

CP As corresponding to the imaginary parts of the interference terms in cascade decays of heavy hadrons

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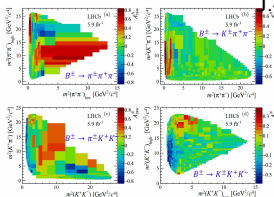
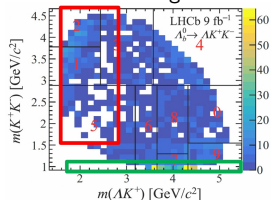


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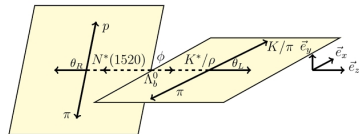
1 background and motivation

- CPV confirmed in decays of Λ_b is found by LHCb in four-body decays.
- While large regional CPA is found in some multi-body decays of bottom mesons, the overall CPA is smaller, hence cancellations occur.
- plenty CPV observables in multi-body decays
T-odd observables, regional CPAs, partial-wave CP asymmetries,

From Yanxi Zhang's slides



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CPV observables usually originates from the real parts if the interfering terms, and is proportional to $\sin \delta \sin \phi$

$$\mathcal{A} = A_1 + A_2$$

$$A_{CP} \equiv |\mathcal{A}|^2 - |\overline{\mathcal{A}}|^2 \sim \Re(A_1 A_2^*) - \Re(\overline{A_1 A_2^*}) \sim \sin \delta \sin \phi$$

How about constructing an observable originates from the imaginary parts of the interfering terms:

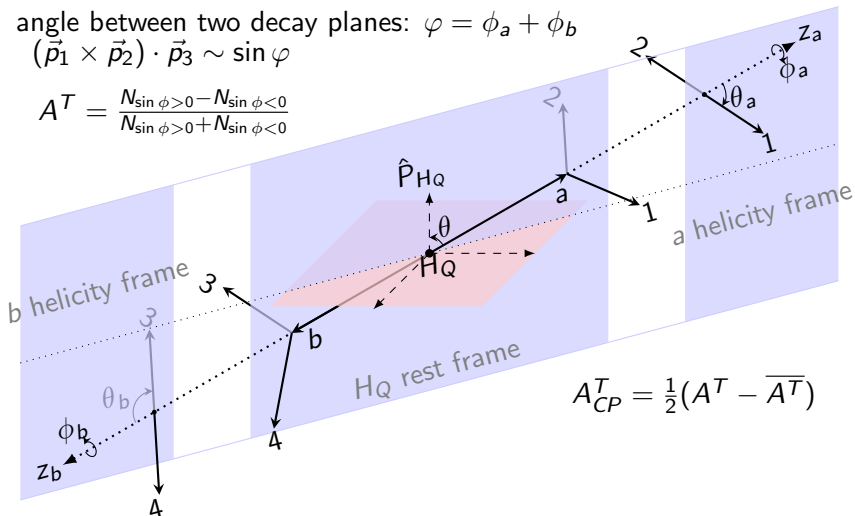
$$\Im(A_1 A_2^*) - \Im(\overline{A_1 A_2^*}) \sim \cos \delta \sin \phi$$

example: CPV induced by TPA in four-body decays

Triple-Product Asymmetry A^T

angle between two decay planes: $\varphi = \phi_a + \phi_b$
 $(\vec{p}_1 \times \vec{p}_2) \cdot \vec{p}_3 \sim \sin \varphi$

$$A^T = \frac{N_{\sin \phi > 0} - N_{\sin \phi < 0}}{N_{\sin \phi > 0} + N_{\sin \phi < 0}}$$



$$A_{CP}^T = \frac{1}{2}(A^T - \overline{A^T})$$

TPA induced CP asymmetries

TP-CPA is proportional to the cosine of a strong phase δ :

$$\Im(A_1 A_2^*) - \Im(\overline{A_1 A_2^*}) \sim \sin \phi_{\text{weak}} \cos \delta,$$

Why?

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_m A_m e^{im\varphi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{A}|^2 &\sim \Re(A_m A_{m'}^* e^{i(m-m')\varphi}) \\ &\sim \Re(A_m A_{m'}^*) \cos[(m-m')\varphi] \\ &\quad + \Im(A_m A_{m'}^*) \sin[(m-m')\varphi] \end{aligned}$$

If $m - m' \neq 0$ (suppose $m - m' = 1$), one can construct CPA observables such as TPA induced CPA.

