

Quantum Tomography in Flavor Oscillations



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Quantum correlations in flavor space

- Particles can be entangled in flavor space, as informative as spin

- ▶ E.g., meson pair decayed from $\Upsilon(J^{PC} = 1^{--})$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|B^0\bar{B}^0\rangle - |\bar{B}^0B^0\rangle)$$

- ▶ Vast number of events

e.g., $B_s\bar{B}_s$: 7×10^6 at Belle, 8×10^8 at LHCb

$K_0\bar{K}_0$: 8×10^9 at KLOE and KLOE-2, etc

- ▶ Precise measurement of flavor oscillation and correlation.

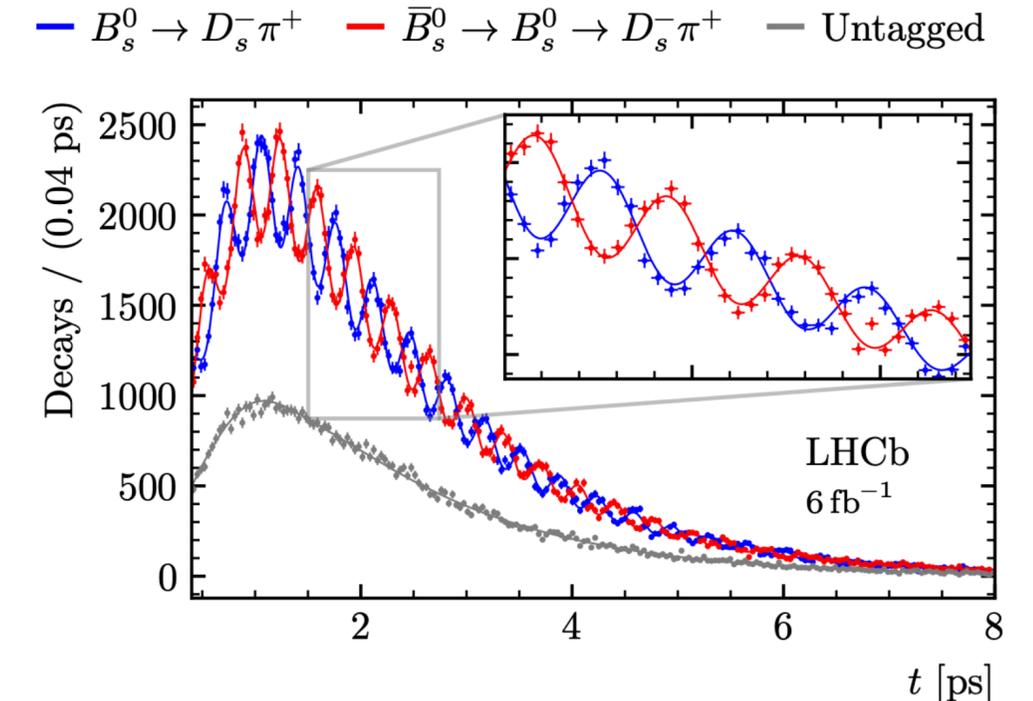
- Quantum correlation, Bell inequality, quantum decoherence, etc

have been studied in BB at Belle, KK at KLOE... [Belle, hep-ph/0702267; KLOE, hep-ph/0607027]

- Reconstruct the complete **flavor density matrix**?

$$\rho_{MM} = \frac{\mathbb{1}_4 + R_i^A \sigma_i \otimes \mathbb{1}_2 + R_i^B \mathbb{1}_2 \otimes \sigma_i + C_{ij} \sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j}{4}$$

Flavor density matrix of MM pair when they are produced, i.e., at $t = 0$



Decay time can be constructed very well!

