# Instrumental asymmetries and $B \rightarrow K \tau \tau$ analysis at Belle II

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# Flavour physics at Belle II

Standard Model:  $\mathcal{O}(1000)$  predictions from eV to TeV with only 20 parameters, but still incomplete (dark matter, matter-antimatter asymmetry...).

Weak interactions of quarks ("flavour physics"): powerful tool for indirect searches to test SM and its extensions. Search for discrepancies in low-energy processes.

- SuperKEKB: 7-on-4 e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider at 10.58 GeV;
- Aim at 700  $B\overline{B}$  pairs/second in low-background environment;
- 400  $fb^{-1}$  (400 × 10<sup>6</sup>  $B\bar{B}$  pairs) of data collected;
- World record peak luminosity:  $4.1 \times 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ .
- Unique reach on final states with multiple neutrinos.



### Instrumental asymmetries

Measurement of CP asymmetries are a fundamental goal of Belle II physics.

For correct measurement, detector asymmetries must be removed.

$$\mathscr{A}_{raw} = \mathscr{A}_{CP} + \mathscr{A}_{det} + \mathscr{A}_{FB} \dots$$

 $\mathscr{A}_{det}(\pi)$  determined from  $D^+ \to K^0_S \pi^+$  decays.

Can obtain  $\mathscr{A}_{det}(K)$  using  $\mathscr{A}_{det}(K\pi)$ from  $D^0 \to K^-\pi^+$  (Michele's talk)

$$\mathscr{A}_{det}(K) \simeq \mathscr{A}_{det}(K\pi) - \mathscr{A}_{det}(\pi)$$

Measured in early data with  $\mathcal{O}(1 - 3\%)$  precision (S.Raiz *et al*.**BELLE2-NOTE-TE-2020-024**).

Improve over this work by using larger dataset (190  $fb^{-1}$ ), a refined selection and by subtracting the  $\mathscr{A}_{FB}$  asymmetry (previously unaccounted). We reach sub-percent precision.



Candidates per 0.0044 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

 $\mathscr{A}_{det}(\pi)$  from D control channels  $\mathscr{A}_{\text{raw}} = \frac{N_D - N_{\bar{D}}}{N_D + N_{\bar{D}}} = \mathscr{A}_{CP} + \mathscr{A}_{det} + \mathscr{A}_{FB}$ **CP-violating asymmetry** Observed asymmetry Forward-backward Instrumental asymmetry asymmetry  $\mathscr{A}_{CP}$  known for  $D^+ \to K^0_S \pi^+ : \mathscr{A}_{CP}(K^0_S \pi^+) = -0.41 \pm 0.09 \%$ ;  $\mathscr{A}_{det}(K^0_S) = 0$  $\mathscr{A}_{FB}$  is antisymmetric as a function of angle of D momentum in the CMS ( $cos(\theta^*)$ ).  $\mathscr{A}_{FB}$  can be cancel by average measurements of  $\mathscr{A}_{raw}$  in opposite bins of  $cos(\theta^*)$ .



### $\mathcal{A}_{det}(\pi)$ dependencies

Study  $\mathscr{A}_{det}(\pi)$  dependencies as a function of:

- *p*: interaction probabilities with matter depend on momentum;
- $cos(\theta)$ : different material budget traversed by the particle;
- CDC hits: tracking and dE/dx resolution depends on number of hits, and these differ on average for track opposite curvature.





Also investigated other possible dependencies ( $p_{err}$ ,  $\omega_{err}$ ) but we identify these 3 are the most relevant at the current level of precision.

### Sample dependence

We have developed a method (reweighting method) to take into account these dependencies and to calculate  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  for different decays.



Strategy: provide  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  using the control samples, assigning a systematic uncertainty due to how well we reproduce  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  with our control channels (in MC).

Provided the  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  values for  $B^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^0 (B^+ \to K^+ \pi^0)$  with a total uncertainty of 1% for the  $\mathscr{A}_{CP}$  measure shown at ICHEP 2022.

