



Unitarity Triangle fitting: 25 years and counting

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35 Years swinging in flavour physics: from $b \rightarrow s l \bar{l}$
transitions to nonleptonic decays and back

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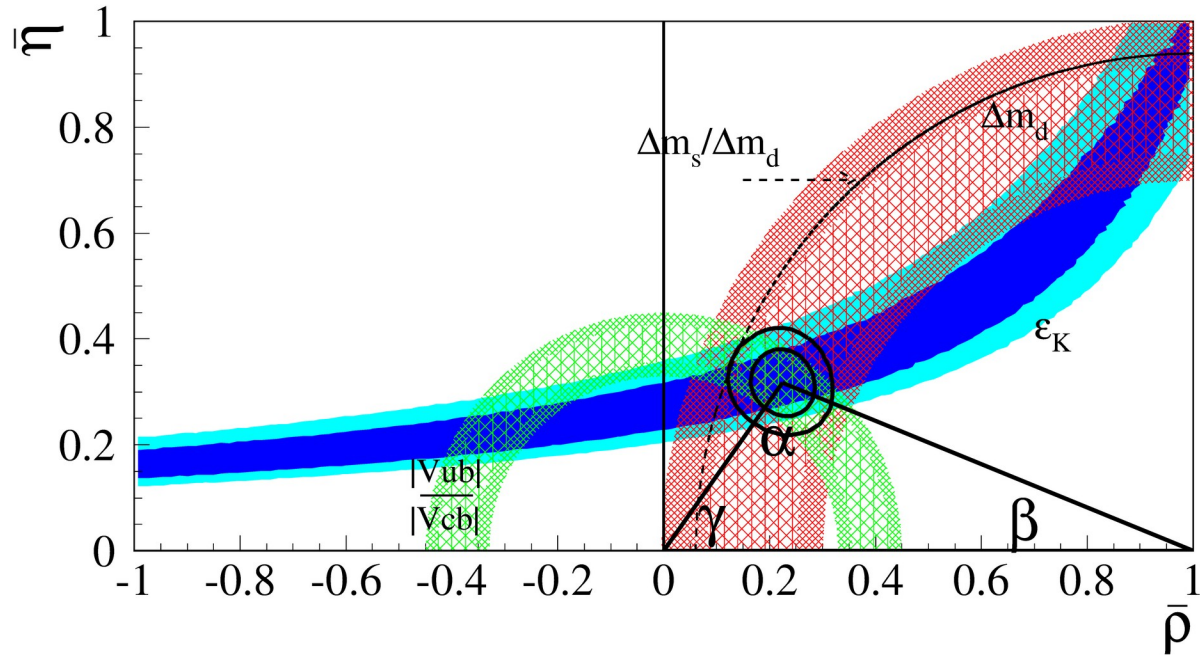
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- And in-fact.. this morning the “old guard” did point me to the 1995 seed..

1995

arXiv:hep-ph/9501265v1 11 Jan 1995

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An Upgraded Analysis of ϵ'/ϵ at the Next-to-Leading Order

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Abstract

An upgraded analysis of ϵ , x_d and ϵ'/ϵ , using the latest determinations of the relevant experimental and theoretical parameters, is presented. Using the recent determination of the top quark mass, $m_t = (174 \pm 17)$ GeV, our best estimate is $\epsilon'/\epsilon = 3.1 \pm 2.5$, which lies in the range given by E731. We describe our determination of ϵ'/ϵ and make a comparison with other similar studies. A detailed discussion of the matching of the full theory to the effective Hamiltonian, written in terms of lattice operators, is also given.

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Combined analysis of the unitarity triangle and CP violation in the Standard Model

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Abstract

We perform a combined analysis of the unitarity triangle and of the CP violating parameter ϵ'/ϵ using the most recent determination of the relevant experimental data and, whenever possible, hadronic matrix elements from lattice QCD. We discuss the rôle of the main non-perturbative parameters and make a comparison with other recent analyses. We use lattice results for the matrix element of Q_8 obtained without reference to the strange quark mass. Since a reliable lattice determination of the matrix element of Q_6 is still missing, the theoretical predictions for ϵ'/ϵ suffer from large uncertainties. By evaluating this matrix element with the vacuum-saturation approximation, we typically find as central value $\epsilon'/\epsilon = (4 \div 7) \times 10^{-4}$. We conclude that the experimental data suggest large deviation of the value of the matrix element of Q_6 from the vacuum-saturation approximation, possibly due to penguin contractions.

