

Spin-entanglement in Hyperon Decays

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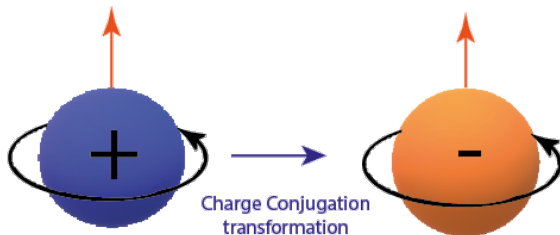
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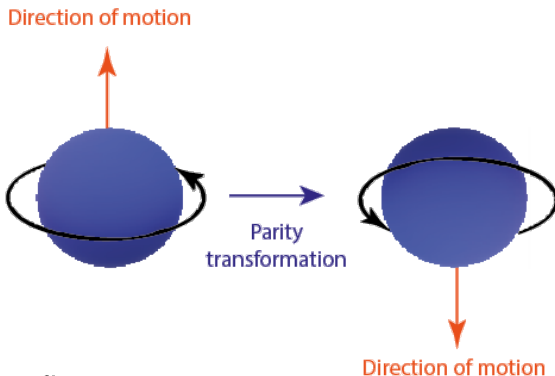
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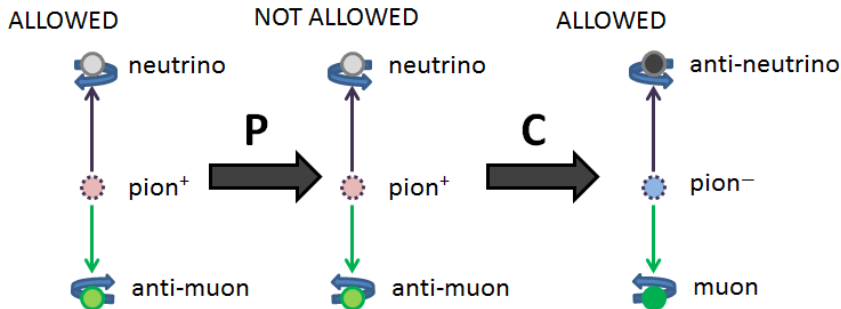
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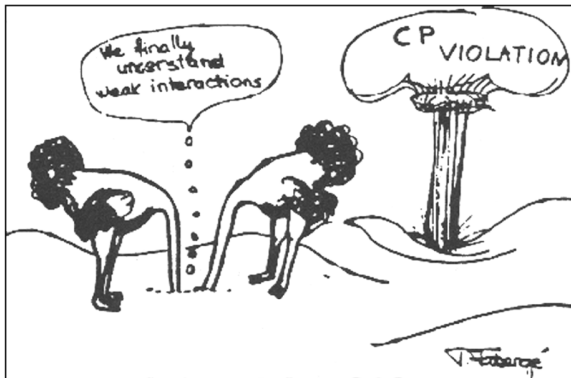
M. Strassler 2013

- Both C and P are violated separately in **weak** interactions (Wu, 1957).
- For π^\pm decay, it is solved with CP invariance.

Weak CP violation



- *CP* violation in neutral kaons (Cronin, Fitch 1964)



N. Cabibbo at Berkeley conference, 1966.

This is is **relevant today**: there is a lot we haven't understood.

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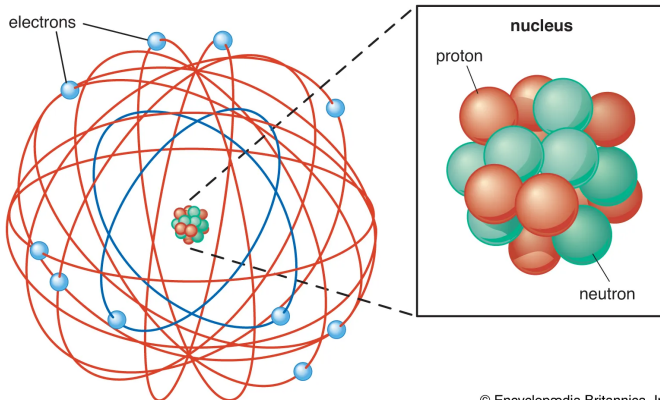
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Sakharov conditions [Pisma Zh.Eksp.Teor.Fiz. 5 (1967)]

