

Study of the b-hadron decays at LHCb

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- Summary

- Study in $\bar{D}^0 KK$ system

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- Study in $\pi^0 hh'$ system Ongoing

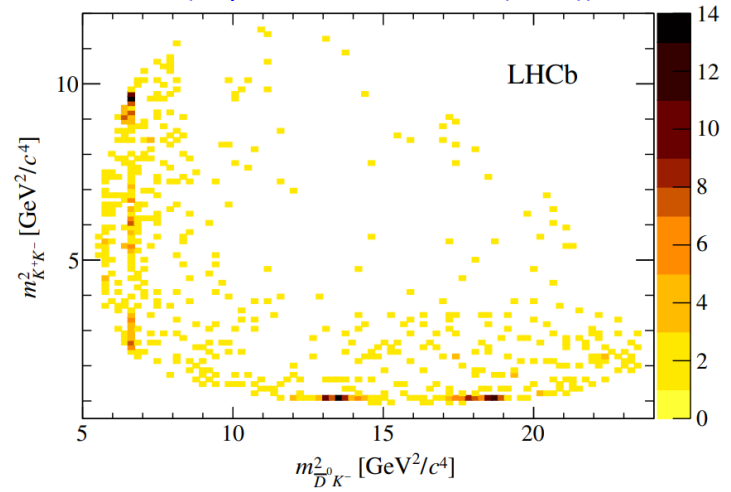
- CPV measurement
- CKM angle α measurement

Physic motivation (spectroscopy studies)

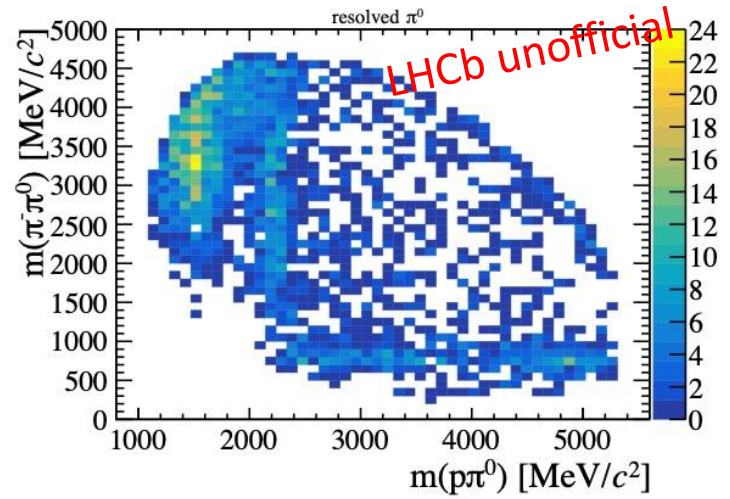
- Rich resonant structures
- ϕ , ρ , excited D_S^* ...

$$B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K K$$

(Phys. Rev. D.98 072006 (2018))



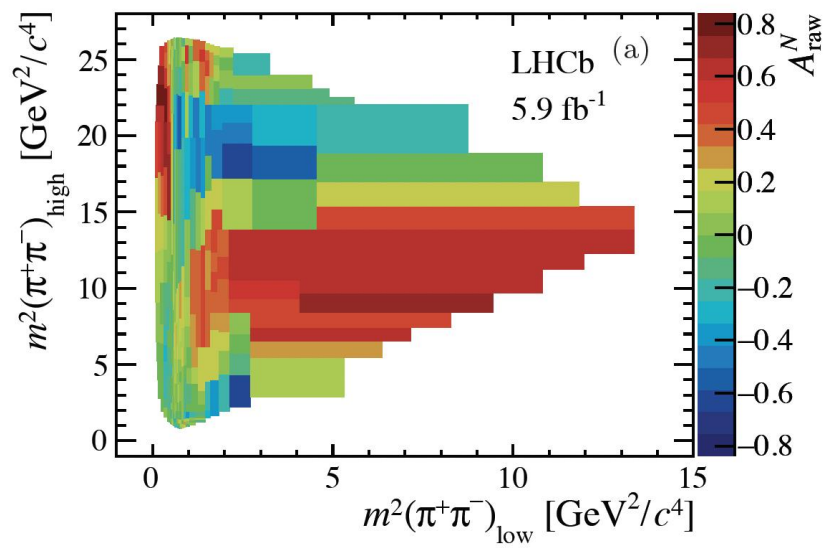
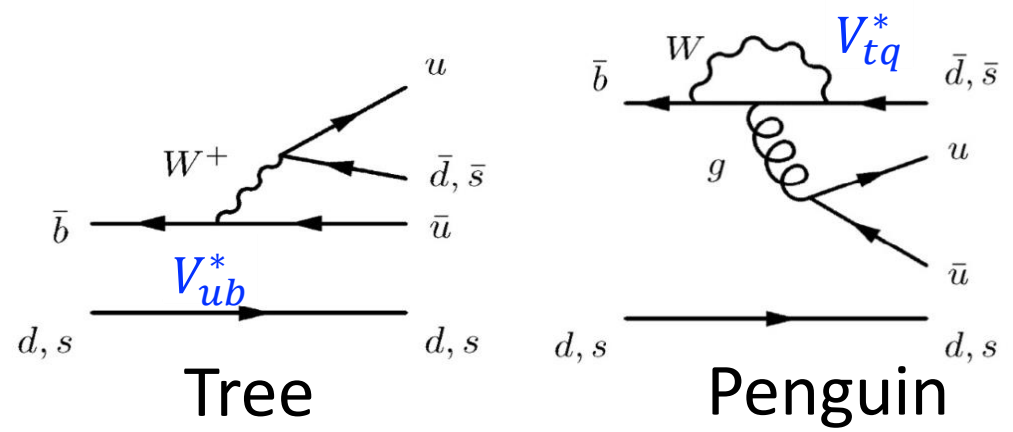
$$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p \pi^- \pi^0$$



