

New Belle results on $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing

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Mixing formalism

- Flavor eigenstates \neq mass eigenstates: $|D_{1,2}^0\rangle = p|D^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$
 - $p/q \neq 1 \Rightarrow CP$ violation (CPV)
- Time evolution of a $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ system

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} |D^0\rangle \\ |\bar{D}^0\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \left(\hat{M} - i\frac{\hat{\Gamma}}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} |D^0\rangle \\ |\bar{D}^0\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

with \hat{M} and $\hat{\Gamma}$ being hermitian

- Solutions:

$$|D^0(t)\rangle = e^{-(\Gamma/2+im)t} \left[\cosh\left(\frac{y+ix}{2}\Gamma t\right) |D^0\rangle + \frac{q}{p} \sinh\left(\frac{y+ix}{2}\Gamma t\right) |\bar{D}^0\rangle \right]$$

$$|\bar{D}^0(t)\rangle = e^{-(\Gamma/2+im)t} \left[\frac{p}{q} \sinh\left(\frac{y+ix}{2}\Gamma t\right) |D^0\rangle + \cosh\left(\frac{y+ix}{2}\Gamma t\right) |\bar{D}^0\rangle \right]$$

- Mixing parameters:

$$x = \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma} \qquad y = \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{2\Gamma}$$

- Since D^0 mixing is small ($|x|, |y| \ll 1$):

$$|D^0(t)\rangle = e^{-(\Gamma/2+im)t} [|D^0\rangle + \frac{p}{q} \left(\frac{y+ix}{2} \Gamma t \right) |\bar{D}^0\rangle]$$

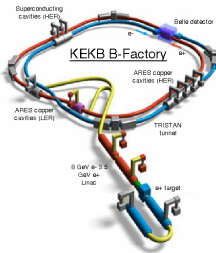
- Time dependent decay rates of $D^0 \rightarrow f$:

$$\frac{dN_{D^0 \rightarrow f}}{dt} \propto |\langle f | \mathcal{H} | D^0(t) \rangle|^2 = e^{-\Gamma t} \left| \langle f | \mathcal{H} | D^0 \rangle + \frac{q}{p} \left(\frac{y+ix}{2} \Gamma t \right) \langle f | \mathcal{H} | \bar{D}^0 \rangle \right|^2$$

- Exponential decay modulated with x and y
 - x and y can be obtained from measured time dependence of $\frac{dN_{D^0 \rightarrow f}}{dt}$
- Shape is final state dependent
 - different final states sensitive to different combinations of x and y

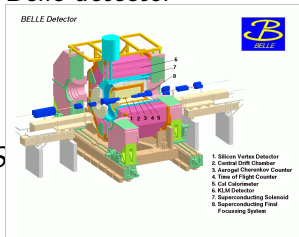
B-factories are also charm-factories: $\sigma_{c\bar{c}} \approx \sigma_{b\bar{b}}$

KEKB B-factory



- Asymmetric e^+e^- collider
- primarily at $\Upsilon(4S)$
- also $\Upsilon(1S), \Upsilon(2S), \Upsilon(3S), \Upsilon(5S)$
- $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

Belle detector



- Charm production $\sigma_{c\bar{c}} \sim 1 \text{ nb} \rightarrow \sim 10^9$ charm events at Belle
- Easy to reject D mesons from B decays using simple kinematic cuts:
 - $p_D^* > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$ at $\Upsilon(4S)$
 - $p_D^* > 3.1 \text{ GeV}/c$ at $\Upsilon(5S)$

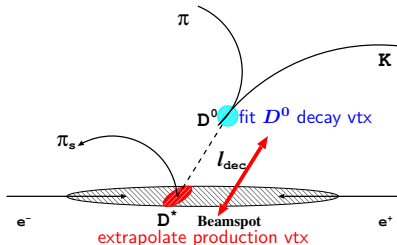
Belle II will collect 50 times more (talk by A. Schwartz)

Experimental method

- Usually using $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+ D^0$
 - flavor tagging by π_{slow} charge
 - background suppression
- D^0 proper decay time measurement:

$$t = \frac{l_{dec}}{c\beta\gamma}, \quad \beta\gamma = \frac{p_{D^0}}{M_{D^0}}$$

- decay time uncertainty σ_t calculated from vtx err. matrices
- To reject D^{*+} from B decays:
- Observables:
 - $m = m(K\pi)$
 - $q = m(K\pi\pi_s) - m(K\pi) - m_\pi$



$$p_{D^{*+}}^{CMS} > 2.5 \text{ (3.1) GeV}/c$$

Decays to CP -even eigenstates $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$

- Measurement of lifetime difference btw. $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$ and $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$
- Timing distributions are exponential (if CP is conserved)

