

# Measurements of CKM angle $\gamma$ in LHCb

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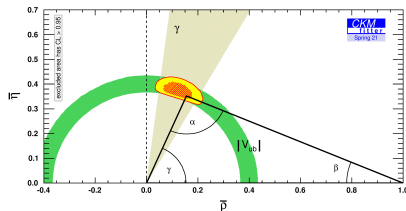
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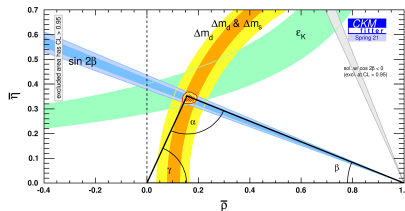
# Introduction to $\gamma$ and $CP$ violation

- CPV in SM is described by the Unitary Triangle, with angles  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$
- The angle  $\gamma = \arg\left(-\frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}\right)$  is very important:
  - 1 Negligible theoretical uncertainties: Ideal SM benchmark
  - 2 Accessible at tree level: Indirectly probe New Physics that enter loops
  - 3 Compare with a global CKM fit: Is the Unitary Triangle a triangle?



**(a) Tree level:**  $\gamma = (72.1^{+5.4}_{-5.7})^\circ$

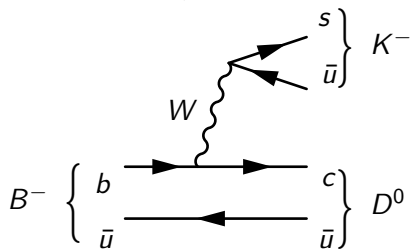
CKMfitter Group (J. Charles et al.), Eur. Phys. J. C41, 1-131 (2005)



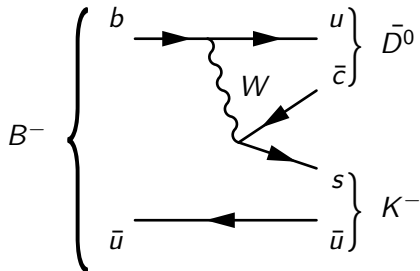
**(b) Loop level:**  $\gamma = (65.5^{+1.1}_{-2.7})^\circ$

# Sensitivity through interference

Measure  $\gamma$  through interference effects in  $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm$



Favoured  $B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-$



Suppressed  $B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K^-$

- Superposition of  $D^0$  and  $\bar{D}^0$ 
  - Consider  $D^0/\bar{D}^0$  decays to the same final state, such as  $D \rightarrow K^+ K^-$
- $b \rightarrow u\bar{c}s$  and  $b \rightarrow c\bar{u}s$  interference  $\rightarrow$  Sensitivity to  $\gamma$

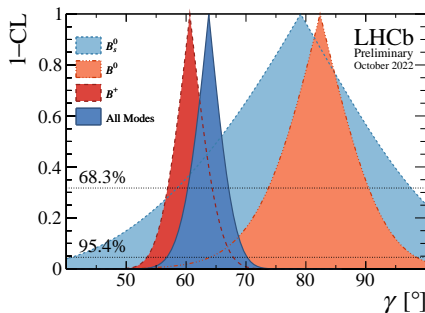
$$\mathcal{A}(B^-) = \mathcal{A}_B \left( \mathcal{A}_{D^0} + r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \gamma)} \mathcal{A}_{\bar{D}^0} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{A}(B^+) = \mathcal{A}_B \left( \mathcal{A}_{\bar{D}^0} + r_B e^{i(\delta_B + \gamma)} \mathcal{A}_{D^0} \right)$$

# Summary of LHCb $\gamma$ measurements

Our most precise knowledge of  $\gamma$  comes from the combination of  $\gamma$  and charm mixing parameters

