

RARE DECAYS AT LHCb

- Introduction
- LHCb design, environment, detector
- 2010 data
- Rare Decays

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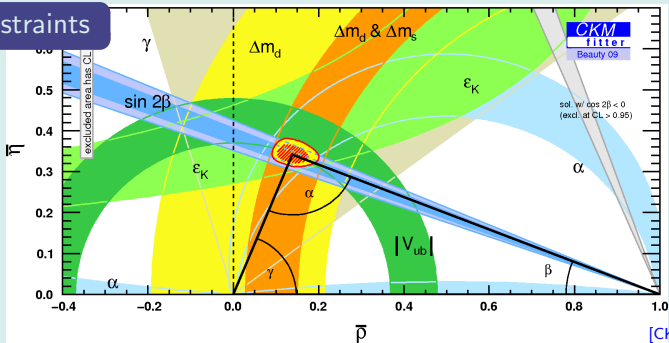
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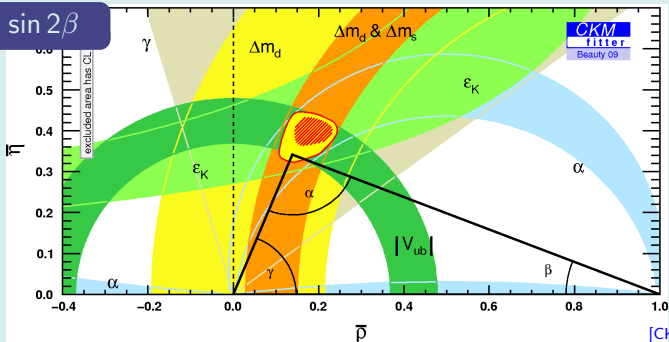
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All but $\sin 2\beta$

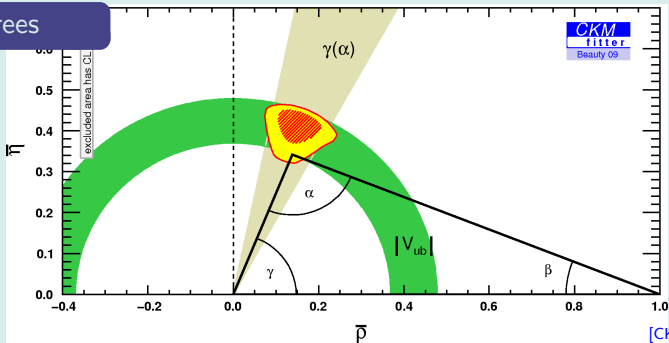


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Only trees



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 - Discrepancies in measurements or unitarity triangle
- ✓ Look for rare B & D decays (and K as well)
 - **Need a lot of data and a good precision**
- ✓ Need very good precision on all angles and sides.
 - ✓ Precise measurement of γ
- ✓ Need B_s as well → β_s and more



The Large Hadron Collider beauty experiment for precise measurements of CP violation and rare decays

LHC

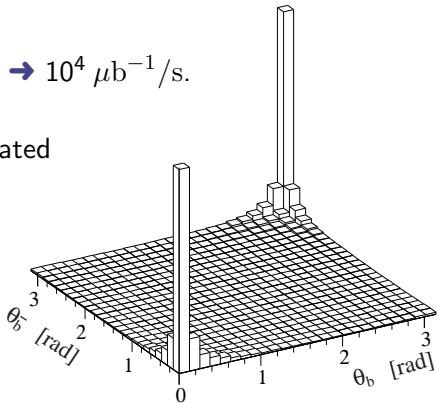


NOMINAL LHC ENVIRONMENT

- pp collider at 14 TeV (7 TeV in 2010–12)
 - Inelastic cross-section about 60 mb
 - Assumed $b\bar{b}$ cross-section about $500 \mu\text{b}$ (one every 120)
 - Our Pythia tuning predicts more than 1 mb at 14 TeV
- Bunch crossings at 40 MHz
- Luminosity up to $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \rightarrow 10^4 \mu\text{b}^{-1}/\text{s}$.
 - $\rightarrow 5 \cdot 10^6 b\bar{b}$ pairs per second
- Direction of b and \bar{b} very correlated
 - \rightarrow A 4π coverage not optimal
 - \rightarrow Build a forward spectrometer