TP-CPA searching

- $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$, $D^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$, $D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$,
 $D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^0$, $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$, $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$,
 $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- K^+ K^-$, $\Xi_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- K^- \pi^+$
- $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$: $a_P^{\hat{T}^{\text{odd}}} = (-4.0 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.2)\%$.
- TPA induces CP asymmetry (TP-CPA) has never been observed yet.

Inspiration from TPA induced CPA

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$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_k \mathcal{A}_k = \sum_k a_k b_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{A}|^2 &\sim \Re[(a_k b_k)(a_{k'}^* b_{k'}^*)] \\ &\sim \Re(a_k a_{k'}^*) \Re(b_k b_{k'}^*) \\ &\quad + \Im(a_k a_{k'}^*) \Im(b_k b_{k'}^*) \end{aligned}$$

non-zero $\Im(b_k b_{k'}^*)$ provides opportunities for CPA corresponding to $\Im(a_k a_{k'}^*)$.

2 interference of resonances in cascade decays

example 1: three-body decay with a resonance plus a smooth background term

decay amplitude:

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{\mathcal{A}_r}{s_r} + \mathcal{B}, \quad s_r = s - m_r^2 + im_r\Gamma_r$$

decay amplitude squared

$$\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} \approx \frac{|\mathcal{A}_r|^2}{|s_r|^2} + |\mathcal{B}_2|^2 + 2\Re\left(\frac{\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{B}_2^*}{s_r}\right),$$

The interfering term

$$\Re\left(\frac{\mathcal{A}_r \mathcal{B}^*}{s_r}\right) = \frac{\Re(\mathcal{A}_r \mathcal{B}^*) (s - m_r^2) + \Im(\mathcal{A}_r \mathcal{B}^*) m_r \Gamma_r}{|s_r|^2}.$$

a pair of complementary CPV observables

$$A_{CP} \equiv \frac{\int_{m_r^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_r^2 + \Delta_+} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} - \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) ds}{\int_{m_r^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_r^2 + \Delta_+} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} + \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) ds} \sim \sin \delta \sin \phi \quad \text{mainly from } \Im(\mathcal{A}_r \mathcal{B}^*)$$

$$\tilde{A}_{CP} \equiv \frac{\int_{m_r^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_r^2 + \Delta_+} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} - \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) \text{sgn}(s - m_2'^2) ds}{\int_{m_r^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_r^2 + \Delta_+} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} + \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) ds} \sim \cos \delta \sin \phi \quad \text{mainly } \Re(\mathcal{A}_r \mathcal{B}^*)$$

$$A_{CP}^2 + \tilde{A}_{CP}^2 \sim \sin^2 \phi$$

example 2: three-body decay with two nearby resonance

three-body cascade decay $\mathbb{H} \rightarrow rc, r \rightarrow ab$

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{\mathcal{A}_1}{s_1} + \frac{\mathcal{A}_2}{s_2}, \quad s_r = s - m_r^2 + im_r\Gamma_r$$

decay amplitude squared

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 \approx \frac{|\mathcal{A}_1|^2}{|s_1|^2} + \frac{|\mathcal{A}_2|^2}{|s_2|^2} + 2\Re\left(\frac{\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_2^*}{s_1s_2^*}\right),$$

The interfering term

$$\Re\left(\frac{\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_2^*}{s_1s_2^*}\right) = \frac{\Re(\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_2^*)\Re(s_1s_2^*) + \Im(\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_2^*)\Im(s_1s_2^*)}{|s_1s_2|^2}.$$

The interfering term

$$\Re\left(\frac{\mathcal{A}_1 \mathcal{A}_2^*}{s_1 s_2^*}\right) = \frac{\Re(\mathcal{A}_1 \mathcal{A}_2^*) \Re(s_1 s_2^*) + \Im(\mathcal{A}_1 \mathcal{A}_2^*) \Im(s_1 s_2^*)}{|s_1 s_2|^2}.$$

$$\Re(s_1 s_2^*) = m_1 \Gamma_1 m_2 \Gamma_2 + (s - m_1^2)(s - m_2^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Im(s_1 s_2^*) &= (s - m_2^2) m_1 \Gamma_1 - (s - m_1^2) m_2 \Gamma_2 \\ &= m_1 \Gamma_1 \left(1 - \frac{m_2 \Gamma_2}{m_1 \Gamma_1}\right) (s - m_2'^2)\end{aligned}$$

where $m_2' = m_2 \sqrt{(1 - \frac{m_1 \Gamma_2}{m_2 \Gamma_1}) / (1 - \frac{m_2 \Gamma_2}{m_1 \Gamma_1})}$.