Physic motivation (CPV measurement)

$B_{(s)}^0 / \Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow hh\pi^0$ system

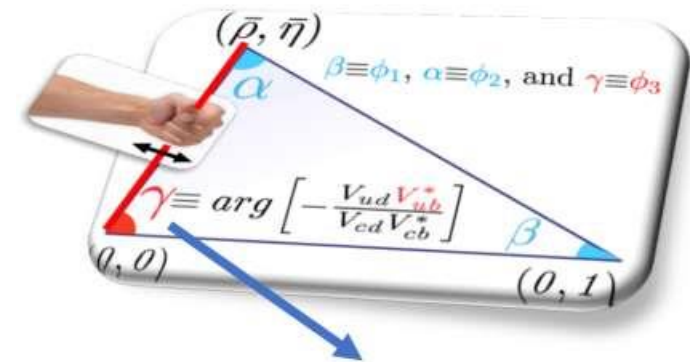
- Beauty charmless decays: $b \rightarrow q\bar{q}s, q\bar{q}d$
 Interference between tree and loop diagrams gives rise to direct CP violation
- $K-\pi$ puzzle : CP asymmetries in 2-body B meson decays inconsistent with simple isospin relation
 (Phys.Rev.D 71 (2005) 057502)
- Large and variation of CP violation in localized phase space of B^+ 3-body decays
 (LHCb: Phys. Rev. D108 (2023) 012008)
- Neutral $B_{(s)}^0$ decays yet to be explored
 - Phase-space dependent CP violation expected
 - To test isospin/SU(3) relations for quasi-two-body CP violation and branching fraction



Physic motivation (CPV measurement)

$B \rightarrow DKK$ system

- Measure γ directly using tree-level decays ([JHEP 1401\(2014\)051](#))
- Theoretically clean ($\delta\gamma/\gamma < 10^{-7}$)
- HFLAV latest: $\gamma = (65.9^{+3.3}_{-3.5})^\circ$
- LHCb dominated: $\gamma = (63.8^{+3.5}_{-3.7})^\circ$ ([LHCb-CONF-2022-003](#))
- Indirect measurement is sensitive to New Physics
- CKMFitter latest indirect: $\gamma = (66.3^{+0.7}_{-1.9})^\circ$



$$\gamma = \arg \left(-\frac{V_{ud} V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd} V_{cb}^*} \right)$$

- Best knowledge of γ comes from combination of many measurements

- Largest uncertainty for γ in B_S^0 mode:

$$\gamma = (79_{-24}^{+21})^\circ$$

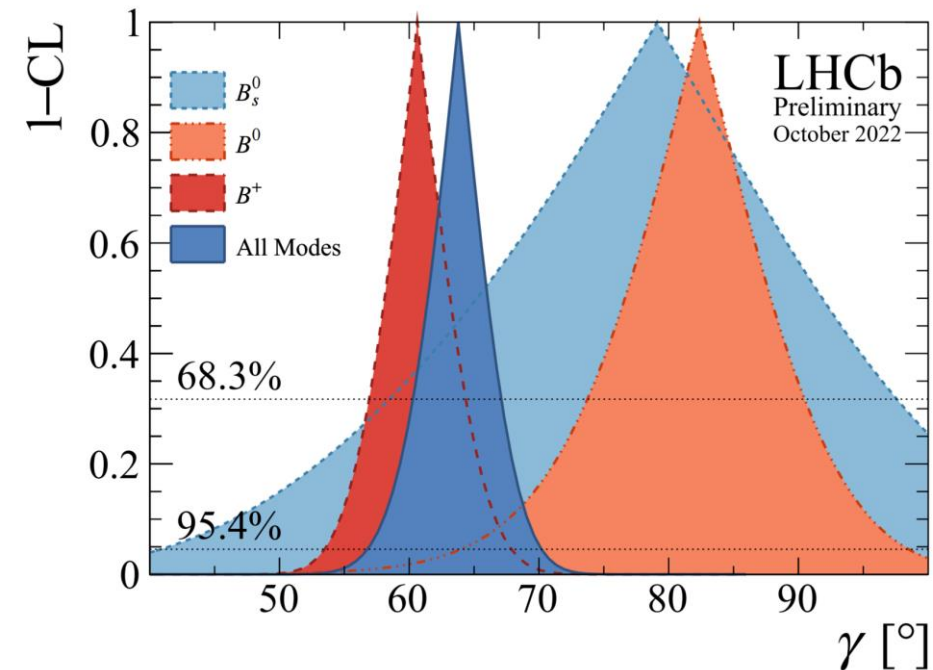
- $B_S^0 \rightarrow D_S^{\mp} K^\pm : \gamma = (128_{-22}^{+17})^\circ$ (*JHEP 03(2018)059*)