[LHCb, 2104.04421]

Introduction: Quantum tomography

— from a complementary set of measurements

- One qubit: 3 operators

$$\rho = \frac{\mathbb{1}_2 + R_i \sigma_i}{2}, \quad R_i = \langle \sigma_i \rangle$$

- Two qubit: 3+3+9 operators

$$\rho = \frac{\mathbb{1}_4 + R_i^{\mathcal{A}} \sigma_i \otimes \mathbb{1}_2 + R_i^{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{1}_2 \otimes \sigma_i + C_{ij} \sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j}{4}$$

$$R_i^{\mathcal{A}} = \langle \sigma_i \otimes \mathbb{1}_2 \rangle$$

$$R_i^{\mathcal{B}} = \langle \mathbb{1}_2 \otimes \sigma_i \rangle$$

$$C_{ij} = \langle \sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j \rangle$$

- Spin-1/2 particle as qubit:

- ▶ $\vec{\sigma}$ is embeded in 3d spatial space.
- ▶ Different direction of $\vec{\sigma} \implies$ complementary.
- ▶ Collider environments: infer $\langle \sigma_i \rangle$ from decay

- **What about qubit in flavor space?**

- ▶ An obvious challenge: cannot choose “*direction*” of measurement freely?
- ▶ e.g. flavor tagging, only σ_z : $\sigma_z |B^0\rangle = |B^0\rangle, \quad \sigma_z |\bar{B}^0\rangle = -|\bar{B}^0\rangle$

Introduction: Flavor/Mass eigenstate

- Hamiltonian in flavor eigenstate: $|M\rangle, |\bar{M}\rangle$: $H = \mathbf{M} - i\mathbf{\Gamma}/2 = \begin{pmatrix} m - i\frac{\Gamma}{2} & P^2 \\ Q^2 & m - i\frac{\Gamma}{2} \end{pmatrix}$,

- Mass eigenstate is

$$|M_1\rangle = p|M\rangle + q|\bar{M}\rangle, \quad (m_1, \Gamma_1)$$

$$|M_2\rangle = p|M\rangle - q|\bar{M}\rangle, \quad (m_2, \Gamma_2)$$

- CP conserving case: $|M_{1/2}\rangle \propto |M\rangle \pm |\bar{M}\rangle$

difference between flavor and mass eigenstate leads to flavor oscillation

- $\rho_M = \frac{\mathbb{1}_2 + R_i \sigma_i}{2}$, R_i still have physical meaning; conversions are:

- ▶ z -direction \implies flavor eigenstate, $|M\rangle, R_z = 1$
(oscillates with y) $|\bar{M}\rangle, R_z = -1$

- ▶ x -direction \implies mass eigenstates $|M_1\rangle, R_x = 1$
(and CP eigenstates) $|M_2\rangle, R_x = -1$

State evolution in Bloch-vector space

$$\rho(t) \propto U(t)\rho U(t)^\dagger \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(e^{-\Gamma_1 t/2 - im_1 t} + e^{-\Gamma_2 t/2 - im_2 t}) & \frac{q}{2p}(e^{-\Gamma_1 t/2 - im_1 t} - e^{-\Gamma_2 t/2 - im_2 t}) \\ \frac{p}{2q}(e^{-\Gamma_1 t/2 - im_1 t} - e^{-\Gamma_2 t/2 - im_2 t}) & \frac{1}{2}(e^{-\Gamma_1 t/2 - im_1 t} + e^{-\Gamma_2 t/2 - im_2 t}) \end{pmatrix}$$

- State evolution (Operator evolution)

- ▶ Neglect CPV and decay ($\Gamma \ll \Delta m$):

Schrödinger
picture

density matrix $\rho = \frac{I_2 + \vec{R} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2}$

$$\frac{d\rho(t)}{dt} = -i[H, \rho(t)] = (\vec{X} \times \vec{R}(t)) \cdot \vec{\sigma},$$

$$\frac{d\vec{R}(t)}{dt} = \vec{X} \times \vec{R}(t).$$

Heisenberg
picture

operator $A = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{\sigma}$

$$\frac{dA(t)}{dt} = i[H, A(t)] = -(\vec{X} \times \vec{a}(t)) \cdot \vec{\sigma},$$

$$\frac{d\vec{a}(t)}{dt} = -\vec{X} \times \vec{a}(t).$$

- ▶ Precession around $\vec{X} = (\Delta m, 0, 0)$
- Example operator $\sigma_z |M\rangle = +|M\rangle, \quad \sigma_z |\bar{M}\rangle = -|\bar{M}\rangle$
- ▶ Flavor tagging at different times \implies both σ_z and σ_y

