

Direct CP Violation in Charm: Recent Results

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Short Outline

- ☑ **Data news:** evidence for direct CPV in charm
- ☑ **Interpretation:**
 - *New physics?*
 - *Or a hardly calculable SM contribution?*

**First Things First:
Data!**

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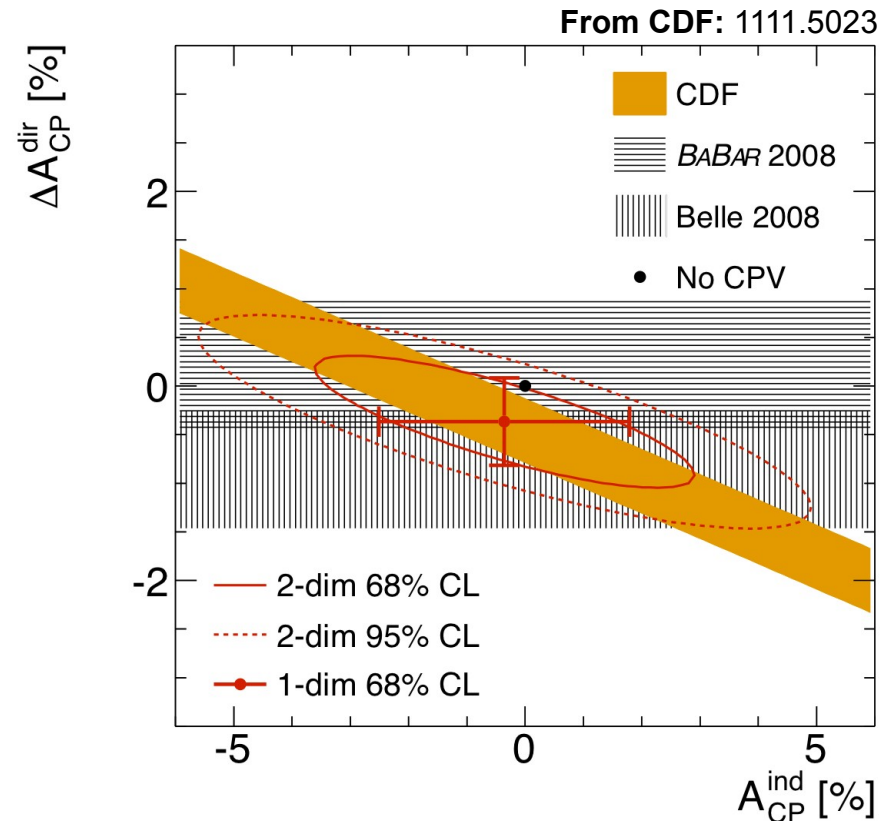
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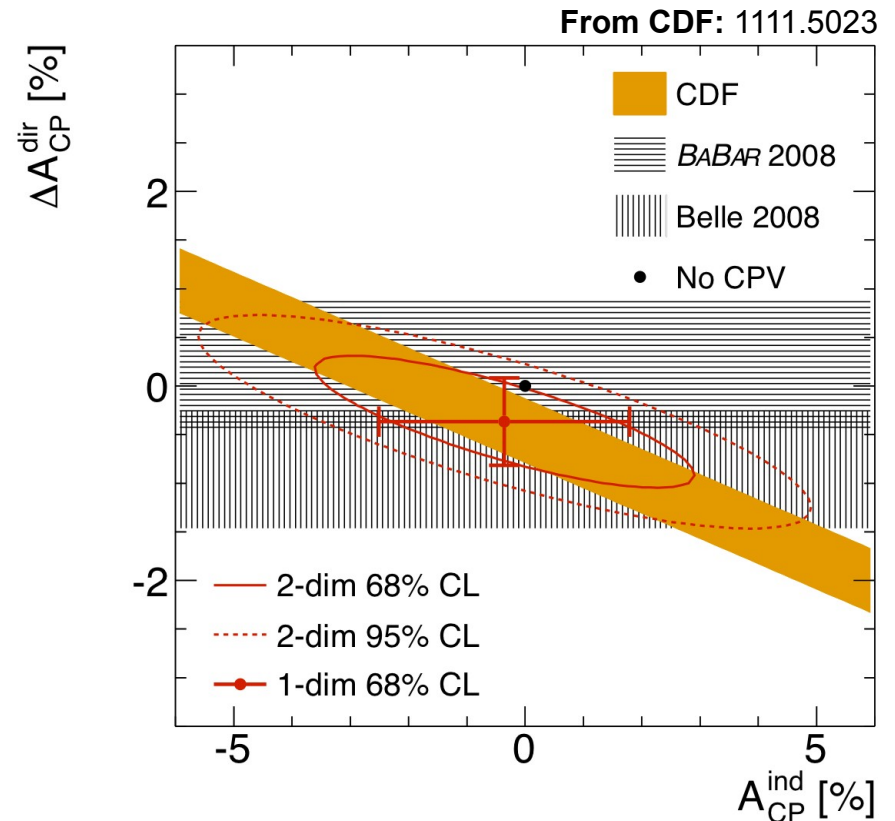
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- 3 Conclusion? We need more data. In particular we await the LHCb update based on the full 2011 dataset