- mixing parameter:

$$y_{CP} = \frac{\tau(K^-\pi^+)}{\tau(K^+K^-)} - 1$$

- if CP conserved: $y_{CP} = y$

- If CP violated \rightarrow difference in lifetimes of $D^0/\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$

- lifetime asymmetry:

$$A_\Gamma = \frac{\tau(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^-K^+) - \tau(D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-)}{\tau(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^-K^+) + \tau(D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-)}$$

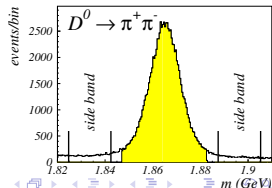
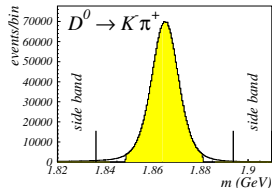
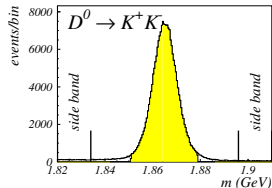
- $y_{CP} = y \cos \phi - \frac{1}{2} A_{MX} \sin \phi$
- $A_\Gamma = \frac{1}{2} A_{MY} \cos \phi - x \sin \phi$

(S. Bergmann et al., PLB 486, 418 (2000))

Event Selection

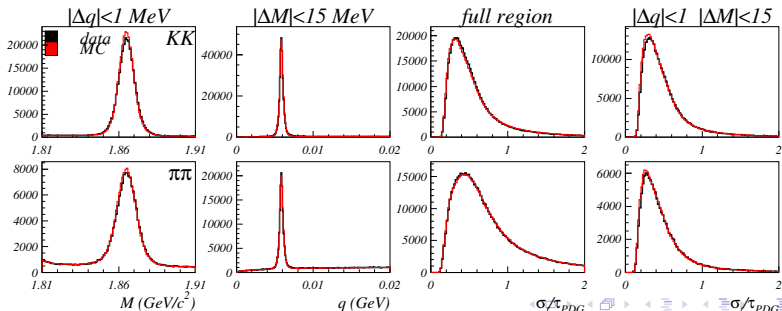
- Reconstruction
 - K and π selection
 - vertex fits
 - $p^*(D^{*+}) > 2.5(3.1) \text{ GeV}/c$
- Analysis cuts: $\Delta m, \Delta q, \sigma_t$
 - optimized on tuned Monte Carlo
 - figure of merit: statistical error on y_{CP}
- Background estimated from sidebands in m
 - sideband position optimized
- Signal yields (purities) entering the measurement

channel	KK	$K\pi$	$\pi\pi$
yield	242k	2.61M	114k
purity	98.0%	99.7%	92.9%

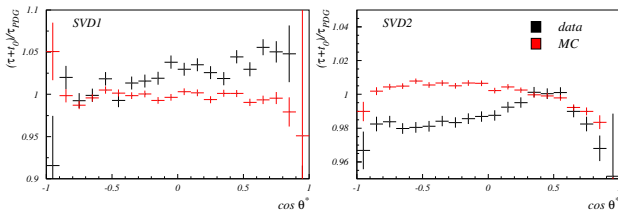


Monte Carlo tuning

- MC used for cut optimization and sideband position selection
- Very good agreement with data in shapes of M , q and σ_t distributions
- However, signal/background fractions differ by 10% - 20% \rightarrow tuning needed
- Correction factors obtained from 2D fit to $M - q$ data distributions
 - MC shapes used for different event types



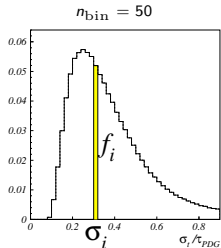
Mean proper decay time as a function of $\cos \theta^*$ for $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$



- Disagreement between data and MC of up to 5% of lifetime
 - due to different resolution function offsets
 - attributed to SVD misalignments
- Measurement therefore performed in bins of $\cos \theta^*$
 - 20 bins
 - additional cut: $|\cos \theta^*| < 0.9$ (1% events lost)

Resolution function (for binned fit)

- Constructed from normalized distribution of σ_t
 - Using 2 or 3 Gaussian PDF for each σ_t bin
- PDF parameters determined in each $\cos\theta^*$ bin by fitting the distribution of pulls $(t - t_{\text{gen}})/\sigma_t$
 - widths σ_k^{pull} , fractions w_k



$$R(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{bin}}} f_i \sum_{k=1}^{n_g} w_k G(t; \mu_i, \sigma_{ik})$$

$$\sigma_{ik} = s_k \sigma_k^{\text{pull}} \sigma_i \quad \mu_i = t_0 + a \left(\sigma_i - \sum_{j=1}^n f_j \sigma_j \right)$$