Collapse the superposition

$$\rho_M = \frac{\mathbb{1}_2 + R_i \sigma_i}{2}$$

- Two kinds of decay final states, CP eigenstate or not

▶ $M \rightarrow f$ with $CP |f\rangle = |\bar{f}\rangle \neq |f\rangle$: project to $|M\rangle, |\bar{M}\rangle$ with $P_{M/\bar{M}} = \frac{1 \pm R_z}{2}$

▶ $M \rightarrow f_\eta$ with $CP |f_\eta\rangle = \eta |f_\eta\rangle, \eta = \pm 1$: project to $|M_1\rangle, |M_2\rangle$ with $P_{M_1/M_2} = \frac{1 \pm R_x}{2}$

| $\text{Br}(M \rightarrow f_{\eta_{CP}})$ | | $\text{Br}(M \rightarrow f)$ | |
|--|----------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S$ | $(8.91 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-4}$ | $B_d^0 \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell X^-$ | $(20.66 \pm 0.56)\%$ |
| $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \eta$ | $(3.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-4}$ | $B_s^0 \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell X^-$ | $(19.2 \pm 1.6)\%$ |

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- Decay rate asymmetry to f, \bar{f} :

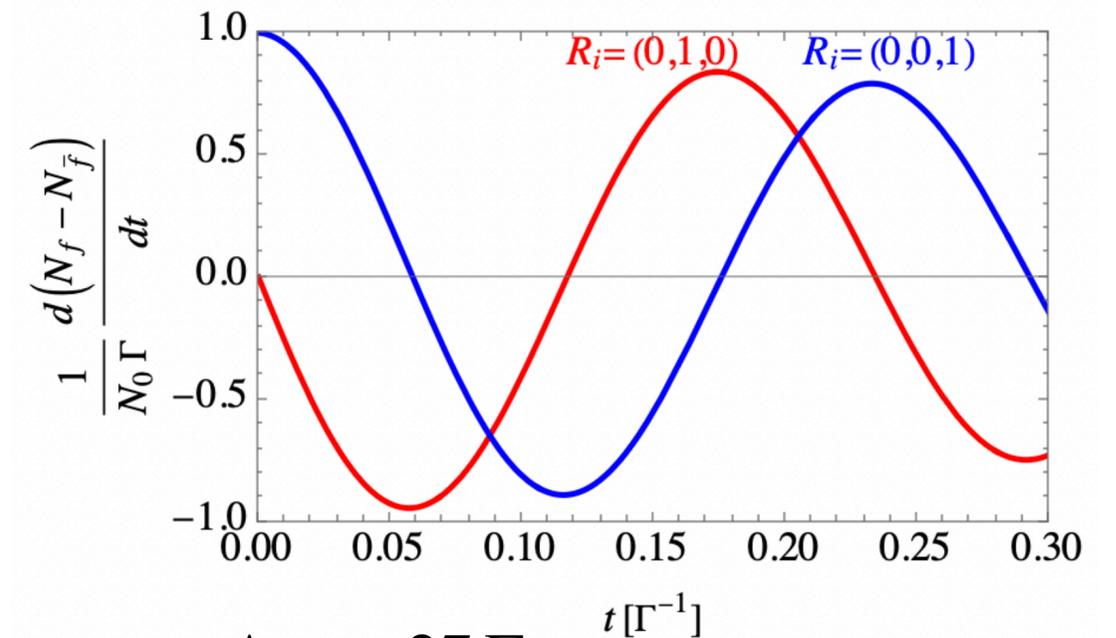
$$\Gamma_{M(t) \rightarrow f/\bar{f}} = \frac{1 \pm R_z(t)}{2} \Gamma_{M \rightarrow f} \quad (N_f - N_{\bar{f}}) \sim \langle \sigma_z \rangle = R_z$$