arXiv:hep-ph/9910236v1 5 Oct 1999

arXiv:hep-ex/9903063v1 26 Mar 1999

LAL 99-03
 March 1999
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Constraints on the parameters of the CKM matrix by End 1998

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1999

October 1999

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ROME1-1307/00
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2000 CKM-TRIANGLE ANALYSIS A Critical Review with Updated Experimental Inputs and Theoretical Parameters

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Abstract

Within the Standard Model, a review of the current determination of the sides and angles of the CKM unitarity triangle is presented, using experimental constraints from the measurements of $|\varepsilon_K|$, $|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$, Δm_d and from the limit on Δm_s , available in September 2000. Results from the experimental search for $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillations are introduced in the present analysis using the likelihood. Special attention is devoted to the determination of the theoretical uncertainties. The purpose of the analysis is to infer regions where the parameters of interest lie with given probabilities. The BaBar "95% C.L. scanning" method is also commented.

2000

arXiv:hep-ph/0012308v3 9 Mar 2001



And then came the 2nd CKM workshop



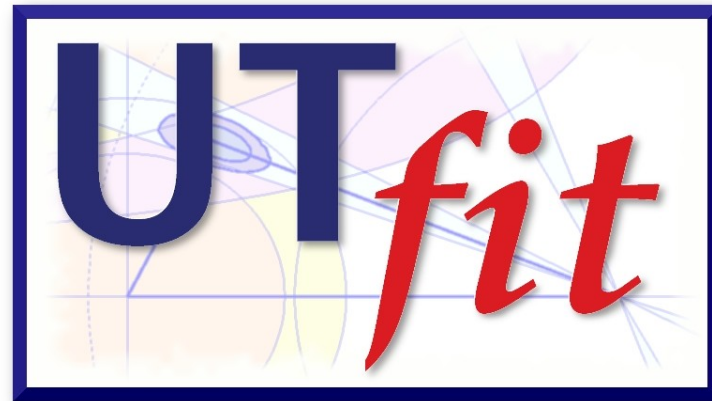
Workshop on the CKM Unitarity Triangle
Second Meeting, IPPP Durham, April 5–9, 2003





And then came the 2nd CKM workshop

- 2003: founding year of the UTfit collaboration



And I usurped Marco's first place...

The 2004 *Ufit* Collaboration Report on the Status of the Unitarity Triangle in the Standard Model



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2004

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Unitarity Triangle *fit*:
 current status of the
 CKM matrix



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32nd International Conference on High Energy Physics
 Beijing, China, August 17th, 2004

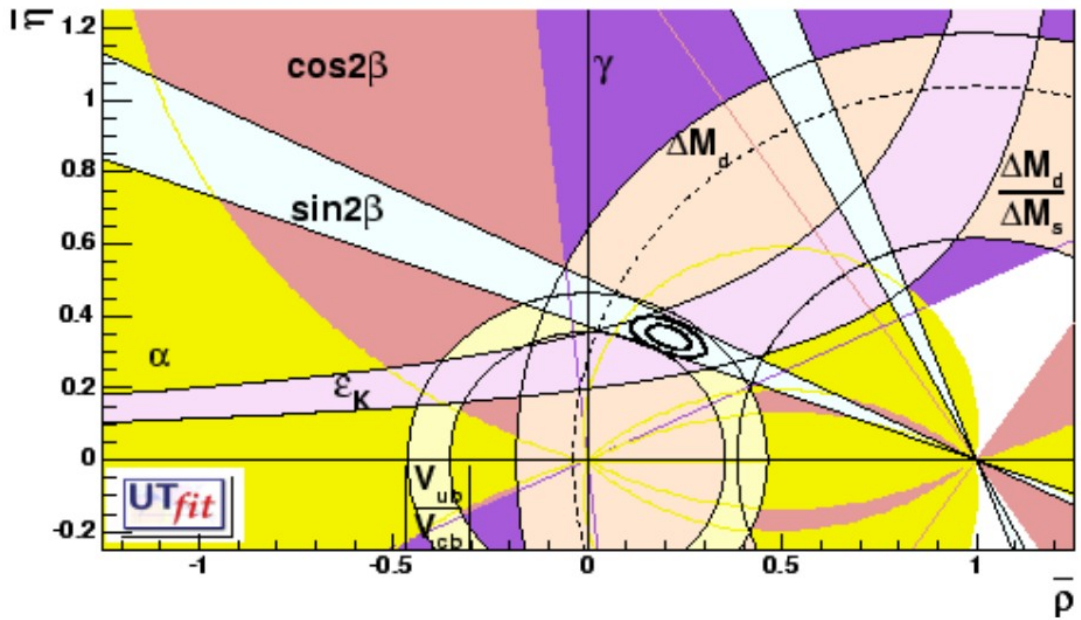
ICHEP04, Beijing, China, August 17th, 2004