- Free parameters:
 - width scaling factors: s_k , $k = 1, \dots, n_g$ ($n_g = 2$ or 3)
 - resolution function offset: t_0
 - slope to model asymmetry: a

Proper decay time distribution

- Parameterization

$$f(t) = \frac{N}{\tau} \int e^{-t'/\tau} R(t-t') dt' + B(t)$$

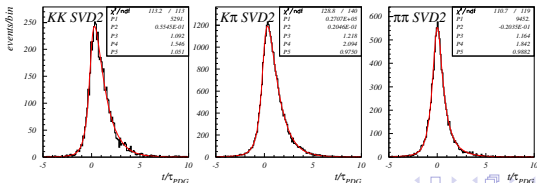
- Free parameters: N , τ , s_k , t_0 , a
- Sideband subtracted σ_t distribution used to construct $R(t)$

Background

- Two lifetime components (zero and non-zero lifetime)

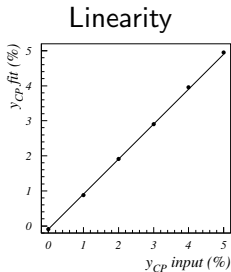
$$B(t) = N_b \int [f\delta(t') + (1 - f)\frac{1}{\tau_b}e^{-t'/\tau_b}]R_b(t - t')dt'$$

- Background resolution function:
 - symmetric (\$a = 0\$) with \$n_g = 3\$ and \$s_3 = s_2\$
- Fraction \$f\$ is \$\cos\theta^*\$ dependent, fixed from tuned-MC
- Free parameters \$t_0, s_1, s_2, \tau_b\$
 - determined by fit to sideband distributions summed over \$\cos\theta^*\$ bins
 - \$B(t)\$ is still \$\cos\theta^*\$ dependent due to \$\sigma_t\$ distribution, \$f\$ and \$N_b\$



Simultaneous fit

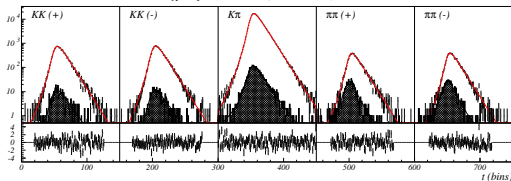
- Decay modes fitted simultaneously in each $\cos \theta^*$ bin
 - binned maximum likelihood fit
- Shared parameters:
 - y_{CP}, A_{Γ} (KK and $\pi\pi$)
 - t_0, a (all decay modes)
 - s_1, s_2, s_3 (up to an overall scaling factor)
- Fit x-checked with generic MC ($6 \times$ data statistics)
 - $y_{CP} = (-0.02 \pm 0.08)\%$, $A_{\Gamma} = (-0.00 \pm 0.08)\%$
 → consistent with zero
 - $\tau_{K\pi} = (411.30 \pm 0.18) \text{ fs}$
 → consistent with generated lifetime (411.6 fs)
- Linearity x-checked with MC re-weighted to different y_{CP}
 - no bias found



$D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$ (update with 976 fb^{-1})

Sum of histograms and fitted functions over $\cos \theta^*$ bins

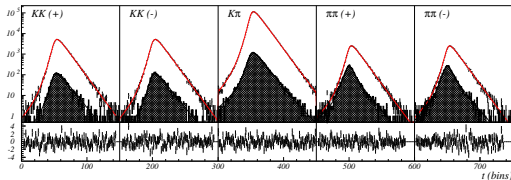
$\chi^2/ndf = 545.0/542$ (CL= 45.6%)



SVD1

3-layer SVD
 153 fb^{-1}

$\chi^2/ndf = 792.9/684$ (CL= 0.2%)

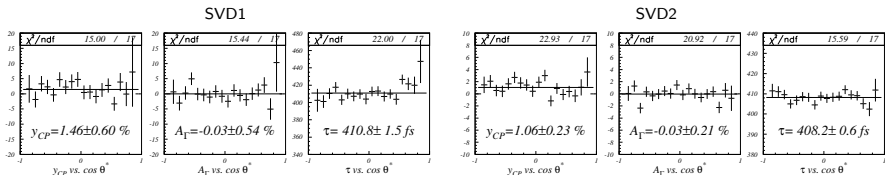


SVD2

4-layer SVD
 823 fb^{-1}

- Minos status: successful for all fits (2×18 fits)
- Confidence levels of fits above 5% (except one with CL=3.3%)

