

Amplitude analysis of $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ decays

RTG Lecture 3

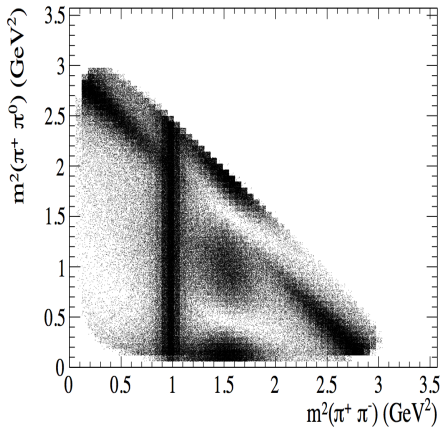
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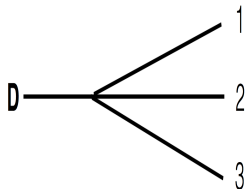
Lecture 1+2:

Phase-space, resonances and angular distributions



($D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ Toy Simulation)

Reminder: Kinematic of Multibody Decays



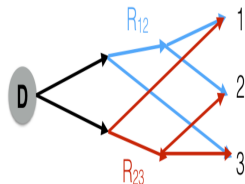
Four-momenta	12
Meson masses ($p_i^2 = m_i^2$)	-3
E, p conservation	-4
Arbitrary orientation (spinless particles)	-3
Independent variables	2

Fermi's Golden Rule for $D \rightarrow 123$

- **Differential decay rate:** $d\Gamma \propto |A_{D \rightarrow 123}|^2 d\phi_3$
- Convenient (but not unique) choice of variables: $m_{ij}^2 = (p_i^\mu + p_j^\mu)^2$
 $d\Gamma \propto |A_{D \rightarrow 123}|^2 dm_{12}^2 dm_{23}^2$
- **Dalitz plot** = Scatter plot of m_{12}^2 vs m_{23}^2
 Deviation from flat distribution $\Rightarrow$ Information on $A_{D \rightarrow 123}$!

Reminder: Interference of amplitudes

- Define phase-space point: $x = (m_{12}^2, m_{23}^2)$
- Amplitude for process 1:
 $A_1(x) = BW(m_{12}^2)P_L(\theta_{12}) = a_1(x)e^{i\phi_1(x)}$
- Amplitude for process 2:
 $A_2(x) = BW(m_{23}^2)P_L(\theta_{23}) = a_2(x)e^{i\phi_2(x)}$



- Total amplitude: $A(x) = A_1(x) + re^{i\delta} A_2(x)$
- $|A(x)|^2 = |a_1(x)|^2 + |r a_2(x)|^2 + 2|a_1(x)||r a_2(x)|\cos(\underbrace{\phi_1(x) - \phi_2(x) - \delta}_{\Delta\phi(x)})$

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Why multibody charm decays ?

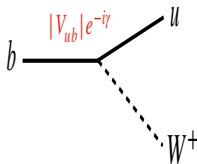
Spectroscopy

- Light hadron spectrum
- Measurement of basic properties:
Mass, width, branching fractions, quantum numbers
- Provides insights into hadron dynamics

Matter vs. Antimatter

- *CPV* in charm decays not yet observed
(SM prediction $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$)
- Observation of sizable *CPV* $\Rightarrow$ New Physics
- Measurement of CKM angle γ

Reminder: CKM Matrix

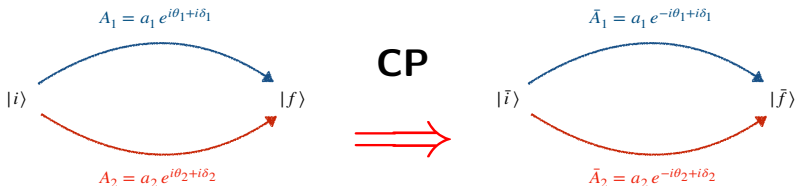


- Quark transitions are described by CKM matrix
- The matrix elements determine the transition probability
- **Complex elements** are **only** source of CPV in SM
- **Unitarity**: Only 3 real parameters and 1 phase are independent
- **Key test** of the SM: Verify unitarity

