

Measurements of CKM angle γ in LHCb

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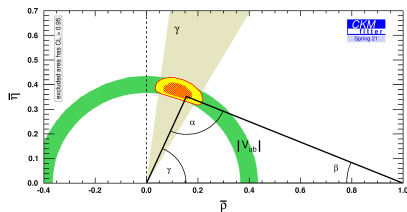
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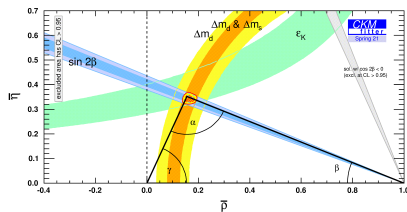


Introduction to γ and CP violation

- CPV in SM is described by the Unitary Triangle, with angles α , β , γ
- 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: $\gamma = (72.1^{+5.4}_{-5.7})^\circ$



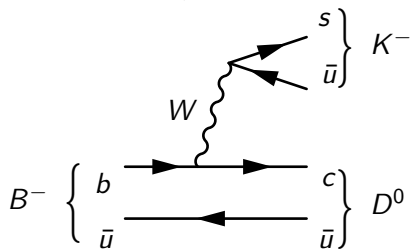
(b) Loop level: $\gamma = (65.5^{+1.1}_{-2.7})^\circ$

CKMfitter Group (J. Charles et al.), Eur. Phys. J. C41, 1-131 (2005), updated results and plots available at:

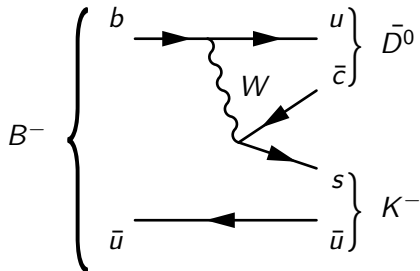
<http://ckmfitter.in2p3.fr>

Sensitivity through interference

Measure γ 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 γ

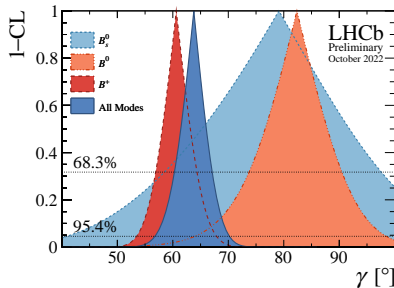
$$\mathcal{A}(B^-) = \mathcal{A}_B \left(\mathcal{A}_{D^0} + r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \gamma)} \mathcal{A}_{\bar{D}^0} \right)$$

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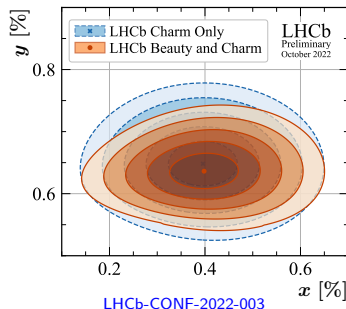
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Most precise determination from a single experiment: $\gamma = (63.8^{+3.5}_{-3.7})^\circ$
Contributions from the B^\pm dominate, but all measurements are consistent

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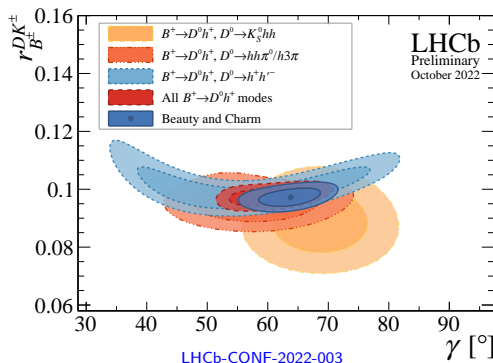
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Mixing effects to γ measurements are approaching the statistical sensitivity
The simultaneous fit improves the knowledge of y significantly

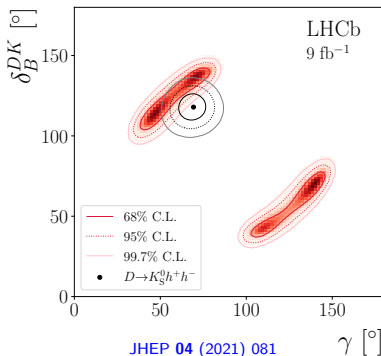
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The γ combination is mainly driven by $B^{\pm} \rightarrow Dh^{\pm}$, where:

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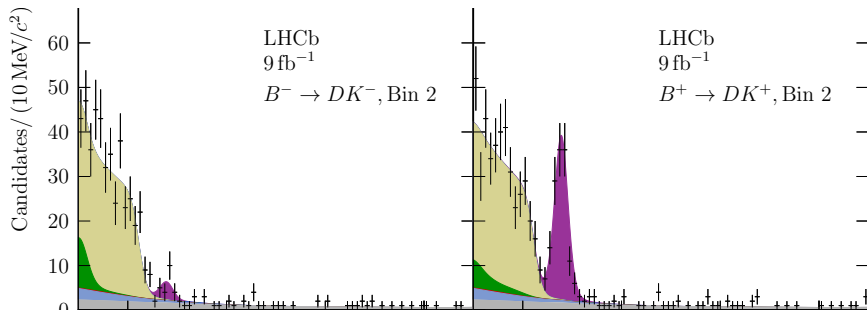
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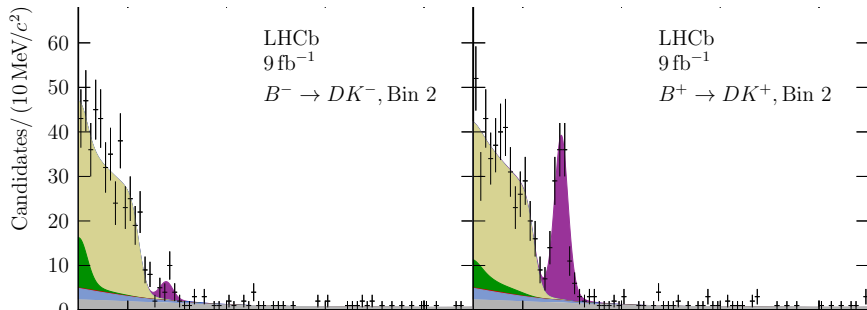


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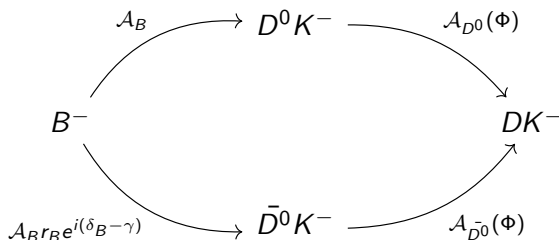
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These multi-body decays are analysed in local regions of phase space

Multi-body D decays

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

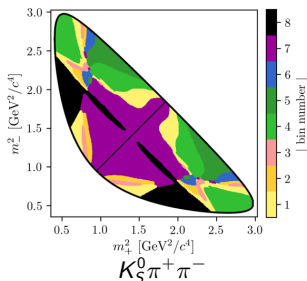
- Strong-phase difference δ_D is a function of phase space
- Compare yields of B^+ and B^- and determine the asymmetry in local phase space regions



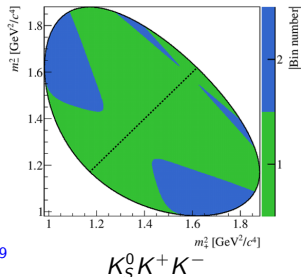
$$|\mathcal{A}(B^-)|^2 \propto |\mathcal{A}_{D^0}(\Phi)|^2 + r_B^2 |\mathcal{A}_{\bar{D}^0}(\Phi)|^2 + 2r_B |\mathcal{A}_{D^0}(\Phi)| |\mathcal{A}_{\bar{D}^0}(\Phi)| \cos(\delta_B - \gamma + \delta_D)$$

Multi-body D decays

- Interpretation of γ 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 γ becomes model independent



[JHEP 02 \(2021\) 0169](#)

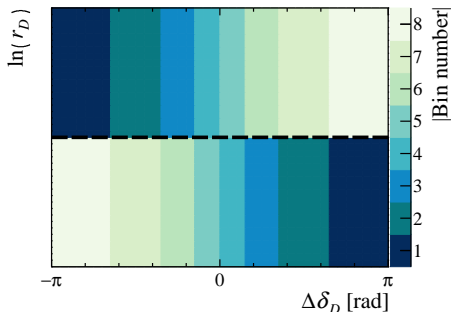


Phase-space binned $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$

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!