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sample	y_{CP} (%)	A_Γ (%)	τ (fs)
SVD1	1.46 ± 0.60	-0.03 ± 0.54	410.81 ± 1.50
SVD2	1.06 ± 0.23	-0.03 ± 0.21	408.23 ± 0.58
SVD1+SVD2	1.11 ± 0.22	-0.03 ± 0.20	408.56 ± 0.54

- y_{CP} at $5.1\sigma_{\text{stat}}$
- A_Γ consistent with zero
- $\tau_{K\pi}$ consistent between SVD1 and SVD2 within 1.6σ and consistent with PDG within 1σ



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Systematics

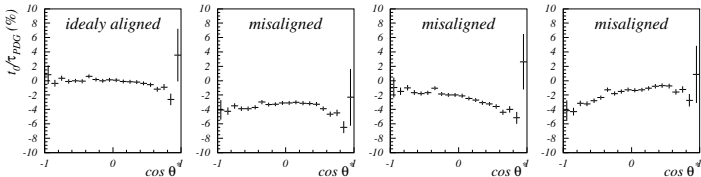
source	Δy_{CP} (%)	ΔA_Γ (%)
acceptance	0.050	0.044
SVD misalignments	0.060	0.041
mass window position	0.007	0.009
background	0.059	0.050
resolution function	0.030	0.002
binning	0.021	0.010
sum in quadrature	0.11	0.08

SVD misalignments:

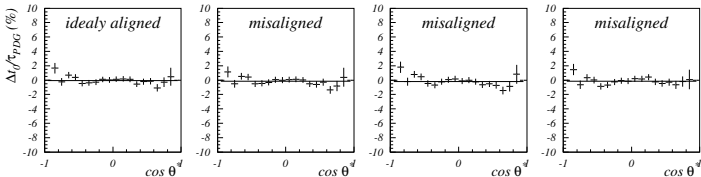
- Studied with misaligned signal MC:
 - different local and different global misalignments simulated
- Found to affect resolution function considerably (especially t_0)
- Effect very similar for KK , $K\pi$ and $\pi\pi$
 - small impact on y_{CP} , A_Γ , large impact on $\tau_{K\pi}$

SVD misalignments

- Impact on resolution function offset t_0 (shown for $K\pi$)



- Impact on the difference of resolution function offsets $t_0^{KK} - t_0^{K\pi}$

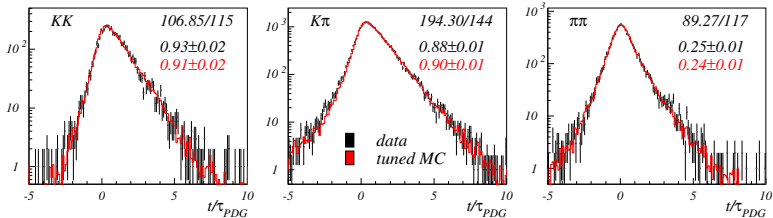


Background

- The second largest source of sistematics; two contributions
 - statistical fluctuations of sideband distribution
 - propagate to 0.051% (y_{CP}) and 0.050% (A_{Γ})
 - approximation of signal-window background with sideband
 - estimated from tuned MC (0.029% y_{CP} , 0.007% A_{Γ})
- To validate second point:
 - data/tuned-MC sideband time distributions in good agreement

data/tuned-MC comparison of sideband time distributions

■ MC ■ data



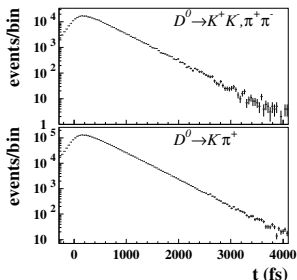
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Results (preliminary)

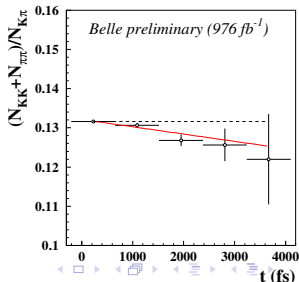
$$y_{CP} = (+1.11 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.11)\%$$

$$A_{\Gamma} = (-0.03 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.08)\%$$

- y_{CP} is at 4.5σ when both errors are combined in quadrature and at 5.1σ if only statistical error is considered
- A_{Γ} is consistent with no indirect CP violation.



divide
distributions



- The measurement of $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$ decays has been updated with the full Belle data of 976 fb^{-1}
- We measure $y_{CP} = (+1.11 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.11)\%$
 - the most sensitive and the most significant measurement of any mixing parameter up to now
 - consistent with our previous measurement on 540 fb^{-1} , where we found the first evidence for $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing
 - consistent also with BaBar measurements in these decays
- We also measure $A_{\Gamma} = (-0.03 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.08)\%$
 - consistent with no indirect CP violation
 - the most stringent limits on A_{Γ} up to now