Theory Implications

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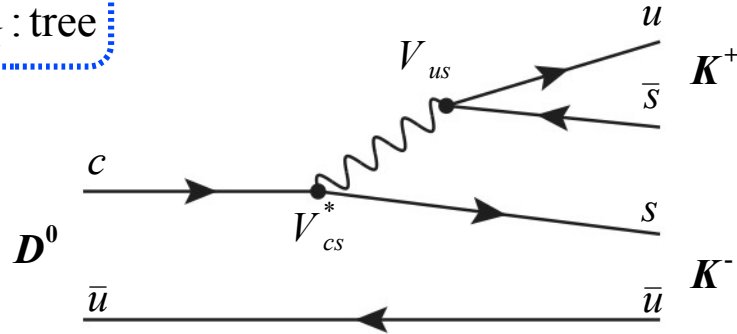
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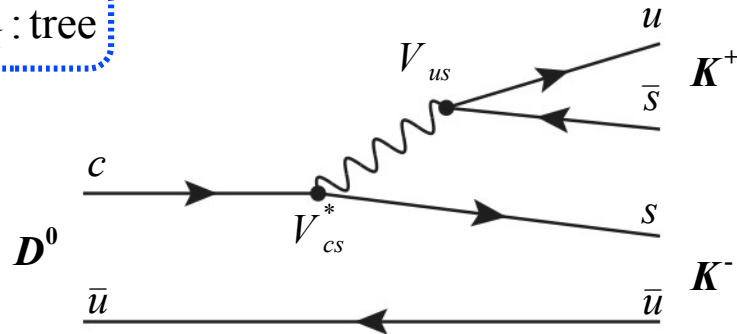