- $B_S^0 \rightarrow D_S^{\mp} K^\pm \pi^+ \pi^- : \gamma = (44 \pm 12)^\circ$ (*JHEP 03(2021)137*)

- Need more modes of B_S^0 to constrain the γ uncertainty

- γ sensitivity study via $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi : 8^\circ - 19^\circ$ (9 fb^{-1})

(*Chin. Phys. C45(2021) 023003*)



Improved branching ratio measurements on

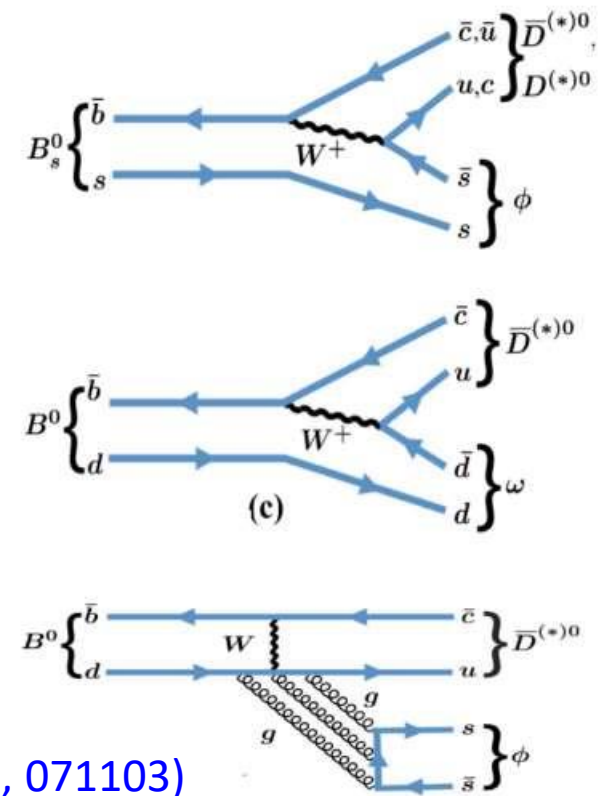
$$B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$$

arXiv: 2306.02768

JHEP10(2023)123

Introduction of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$ can proceed by $b \rightarrow c$ or $b \rightarrow u$ process:
 - Measuring longitudinal polarization (f_L) is particularly interesting
 - Can be used to determine γ
- $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$ can be proceeded by:
 - OZI suppressed decay
 - $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \omega$ with $\omega - \phi$ mixing
 - Theoretical prediction $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \phi \sim 1.6 \times 10^{-6}$ (Phys. Lett. B 666(2008) 185)
 - $B(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \phi) < 2.0(2.3) \times 10^{-6}$ at 90%(95%) CL
 - Help to extract $\omega - \phi$ mixing angle (Phys. Rev. D98(2018)072006, 071103)



Results of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$

- Evidence of $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$ is reported

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \phi) = (7.7 \pm 2.1 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-7}, \quad 3.6\sigma$$

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \phi) = (2.2 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-6}, \quad 4.3\sigma$$

$$B(B_s^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \phi) = (2.30 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-5},$$

$$B(B_s^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \phi) = (3.17 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.27) \times 10^{-5},$$

- Fraction of longitudinal polarization

$$f_L(B_s^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \phi) = (53.1 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.9)\%$$

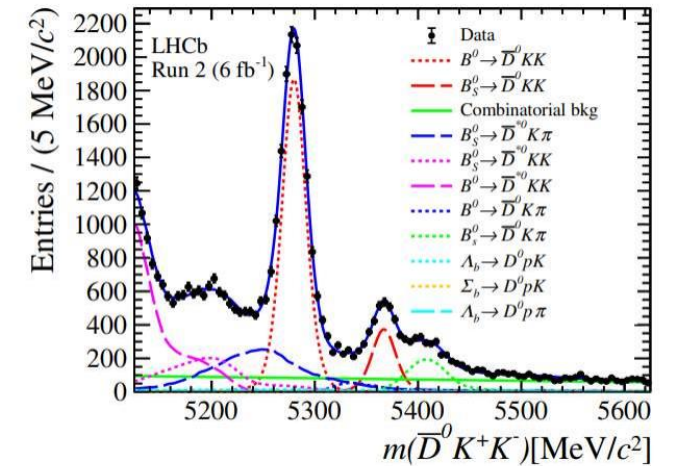
- Combining the branching fractions of $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \omega$, $\omega - \phi$ mixing angle determined:

$$\tan^2 \delta = (3.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$$

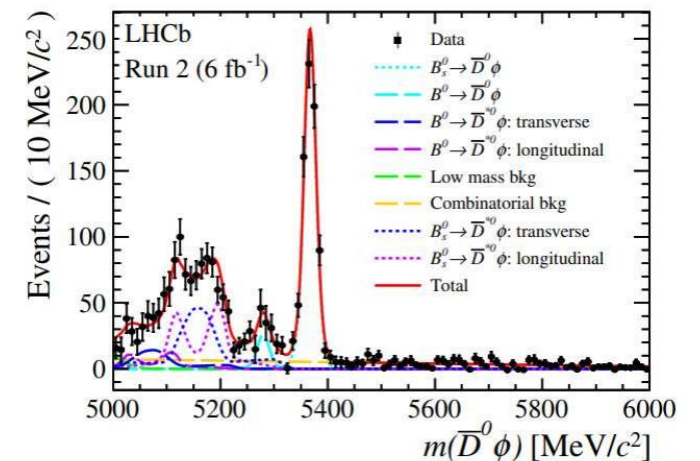
Consistent with the theoretical prediction

(*Phys. Lett. B* 666(2008) 185)

Control channel $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 KK$



Signal mode $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$



CKM angle γ measurement via $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$

Ongoing

CKM angle γ measurement via $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$

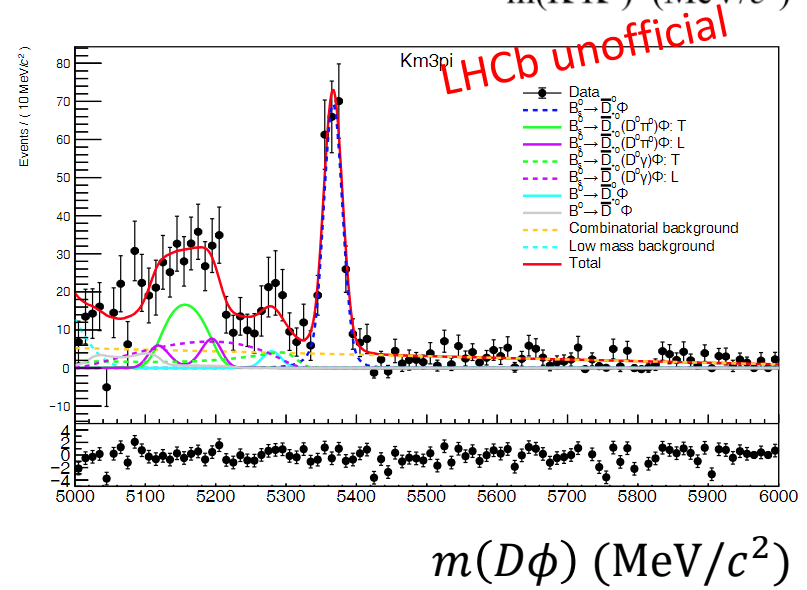
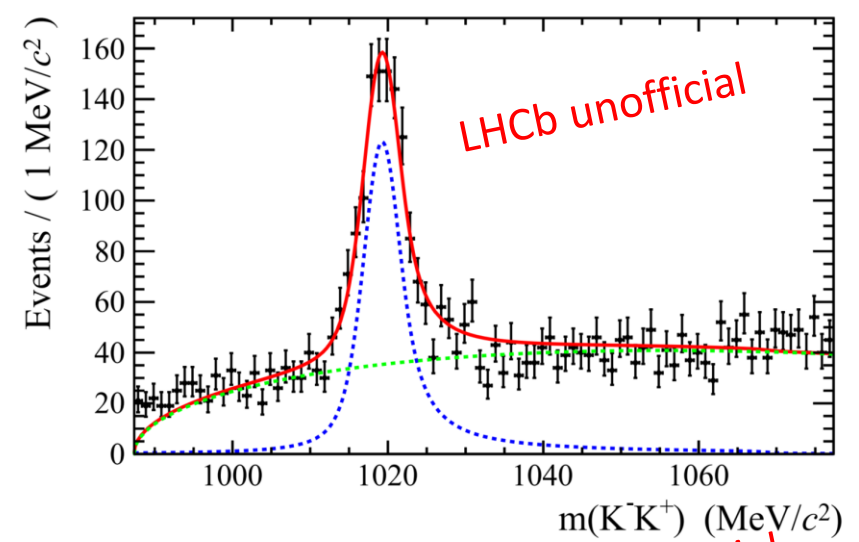
- Time-integrated and flavour-untagged method

(Phys.Rev.D.69.113003-2004)
 (Phys. Lett. B 649 (2007) 61)
 (LHCb-PUB-2010-005)

- Using various neutral D meson sub-decays

- Flavour specific modes: $K\pi, K\pi\pi\pi, K\pi\pi^0$
- CP eigenstates modes: $KK, \pi\pi$ ($K_S^0 hh$ not include due to lack of statistics)

- Use sPlot technique to extract pure ϕ signal



CKM angle γ measurement via $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$

