowledge of constraints on unitarity triangle

Still allows for NP amplitudes at the 20% level on SM

Perfectly compatible with NP at the TeV level

Measurements of CP angle γ are statistical limited even in long term future



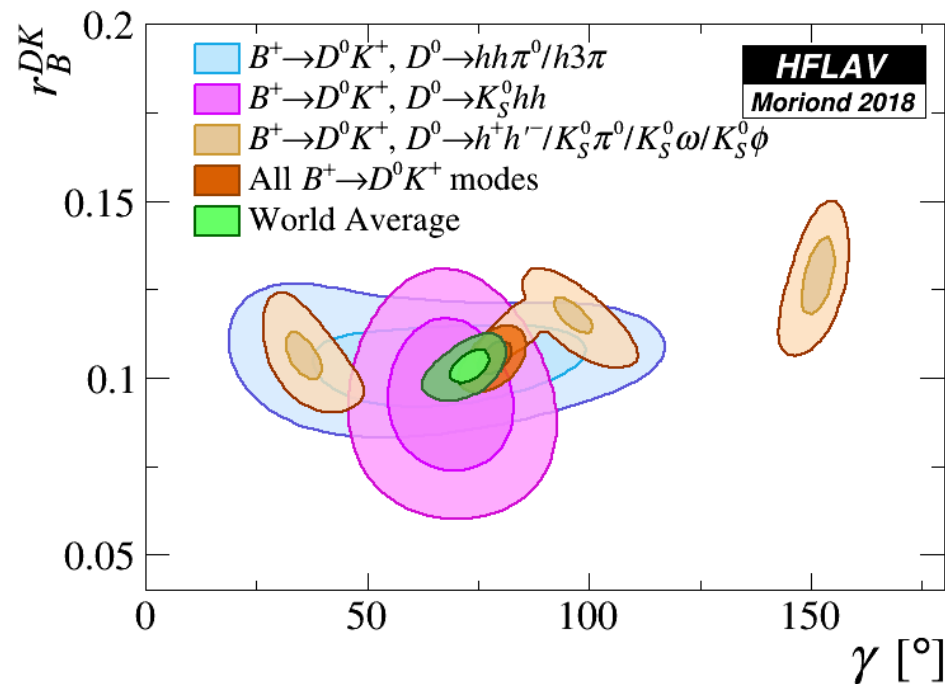
Other searches for New Physics

Measurement of CP angle γ

LHCb is providing the dominant measurements at the moment and will continue to dominate

Ambiguities are resolved by measurements in multiple channels

With 300 fb^{-1} , LHCb will reach resolution of 0.35°



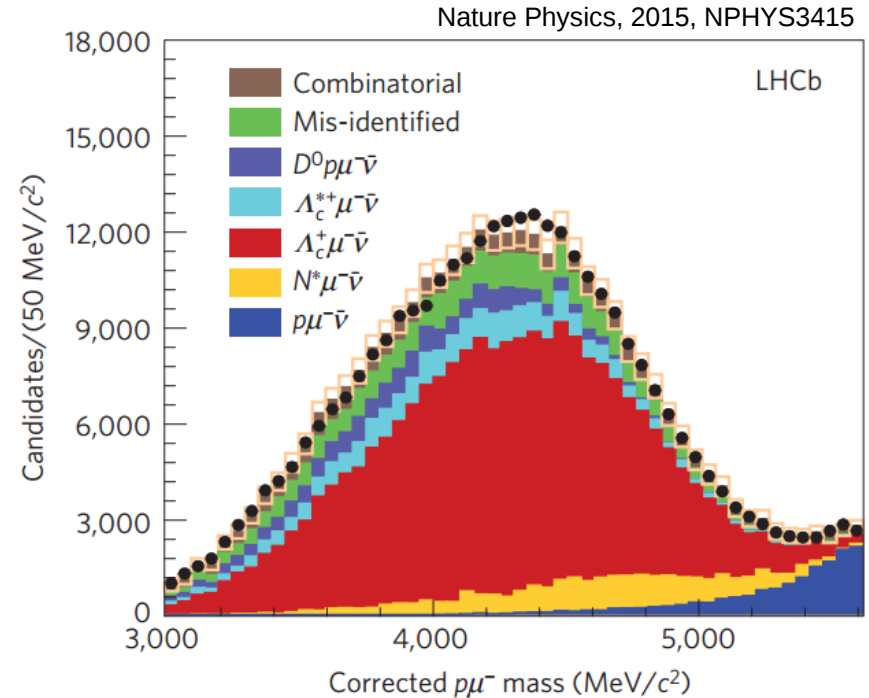
Unitarity triangle

LHCb has proven with the $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\mu\nu$ that precision measurements can be made of $|V_{ub}|/|V_{cb}|$