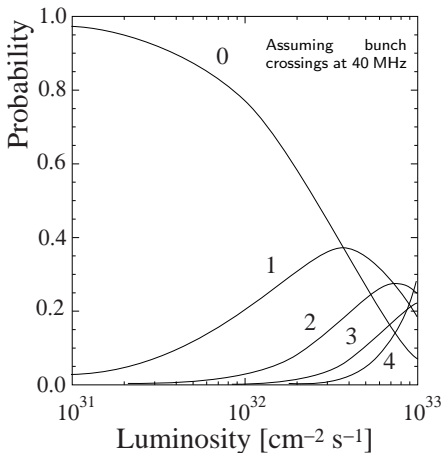


The choice of the LHCb collaboration



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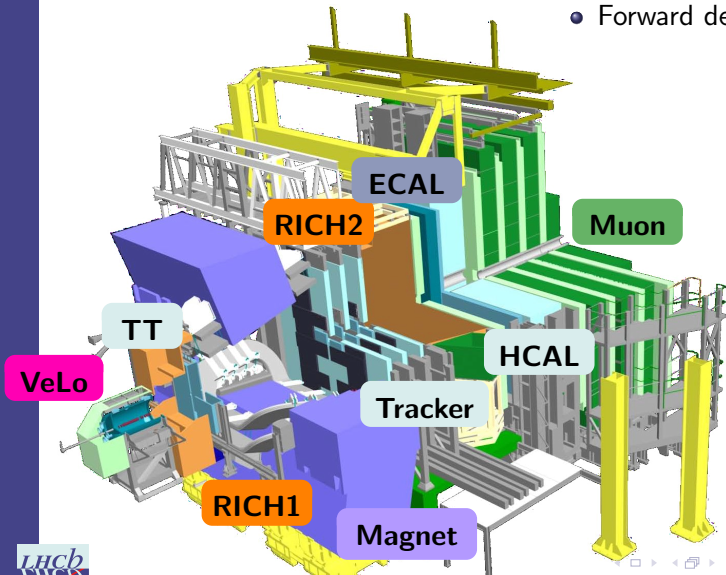
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 - You want to make lifetime-dependent measurements
 - ✓ Good vertex resolution
- ✗ Not too many pp interactions per bunch crossing
 - Control luminosity to avoid multiple pp collision events
 - We will reach baseline luminosity very early

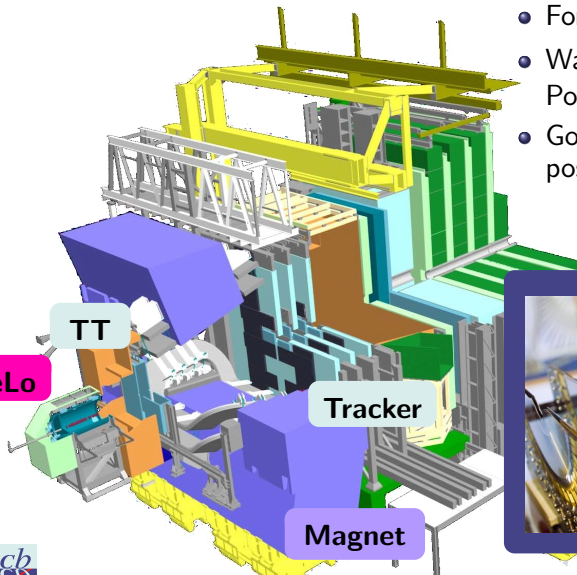


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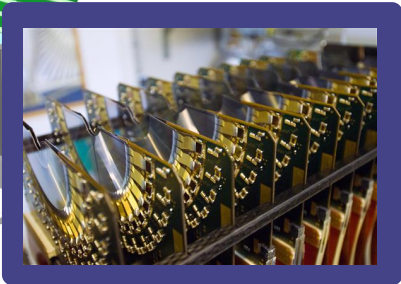
- B mesons have a long lifetime $c\tau = 0.5$ mm with $\gamma = \mathcal{O}(10-100)$
 - You want to make lifetime-dependent measurements
 - ✓ Good vertex resolution
- They have a large mass ~ 5 GeV, but not very large.
 - Look for particles with a transverse momentum $p_T = \mathcal{O}(1)$ GeV
- $b \rightarrow c$ and $c \rightarrow s$. 20% B decay to leptons.
 - ✓ Use Kaon, muon and electron-ID
- ✓ Good particle ID to fight large background
- There will still be a lot of background
 - ✓ Good mass, i.e. momentum resolution

- Forward detector

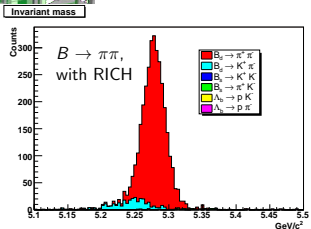
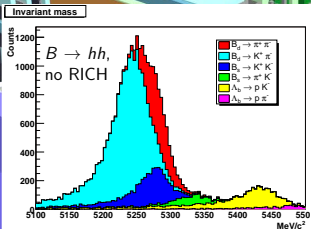
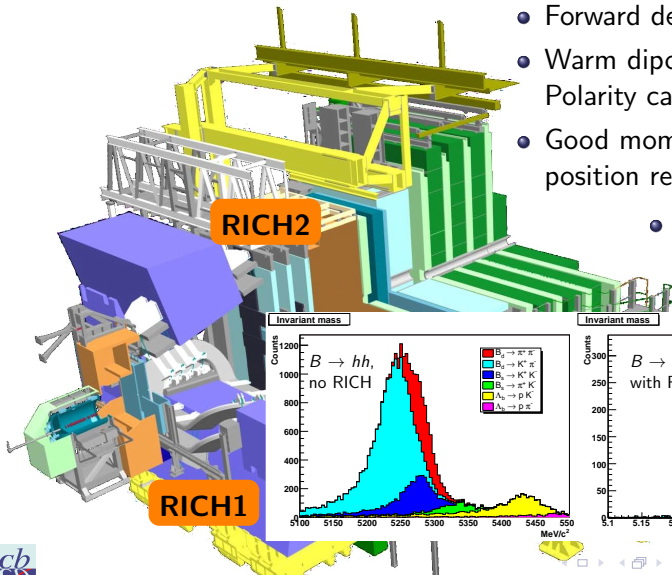




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- Warm dipole magnet. Polarity can be reversed
- Good momentum and position resolution
 - Vertex detector gets 8mm to the beam