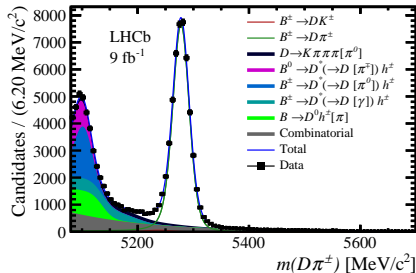
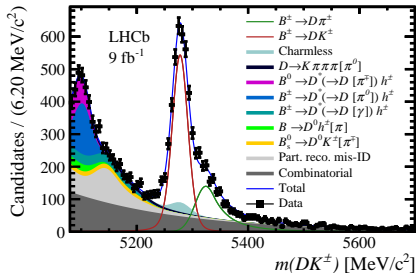


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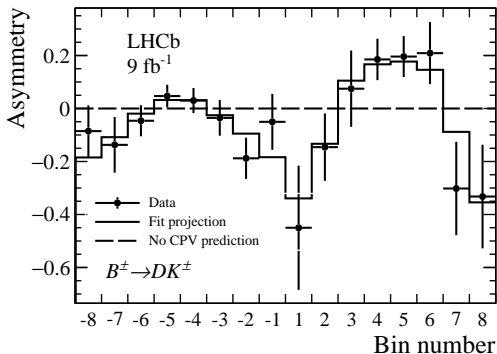
Fully charged final state \implies Highly suitable for LHCb



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

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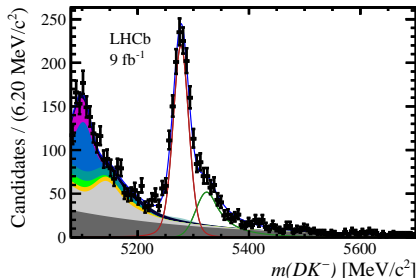
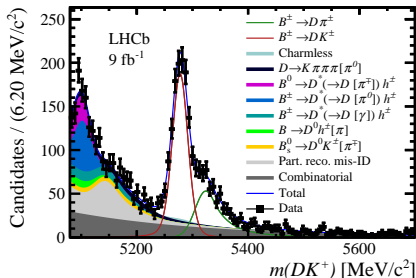


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- Clear bin asymmetries are seen, and the non-trivial distribution is driven by the change in strong-phase differences across phase space
- While the interpretation of γ requires charm inputs, the observed bin asymmetries are model independent

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



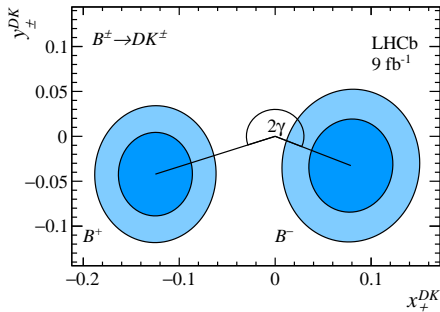
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More B^- candidates because $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$ is predominantly CP -even (Phys. Rev. D **107** 032009)

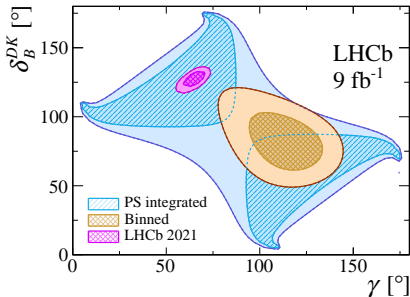
Phase-space binned $B^\pm \rightarrow [K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-]_D K^\pm$

From the phase-space binned asymmetries, we obtain:

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



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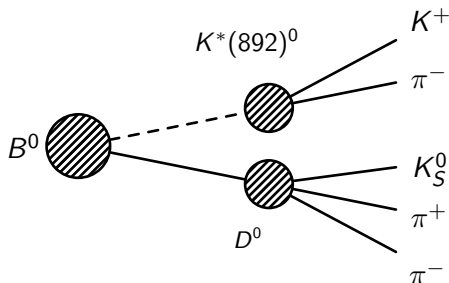


