Time-dependent CP violation measurements in radiative penguin decays of B mesons at Belle and Belle II

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CP violation in B⁰ decays



 \bar{b} \bar{b} \bar{b} \bar{u} \bar{u}

Direct CP Violation (C)



Interference between two paths (amplitudes).

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{array}\right)$$

The CKM quark mixing matrix

Mixing Induced CP Violation (S)

TDCPV analyses in **B** factories

Pair produced neutral BBbar mesons are in coherence until one of them decays.



Boosted B mesons in the lab frame: easier tag and signal side vertex resolution.



Decay time distribution encodes CP violation parameters.

$$\mathcal{A}_{\rm CP}(\Delta t) = \frac{N(B^0 \to f_{\rm CP}) - N(\overline{B}^0 \to f_{\rm CP})}{N(B^0 \to f_{\rm CP}) + N(\overline{B}^0 \to f_{\rm CP})} (\Delta t) = (S_{\rm CP} \sin(\Delta m_d \Delta t) - C_{\rm CP} \cos(\Delta m_d \Delta t))$$

Radiative Penguin Decays

- Proceeds via one-loop diagrams at the lowest order.
- → Final state not a proper CP eigenstate due to photon polarisation.
- → S_{CP} helicity suppressed as $b_L \rightarrow s_R \gamma_R$ is m_s/m_b suppressed compared to $b_R \rightarrow s_L \gamma_L$
- → NP processes could contribute to a significant deviation in S_{CP}.







SuperKEKB and Belle II

SuperKEKB: an asymmetric e⁺e⁻ collider with electron (positron) beam energies at 7 (4) GeVs.

- → World record for the highest instantaneous luminosity!
- → Total Y(4s) data: 365 fb⁻¹

Belle II: detector built around the interaction point of the two beams.

- → ~2x impact parameter resolution as compared to Belle.
- → Better reconstruction efficiency of neutrals eg K_s , π^0 etc.



 $K_{s}\pi^{0}\gamma$: Introduction

- → b \rightarrow s γ decay, proceeds via one loop FCNC process at the leading order.
- → C_{CP} suppressed by $(m_s/m_b)^2$, while S_{CP} suppressed by (m_s/m_b) .
- → Largest branching fraction $(K^*\gamma)$ amongst radiative penguin modes and hence highest potential for NP search.
- → Theoretical uncertainty of a few % due to charm loop effect.

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$$S^{SM} = -(2.3 \pm 1.6)\%^{[1]}$$

 $K_{c}\pi^{0}\gamma$: Event Selection

K_s selection:

- Use two charged tracks with pion mass hypothesis to reconstruct a Ks.
- Use BDT classifiers for removal of fake candidates.

π^0 selection:

- Use two photon clusters from ECL to form the π^0 candidate.
- Use BDT classifier for removal of fake candidates.

Prompt γ selection:

- Use the highest energy photon cluster from ECL.
- Use BDT based classifier for removal of photons from π^0/η .



Event selection:

- BDT classifier to suppress continuum background.
- Divide events into two regions:
 - MR1 (K*gamma) $M_{Ksπ0}$ ∈ [0.8,1] GeV/c²
 - MR2 (Ks $\pi 0\gamma$) M_{Ks $\pi 0$} \in [0.6,0.8], [1,1.8]GeV/c² ₇

$K_s \pi^0 \gamma$: Signal Extraction

- > 2-D fit to M_{bc} ΔE
- > 3 components:
 - o signal,
 - o qqbar background,
 - BBbar background





 $\Delta E = E_B^* - \sqrt{s}/2$ Signal
Continuum
B
B
background
-0.3 -0.2 -0.1 0 0.1 0.2 0.3