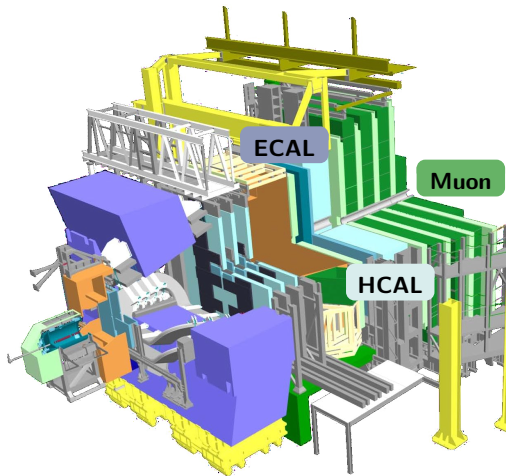


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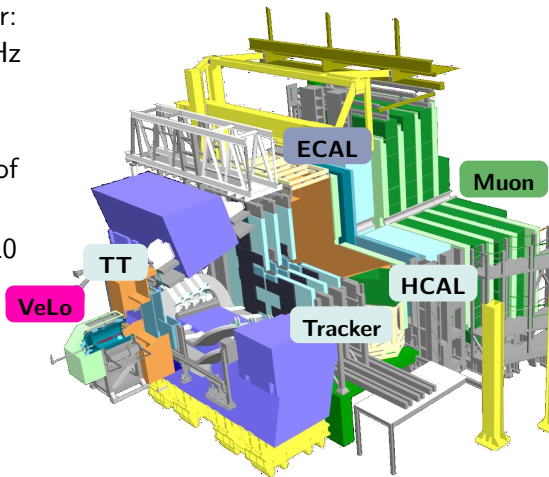
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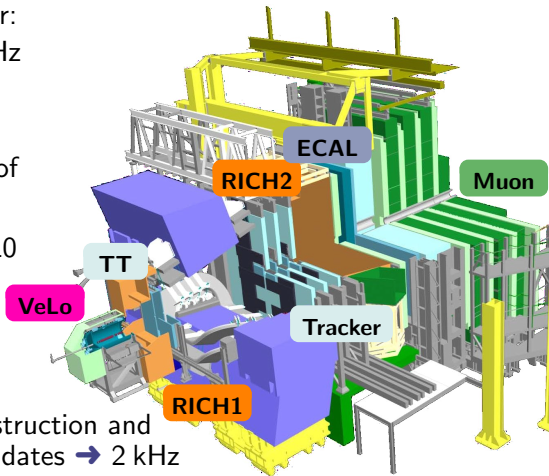
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- HLT2 does the full reconstruction and loose selection of B candidates → 2 kHz
 - This is much less than the 10^5 b events per second



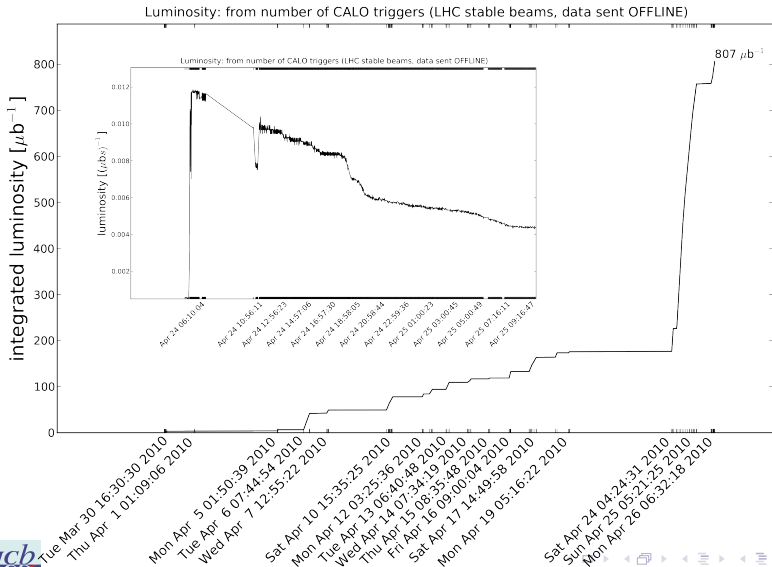
LHCb COLLABORATION



2010 DATA TAKING

A night photograph of a city street, likely in Zurich, Switzerland. The street is illuminated by streetlights and the lights of buildings. In the background, a long, illuminated structure, possibly a bridge or a large building, stretches across the horizon. The sky is dark, and the overall atmosphere is that of a busy city at night.

LUMINOSITY AT 3.5 TEV



TRIGGER STRATEGY

L0: BASED ON CALO, MUON AND PILE-UP

MB TRIGGERS: HCAL, SPD, CALO, MUON, Pile-Up ...

c,b TRIGGERS: Electron, Photon, Hadron, Muon, Di-Muon, π^0

LUMINOSITY: Muon, Di-Muon, Beam-Gas

READOUT SUPERVISOR: Passes on L0 decision and adds random triggers

- Knows about bunch structure.

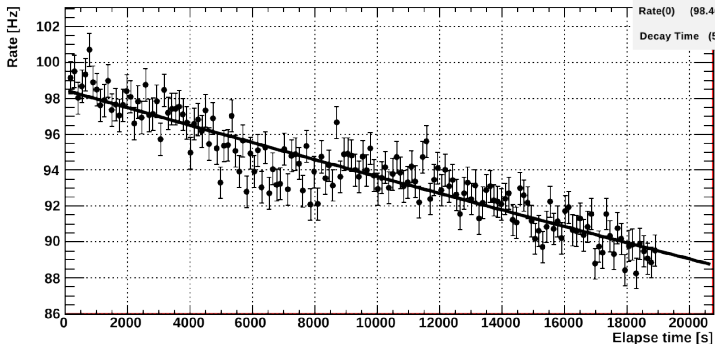
HLT: SOFTWARE BASED ON “EVERYTHING”