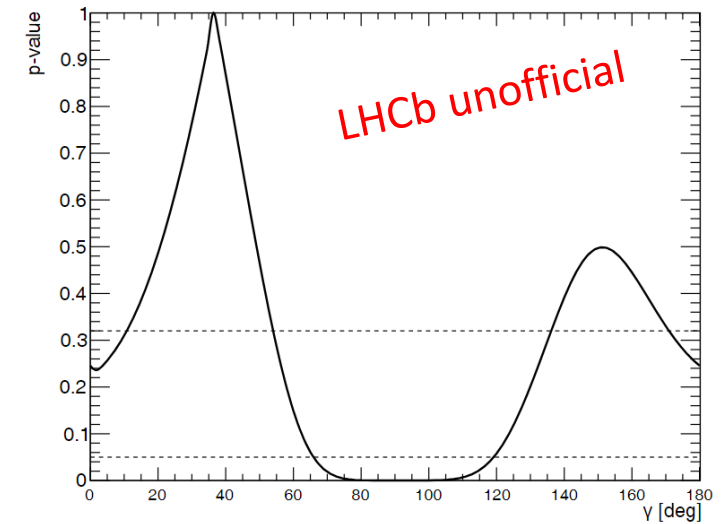
- Analysis ongoing, preliminary result gives:

$$\gamma = (37_{-26}^{+17})^\circ$$

- Compatible with sensitivity study ($8^\circ - 19^\circ$)

(*Chin. Phys. C45(2021) 023003*)

- Worse $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \phi$ uncertainty than prediction (large background contamination), dominated by $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \phi$



Observation of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}$

arXiv: 2308.00587

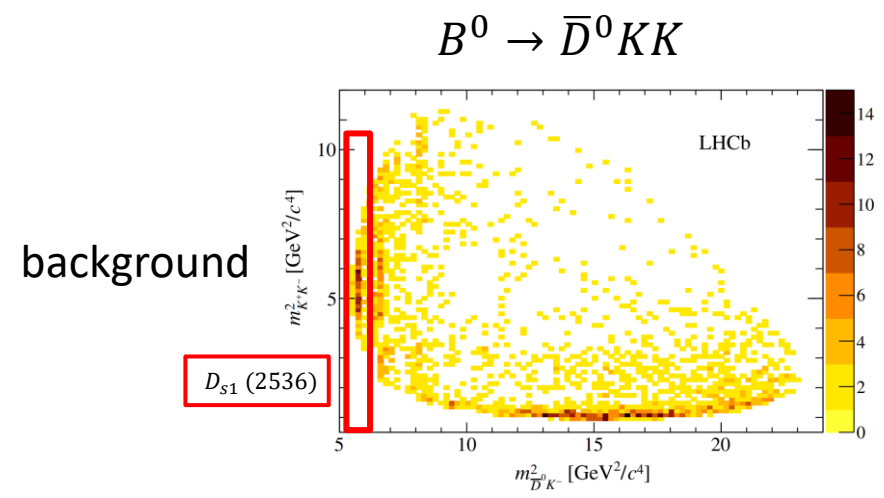
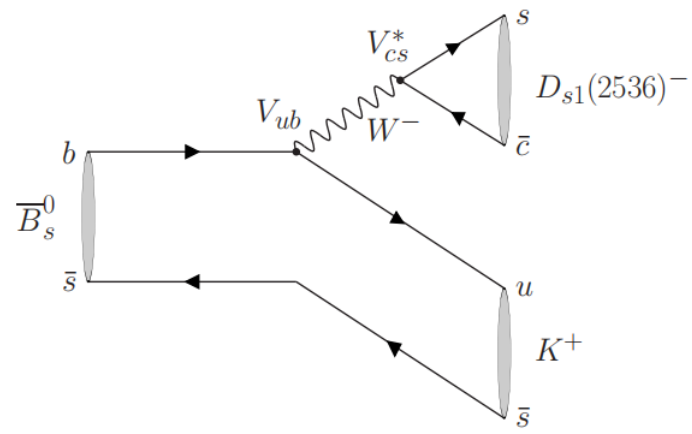
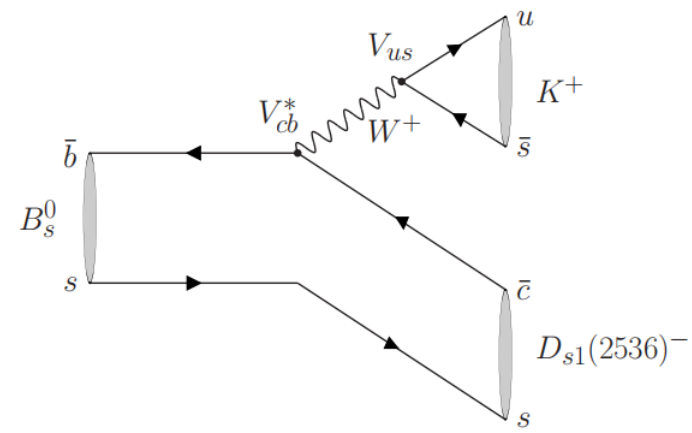
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Search for of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}$

- Can proceed by $b \rightarrow c$ or $b \rightarrow u$ process
 - Sensitive to CKM angle γ

- An extension of previous $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 KK$ work

- A significant peak corresponding to $D_{s1}(2536)$ ([Phys. Rev. D.98 072006 \(2018\)](#))
- $D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}$ not observed in $B_{(s)}^0$ in previous study