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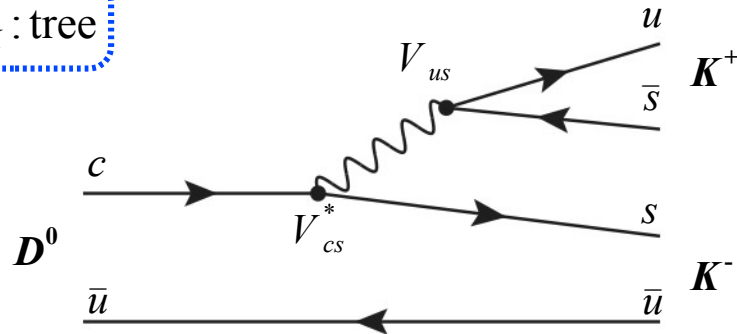
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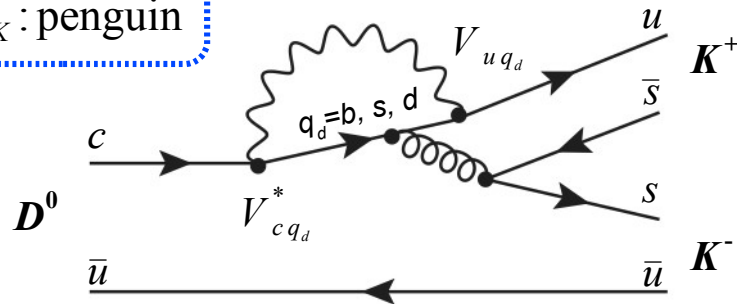
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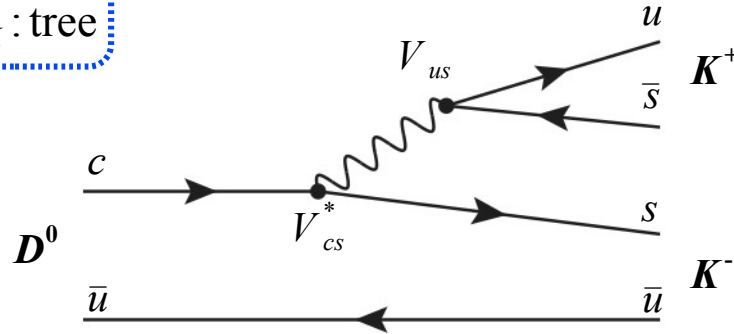
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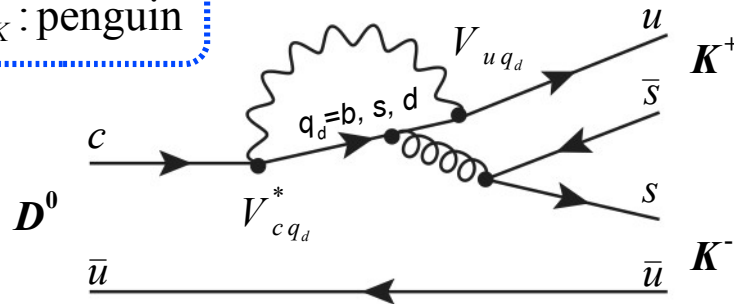
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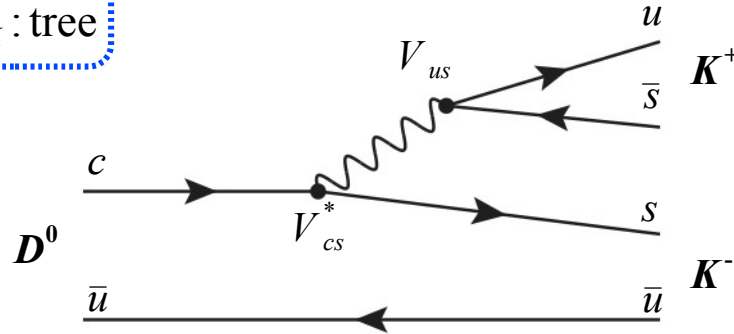
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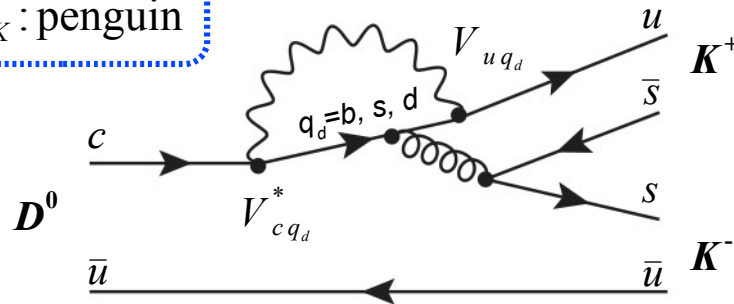
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Namely this (heuristic) estimate returns a figure about one order of magnitude below LHCb's measurement

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Selected Theory Work after LHCb results

(Apologies for the not represented work)

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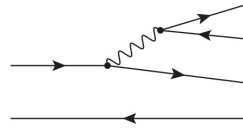
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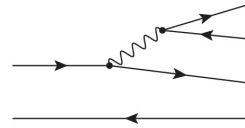
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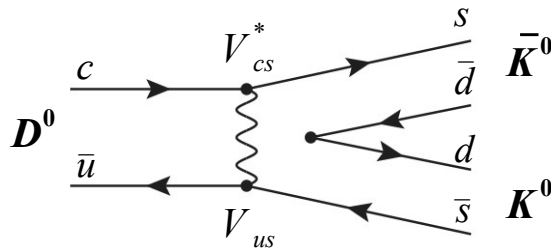
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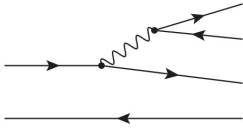