MICRO-BIAS: At least one track in velo (RZ), or T stations

NO-BIAS: 100 Hz of random

TRIGGER OPERATIONS

L0 Mb decision rate -- beam beam crossing -- LHCb data -- Fill 1022



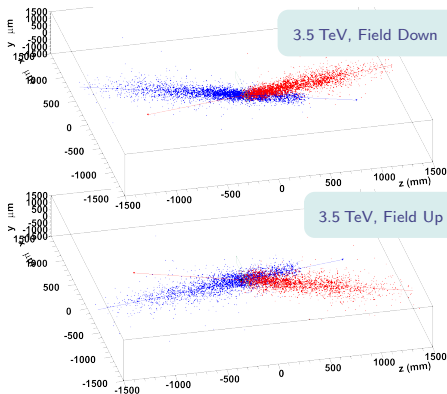
MINIMUM BIAS: We can take minimum bias at full rate at the moment

NO BIAS: 100 Hz of no bias events (including 1 Hz beam-gas)

HLT1: Standard selections in parallel with pass-all

MAGNET POLARITY

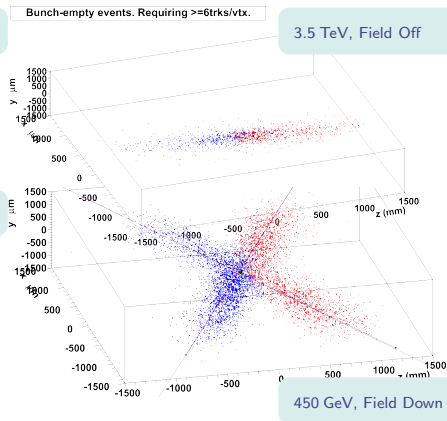
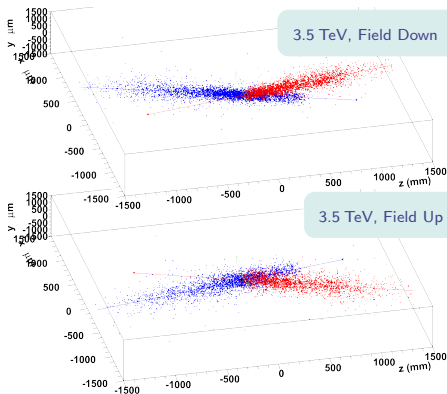
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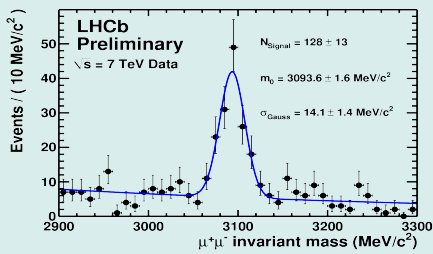
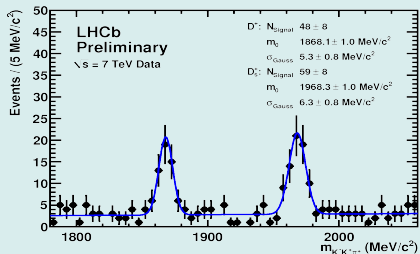
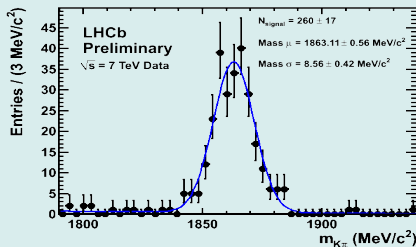
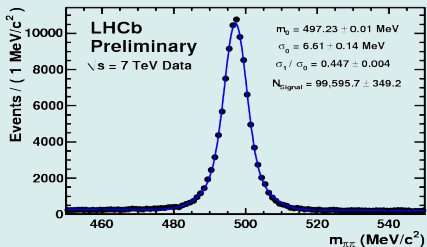
- Primary vertex in Beam Gas events for **Beam1** and **Beam2**
 - z coverage due to velo acceptance
 - Crossing angle due to B field
- Beam profiles used to determine luminous region
 - Luminosity