Observation of the decay $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}$

- sPlot technique is used to extract $D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp}$ signal

- Observation of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}$

$$B(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}) \times B(D_{s1}(2536)^- \rightarrow \bar{D}^*(2007)^0 K^-) = (2.49 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow D_{s1}(2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}) \times B(D_{s1}(2536)^- \rightarrow \bar{D}^*(2007)^0 K^-) = (0.510 \pm 0.021 \pm 0.036 \pm 0.050) \times 10^{-5}$$

$> 10\sigma$

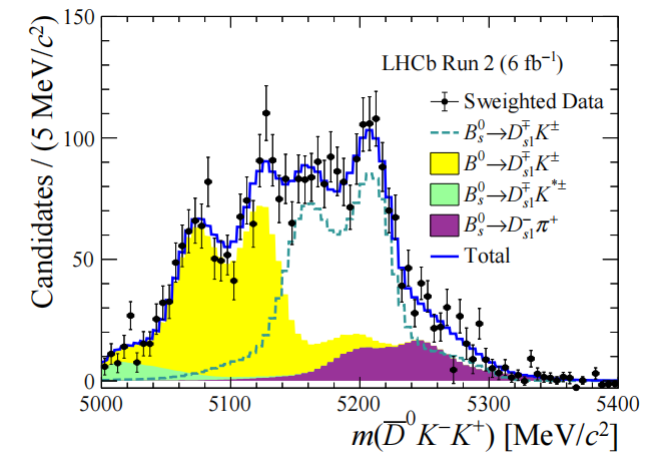
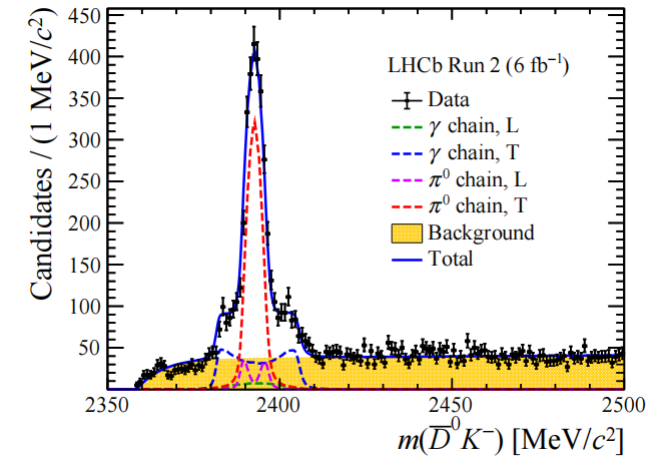
- Helicity-related parameters also determined

Amplitudes ratio of S- and D-wave:

$$k = 1.11 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.06$$

Amplitudes phase difference of S- and D-wave:

$$|\psi| = 0.70 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.04$$

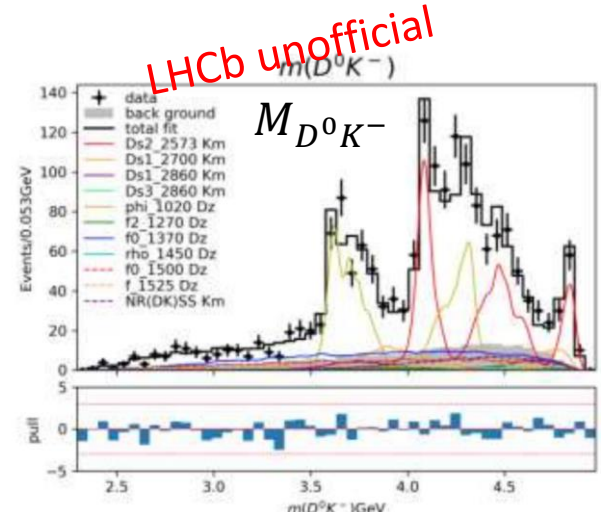
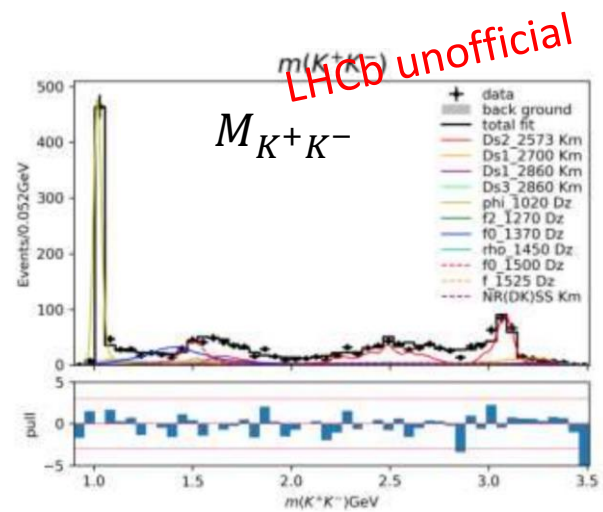
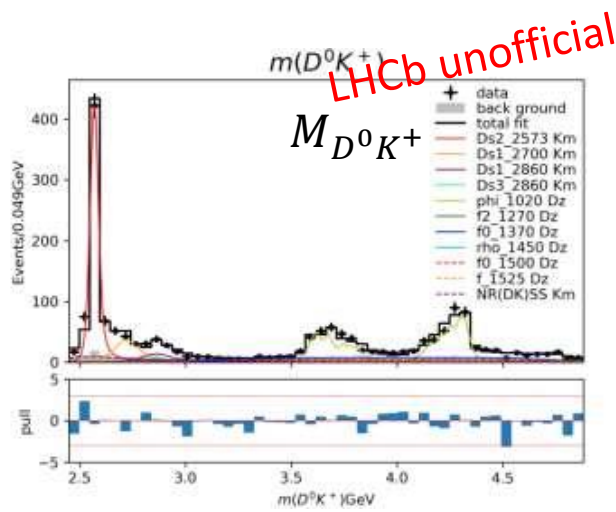
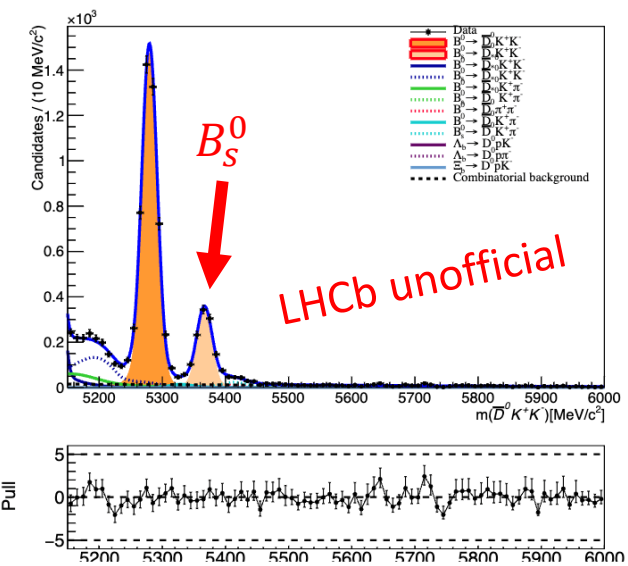