- Observable:

$$\frac{1}{N_0} \frac{d(N_f - N_{\bar{f}})}{dt} = e^{-\Gamma t} (R_z \cos(\Delta m t) - R_y \sin(\Delta m t)) \Gamma_{M \rightarrow f}$$

Meson flavor state when it is produced, $t = 0$

- Both R_y and R_z are obtained as they oscillated into each other.



$\Delta m \approx 27 \Gamma$,
slightly damped oscillation

Collapse the superposition

— x direction in the Bloch vector space

- Consider a meson that only decay to flavor eigenstate $|f\rangle$ (such as semileptonic) or CP-even eigenstate $|f_+\rangle$

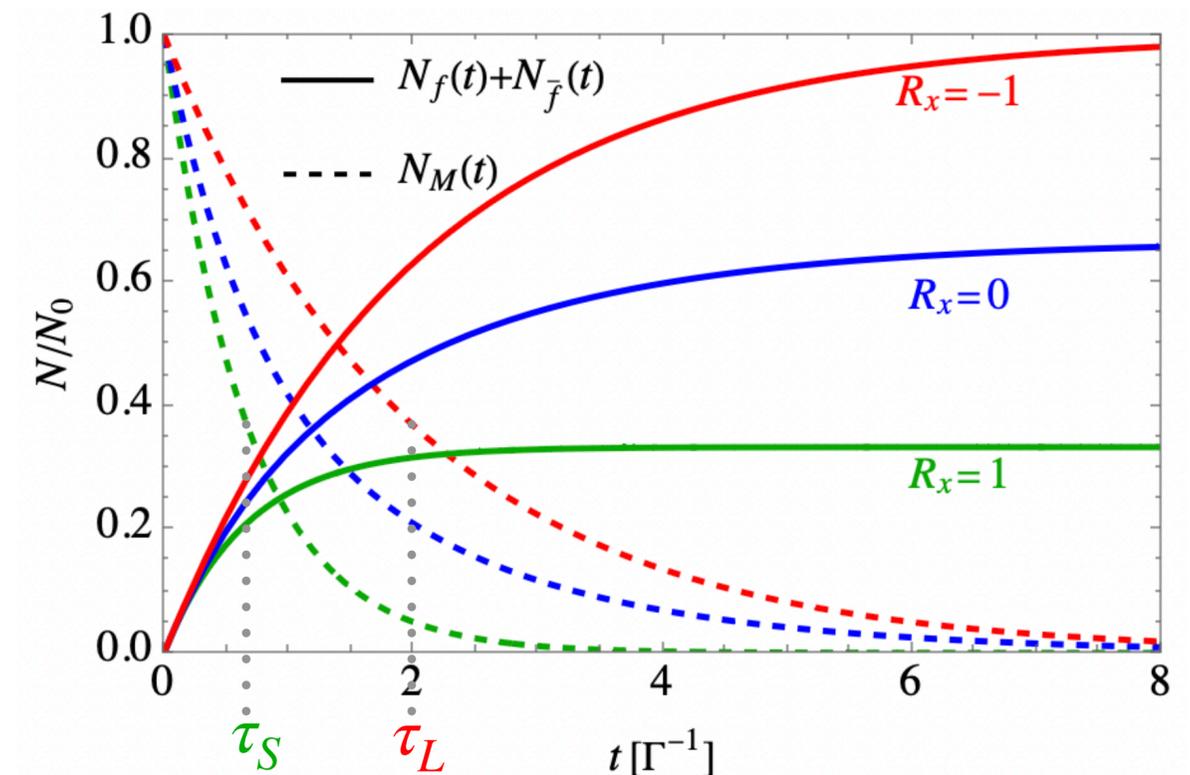
$$\Gamma_{M(t)\rightarrow f_+} = \frac{1 + R_x(t)}{2} \Gamma_{M_1\rightarrow f_+} = (1 + R_x(t)) \Gamma_{M\rightarrow f_+}$$