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} |V_{ud}| & |V_{us}| & |V_{ub}|e^{i\gamma} \\ |V_{cd}| & |V_{cs}| & |V_{cb}| \\ |V_{td}|e^{i\beta} & |V_{ts}| & |V_{tb}| \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \cdot \\ \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \blacksquare \end{pmatrix}$$

[See lectures by Dominik and Svende for more details]

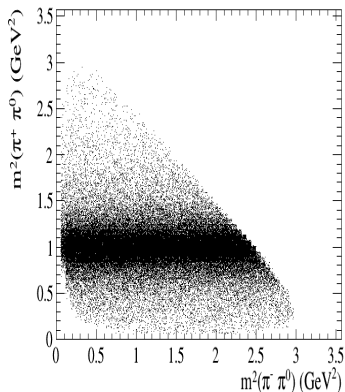
How to measure CP Violation ?



- Global phase is not observable:
 $A \rightarrow Ae^{i\theta}$, $|A|^2 \rightarrow |A|^2$
- Need at least two interfering processes with different:
Weak phase : $CP\theta = -\theta$
Strong phase: $CP\delta = +\delta$
- Asymmetry: $A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(i \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(\bar{i} \rightarrow \bar{f})}{\Gamma(i \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(\bar{i} \rightarrow \bar{f})} \propto 2 \frac{a_2}{a_1} \sin(\Delta\theta) \sin(\Delta\delta)$

CP Violation in Charm

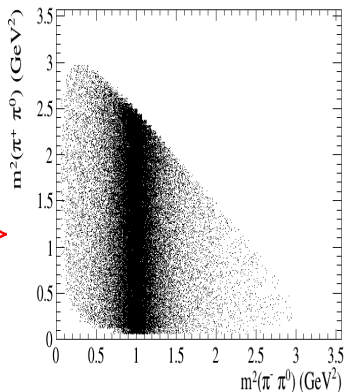
$$D^0 \rightarrow [R \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0] \pi^-$$



$\overline{CP}$

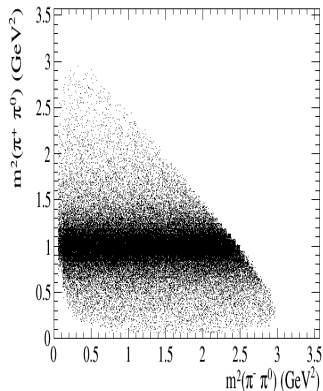
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CP
⇒



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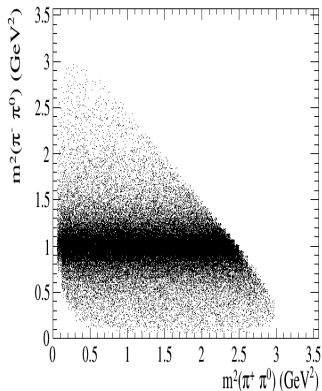
$$A_{D^0}(m_{12}^2, m_{23}^2)$$



CP
→

$$A_{\bar{D}^0}(m_{12}^2, m_{23}^2) = A_{D^0}(m_{23}^2, m_{12}^2)$$

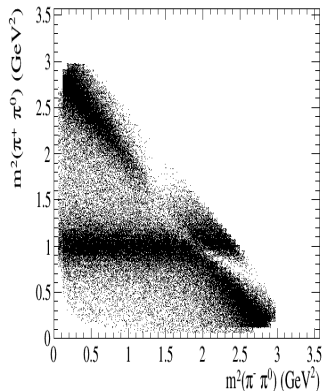
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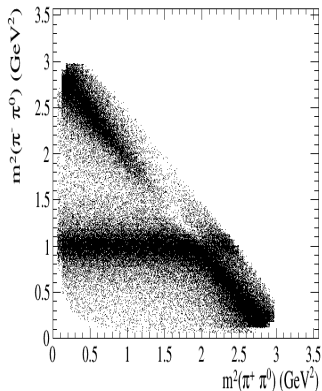
CP Violation in Charm