Now the difference between the behaviour of $\Re(s_1 s_2^*)$ and $\Im(s_1 s_2^*)$ is obvious: while the latter tends to change sign as s passes through $m_2'^2$, the former does not.

a pair of CPV observables

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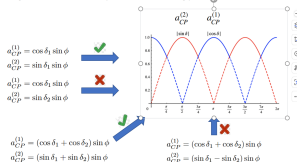
$$A_{CP}^{\Im} \equiv \frac{\int_{m_2'^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_2'^2 + \Delta_+} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} - \overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} \right) \text{sgn}(s - m_2'^2) ds}{\int_{m_2'^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_2'^2 + \Delta_+} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} + \overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} \right) ds} \sim \cos \delta \sin \phi \quad \text{mainly } \Im(\mathcal{A}_1 \mathcal{A}_2^*)$$

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Complementary dependence of strong phase

➤ It might reduce the sensitivity of CPV on the strong phase

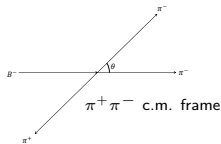
$$A_{CP}^2 + (A_{CP}^{\Im})^2 \sim \sin^2 \phi$$



3 Forward-Backward Asymmetry induced CPA in $B^\pm \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^\pm$

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Interfering of $\rho^0(770)$ with a S-wave results in FBA.



FBA induced CPA (FB-CPA):

$$A_{CP}^{FB} \equiv \frac{\int_{m_2'^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_2'^2 + \Delta_+} \int_{-1}^{+1} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} - \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) \text{sgn}(c_\theta) dc_\theta ds}{\int_{m_2'^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_2'^2 + \Delta_+} \int_{-1}^{+1} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} + \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) dc_\theta ds}$$

Complementary CPV observable to FB-CPA:

$$A_{CP}^{FB, \Im} \equiv \frac{\int_{m_2'^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_2'^2 + \Delta_+} \int_{-1}^{+1} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} - \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) \text{sign}(c_\theta) \text{sgn}(s - m_2'^2) dc_\theta ds}{\int_{m_2'^2 - \Delta_-}^{m_2'^2 + \Delta_+} \int_{-1}^{+1} \left(\overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2} + \overline{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \right) dc_\theta ds}$$

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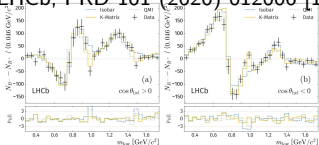


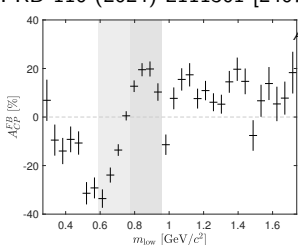
Figure 12: Raw difference in the number of B^- and B^+ candidates in the low m_{low} region, for (a) positive, and (b) negative cosine of the helicity angle. The pull distribution is shown below each fit projection.

$$A_{CP,k}^{FB} = \frac{(N_{B^-} - N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0, k} - (N_{B^-} - N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0, k}}{(N_{B^-} + N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0, k} + (N_{B^-} + N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0, k}}$$

$$A_{CP}^{FB, \text{ave}} = \frac{\sum_{k=8}^{15} [(N_{B^-} - N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0, k} - (N_{B^-} - N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0, k}]}{\sum_{k=8}^{15} [(N_{B^-} + N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0, k} + (N_{B^-} + N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0, k}]}$$

$$= (0.8 \pm 1.0)\%$$

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$$A_{CP}^{FB, \Im} = \frac{(\sum_{k=12}^{15} - \sum_{k=8}^{11}) [(N_{B^-} - N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0, k} - (N_{B^-} - N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0, k}]}{\sum_{k=8}^{15} [(N_{B^-} + N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0, k} + (N_{B^-} + N_{B^+})_{\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0, k}]}$$

$$= (13.2 \pm 1.0)\%$$

4 Summary and Outlook

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pair(s) of complementary CPA observables in multi-body decays

- overcome the cancellation problem of CPA
- more complete understanding of CPV induced by the interference of intermediate resonances
- provide us a more comprehensive method of study CPV in multi-body decays of heavy hadrons.

$\mathcal{Y}_{\sigma}^{jab}$	Ψ_0^{01}	Ψ_0^{10}	Ψ_0^{11}	Ψ_1^{11}	Φ_1^{11}	Ψ_1^{12}	Φ_1^{12}	stat.err.
$A_{CP}^{\mathcal{Y}_{\sigma}^{jab}}$	7.3	-6.1	-2.9	-3.1	-4.0	9.5	-0.8	2.07
$A_{CP}^{\mathcal{Y}_{\sigma}^{jab}, \Im}$	10.8		10.6	0.4	-0.6			2.05

Thank you for your attentions!