- Both $M(t) \rightarrow f_+$ and $M(t) \rightarrow f/\bar{f}$ depend on R_x
affected by branching fraction

- ▶ $R_x = 1$, M_1 can decay to f_+
- ▶ $R_x = -1$, M_2 can't decay to f_+ , more f

$$\frac{1}{N_0} \frac{d(N_f + N_{\bar{f}})}{dt} = e^{-\Gamma t} (\cosh(\Delta\Gamma t/2) - R_x \sinh(\Delta\Gamma t/2)) \Gamma_{M\rightarrow f}$$

- Semi-leptonic channel is enough. e.g. $B_s \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell X + h.c.$



difference between each lines $\propto \Delta\Gamma$
i.e., decay to CP eigenstates.

Observables in semileptonic decay channel

- Reconstruct ρ_{MM} at $t = 0$.
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- Meson pair:
 - ▶ Four observables from the correlation between the above two

$\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$ $N_{f\bar{f}}$: meson A decay to f **and** meson B decay to \bar{f}

$$I_2 \otimes I_2 \longrightarrow N_{\text{tot}} = N_{ff} + N_{\bar{f}\bar{f}} + N_{f\bar{f}} + N_{\bar{f}f}$$

$$\sigma_z \otimes \sigma_z \longrightarrow A_{ff} = N_{ff} - N_{\bar{f}\bar{f}} - N_{f\bar{f}} + N_{\bar{f}f} = N_{\text{like}} - N_{\text{unlike}}$$

$$\sigma_z \otimes I_2 \longrightarrow A_f^A = N_{ff} + N_{f\bar{f}} - N_{\bar{f}\bar{f}} - N_{\bar{f}f}$$

$$I_2 \otimes \sigma_z \longrightarrow A_f^B = N_{ff} - N_{f\bar{f}} + N_{\bar{f}\bar{f}} - N_{\bar{f}f}$$

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$$\frac{dN_{\text{tot}}}{dt_1 dt_2} = N_0 \Gamma_{B_0 \rightarrow f}^2 e^{-\Gamma(t_1+t_2)} (\text{ch}_{t_1} \text{ch}_{t_2} - \text{ch}_{t_1} \text{sh}_{t_2} R_x^A - \text{sh}_{t_1} \text{ch}_{t_2} R_x^B + C_{xx} \text{sh}_{t_1} \text{sh}_{t_2}) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

$$\frac{dA_{ff}}{dt_1 dt_2} = N_0 \Gamma_{B_0 \rightarrow f}^2 e^{-\Gamma(t_1+t_2)} (s_{t_1} s_{t_2} C_{yy} - c_{t_1} s_{t_2} C_{zy} - s_{t_1} c_{t_2} C_{yz} + c_{t_1} c_{t_2} C_{zz}) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