$$A_{D^0}(m_{12}^2, m_{23}^2)$$

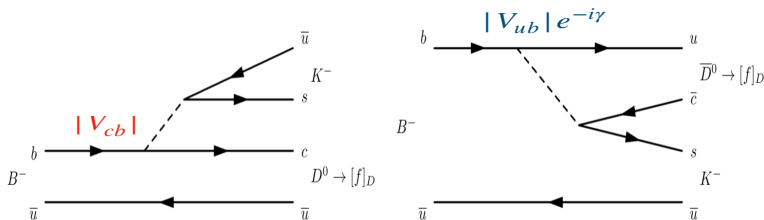
$$\xrightarrow{\text{CPV}} A_{\bar{D}^0}(m_{12}^2, m_{23}^2) \neq A_{D^0}(m_{23}^2, m_{12}^2)$$



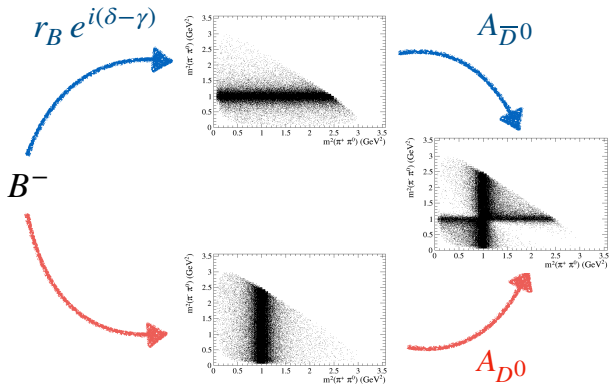
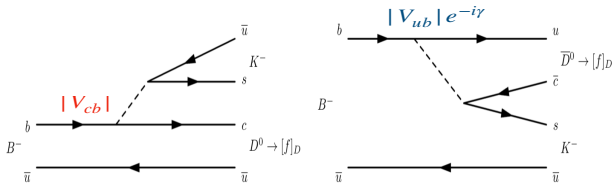
CPV?

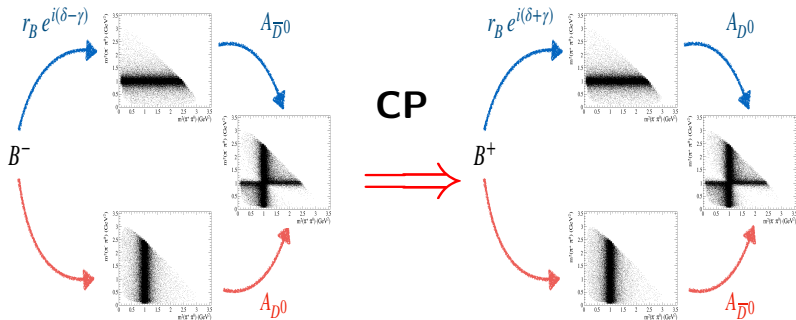


CP Violation in B: Measurement of CKM angle γ



- Close sensitivity gap:
World average: $\gamma = (73.5^{+4.3}_{-5.7})^\circ$
Indirect measurement: $\gamma = (65.3^{+1.0}_{-2.5})^\circ$
- Exploit interference between $b \rightarrow c$ and $b \rightarrow u$ transitions
- Promising example: $B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-$ and $B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K^-$
- D and $\bar{D}$ need to have common final state to achieve interference



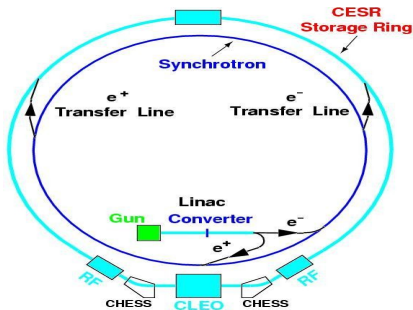


- Small rates: $\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-) \approx O(10^{-7})$
- Small interference: $r_B \approx 0.1$ (driven by CKM elements and color suppression)
- Combine a lot of final states: $f = K_s \pi^+ \pi^-, \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0, \underline{\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-}, \dots$
- Need charm input:

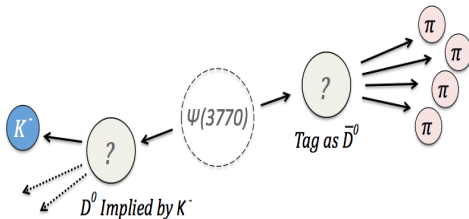
Fit amplitude model to flavor tagged $D^0, \bar{D}^0$ decays

Or measure **model-independent** at CLEO-c

Introduction to CLEO-c



- Detector at the Cornell Electron Storage Ring (CESR)
- Symmetric $e^+ e^-$ collider
- Operated at $\psi(3770)$ resonance
- $L_{int} = 818 \text{ 1/pb}$ collected



$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \psi(3770) \rightarrow D_a D_b$$

- Flavour tag:**

$$|c\bar{c}\rangle \rightarrow |\bar{c}u\rangle + |c\bar{u}\rangle$$

$$D_b \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e \Rightarrow D_a = \bar{D}^0$$

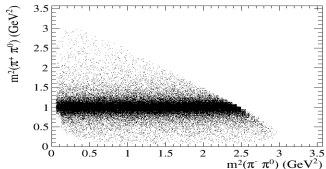
- CP tag:**

$$CP(\psi) = 1 \rightarrow CP(D_a)CP(D_b)(-1)^{L=1}$$

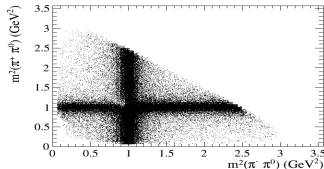
$$D_b \rightarrow K^- K^+ (CP+) \Rightarrow D_a = CP-$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP\pm} \approx (\mathcal{A}_{D^0} \pm \mathcal{A}_{\bar{D}^0})$$

$$\psi(3770) \rightarrow D_a (D_b \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e)$$



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Flavor tag:

$$|A_{D^0}|^2$$

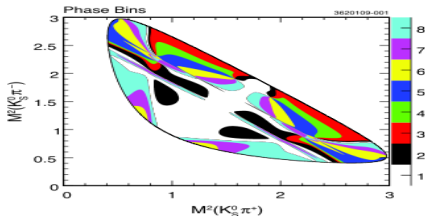
$$|A_{\overline{D}^0}|^2$$

CP tag:

$$|A_{D^0}|^2 + |A_{\overline{D}^0}|^2 \pm 2|A_{D^0}||A_{\overline{D}^0}|\cos(\delta_D)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Measure phase by counting: } \cos(\delta_D) \propto \frac{N_{CP+}}{N_{CP+} + N_{CP-}}$$

Multigenerational flavor physics



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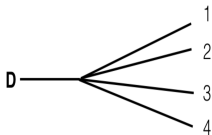
$D \rightarrow 4\pi$ at CLEO-c

- Determine amplitude model from flavor tagged data
- Use model to define optimal binning
- Measure phase from CP tagged data

$B \rightarrow (D \rightarrow 4\pi)K$ at LHCb

- Use charm input to measure γ

Kinematic of 4-body Decays

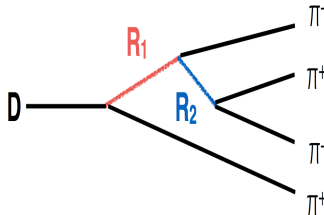
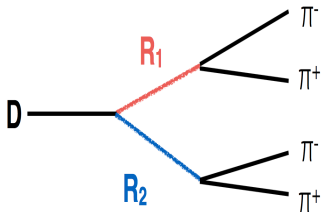


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Meson masses ($p_i^2 = m_i^2$)	-3	→	-4
E, p conservation			-4
Arbitrary orientation			-3
Independent variables	2	→	5

Decay rate

- $d\Gamma \approx |M_{fi}|^2 \Phi_4 dm_{12}^2 dm_{23}^2 dm_{34}^2 dm_{123}^2 dm_{234}^2$
- Phase space density function is not flat ($\Phi_4 \neq 1$)
- 5D phasespace $\Rightarrow$ cannot easily be visualized