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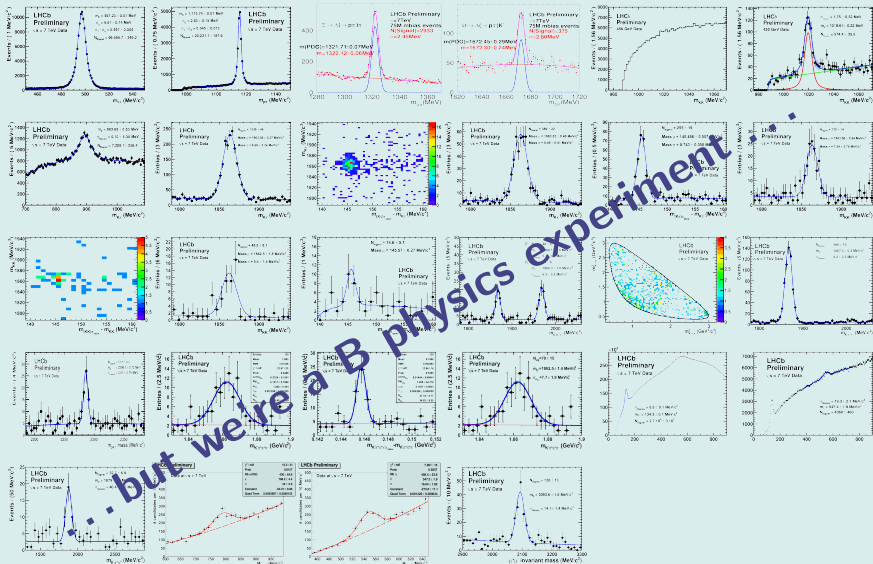
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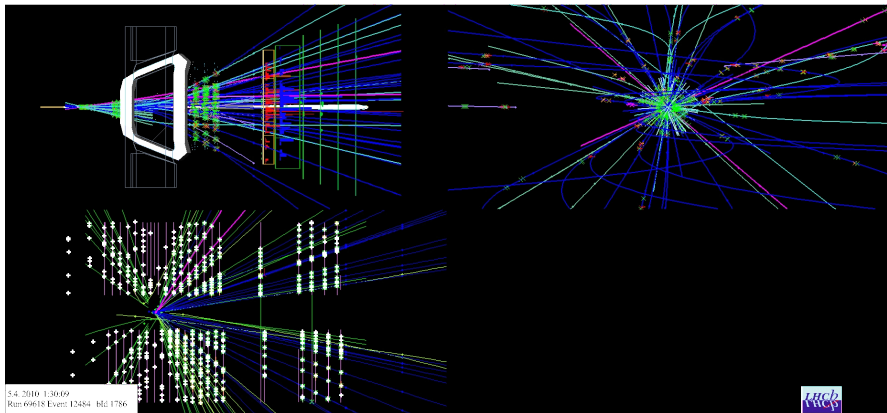
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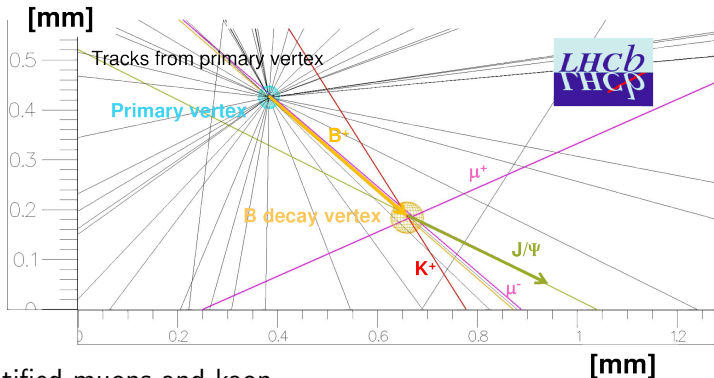
VERY NICE PEAKS!



B^+ CANDIDATE



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- Well identified muons and kaon.
- $m_{J/\psi} = 3097.90$ MeV, $m_{B^+} = 5319.90$ MeV
- Proper time = 0.6 ps (26σ from PV)
- Angle of flight and momentum of $B^+ = 0.7^\circ$

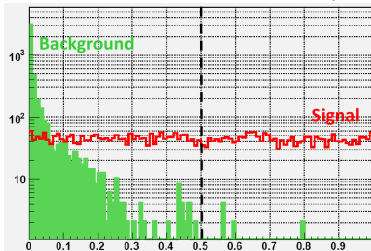
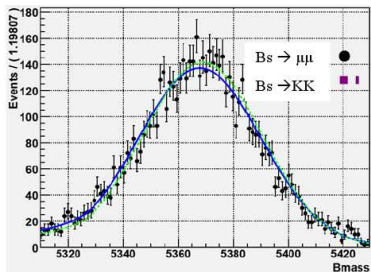
SOME SENSITIVITIES

- $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- $b \rightarrow s\gamma$
- A_{FB} in $B \rightarrow \mu\mu K^*$



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 - MSSM: $\mathcal{B} \propto \frac{\tan^6 \beta}{M_A^4}$
- Present limit from CDF
 $\mathcal{B} < 4.3 \cdot 10^{-8}$ (95% CL)
- Select signal in a 3D-box of mass, geometrical likelihood, PID likelihood
 - Uncorrelated variables with different control samples
 - B mass resolution ~ 20 MeV



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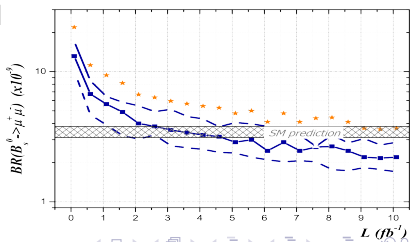
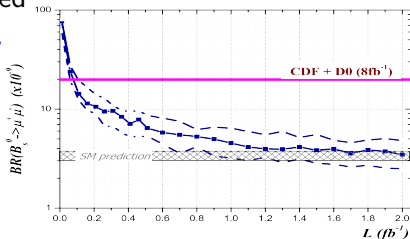
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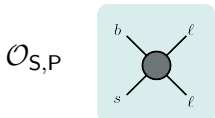
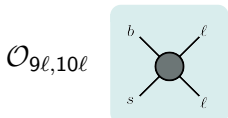
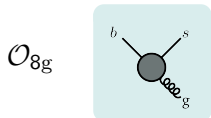
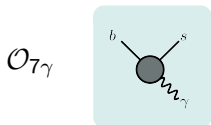
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- With SM BF, expect 8 signal and 12 background events in most sensitive bin in 2 fb^{-1}

- 3σ evidence with 2 fb^{-1}
 - 5σ observation with $6\text{--}10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



OPERATORS

Operator



Effective Hamiltonian \mathcal{H}

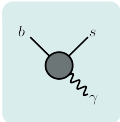
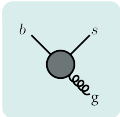
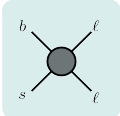
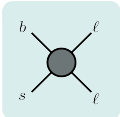
$$A(M \rightarrow F) = \langle F | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | M \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \sum_{i=1}^{10} C_i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_i(\mu)$$