Energy difference [GeV]



| Sample | Signal yield | $B\overline{B}$ bkg yield | S/N |
|---|--------------|---------------------------|------|
| $B^0 \to K^0_S \pi^0 \gamma$ in MR1 | 385 ± 24 | 20 ± 8 | 2.36 |
| $B^0 \to K^0_S \pi^0 \gamma$ in non-MR1 | 171 ± 23 | 69 ± 19 | 0.34 |

https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.09139

Detour: Flavor Tagging at Belle II

- → Determine the flavor of tag side B (the other B) at the time of decay.
- Accomplished using multivariate methods:
 - Different categories for different signatures of flavor-specific decays.
 - Returns the tag flavor q and the dilution factor r.
- → Most efficient B flavor-tagger: 33% tagging efficiency (to be superseded by a newly developed GNN based flavor tagger^[2])

| Categories | Targets |] |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Electron | e^- | a series |
| Intermediate Electron | e^+ | \overline{B}^{0} |
| Muon | μ^{-} | D^{*+} |
| Intermediate Muon | μ^+ | D° |
| KinLepton | e^{-} | |
| Intermediate KinLepton | ℓ^+ | |
| Kaon | K^{-} | |
| KaonPion | K^-, π^+ | B ⁰ |
| SlowPion | π^+ | D^+ |
| FastHadron | π^-, K^- | |
| MaximumP | ℓ^-, π^- | |
| FSC | ℓ^-, π^+ | |
| Lambda | Λ | \overline{B}^{0} |
| Total= 13 | | $\int \Lambda_c^+$ |

Detour: Vertexing at Belle II

Signal B:

- Uses TreeFitter^[3] algorithm to simultaneously fit an entire decay chain.
- Vertexed by using only track information from K_s pions.
- Nano-beam scheme helps in precise determination of beam spot used to further constrain the vertex.
- Events with poor vertex quality reserved for time-integrated fit.

Tag B:

 Uses KFit^[4] algorithm to fit the vertex using tracks in the rest of the event.



[3]. Krohn, J.-F. et al. Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A 976 (2020) 164269[4] J. Tanaka, Belle Note 194.



• Fit Δt distribution in seven bins of r values.

| Param | Belle II | HFalv |
|-------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| S | $0.00^{+0.27}_{-0.26}\pm 0.03$ | -0.16 ± 0.22 |
| С | $-0.06 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.09$ | -0.04 ± 0.14 |

$K_{s}\pi^{0}\gamma$: CPV parameter extraction



More potential modes at Belle II

| К _S η γ | <mark>BaBar</mark> N(BB)=465M | $-0.18 + 0.49 = -0.46 \pm 0.12$ | $-0.32 + 0.40 = -0.39 \pm 0.07$ |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| | Belle N(BB)=772M | $-1.32 \pm 0.77 \pm 0.36$ | $0.48 \pm 0.41 \pm 0.07$ |
| | Average | -0.49 ± 0.42 | 0.06 ± 0.29 |
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| К _S ρ ⁰ γ | <mark>BaBar</mark> N(BB)=471M | $-0.18 \pm 0.32 +0.06 -0.05$ | $-0.39 \pm 0.20 +0.03 -0.02$ |
| | Belle N(BB)=657M | $0.11 \pm 0.33 + 0.05 = -0.09$ | $-0.05 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.06$ |
| | Average | -0.06 ± 0.23 | -0.22 ± 0.14 |
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| K _S φ γ | Belle N(BB)=772M | 0.74 +0.72 -1.05 +0.10 -0.24 | -0.35 ± 0.58 $^{+0.10}$ $_{-0.23}$ |

Conclusion and Outlook

- ★ Time-dependent study of radiative penguin modes provide a rich ground for search for New Physics.
- ★ Belle II is the most promising experiment for study of these modes due to a clean environment and good neutrals reconstruction.
- ★ We present the most precise results to date for time-dependent study of $K_s \pi^0 \gamma$ decays of B mesons, by Belle II.
- \star The results agree with SM within uncertainty.





$K_s \pi^0 \gamma$: Resolution Function Modelling

- Need to model the detector and other effects on decay time difference to get the true deltat distribution.
- 1. Kinematic approximation: corrects the bias from small B⁰ momentum in the CM frame.
- 2. Sig B decay vertex resolution: accounts for the smearing of the decay vertex position by the finite detector resolution,
- 3. Tag B decay vertex resolution: consists of the detector resolution and the bias from non-primary decay vertices.