These results are model dependent, and will be updated once BESIII strong-phase inputs are available

This method works analogously with neutral B decays:

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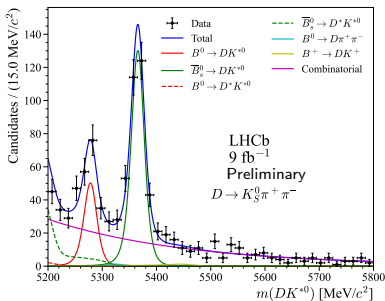
New results!



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

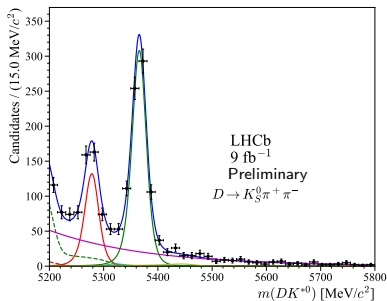
This results supersedes that of [JHEP 08 \(2016\) 137](#)

Neutral B decays



LL

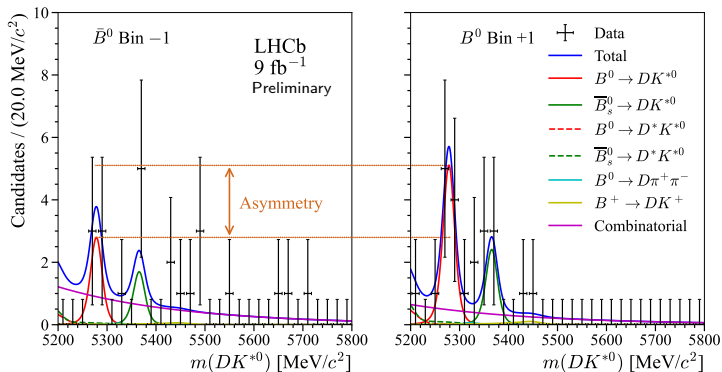
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DD

- 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 ± 17 (12 ± 6)
 - DD: 288 ± 25 (32 ± 8)

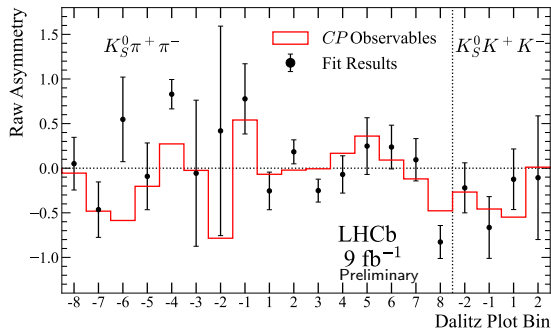
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- Non-zero bin asymmetries are seen:
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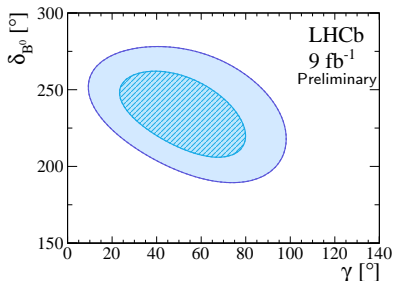
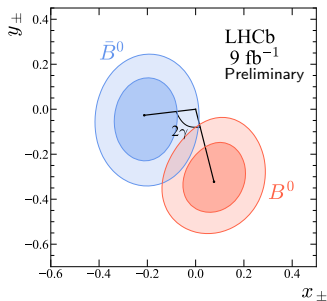
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- Asymmetries differ in size and magnitude across bins of phase space

Neutral B decays



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- Measured CP -violating observables:

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

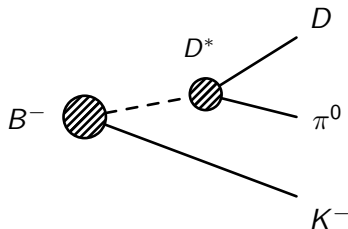
- Measured value of γ is consistent with world average:
 - $\gamma = (49 \pm 20)^{\circ}$
 - $\delta_{B^0} = (236 \pm 19)^{\circ}$
 - $r_{B^0} = 0.27 \pm 0.07$