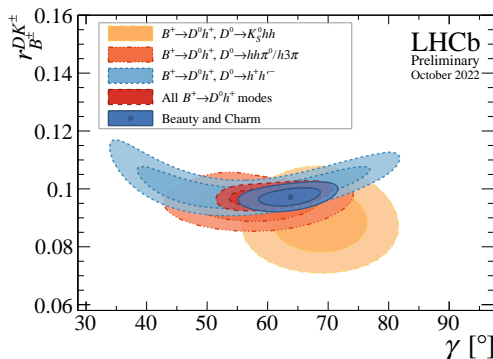
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Most precise determination from a single experiment:  $\gamma = (63.8^{+3.5}_{-3.7})^\circ$

The dominant contributions are from charged  $B^\pm$  decays

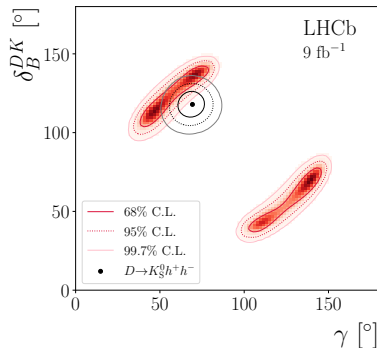
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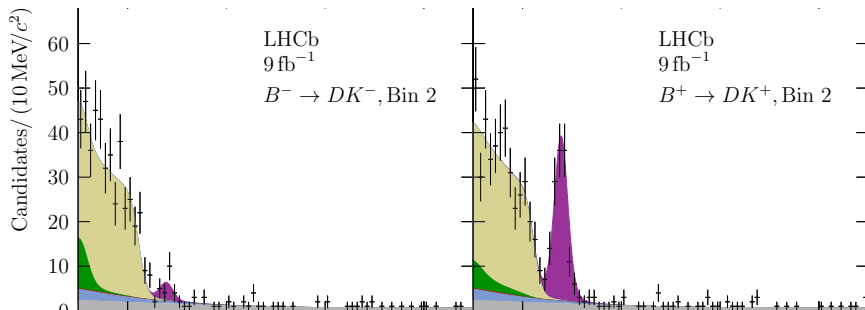
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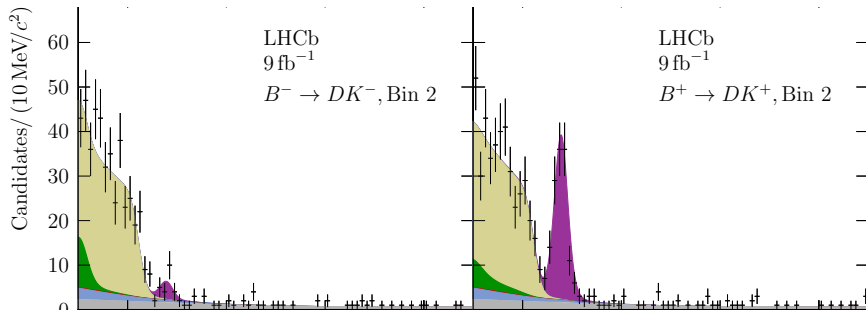
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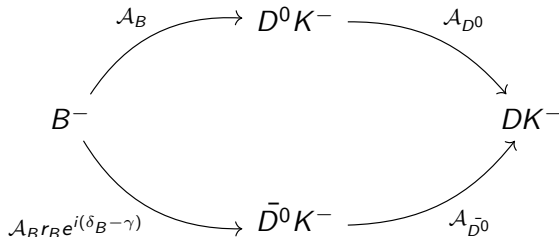
These multi-body decays are analysed in local regions of phase space



# Multi-body $D$ decays

This talk: Focus on multi-body  $D$  decays, where interference effects vary across phase space

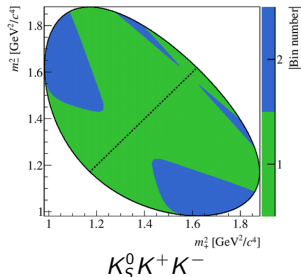
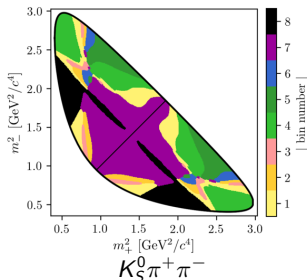
- Hadronic parameters  $r_D$  and  $\delta_D$  are functions of phase space
- Compare yields of  $B^+$  and  $B^-$  and determine the asymmetry in local phase space regions



$$|\mathcal{A}(B^-)|^2 \propto 1 + r_B^2 r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \cos(\delta_B - \gamma + \delta_D)$$