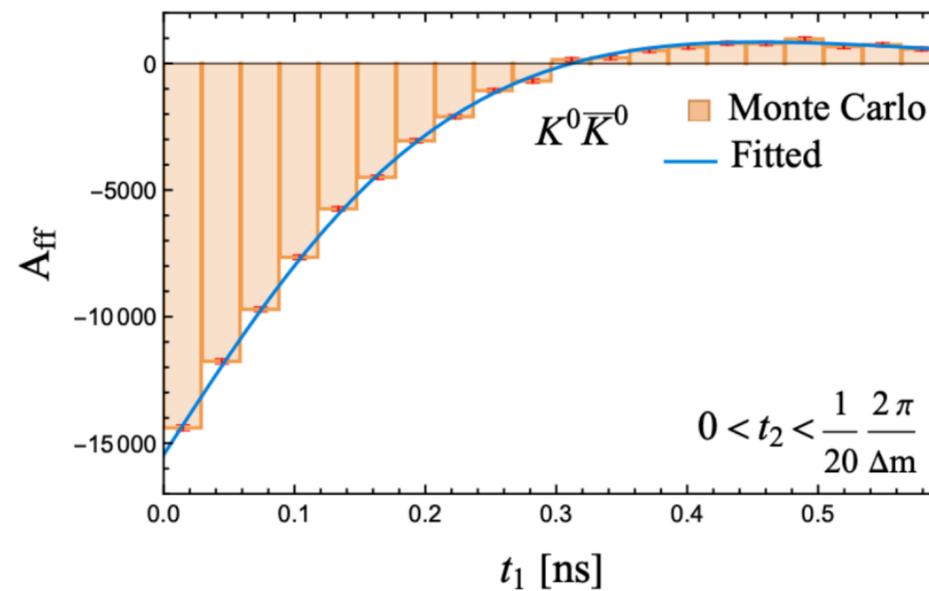
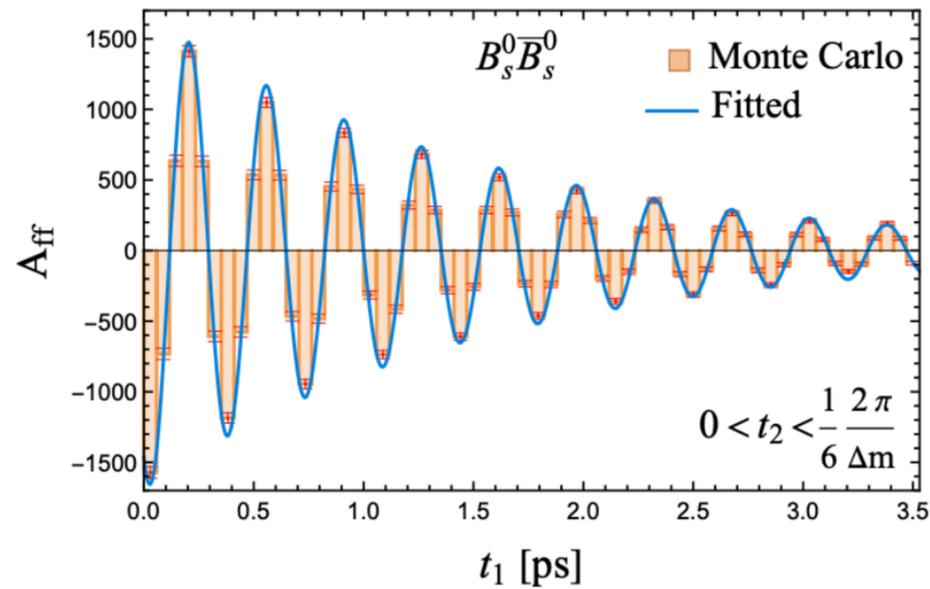
$$\frac{dA_f^A}{dt_1 dt_2} = N_0 \Gamma_{B_0 \rightarrow f}^2 e^{-\Gamma(t_1+t_2)} (\text{ch}_{t_2} (c_{t_1} R_z^A - s_{t_1} R_y^A) - \text{sh}_{t_2} (c_{t_1} C_{zx} - s_{t_1} C_{yx})) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

$$\frac{dA_f^B}{dt_1 dt_2} = N_0 \Gamma_{B_0 \rightarrow f}^2 e^{-\Gamma(t_1+t_2)} (\text{ch}_{t_1} (c_{t_2} R_z^B - s_{t_2} R_y^B) - \text{sh}_{t_1} (c_{t_2} C_{xz} - s_{t_2} C_{xy})) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

$$\epsilon \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-5}$$

Sensitivity estimation

- We consider a C-odd flavor state $(|M\bar{M}\rangle - |\bar{M}M\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
 - ▶ Analogy to spin singlet $R_i = 0, C_{ij} = -\delta_{ij}$
- B_s pair: x -direction is hard to measure, y and z are the same
- K_0 pair: y -direction slightly worse than z