With semileptonic decays there is no signal peak as such

Use direction of flight of Λ_b to construct a “corrected mass”

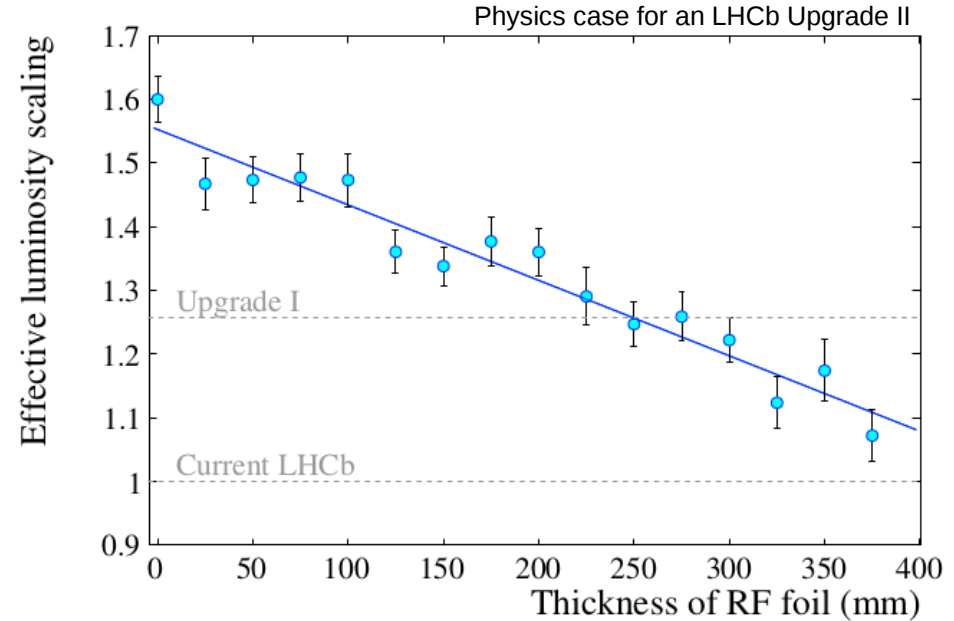
Resolution dominated by secondary vertex resolution



Unitarity triangle

For ultimate precision will need to go to $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu$ to get heavier spectator and thus improve Lattice QCD

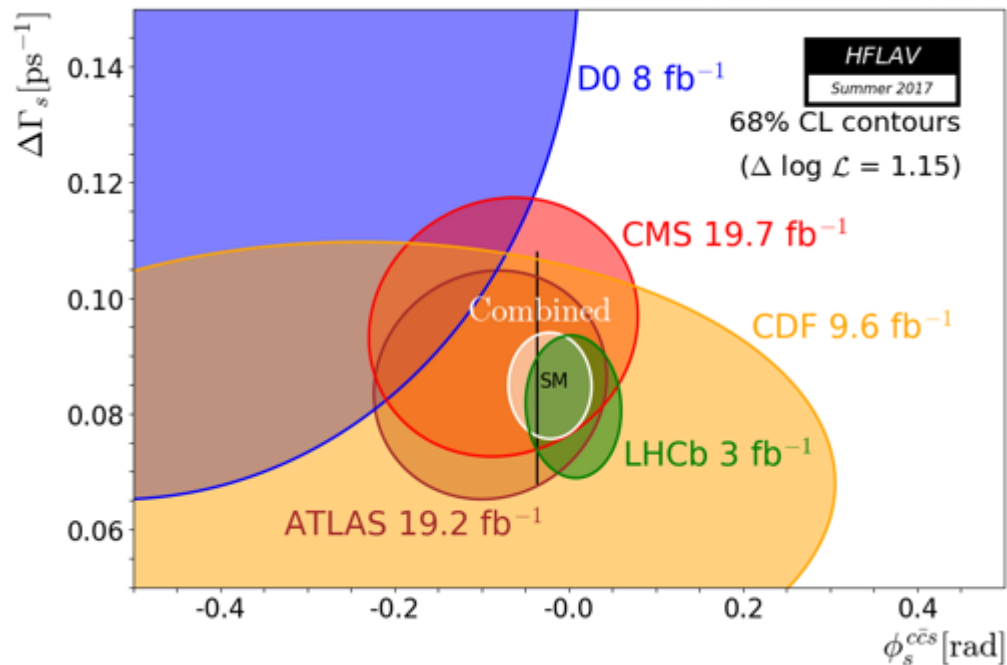
Combined drive of more data, detector improvements and lattice QCD improvements will give resolution in $|V_{ub}|/|V_{cb}|$ of 1%