# Multi-body $D$ decays

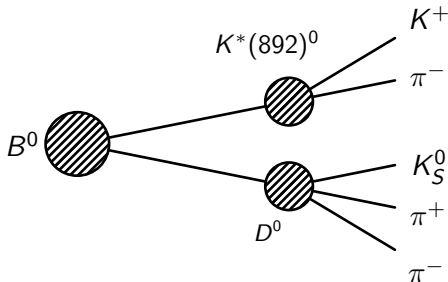
- Interpretation of  $\gamma$  from the multi-body charm decays require external inputs of the charm strong-phase differences
- The three-body decays  $D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$  have been studied extensively, using an optimised phase-space binning:
  - CLEO [Phys. Rev. D82 \(2010\) 112006](#)
  - BESIII [Phys. Rev. D101 \(2020\) 112002](#)
- With charm inputs from CLEO and BESIII, the measurement of  $\gamma$  becomes model independent



This method may be generalised to neutral  $B$  decays:

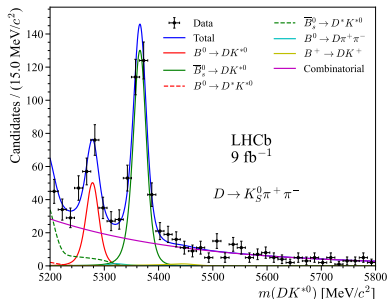
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New preliminary results!

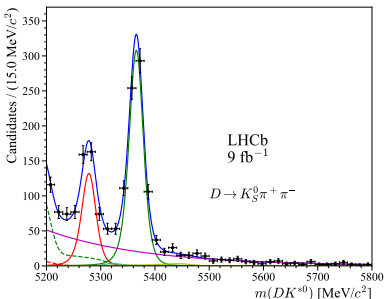


$$B^0 \rightarrow (K_S^0 h^+ h^-)_D (K^+ \pi^-)_{K^*}$$

# Neutral $B$ decays



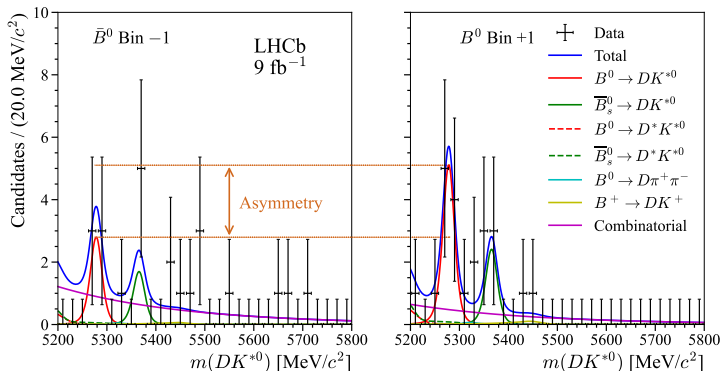
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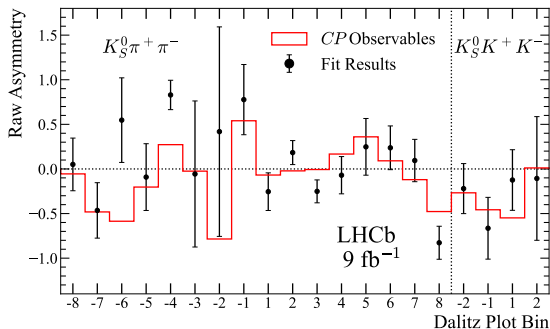
- Two separate selections of  $K_S^0$ :
  - LL (long tracks):  $K_S^0$  decays in the VELO
  - DD (downstream tracks):  $K_S^0$  decays downstream of the VELO
- $B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$  candidates with  $D \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$  ( $D \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+ K^-$ ):
  - LL:  $102 \pm 17$  ( $12 \pm 6$ )
  - DD:  $288 \pm 25$  ( $32 \pm 8$ )