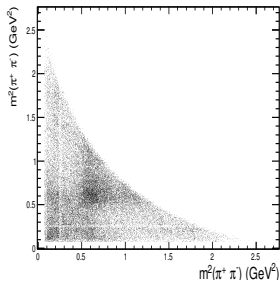
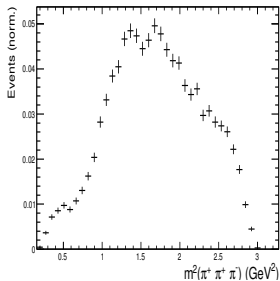
Amplitude analysis



- Amplitude $A_i \approx \textcolor{red}{BW}_{R_1} \cdot \textcolor{blue}{BW}_{R_2} \cdot S_f$
- $PDF \approx |\sum_i r_i e^{i\delta_i} A_i|^2$
- Amplitude fit determines relative magnitudes r_i and phases $e^{i\delta_i}$

Look at CLEO-c data

$\approx 7k$ $D \rightarrow 4\pi$ flavor-tagged signal candidates



Resonances ?

- $a_1(1260) \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi$
- $\rho(770) \rightarrow \pi \pi$

Plenty of possible decay channels:

- cascade decays

$$D \rightarrow \pi^- \left[a_1(1270)^+ \rightarrow \rho(770) \pi^+ \right]$$

$$D \rightarrow \pi^- \left[a_1(1270)^+ \rightarrow \sigma \pi^+ \right]$$

$$D \rightarrow \pi^+ \left[a_1(1270)^- \rightarrow \rho(770) \pi^- \right]$$

$$D \rightarrow \pi^- \left[a_2(1320)^+ \rightarrow \rho(770) \pi^+ \right]$$

- quasi-two-body

$$D \rightarrow \sigma \sigma$$

$$D[S, P, D] \rightarrow \rho(770) \rho(770)$$

- single resonance

$$D \rightarrow \sigma (\pi\pi)_S$$

$$D \rightarrow \rho(770) (\pi\pi)_S$$

- non-resonant

$$D \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_S (\pi\pi)_S$$

$$D[P] \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_V (\pi\pi)_S$$

≈ 100 in total !

Amplitude model selection

- Overwhelmingly high number of possible amplitudes
- Adding more fit parameters will describe **this** data better
⇒ **Overfitting**

- **LASSO**: Data-driven method for model selection
[M. Williams, arXiv:1505.05133]
- Include “all” amplitudes, but penalize complexity in the likelihood:

$$-2 \cdot \log(L) \rightarrow -2 \cdot \log(L) + \lambda \cdot \sum_i |r_i|$$

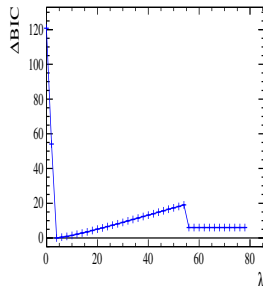
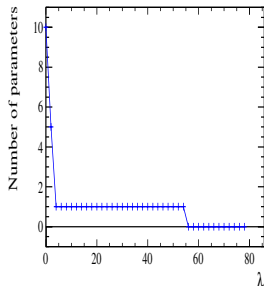
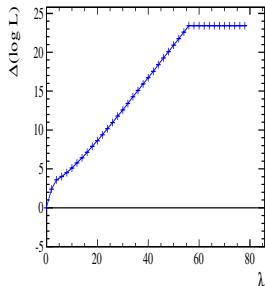
- Larger λ value produces simpler model

LASSO: Toy experiment

- Generated: $\text{pdf} = 1 + x$
- Fitted $\text{pdf} = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{10} c_i x^i$
- $-2 \cdot \log(L) \rightarrow -2 \cdot \log(L) + \lambda \cdot \sum_i |c_i|$

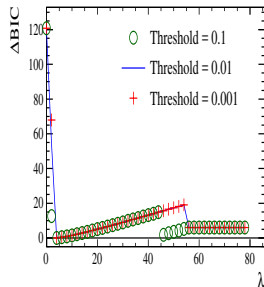
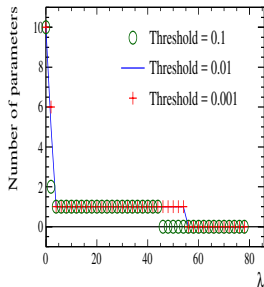
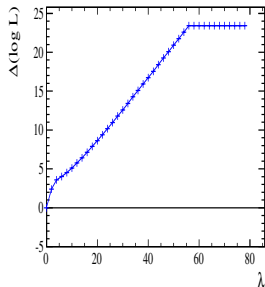
How to choose λ ?