- B baryon number violation: $n_B - n_{\bar{B}} \neq 0$
- C and CP violation: unequal # of conjugate processes
- no thermal equilibrium

Hyperons: subatomic particles

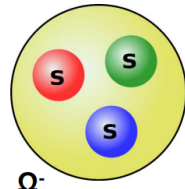
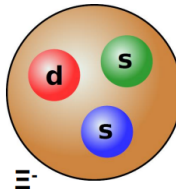
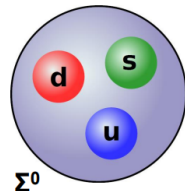
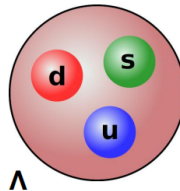
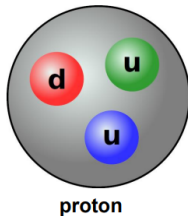


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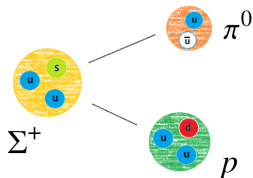


What happens if we replace one of the light quarks in the proton with one - or many - heavier quark(s)?



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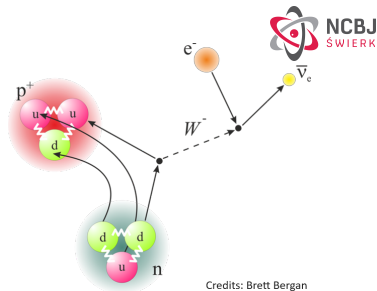
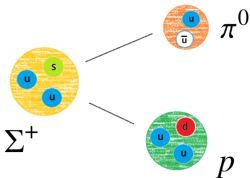
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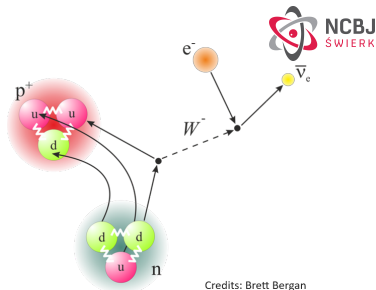
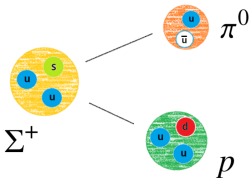
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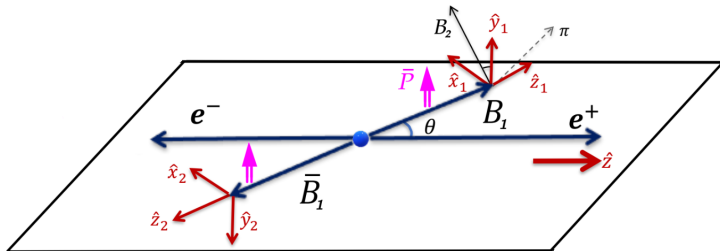
Background

Spin-entangled hyperon-antihyperon pairs produced at e^+e^- colliders.

Lowest-lying hyperons @ BESIII

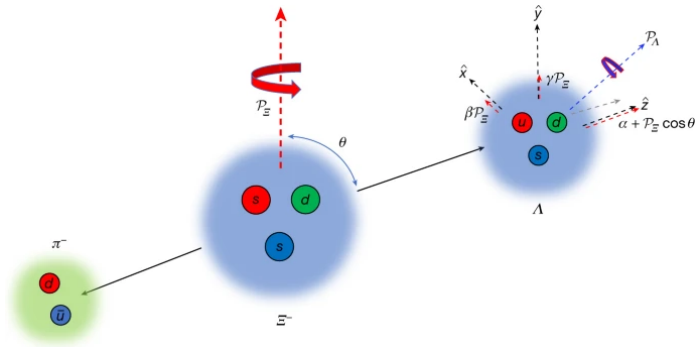


- World's largest charmonia sample - $10^{10} J/\psi$, $3 \times 10^9 \psi(2S)$
- Baryon-antibaryon production in **spin-entangled** state