Measurement of ϕ_s

CP violation in interference between mixing and decay in B_s^0 system is small and with tiny uncertainty in SM

Clean signature of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$ decay means that ATLAS and CMS has input here as well

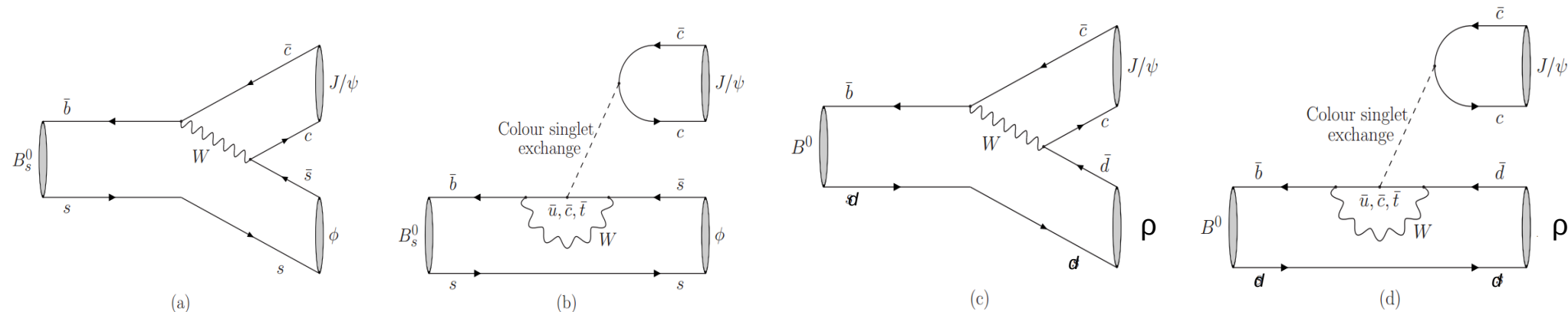


Measurement of ϕ_s

“Penguin pollution” arises from gluonic and EW penguin amplitudes

Measure these using SU(3) flavour symmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \rho$

$$\Delta\phi_s^{c\bar{c}s} \approx -\epsilon \left(\phi_d^{J/\psi \rho^0} - 2\beta \right)$$