- $\text{BIC}(\lambda) = -2 \cdot \log(L) + r \cdot \log(N_{\text{events}})$
 r = Number of parameters with: $|c_i| > \text{threshold (1\%)}$
- Balances **gain in fit quality vs. complexity**
- Optimal value $\lambda \approx 4$



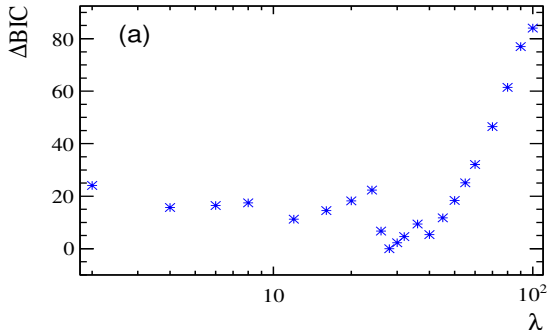
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How to choose λ ?

- Now for amplitude fit for real data
- Optimal value $\lambda \approx 30$



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$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ Amplitude fit

16 amplitudes selected

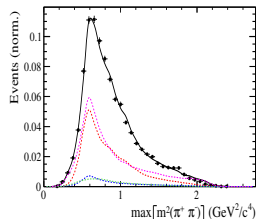
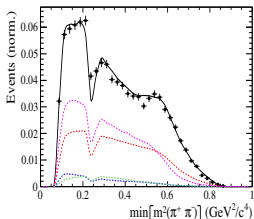
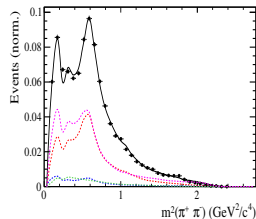
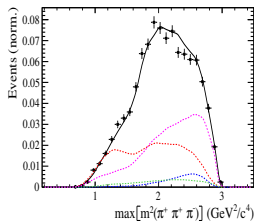
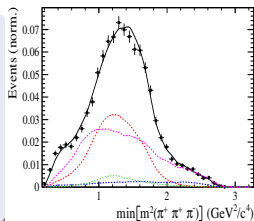
$D \rightarrow \pi^- a_1(1260)^+$

$D \rightarrow \pi^- \pi(1300)^+$

$D \rightarrow \pi^- a_1(1640)^+$

others

$\chi^2_{5D}/\nu = 1.4$



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Fit Fractions

$$\text{Fit fraction: } F_i = \frac{\int |r_i A_i|^2 d\Phi}{\int |\sum_j r_j e^{i\delta_j} A_j|^2 d\Phi}$$

Decay channel	F_i (%)
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [a_1(1260)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \rho(770)^0]$	$38.1 \pm 2.3 \pm 3.2 \pm 1.7$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [a_1(1260)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \sigma]$	$10.2 \pm 1.4 \pm 2.1 \pm 2.5$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ [a_1(1260)^- \rightarrow \pi^- \rho(770)^0]$	$3.1 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.9$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ [a_1(1260)^- \rightarrow \pi^- \sigma]$	$0.8 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.4$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [\pi(1300)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \sigma]$	$6.8 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.5 \pm 3.1$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ [\pi(1300)^- \rightarrow \pi^- \sigma]$	$3.0 \pm 0.6 \pm 2.0 \pm 2.0$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [a_1(1640)^+ [D] \rightarrow \pi^+ \rho(770)^0]$	$4.2 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.8$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [a_1(1640)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \sigma]$	$2.4 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.3$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [\pi_2(1670)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ f_2(1270)]$	$2.7 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.9$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- [\pi_2(1670)^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \sigma]$	$3.5 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.9$
$D^0 \rightarrow \sigma f_0(1370)$	$21.2 \pm 1.8 \pm 4.2 \pm 5.2$
$D^0 \rightarrow \sigma \rho(770)^0$	$6.6 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.2 \pm 3.0$
$D^0[S] \rightarrow \rho(770)^0 \rho(770)^0$	$2.4 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.0$
$D^0[P] \rightarrow \rho(770)^0 \rho(770)^0$	$7.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 1.6 \pm 0.3$
$D^0[D] \rightarrow \rho(770)^0 \rho(770)^0$	$8.2 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.7 \pm 3.5$
$D^0 \rightarrow f_2(1270) f_2(1270)$	$2.1 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 2.3$
Sum	$122.0 \pm 4.0 \pm 6.4 \pm 7.6$