Dalitz analysis of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K K$

Ongoing

Dalitz analysis of $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 KK$

- High purity after selection:
 - ~1200 signals with purity 83% for $B_S^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 KK$
- Dalitz analysis ongoing
 - $D_{S2}^*(2573)^-, D_{S1}^*(2700)^-, \phi(1020), f_2(1270)$ peaks observed in projection plots



$B_{(s)}^0 / \Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 h^+ h'^-$ studies

Ongoing

$B_{(s)}^0/\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 h^+ h'^-$ decays

- No data available at hadron colliders
 - $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 h^+ h'^-$ only measured by B-factories, much more statistics at LHCb
 - $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ via ρ resonances golden channel for CKM angle α measurement
 - $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 p h^-$ only accessible by LHCb
- Included decays: $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$, $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$, $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^0$, $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \pi^0$, $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p \pi^- \pi^0$
 - Similar decay topology, permitting simultaneous event selection
 - Relative branching fraction measurements cancel systematic uncertainties
 - Self flavor-tagged decays make possible direct CP violation measurement
- Key analysis
 - π^0 reconstruction/calibration: merged $\pi^0 (\rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$, resolved π^0 (two γ forming a single big cluster)
 - Huge combinatorial background: due to lack of vertex information for π^0
 - π^0 - γ separation for resolved π^0