#### $B \rightarrow K \tau \tau$ analysis using hadronic tagging

- Flavour changing neutral current is highly suppressed in SM,  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-7})$ .
- In SM, these decays are forbidden at tree level and only occurs via loop diagram.
- $3^{rd}$  generation( $\tau$ ) strongly couples to new physics models.
- *BABAR* collaboration put an upper limit,  $\mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-) < 2.25 \times 10^{-3}$  at 90% C.L.
- Belle did a preliminary study of  $B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-$  and set the upper limit to  $\mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-) < 3.17 \times 10^{-4}$  at 90% C.L.
- Start working on  $B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-$  to do a combined Belle + Belle II analysis (targeting next summer to complete).
- A similar study I will perform later on  $B^0 \to K_S^0 \tau^+ \tau^-$ : nobody has measured its branching fraction yet.



# Hadronic tagging

- Main challenge:  $\tau$  reconstruction as it decays into undetected neutrinos eg.  $\tau \to \mu \bar{\nu_{\mu}} \nu_{\tau}$
- Multiple  $\tau$  reconstructions are unfeasible at LHC
- Feature of Belle II experiment:
  - Efficient detection of final state particles
  - Good hermetic:  $4\pi$  acceptance
  - Precisely measured initial kinematics of the beam.
- Tagging: reconstruct one arbitrary *B* meson ( $B_{tag}$ ) and put decay constraint on the signal *B* meson
- Signal side can be reconstructed from beam and  $B_{tag}$  kinematics
- Hadronic tagging only uses hadronic decay channels for  $B_{tag}$  reconstruction.
- High in purity, but low in efficiency at the order of  $0.1\,\%$
- Highly statistically limited



### Analysis flow

Reconstruction: process simulated data needed in the analysis applying pre-selection of  $B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-$ 

done!

Optimise selection: identify selection that maximises signalover background using simulation

Nov 22 - Feb 23

reconstruction efficiency( $\epsilon$ ) =  $1.25 \times 10^{-3}$ 

Background studies: continuum suppression and potential background sources

Sept 22 - Oct 22

Signal extraction or upper limit

Mar 23 - Apr 23

Systematics: assess the relevant contribution to systematic uncertainties

May 23 - Jun 23

if time allows similar study with  $B^0 \to K^0_S \tau^+ \tau^-$ 

### Summary

Measured  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  for  $\pi$  using  $D^+ \to K_S^0 \pi^+$ .

First  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  dependence study. Found a large dependence as a function of p,  $cos(\theta)$  and CDC hits of tracks.

Developed a strategy to compute  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  from control channel for any physics decay (i.e.  $B^+ \to h^+ \pi^0$  (ICHEP 2022) ).

Presented the instrumental asymmetries study in Belle II's working physics subgroup.

Belle II internal note: M.Dorigo, D.Ghosh and M.Mantovano, "Measurement of instrumental asymmetries of K and  $\pi$ ", 2022, BELLE2-NOTE-TE-2022-XX.

Started  $B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-$  analysis using hadronic tagging to measure its branching fraction. Nobody has measured  $\mathscr{B}(B^0 \to K_S^0 \tau^+ \tau^-)$ .

## Backup

### Motivation

In particle physics, CP violation is the breaking of the combined charge-parity symmetry. Measurements of CP asymmetries ( $\mathscr{A}_{CP}$ ) are a fundamental goal of Belle II physics program.

CP asymmetries are usually determined from signal-yield asymmetries, which comprise also other contributions:

$$\mathscr{A}_{raw} = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} = \mathscr{A}_{CP} + \mathscr{A}_{det} + \dots$$

Instrumental asymmetries ( $\mathscr{A}_{det}$ ) come from different sources:

- different reconstruction efficiency for +/- tracks;
- different interaction probabilities of particle/ antiparticle with matters (i.e.  $K^+/K^-$ );



• etc..

Cannot trust simulation to obtain them  $\rightarrow$  measure  $\mathscr{A}_{det}$  in data.