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And we started our colour saga..





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to beyond the SM

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2005

2006

arXiv:hep-ph/0605213v3 24 Oct 2006

Constraints on new physics from the quark mixing unitarity triangle (UTfit Collaboration)

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The status of the Unitarity Triangle beyond the Standard Model including the most recent results on Δm_s , on dilepton asymmetries and on width differences is presented. Even allowing for general New Physics loop contributions the Unitarity Triangle must be very close to the Standard Model result. With the new measurements from the Tevatron, we obtain for the first time a significant constraint on New Physics in the B_s sector. We present the allowed ranges of New Physics contributions to $\Delta F = 2$ processes, and of the time-dependent CP asymmetry in $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ decays.



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The 2006 alpha battle..

👉 However we got a nice paper out of it (unlike others..)

Bayesian Statistics at Work: the Troublesome Extraction of the CKM Phase α

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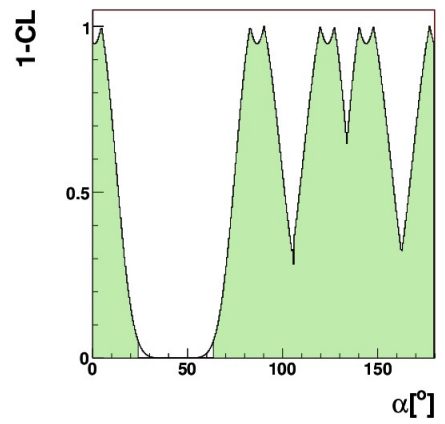
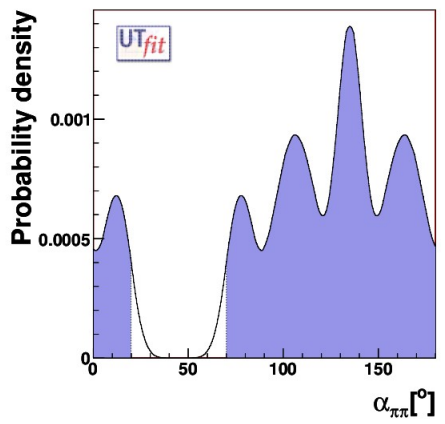
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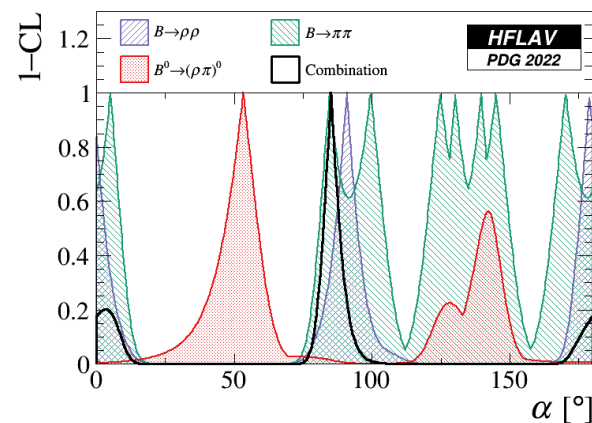
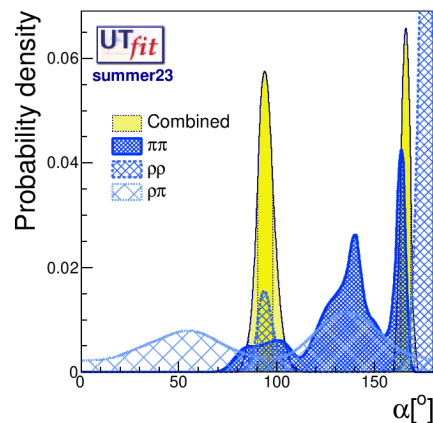
In Bayesian statistics, one's prior beliefs about underlying model parameters are revised with the information content of observed data from which, using Bayes' rule, a posterior belief is obtained. A non-trivial example taken from the isospin analysis of $B \rightarrow PP$ ($P = \pi$ or ρ) decays in heavy-flavor physics is chosen to illustrate the effect of the naive "objective" choice of flat priors in a multi-dimensional parameter space in presence of mirror solutions. It is demonstrated that the posterior distribution for the parameter of interest, the phase α , strongly depends on the choice of the parameterization in which the priors are uniform, and on the validity range in which the (un-normalizable) priors are truncated. We prove that the most probable values found by the Bayesian treatment do not coincide with the explicit analytical solutions, in contrast to the frequentist approach. It is also shown in the appendix that the $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ limit cannot be consistently treated in the Bayesian paradigm, because the latter violates the physical symmetries of the problem.