- Operators \mathcal{O}_i : Long-distance effects
- Wilson coefficients C_i : Short-distance effects (masses above μ are integrated out)

New physics can show up in new operators or **modified Wilson coefficients**

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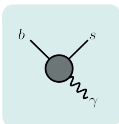
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\mathcal{O}_{8g} 	$b \rightarrow s\gamma$ $b \rightarrow \{s, u, d\}$	$A_{CP}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$ $B \rightarrow \phi K$	$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda\phi$ $B \rightarrow K^*\phi$
$\mathcal{O}_{9\ell,10\ell}$ 	$b \rightarrow ll\bar{s}$	$A_{FB}(b \rightarrow ll\bar{s})$	$B \rightarrow llK^*$
$\mathcal{O}_{S,P}$ 	$B \rightarrow \mu\mu$	$B \rightarrow \tau\tau$	$b \rightarrow s\tau\tau$

Adapted from [G.Hiller, hep-ph/0308180]

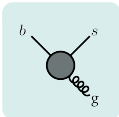
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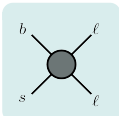
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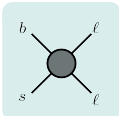
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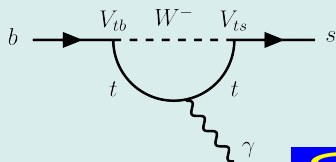


$\mathcal{O}_{S,P}$



- All C_i calculated at NLO if not NNLO in SM
- We need to measure all coefficients
- Any discrepancy is a sign of New Physics

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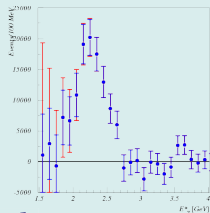
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BF sets strong constraints on New Physics

The photon polarisation is not well measured.

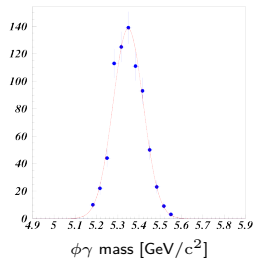
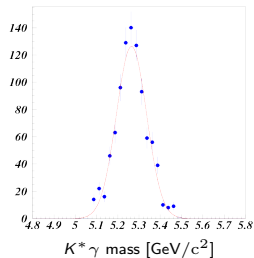
- Naively $r = \frac{C'_{7\gamma}}{C_{7\gamma}} \stackrel{\text{SM}}{\simeq} \frac{m_s}{m_b}$
- Right-handed operators could contribute
- ✓ Mixing-induced CP violation in $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$
- Λ_b baryons
- $B \rightarrow \gamma K^{**} (K \pi \pi)$
- ✓ Virtual photons ($b \rightarrow ll s$)
- Converted photons



[Koppenburg et al., PRL93, 061803 (2004)]

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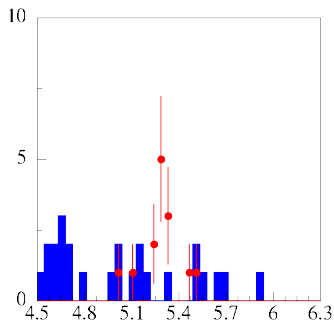
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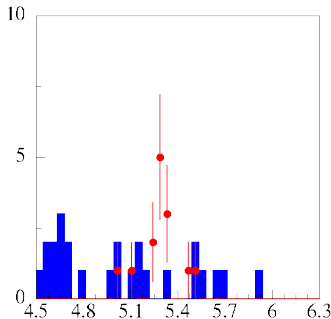
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Expecting a *statistical* error on $A_{CP}(B_d \rightarrow K^* \gamma)$ of 0.5%

- Will be dominated by systematics
- K^\pm interaction with matter
 - B_d, \bar{B}_d production asymmetries ...

[LHCb note 2007-030]



$$B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$$

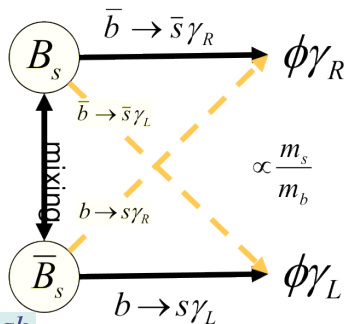
In SM mainly $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma_R$ and $\bar{B}_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma_L$. Mixing only if wrong polarisation.

\mathcal{A}^{mix} tiny

$\mathcal{A}^{\text{dir}} = 0$ in MFV

$\mathcal{A}^{\Delta\Gamma} \propto r$

$$\mathcal{A}_s(t) = \frac{\Gamma_{\bar{B}_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma} - \Gamma_{B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma}}{\Gamma_{\bar{B}_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma} + \Gamma_{B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma}} = \frac{\mathcal{A}^{\text{dir}} \cos \Delta m_s t + \mathcal{A}^{\text{mix}} \sin \Delta m_s t}{\cosh \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Gamma t - \mathcal{A}^{\Delta\Gamma} \sinh \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Gamma t}$$



Tagged approach (measure all \mathcal{A}):

→ 12% on \mathcal{A}^{mix} (2 fb^{-1})

→ 23% error on $\mathcal{A}^{\Delta\Gamma}$ (2 fb^{-1})

Untagged approach (only $\mathcal{A}^{\Delta\Gamma} \propto r$):

→ 19% error (2 fb^{-1})