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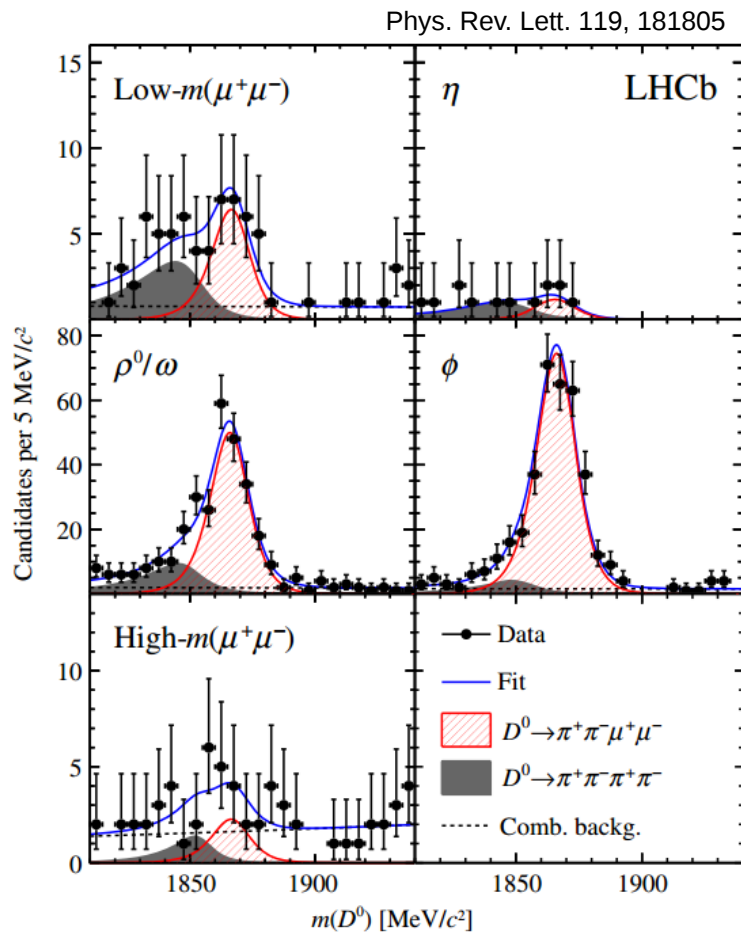
The up quark sector

Focus has been on the b quark so far as charm is viewed as theoretically too difficult

Discovery of $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$

$$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-) = (9.64 \pm 0.48 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.97) \times 10^{-7}$$

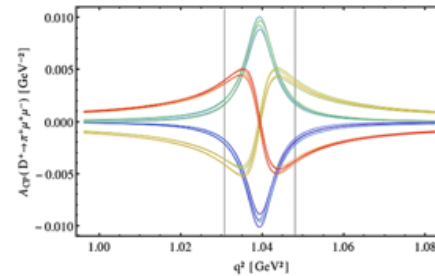
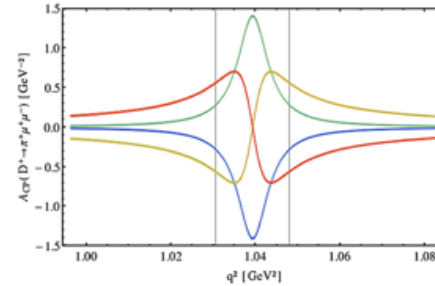
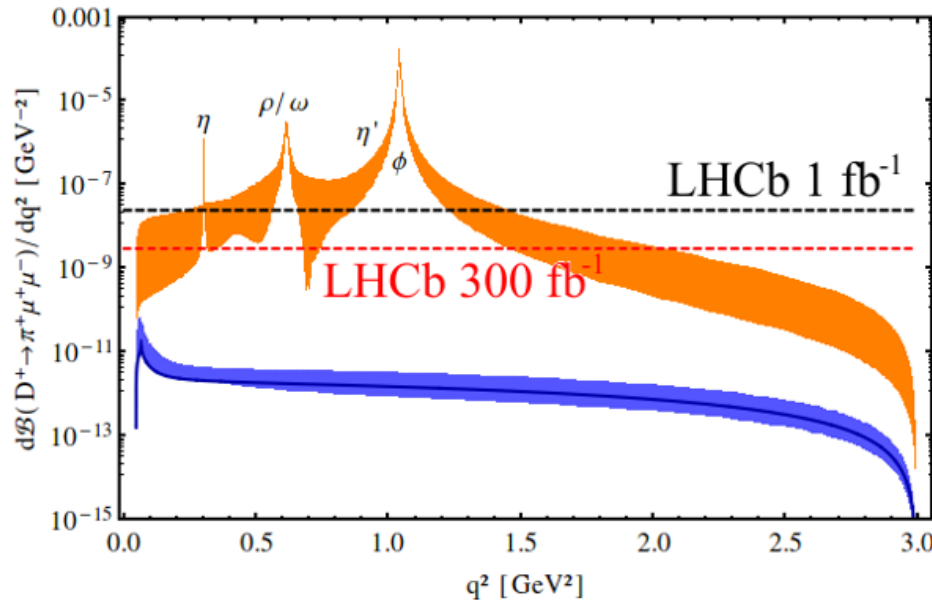
Dominated by long range effects so can not in itself be used to probe for NP