arXiv:hep-ph/0607246v1 22 Jul 2006



The 2006 alpha battle..

- And the alpha issue is not quite solved, we need LHCb and/or Belle to step up their games..



The 2006 CKM workshop in Nagoya:

Unitarity Triangle fits





In 2006 we also migrated the code:

- The first time..
- And in 2010 the webpage
- Although nobody has seriously dared to face the migration of the plotting macros in 20 years..
 - What are the new generations for?



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

But the real migration has happened in the last two years to HEPfit code thanks to Luca's powerhouse, some new blood and Guido's drive..

RELOADED

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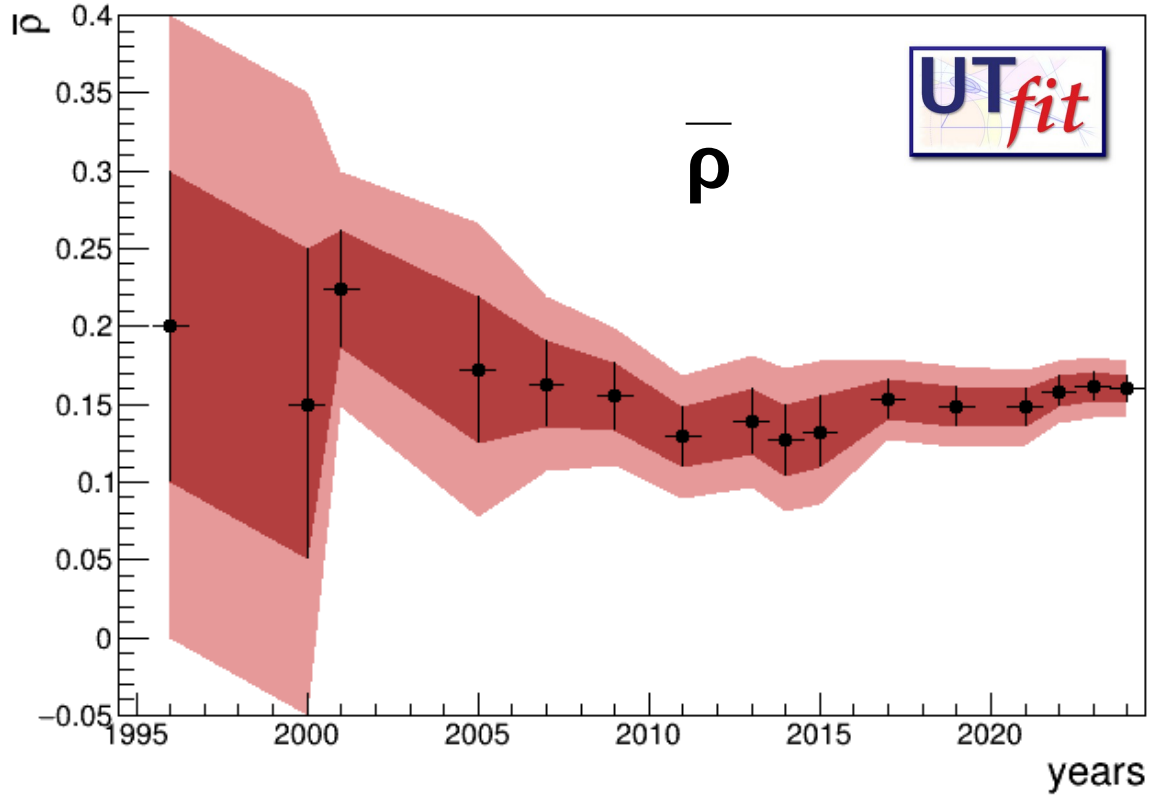
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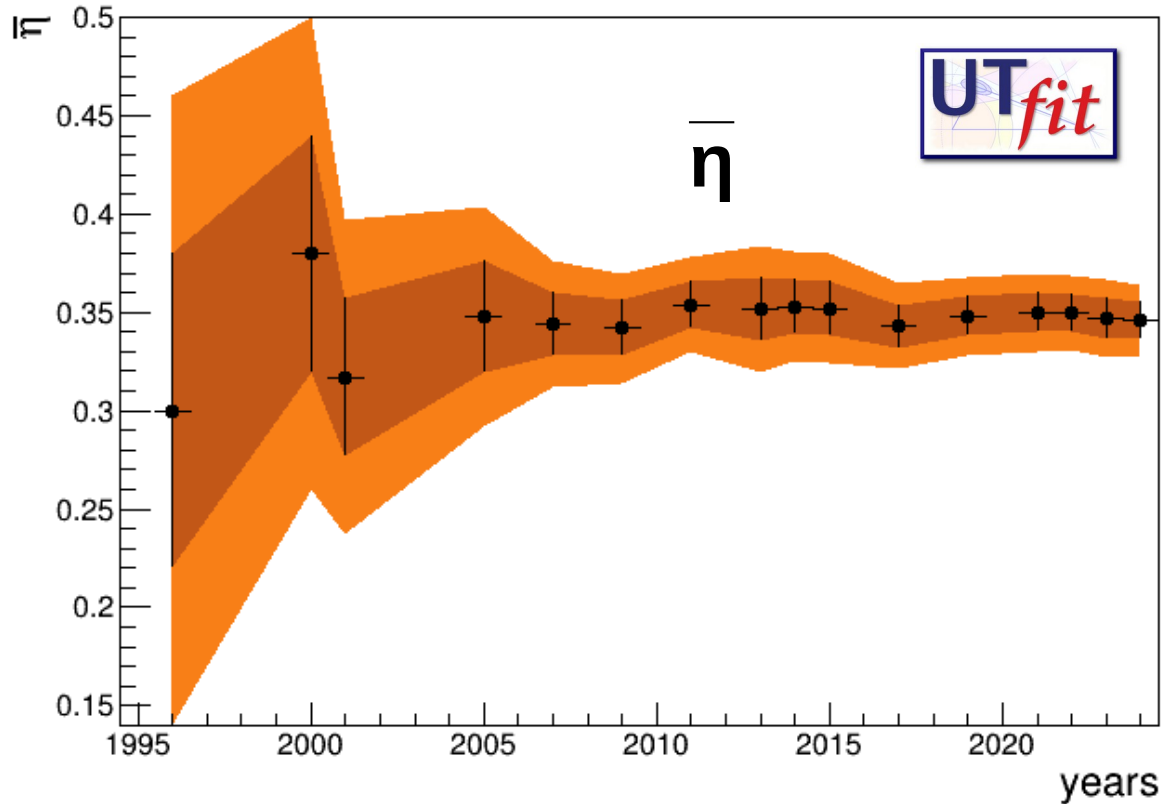