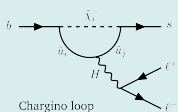
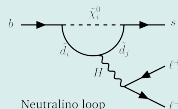
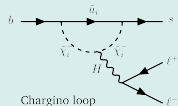
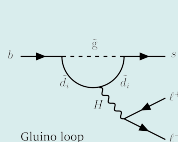
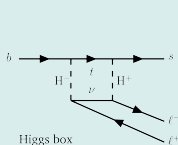
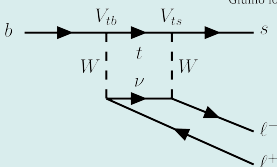
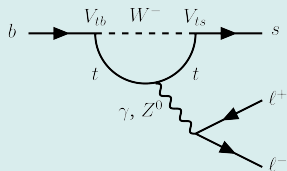
• 9% with 10 fb^{-1}

$B \rightarrow \mu\mu K^*$

- $B \rightarrow \mu\mu K^*$ very rare in the SM
 $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \ell\ell K^*) = (1.2 \pm 1.0) \cdot 10^{-6}$

- Sensitive to
 - Supersymmetry,
 - Graviton exchanges,
 - Extra dimensions

→ Ideal place to look for new physics



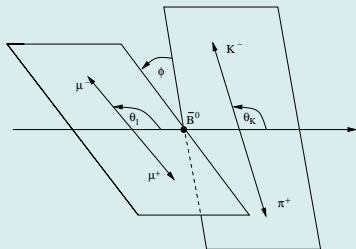
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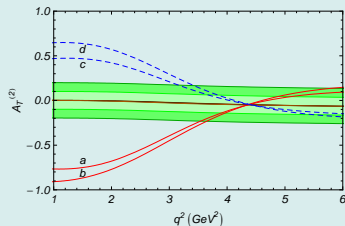
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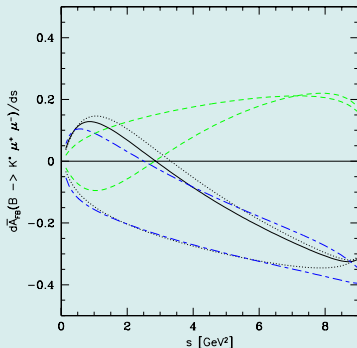
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→ Zero point measures ratio of Wilson coeffs C_9/C_7 .

→ Forward-backward asymmetry A_{FB}

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MESSAGES FROM OTHER EXPERIMENTS

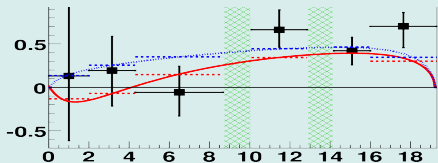
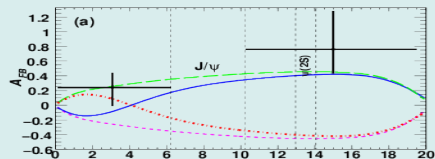
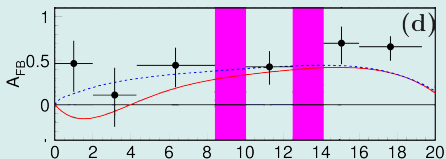
BELLE: 230 $B \rightarrow llK^*$ events in
 $657 \cdot 10^6 B\bar{B}$ [PRL103:171801,2009]

BABAR: 60 $B \rightarrow llK^*$ events in
 $384 \cdot 10^6 B\bar{B}$ [PRD79:031102,2009]

CDF: 100 $B \rightarrow llK^*$ events in
 4.4 fb^{-1} [CDF public note]

FB ASYMMETRY: All seem to
 favour $C_7 = -C_7^{\text{SM}}$ case. Not
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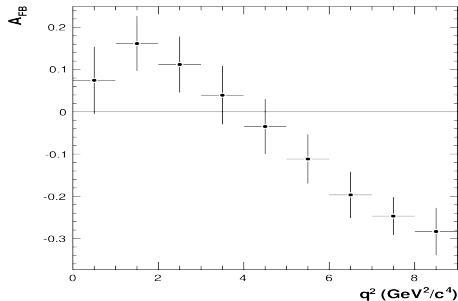
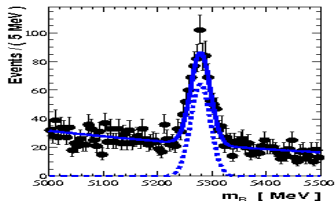
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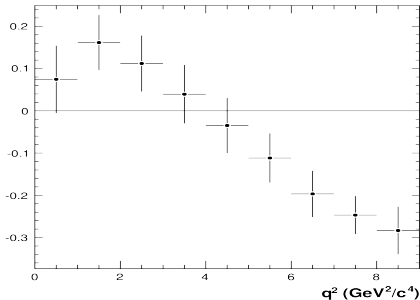
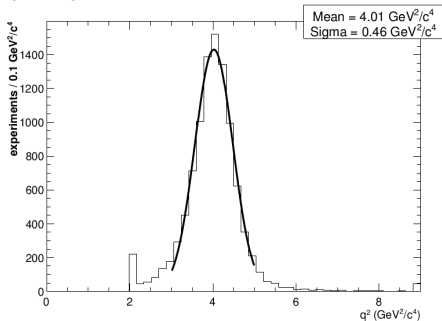
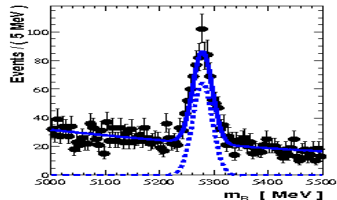
Sample	Yield
$B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu K^*$	7200 ± 2100
$b \rightarrow \mu\mu s$	2000 ± 100
$2(b \rightarrow \mu)$	1050 ± 250
$b \rightarrow \mu c(\mu q)$	600 ± 200
Background	3700 ± 300
B/S	0.5 ± 0.2