Decay	$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-4})$	$\epsilon(\%)$	N_{obs}	Reference
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$	$19.43 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.33$	42.37 ± 0.14	441×10^3	[PRD95(2017)052003]
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \bar{\Sigma}^0$	$11.64 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.23$	17.83 ± 0.06	111×10^3	[PRD93(2016)072003]
$J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi^- \bar{\Xi}^+$	$10.40 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.74$	18.40 ± 0.04	43×10^3	
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$	$3.97 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.12$	42.83 ± 0.34	31×10^3	[PRD95(2017)052003]
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \bar{\Sigma}^0$	$2.44 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.11$	14.79 ± 0.12	6.6×10^3	[PRD93(2016)072003]
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Baryon polarization



$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda(\rightarrow p\pi^-)\pi^-$ decay [Nature 606, 64–69 (2022)]

Produced $B(\bar{B})$ at e^+e^- colliders (e.g. BESIII) are **inherently** polarized.

$$\mathbf{P}_\Lambda \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{\alpha_\Xi + \mathbf{P}_\Xi \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}}}{1 + \alpha_\Xi \mathbf{P}_\Xi \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}}}, \quad \mathbf{P}_\Lambda \times \hat{\mathbf{z}} = |\mathbf{P}_\Xi| \sqrt{1 - \alpha_\Xi^2} \frac{\sin \phi_\Xi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \phi_\Xi \hat{\mathbf{y}}}{1 + \alpha_\Xi \mathbf{P}_\Xi \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}}},$$

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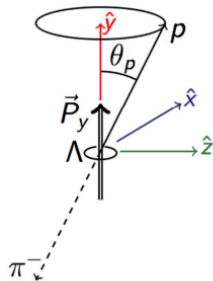
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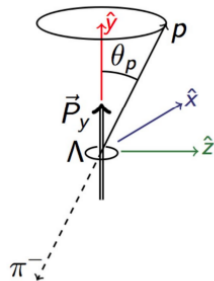
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CP tests [PRD 100, 114005 (2019)]

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- Ξ^- polarization and decay parameters (directly)

$$\alpha_{\Xi} = -0.376 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.003, \quad \phi_{\Xi} = 0.011 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.009 \text{ rad}$$

$$A_{\text{CP}}^{\Xi} = (6 \pm 13 \pm 6) \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{SM} : A_{\text{CP}}^{\Xi} = (-0.6 \pm 1.6) \times 10^{-5}$$

Motivation: new data landscape



Polarization and entanglement in baryon-antibaryon pair production in electron-positron annihilation

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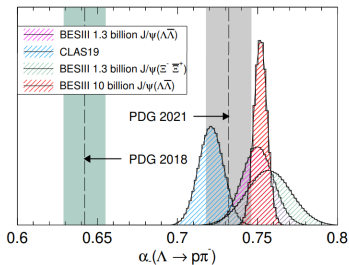
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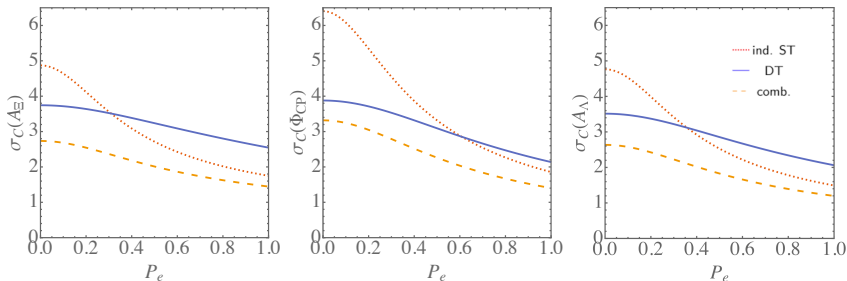
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$$\sigma(\omega_i) \propto I_0^{-1}(\omega_i, \omega_j), \text{ with } I_0(\omega_i, \omega_j) = N \left[a_{ij} + b_{ij} \langle P_{\Xi}^2 \rangle + c_{ij} \langle S_{\Xi\Xi}^2 \rangle \right]$$