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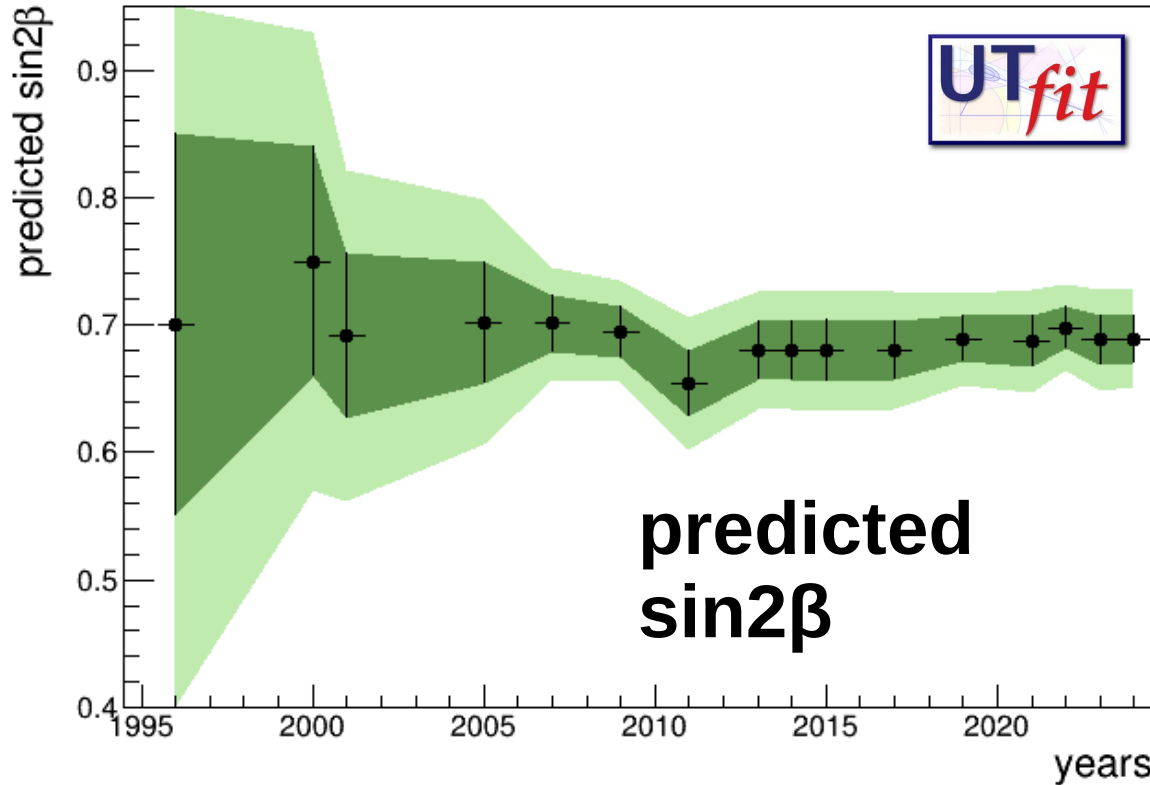
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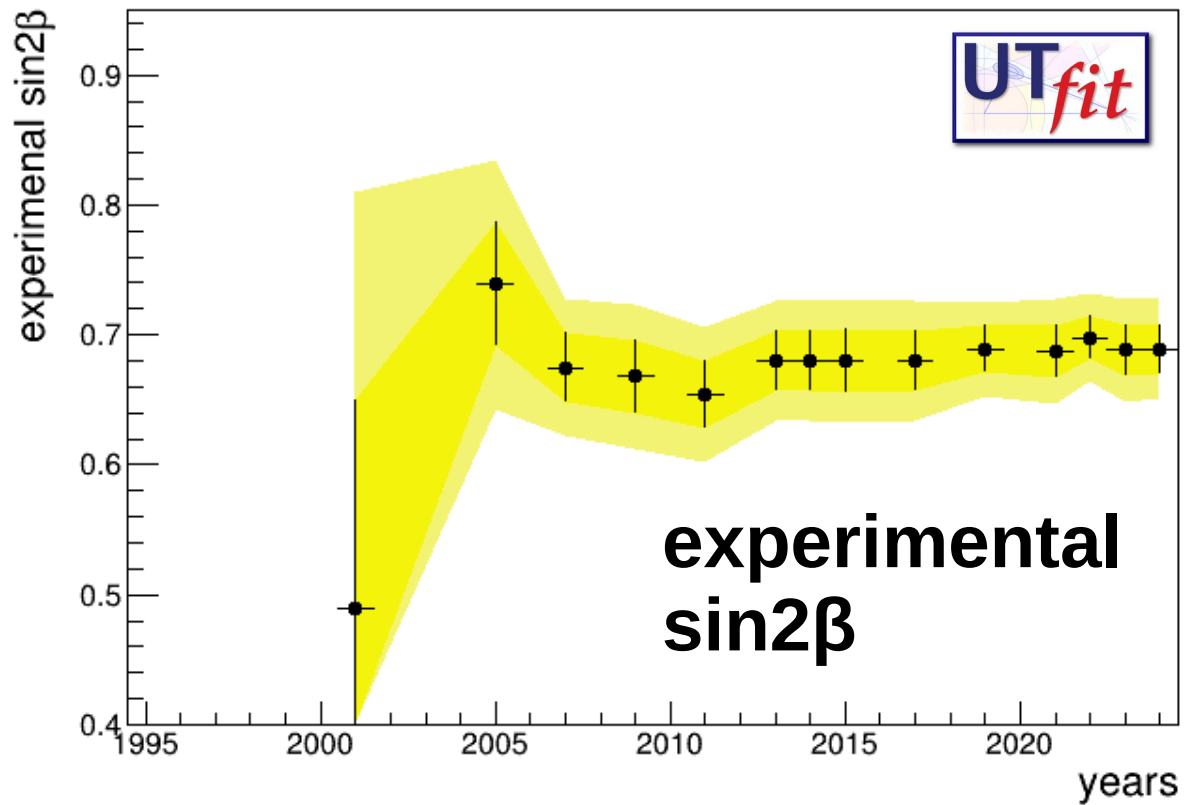
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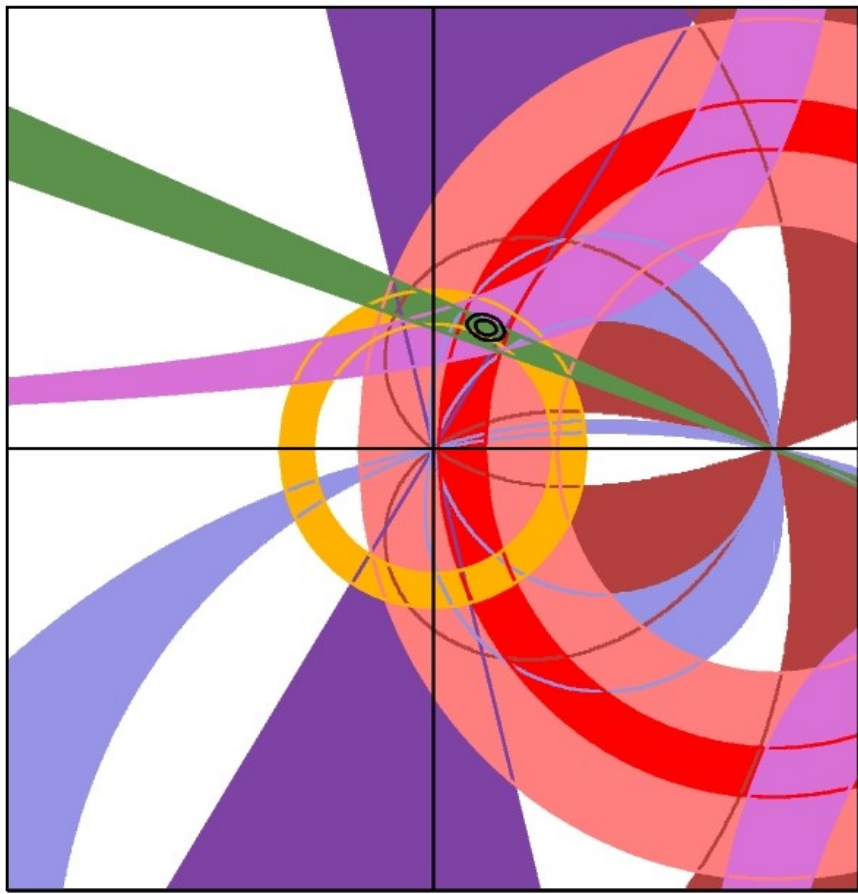
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(personal) conclusions

- This UTfit adventure has changed my whole experience in particle physics
- I sleepwalked into taking side in a war..
- And I'm constantly aware that the first 2 lines of the emails need to contain all the information..





Back up slides