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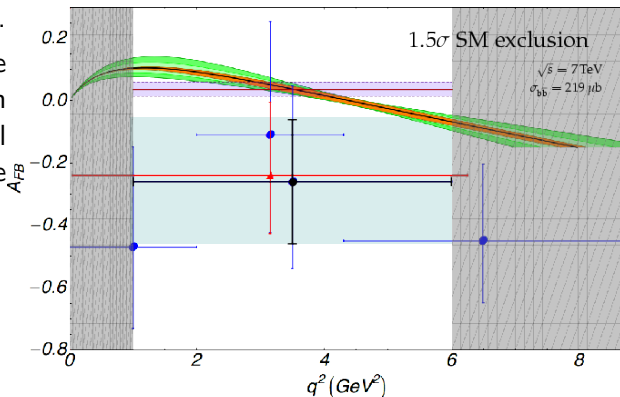


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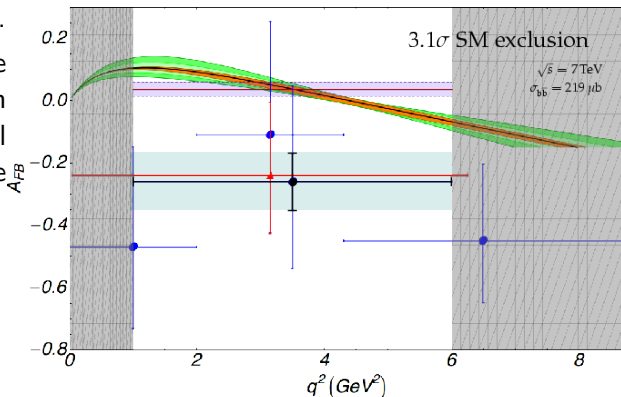
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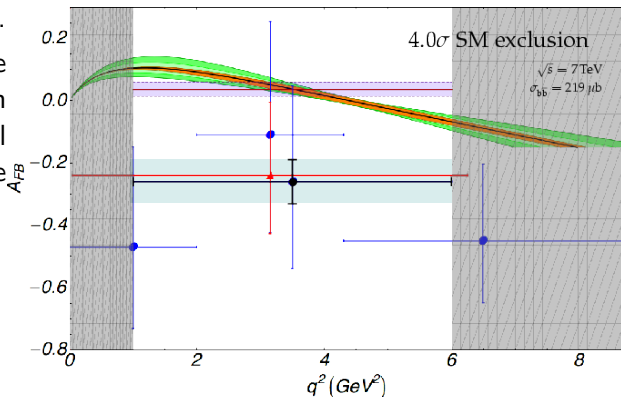
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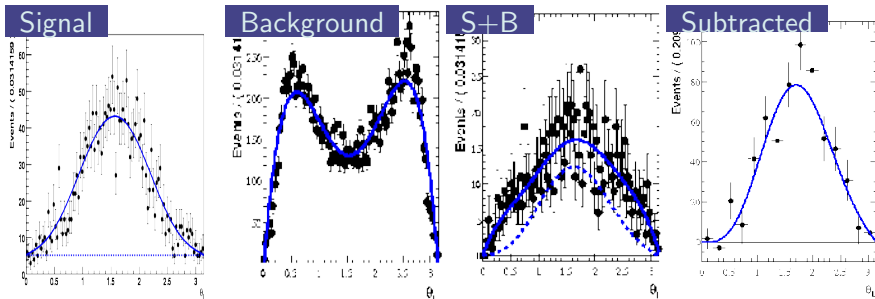
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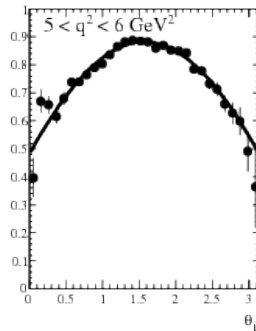
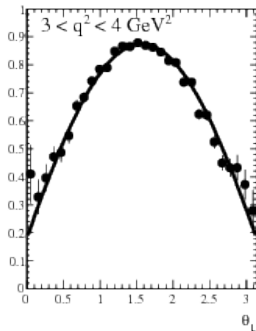
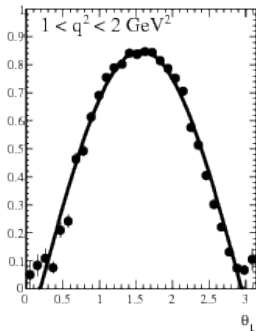
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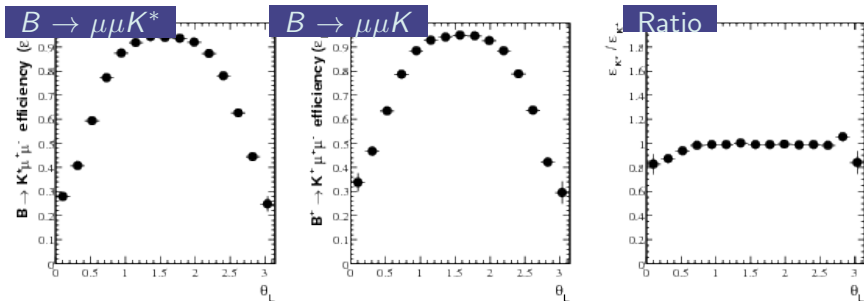
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Conclusion

- Very good start in 2010
- We should be able to get new results in $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $B \rightarrow \mu\mu K^*$ in 2011

A new era in flavour physics is starting