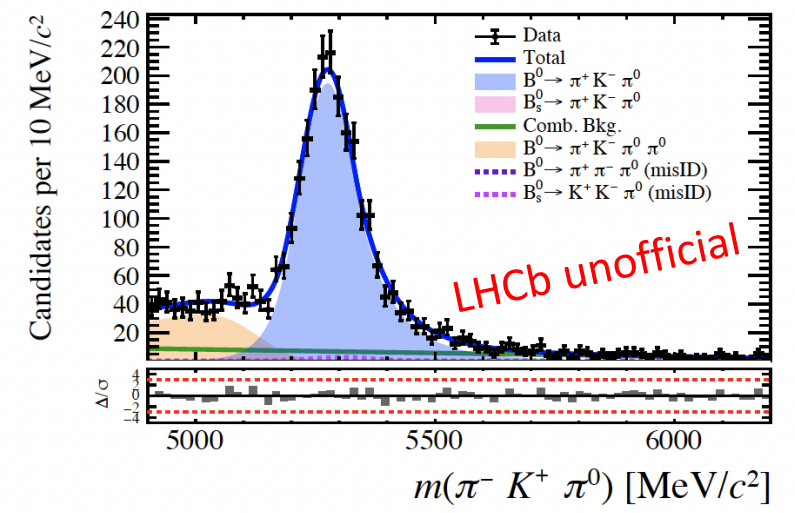
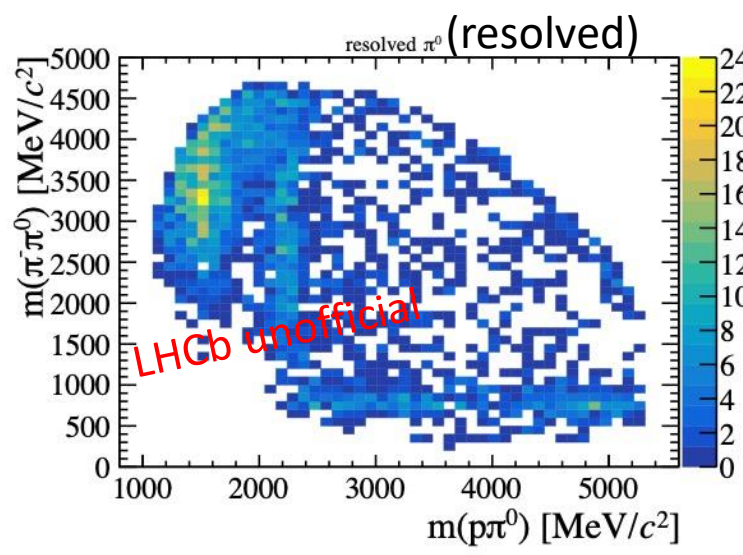
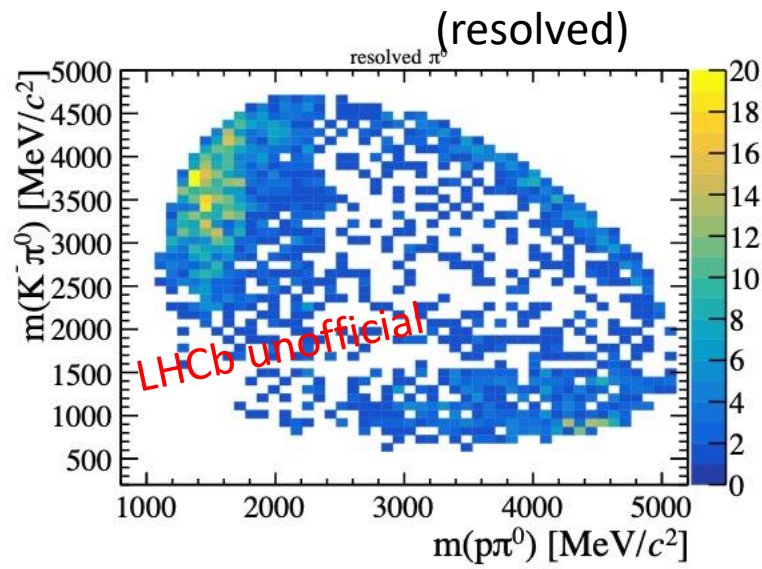
Promising measurements

- Huge statistics already with LHCb Run1+Run2 data
- Rich Dalitz/resonance structures
- Reasonable purity achieved in localized resonance regions

$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^- \pi^0$ (resolved)
Total yield ~ 4000

$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^- \pi^0$
Total yield ~ 4000

$B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
Total yield $\sim 100\ 000$



K^{*+} region with $\cos \theta < 0$

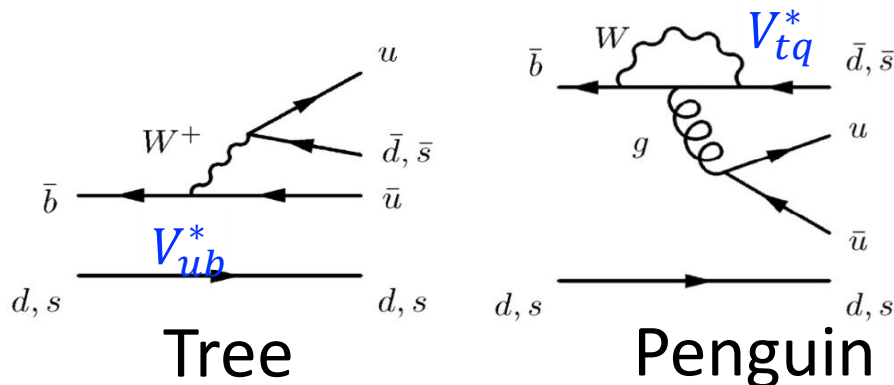
- Papers published
 - Study of the CKM angle γ sensitivity using flavor untagged $B_s^0 \rightarrow \tilde{D}^{(*)0} \phi$ decays [\(Chin. Phys. C45\(2021\) 023003\)](#)
 - Evidence for the decays $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$ and updated measurement of the branching fractions of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$ decays [\(JHEP10\(2023\)123\)](#)
 - Observation of the decay $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow D_{s1} (2536)^{\mp} K^{\pm}$ [\(JHEP10\(2023\)106\)](#)
- Work ongoing
 - CKM angle γ measurement via $B_s^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)0} \phi$
 - Dalitz analysis of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 KK$
 - Studies with $B_{(s)}^0 / \Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 h^+ h'^-$

Thank you for your attention

Backups

$b \rightarrow hh\pi^0$ system

- Interference between tree/penguin diagrams
 - Direct CPV



- $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow ph\pi^0$: yet no baryon CPV observed

(Phys. Lett. B, 2018, 787 : 124 – 133)

- $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ via ρ resonances: CKM angle α measurement

$$\alpha = \arg \left(-\frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*} \right)$$