| | $B_s^0 \bar{B}_s^0$ fitted | $K^0 \bar{K}^0$ fitted | Obs. |
|-------------|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| R_x^A | -0.01 ± 0.06 | -0.002 ± 0.006 | N_{tot} |
| R_x^B | -0.01 ± 0.06 | -0.003 ± 0.006 | |
| R_y^A | 0.000 ± 0.003 | 0.005 ± 0.006 | A_f^A |
| R_z^A | 0.000 ± 0.003 | 0.003 ± 0.005 | |
| R_y^B | 0.000 ± 0.003 | 0.005 ± 0.006 | A_f^B |
| R_z^B | 0.001 ± 0.003 | 0.002 ± 0.004 | |
| C_{xx} | -1.2 ± 1.0 | -1.005 ± 0.012 | N_{tot} |
| C_{yx} | 0.00 ± 0.06 | 0.005 ± 0.008 | A_f^A |
| C_{zx} | 0.00 ± 0.05 | 0.006 ± 0.006 | |
| C_{xy} | 0.00 ± 0.05 | 0.006 ± 0.007 | A_f^B |
| C_{xz} | 0.00 ± 0.05 | 0.004 ± 0.006 | |
| C_{yy} | -1.001 ± 0.004 | -1.003 ± 0.008 | A_{ff} |
| C_{yz} | 0.001 ± 0.003 | 0.000 ± 0.007 | |
| C_{zy} | 0.000 ± 0.003 | 0.000 ± 0.006 | |
| C_{zz} | -1.000 ± 0.003 | -1.001 ± 0.003 | |
| Concurrence | 1.1 ± 0.5 | 1.005 ± 0.007 | |

Tab. Statistical uncertainty with 10^6 events

- ▶ $B_s B_s$: $10^5 \sim 10^6$ at LHCb (HL-LHC)
- ▶ KK : 8×10^9 at KLOE and KLOE-2, a fraction of 10^{-5} decay to lepton in the first period we consider.

Conclusion

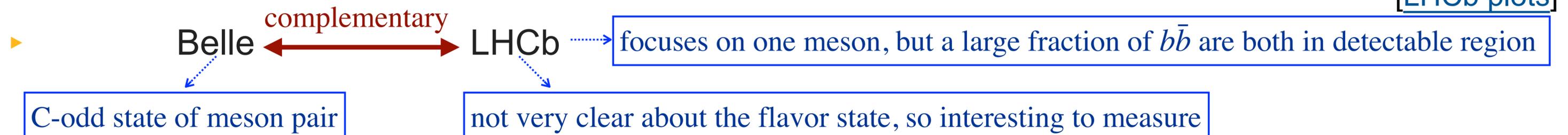
- The complete flavor density matrix of meson pair can be reconstructed!

- ▶ We can ask about concurrence, Bell, discord and magic, etc.
- ▶ Larger $\Delta m/\Gamma$, better sensitivity on y, z components.
- ▶ Larger $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma$, better sensitivity on x components

| | B_s^0 | B_d^0 | D^0 | K^0 |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| $\Delta m/\text{ps}^{-1}$ | 17.76 | 0.506 | 9.2×10^{-3} | 5.29×10^{-3} |
| Γ/ps^{-1} | 0.662 | 0.658 | 2.44 | 5.59×10^{-3} |
| $\Delta\Gamma/\text{ps}^{-1}$ | 0.082 | 2.6×10^{-3} | 0.030 | 0.0111 |

- Discussion

[LHCb plots]



- ▶ B_s at Belle, decay life time can also be constructed now (see poster of Timothy Mahood)
- ▶ B_d : nothing new to do for now, but we would have much more events at Belle-II (aim to collect 5×10^{10}).
- ▶ CP violation, more information, more precision, combine different channel, etc.