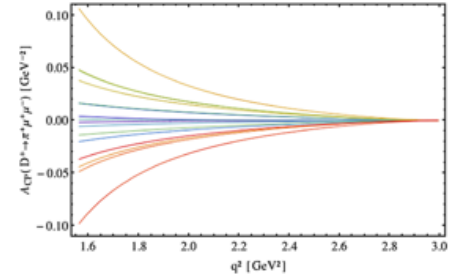
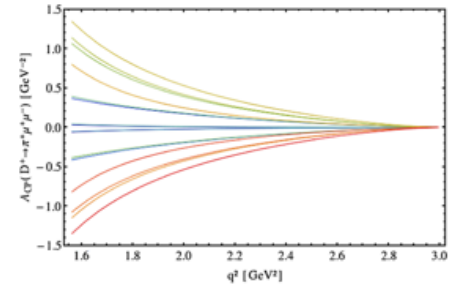
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First step towards looking for CP violation between short and long-range amplitudes

Such a measurement has NP sensitivity



Physics case for an LHCb Upgrade II



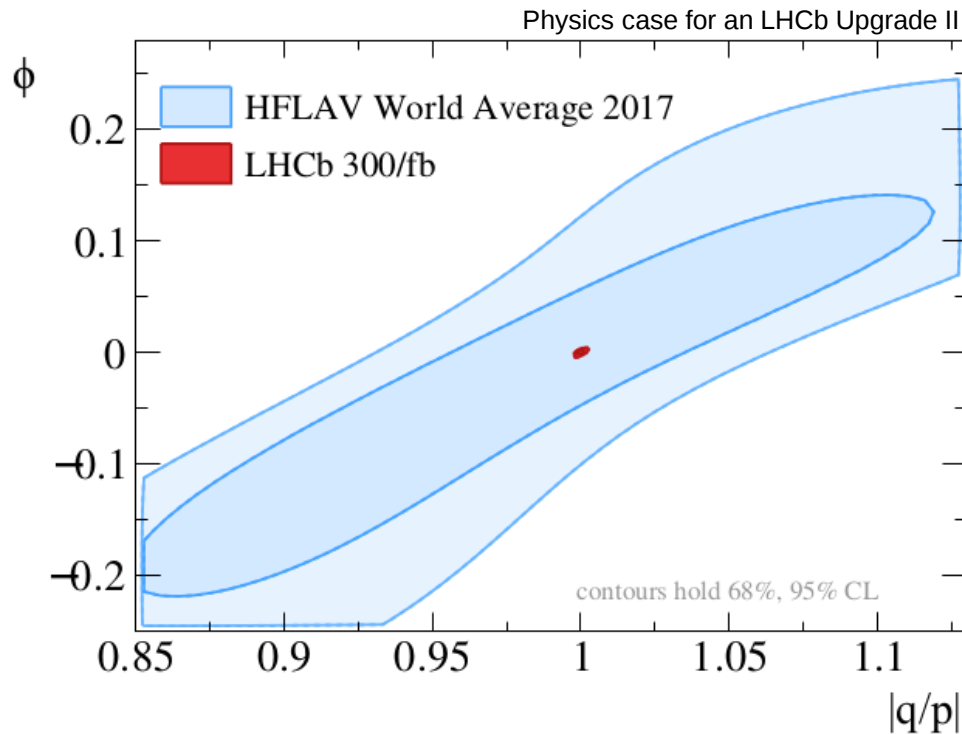
CPV in charm

Looking for CPV in charm is essentially a null test for NP

Change in trigger for LHCb allows
for higher trigger efficiency

Tracking extended to low
momentum allows for higher
tracking efficiency

Gain demonstrated here for
sensitivity to CPV in mixing



Performance summary

Table 10.1: Summary of prospects for future measurements of selected flavour observables. The projected LHCb sensitivities take no account of potential detector improvements, apart from in the trigger. Unless indicated otherwise the Belle-II sensitivities are taken from Ref. [568].