Resonance parameters

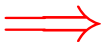
Resonance		Our Result (MeV)	PDG (MeV)
$a_1(1260)$	m_0	$1225 \pm 9 \pm 16 \pm 10$	1230 ± 40
	Γ_0	$430 \pm 24 \pm 13 \pm 18$	$250 - 600$
$\pi(1300)$	m_0	$1128 \pm 16 \pm 56 \pm 37$	1300 ± 100
	Γ_0	$314 \pm 39 \pm 58 \pm 26$	$200 - 600$
$a_1(1640)$	m_0	$1691 \pm 18 \pm 16 \pm 25$	1647 ± 22
	Γ_0	$171 \pm 33 \pm 20 \pm 35$	254 ± 7

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Resonance parameters

$a_1(1260)$ WIDTH

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
250 to 600 OUR ESTIMATE				
$367 \pm 9^{+28}_{-25}$	420k	ALEKSEEV	10	COMP $190 \pi^- Pb \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ Pb'$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
410 $\pm$ 31 $\pm$ 30	18	AUBERT	07AU BABR	$10.6 e^+ e^- \rightarrow \rho^0 \rho^+ \pi^- \gamma$
520-680	6360	19 LINK	07A FOCUS	$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
480 $\pm$ 20	20	GOMEZ-DUM..04	RVUE	$\tau^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \nu_\tau$
580 $\pm$ 41	90k	SALVINI	04 OBLX	$\bar{p} p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^-$
460 $\pm$ 85	205	21 DRUTSKOY	02 BELL	$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} K^- K^* 0$
814 $\pm$ 36 $\pm$ 13	37k	22 ASNER	00 CLE2	$10.6 e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$, $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu_\tau$
450 $\pm$ 50	22k	23 AKHMETSHIN 99E	CMD2	$1.05-1.38 e^+ e^- \rightarrow$ $\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$
570 $\pm$ 10	24	BONDAR	99 RVUE	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow 4\pi, \tau \rightarrow 3\pi \nu_\tau$
587 $\pm$ 27 $\pm$ 21	5904	25 ABREU	98G DLPH	$e^+ e^-$
478 $\pm$ 3 $\pm$ 15	5904	26 ABREU	98G DLPH	$e^+ e^-$
425 $\pm$ 14 $\pm$ 8	5904	27,28 ABREU	98G DLPH	$e^+ e^-$
400 $\pm$ 35		BARBERIS	98B	$450 pp \rightarrow p_f \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 p_s$
621 $\pm$ 32 $\pm$ 58	25,29	ACKERSTAFF	97R OPAL	$E_{cm}^{ee} = 88-94, \tau \rightarrow 3\pi \nu$
457 $\pm$ 15 $\pm$ 17	26,29	ACKERSTAFF	97R OPAL	$E_{cm}^{ee} = 88-94, \tau \rightarrow 3\pi \nu$