B decays to excited D^* final states

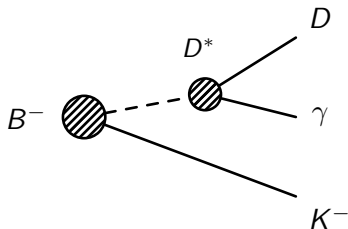
$B^- \rightarrow D^* K^-$ decays are also a powerful probe of CPV:

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New results!



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

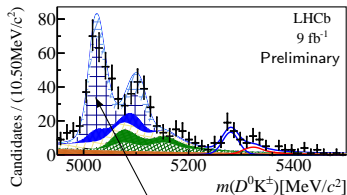


$$B^- \rightarrow [D\gamma]_{D^*} K^-$$

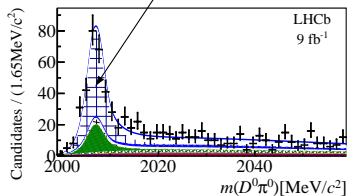
$$\mathcal{A}(B^-) \propto \mathcal{A}(D^0) + r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \gamma)} \mathcal{A}(\bar{D}^0) \quad \mathcal{A}(B^-) \propto \mathcal{A}(D^0) - r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \gamma)} \mathcal{A}(\bar{D}^0)$$

The relative sign swap, due to the phase difference of π between π^0 and γ , results in opposite CP asymmetries between $D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$ and $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$

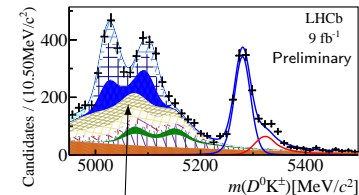
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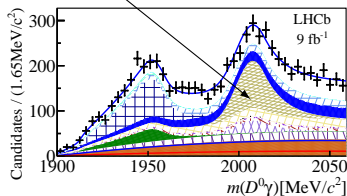
Signal peak



$D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$



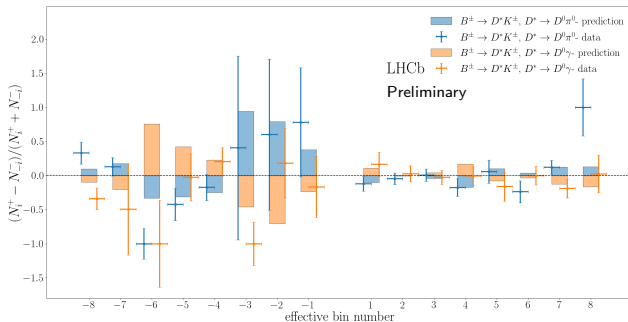
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(a) $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$

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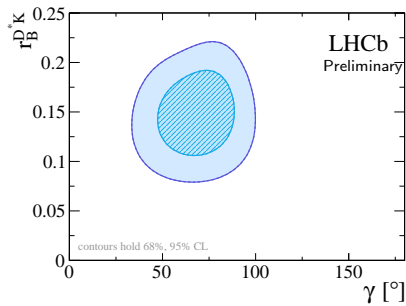
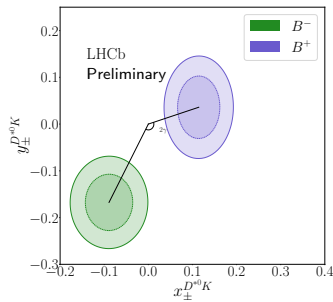
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- Good agreement between individual bin asymmetries and the combined CP fit
- Bin asymmetries between $D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$ and $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$ are generally opposite in sign

B decays to excited D^* final states



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These results provide strong constraints on γ :

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

In summary:

- ① LHCb performed several measurements of γ , 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 γ combination
- ③ 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
- ④ I have also 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 $D \gamma$

Future prospects:

- 1 The measurements I have presented today will make valuable improvements to future γ 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 $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- K^+$ with Run 2, that will be interesting to compare with results from B^\pm/B^0

Thanks for your attention!