Observable	Current LHCb	LHCb 2025	Belle II	Upgrade II	GPDs Phase II
EW Penguins					
$R_K (1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2 c^4)$	0.1 [255]	0.022	0.036	0.006	—
$R_{K^*} (1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2 c^4)$	0.1 [254]	0.029	0.032	0.008	—
R_ϕ, R_{pK}, R_π	—	0.07, 0.04, 0.11	—	0.02, 0.01, 0.03	—
CKM tests					
γ , with $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ K^-$	$(^{+17}_{-22})^\circ$ [123]	4°	—	1°	—
γ , all modes	$(^{+5.0}_{-5.8})^\circ$ [152]	1.5°	1.5°	0.35°	—
$\sin 2\beta$, with $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$	0.04 [569]	0.011	0.005	0.003	—
ϕ_s , with $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$	49 mrad [32]	14 mrad	—	4 mrad	22 mrad [570]
ϕ_s , with $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ D_s^-$	170 mrad [37]	35 mrad	—	9 mrad	—
ϕ_s^{ss} , with $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \phi$	150 mrad [571]	60 mrad	—	17 mrad	Under study [572]
α_{sd}^s	33×10^{-4} [193]	10×10^{-4}	—	3×10^{-4}	—
$ V_{ub} / V_{cb} $	6% [186]	3%	1%	1%	—
$B_s^0, B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$					
$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)/\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$	90% [244]	34%	—	10%	21% [573]
$\tau_{B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}$	22% [244]	8%	—	2%	—
$S_{\mu\mu}$	—	—	—	0.2	—
$b \rightarrow cl^- \bar{\nu}_l$ LUV studies					
$R(D^*)$	9% [199, 202]	3%	2%	1%	—
$R(J/\psi)$	25% [202]	8%	—	2%	—
Charm					
$\Delta A_{CP}(KK - \pi\pi)$	8.5×10^{-4} [574]	1.7×10^{-4}	5.4×10^{-4}	3.0×10^{-5}	—
$A_\Gamma (\approx x \sin \phi)$	2.8×10^{-4} [222]	4.3×10^{-5}	3.5×10^{-5}	1.0×10^{-5}	—
$x \sin \phi$ from $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$	13×10^{-4} [210]	3.2×10^{-4}	4.6×10^{-4}	8.0×10^{-5}	—
$x \sin \phi$ from multibody decays	—	$(K3\pi) 4.0 \times 10^{-5}$ $(K_S^0 \pi \pi) 1.2 \times 10^{-4}$	$(K3\pi) 1.2 \times 10^{-4}$ $(K_S^0 \pi \pi) 8.0 \times 10^{-6}$		—

Anomalies persist: When is enough enough?

If NP is there, we need to understand its properties

$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$ angular analysis compared to $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

Can help us understand if NP observes minimal flavour violation

Search for $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ \mu^-$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau^+ \mu^-$

Is NP flavour diagonal in lepton sector?

Measure dilepton “R” in $b \rightarrow d$ transitions, $B \rightarrow \pi/\rho/p\bar{p} l^+ l^-$

Does lepton non-universality depend on quark sector?

None of these measurements are systematic limited at 300 fb^{-1}

Any new facility should include a flavour physics programme

Anomalies gone: When is enough enough?

The reach in terms of mass and couplings in EFT scales as

$$\# \text{ events} = \left(\frac{\lambda^2}{M^2} \right)^2 \Rightarrow M \propto \sqrt[4]{\# \text{ events}}$$

That is a factor 2.5 between now and end of HL-LHC

More than the factor 2 jump from HL-LHC to HE-LHC for direct searches

As 300 fb^{-1} does not hit systematic limit for many analyses this is for sure worth while

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An x100 increase in #events will increase energy reach by x3

Conclusion

If NP is there for discovery in Flavour Physics, there is a rich programme ahead of us to understand it!

Flavour physics will be a competitive NP search tool for at least another generation

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R_K	$R(D^*)$	$\frac{B(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{B(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} [\%]$	