$a_1(1260)$ WIDTH

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
250 to 600 OUR ESTIMATE				
389 ± 29	OUR AVERAGE Error includes scale factor of 1.3.			
430 $\pm$ 24 $\pm$ 31		DARGENT	17	RVUE $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
$367 \pm 9^{+28}_{-25}$	420k	ALEKSEEV	10	COMP $190 \pi^- Pb \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ Pb'$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
410 $\pm$ 31 $\pm$ 30	18	AUBERT	07AU BABR	$10.6 e^+ e^- \rightarrow \rho^0 \rho^+ \pi^- \gamma$
520-680	6360	19 LINK	07A FOCUS	$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
480 $\pm$ 20	20	GOMEZ-DUM..04	RVUE	$\tau^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \nu_\tau$
580 $\pm$ 41	90k	SALVINI	04 OBLX	$\bar{p} p \rightarrow 2\pi^+ 2\pi^-$
460 $\pm$ 85	205	21 DRUTSKOY	02 BELL	$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} K^- K^* 0$
814 $\pm$ 36 $\pm$ 13	37k	22 ASNER	00 CLE2	$10.6 e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$, $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu_\tau$
450 $\pm$ 50	22k	23 AKHMETSHIN 99E	CMD2	$1.05-1.38 e^+ e^- \rightarrow$ $\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$
570 $\pm$ 10	24	BONDAR	99 RVUE	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow 4\pi, \tau \rightarrow 3\pi \nu_\tau$
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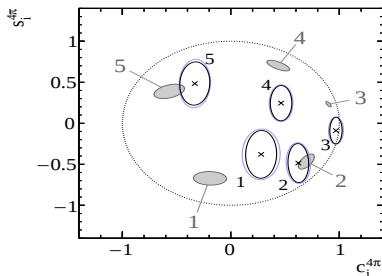
Decay Rate Asymmetries for $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}^i = \frac{F_i - \bar{F}_i}{F_i + \bar{F}_i}$$

Decay channel	$\mathcal{A}_{CP}^i$ (%)	Significance (σ)
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- a_1(1260)^+$	$+4.7 \pm 2.6 \pm 4.3 \pm 2.4$	0.9
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ a_1(1260)^-$	$+13.7 \pm 13.8 \pm 9.8 \pm 5.8$	0.8
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi(1300)^+$	$-1.6 \pm 12.9 \pm 5.0 \pm 4.4$	0.1
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi(1300)^-$	$-5.6 \pm 11.9 \pm 25.6 \pm 10.3$	0.2
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- a_1(1640)^+$	$+8.6 \pm 17.8 \pm 16.0 \pm 10.8$	0.3
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi_2(1670)^+$	$+7.3 \pm 15.1 \pm 8.0 \pm 6.6$	0.4
$D^0 \rightarrow \sigma f_0(1370)$	$-14.6 \pm 16.5 \pm 9.3 \pm 1.3$	0.8
$D^0 \rightarrow \sigma \rho(770)^0$	$+2.5 \pm 16.8 \pm 13.8 \pm 14.6$	0.1
$D^0 \rightarrow \rho(770)^0 \rho(770)^0$	$-5.6 \pm 5.0 \pm 2.2 \pm 1.9$	1.0
$D^0 \rightarrow f_2(1270) f_2(1270)$	$-28.3 \pm 12.3 \pm 18.5 \pm 9.7$	1.2

$\Rightarrow$ **No** evidence for CP violation

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- Strong phase measured in 5 phase-space bins

$$c_i^{4\pi} = \int_{\text{bin } i} |A_D| |A_{\bar{D}}| \cos(\delta_D) \propto \frac{N_{CP+}}{N_{CP+} + N_{CP-}}$$

$$s_i^{4\pi} = \int_{\text{bin } i} |A_D| |A_{\bar{D}}| \sin(\delta_D)$$

- Binning optimized for sensitivity to γ (gain of factor 2.2)

- Good consistency with model prediction:

$$\chi^2 / ndof = 13.7 / 10 \quad (p = 0.19)$$

- Estimated sensitivity $\sigma(\gamma) \approx 12^\circ (5^\circ)$ for LHCb-Run-II(III)

Amplitude analysis of $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$

- Performed data-driven model selection
- Determined mass and width of $a_1(1260)$ meson
- **No** evidence for CP violation
- Crucial input for future measurements of CKM angle γ and charm mixing at LHCb