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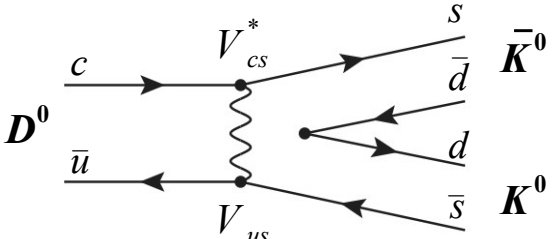
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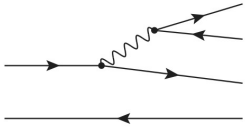
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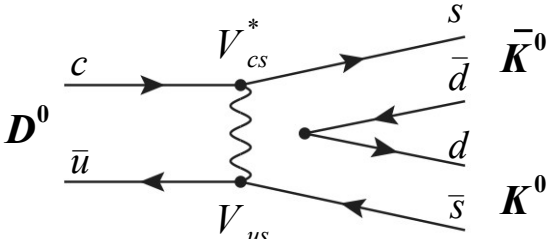
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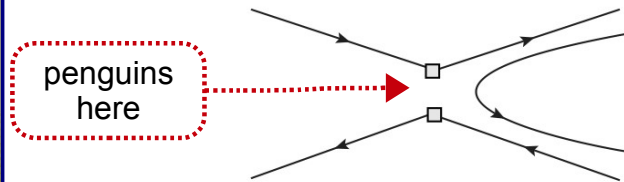
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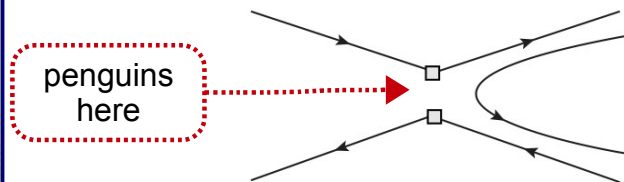




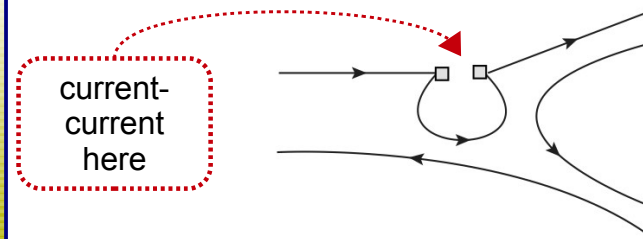
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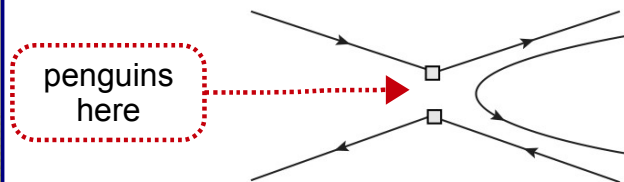




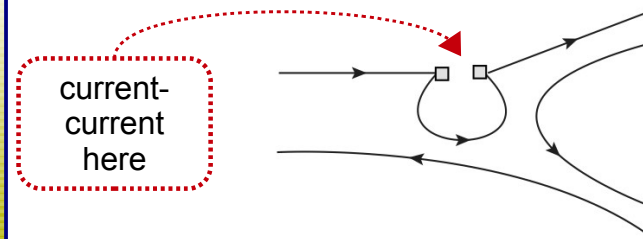
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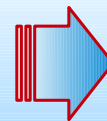
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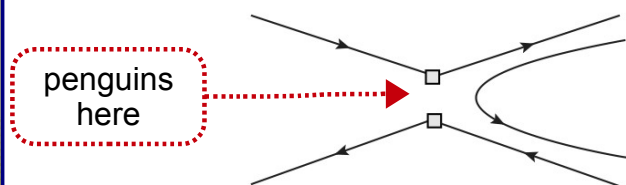
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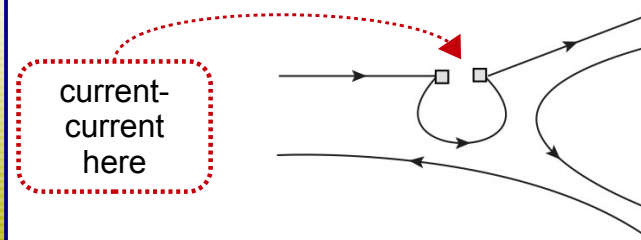
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Defines C_{NDA}

It is naturally of $O(1)$ if Λ_{NDA} is the Fermi scale

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Chromo-magnetic operators (at variance with 4-fermion ones) do actually largely circumvent this statement.

See the recent paper by *Giudice, Isidori and Paradisi* for a detailed account of this possibility

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