Measurements of time-dependent CP violation in B decay at Belle and Belle II

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Introduction

- CKM matrix describes transition probabilities between quark flavor states in the Standard Model.
- Unitarity of CKM matrix represented by triangles in complex plane.
- ► Over-constrain the triangle → any deviation from triangle hints towards New Physics.
- ► To date, no significant deviations from the Standard Model → more precise measurements needed (e.g. Belle II, LHCb).



SuperKEKB and Belle II

- SuperKEKB: Asymmetric e^+e^- collision at the $\Upsilon(4S)$ energy.
 - Run 1: Collected 365 fb⁻¹ on-resonance data, corresponding to 387M BB pairs.
 - Achieved world record instantaneous luminosity of $5.1 \times 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$.
 - Run2: data-taking ongoing.
- Belle II: Upgrade of all purpose Belle detector.
 - ► New pixel detector close to interaction region → Improved vertex resolution.
 - Efficient reconstruction of neutral particles (e.g. K_S, π⁰).
 - Known initial conditions (ideal for decays with missing energy).



Mixing-Induced CP Violation

Interference of mixing and decay amplitudes lead to mixing-induced CP violation.

 ϕ_1 contributes as the mixing phase $|V_{td}|e^{i\phi_1}$ in B meson mixing.

Decay to CP eigenstate f_{CP} .



$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(t) = \frac{N(\overline{B}^0 \to f_{CP}) - N(\overline{B}^0 \to f_{CP})}{N(\overline{B}^0 \to f_{CP}) + N(\overline{B}^0 \to f_{CP})}(t) = S_{CP}\sin(\Delta m_d t) - C_{CP}\cos(\Delta m_d t)$$

 S_{CP} : mixing-induced CP asymmetry C_{CP} : direct CP asymmetry

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Time-Dependent CP Measurements at Belle II



Critical for good time-dependent measurements at Belle II:

- 1. Good vertex resolution compensating for lower boost (Belle II: $\Delta z \approx 130 \mu m$, Belle: $\Delta z \approx 200 \mu m$).
- 2. High tagging efficiency due to entanglement (Belle II: $\epsilon_{tag} = (37.4 \pm 0.5)\%$, Belle: $\epsilon_{tag} = (30.1 \pm 0.4)\%$)

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GNN Flavor Tagger (GFlaT)

New flavor tagger (GFIaT) based on graph neural network (GNN), which uses interrelational information between particles, developed at Belle II

 \rightarrow Improved tagging efficiency leads to $\sim 18\%$ more effective data compared to conventional flavor tagger!



All analyses presented today use GFIaT!

$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^-$: Physics and Analysis

Measure ϕ_2 from time-dependent analysis of $b \to u\bar{u}d$ transitions. Pollution from $b \to d$ penguin amplitude: $S_{CP} = \sqrt{1 - C_{CP}^2} \sin(2\phi_2 + \Delta\phi_2)$. $P \to VV$ decay: one longitudinal and two transverse polarization states \to measure longitudinal polarization fraction f_L from decay (helicity) angle distributions of ρ^{\pm} mesons.

- ▶ $\rho^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{0}$: good Δt resolution from 2 prompt tracks.
- Challenge: large combinatorial backgrounds from low energy photons

 → train classifier to distinguish correct and fake photons.
- Signal extraction fit in ΔE , $\cos \theta_{\rho^{\pm}}$, $m_{\pi^{\pm}\pi^{0}}$, $q\bar{q}$ background suppression variable.



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$B^0 \to \rho^+ \rho^-$: Results

► Use signal weighting from previous fit to extract C_{CP} and S_{CP} from fit of ∆t in bins of GFlaT output.

$$\mathcal{B} = (2.89^{+0.23}_{-0.22}^{+0.29}) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$f_L = 0.921^{+0.024}_{-0.025}^{+0.017}_{-0.05}$$

$$C_{CP} = -0.02 \pm 0.12^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$$

$$S_{CP} = -0.26 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.08$$

On par with world's best measurements. Perform isospin analysis combining $B \to \rho \rho$ and $B \to \pi \pi$ results (details on $B^0 \to \pi^0 \pi^0$ in Xiaodong's talk) to extract $\phi_2 = (92.6^{+4.5}_{-4.7})^{\circ}$.



$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^0$: Physics and Analysis

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Measurements of ϕ_1 in $b \to c\bar{c}s$ transitions are shifted by penguin contributions. Use $B^0 \to J/\psi \pi^0$ which proceeds via a $b \to c\bar{c}d$ transition to constrain resulting shift. $\phi_d^{eff} = 2\phi_1 + \Delta\phi_d$, with $\Delta\phi_d \approx 0.5^\circ$.

- ▶ $J/\psi \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ ($\ell = e/\mu$) gives experimentally clean signal.
- Challenge: reconstruction of $\pi^0: B \to J/\psi X$ backgrounds.
- ► Signal extraction fit in ΔE and $m(\ell^+\ell^-)$ with shapes controlled from $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$ and $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*+}$ decays.



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$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^0$: Results

Use signal weighting from previous fit to extract C_{CP} and S_{CP} in signal region from fit of Δt in bins of GFlaT output.

$$\mathcal{B} = (2.00 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-5}$$
$$C_{CP} = 0.13 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.03$$
$$S_{CP} = -0.88 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.03$$

First observation (with 5σ) of mixing-induced CP violation in $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^0$ from a single measurement! Already used to constrain $\Delta \phi_d$: arXiv:2501.09414



 $B^0 \to J/\psi\omega$

 $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\omega$, like $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^0$, proceeds via a $b \rightarrow c\bar{c}d$ transition. Channel can be used to constrain shift in ϕ_1 due to penguin contributions and as control channel for decays mediated by $b \rightarrow d\ell^+\ell^-$ transitions. $P \rightarrow VV$ decay: measure longitudinal polarization fraction in the future.

• Challenge: reconstruction of $\omega \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ \to use BDT to suppress backgrounds from fake ω candidates.

$$\mathcal{B} = (2.16 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-5}$$

First observation of this decay, with 6.5σ significance!

Most precise result to date!



Conclusion

- The presented results are competitive with world's best measurements or world leading.
- Many channels only accessible at Belle II
- Precision achieved by detector (e.g. PXD) and software (e.g. GFIaT) improvements.
- After problems with data taking in 2024, improved detector and accelerator understanding.