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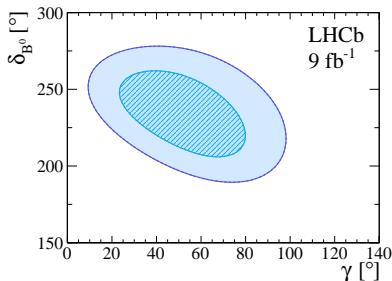
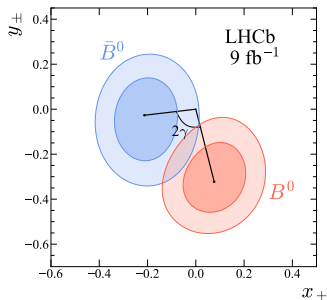
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- Asymmetries differ in size and magnitude across bins of phase space

# Neutral $B$ decays



- Measured  $CP$ -violating observables:

$$x_{\pm} \equiv r_{B^0} \cos(\delta_{B^0} \pm \gamma) \text{ and } y_{\pm} \equiv r_{B^0} \sin(\delta_{B^0} \pm \gamma)$$

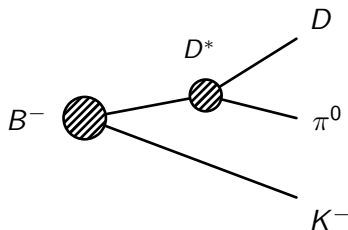
- Measured value of  $\gamma$  is consistent with world average:
  - $\gamma = (49 \pm 20)^\circ$
  - $\delta_{B^0} = (236 \pm 19)^\circ$
  - $r_{B^0} = 0.27 \pm 0.07$

# $B$ decays to excited $D^*$ final states

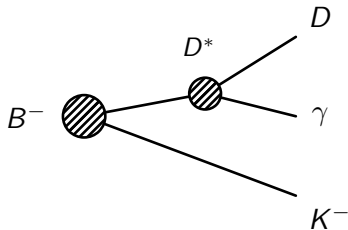
$B^- \rightarrow D^* K^-$  decays are also a powerful probe of CPV:

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New preliminary results!



$$B^- \rightarrow [D\pi^0]_{D^*} K^-$$



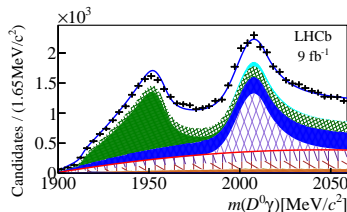
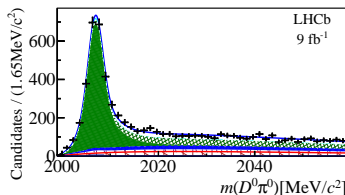
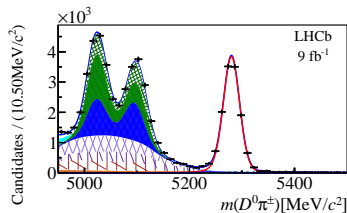
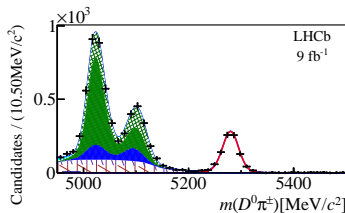
$$B^- \rightarrow [D\gamma]_{D^*} K^-$$

$$\mathcal{A}(B^-) \propto \mathcal{A}(D^0) + r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \gamma)} \mathcal{A}(\bar{D}^0) \quad \mathcal{A}(B^-) \propto \mathcal{A}(D^0) - r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \gamma)} \mathcal{A}(\bar{D}^0)$$

The relative signal swap results in opposite  $CP$  asymmetries between  
 $D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$  and  $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$



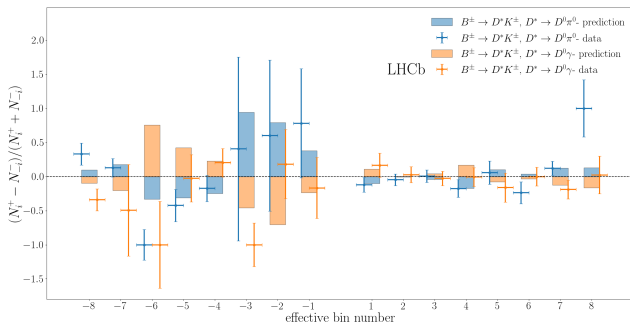
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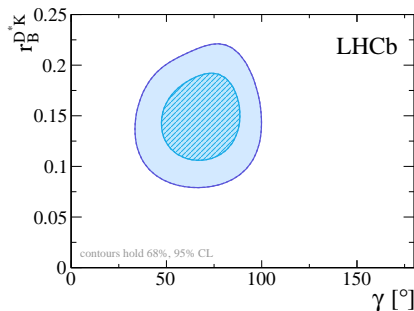
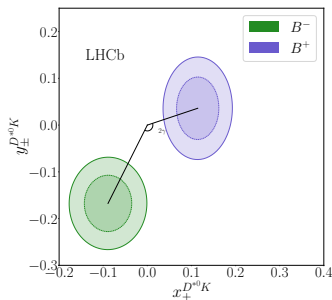
$$(a) D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$$

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- Good agreement between individual bin asymmetries and the combined  $CP$  fit
- Bin asymmetries between  $D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$  and  $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$  are generally opposite in magnitude

# $B$ decays to excited $D^*$ final states



These results provide strong constraints on  $\gamma$ :

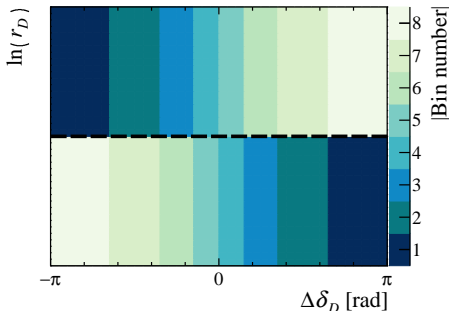
- $\gamma = (69 \pm 14)^\circ$
- $\delta_B^{D^{*0}K} = (311 \pm 15)^\circ$
- $r_B^{D^{*0}K} = 0.15 \pm 0.03$

# Phase-space binned $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$

Can also consider more complicated multi-body decays:

$$B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$$

- Phase space is 5-dimensional...
- ...use an amplitude model to determine an efficient binning scheme!

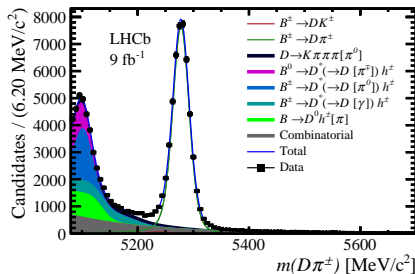
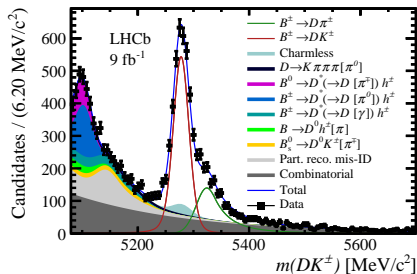


Bins  $i < 0$  on top,  $i > 0$  below

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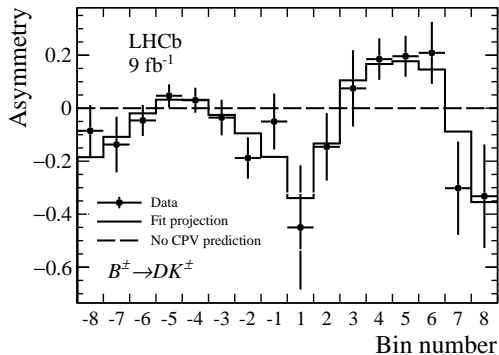
# Phase-space binned $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$

Fully charged final state  $\implies$  Highly suitable for LHCb



- $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D h^\pm$  signal yield:
  - $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm$ :  $3026 \pm 38$
  - $B^\pm \rightarrow D\pi^\pm$ :  $44349 \pm 218$

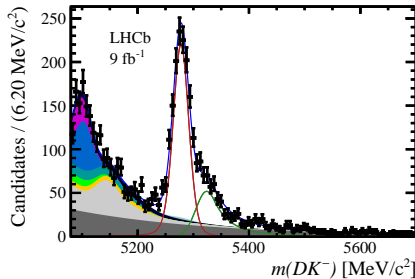
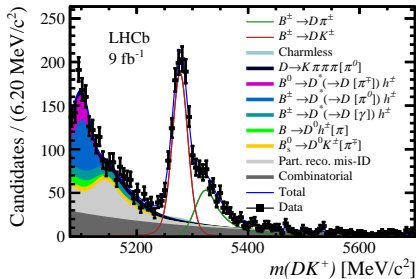
# Phase-space binned $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$



- Clear bin asymmetries are seen, and the non-trivial distribution is driven by the change in strong phases across phase space
- While the interpretation of  $\gamma$  requires charm inputs, the observed bin asymmetries are model independent

# Phase-space integrated $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$

Additionally, one can measure the phase-space integrated asymmetries and measure additional  $CP$ -violating observables

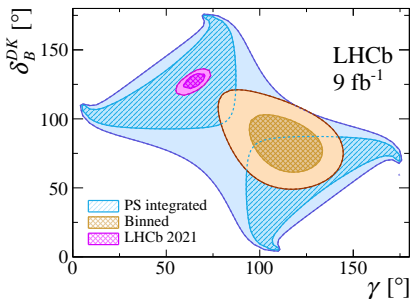
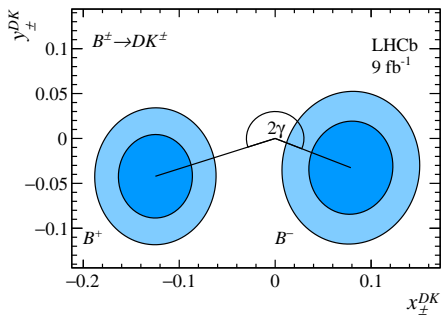


More  $B^-$  candidates because  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$  is predominantly  $CP$ -even

# Interpretation of $\gamma$

From the phase-space binned asymmetries, we obtain:

- $\gamma = (116^{+12}_{-14})^\circ$
- $\delta_D^{DK} = (81^{+12}_{-14})^\circ$
- $r_B^{DK} = 0.110^{+0.020}_{-0.020}$



These results are model dependent, and will be updated once BESIII strong-phase inputs are available



## In summary:

- ① LHCb performed several measurements of  $\gamma$ , using a set of complementary  $B$  and  $D^{(*)}$  decay combinations
- ② Phase-space binned analyses using the golden mode  $D \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$  provide the most powerful constraints for our  $\gamma$  combination
- ③ I have presented two new model-independent measurements:
  - $B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$  with  $K^{*0} \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$
  - $B^\pm \rightarrow D^* h^\pm$  with  $D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$  and  $D\gamma$
- ④ Additionally, a binned measurement with the channel  $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-]_D K^\pm$  has been performed for the first time
  - Need external inputs for charm strong-phases from BESIII

## Future prospects:

- ① The measurements I have presented today will make valuable improvements to future  $\gamma$  combinations
- ② Measurements are still dominated by statistical uncertainties, and are expected to reduce significantly at the end of Run 3
- ③ We expect more time-dependent results, such as  $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- K^+$ , which will be interesting to compare with results from  $B^\pm/B^0$

Thanks for your attention!