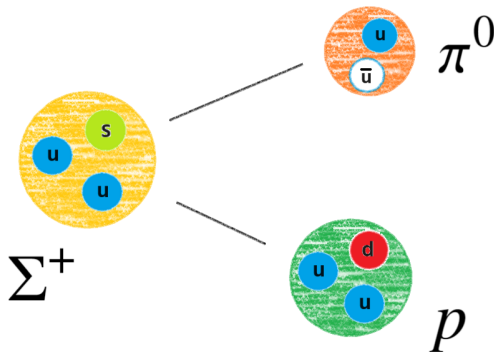


ST has larger yields, but too low statistical precision: **with P_e , its larger yields can be used.**

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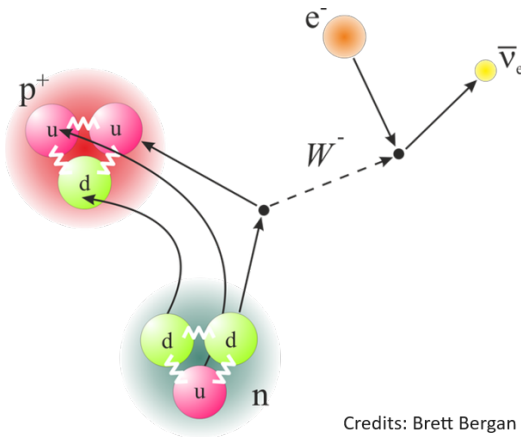
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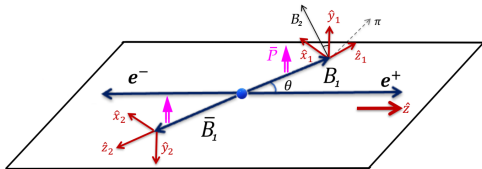


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Spin-density matrix



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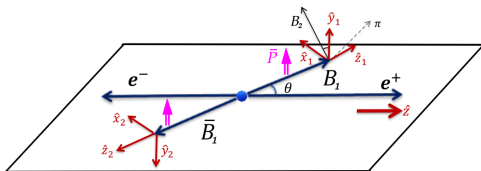
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Use **helicity amplitudes** to write **decay parameters** e.g. α , ϕ .

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Conclusions



- 1 Hyperon-antihyperon pairs produced at e^+e^- colliders feature relevant spin-correlation and polarization properties.
- 2 Nonleptonic Y decays can provide a CPV source of information complementary to kaon decays.
- 3 At next-generation e^+e^- colliders (STCF), a polarized beam affects the final baryon polarization impacting **directly** on the statistical uncertainties of CPV observables.
- 4 The same spin-correlation and polarization features may be employed to derive a description of semileptonic Y decays, using the *helicity formalism*.

Thank You! Any Questions?



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Time reversal



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T affects:

- time direction
- coordinates
- momenta
- angular momenta (spins)

T does not affect:

- particle wavefunctions

CPT theorem



CPT theorem [Am. J. Phys. 24, 292 (1956)]

Any (SM) interaction possesses an exact symmetry under the combined operation of C , P , T , in any order.

Based on

- Lorentz invariance
 - quantum mechanics
 - particles as fields
- If CPT holds, CP violation $\implies T$ violation: observed in neutral kaons decay.
 - In Y decays, T -invariance **does not** imply S and P to be relatively real because final-state strong interaction.

Nonleptonic decays



□ Pseudoscalar in final state

$$B \rightarrow b\pi \quad \vec{J}_B = \vec{S}_b + \vec{S}_\pi + \vec{L}$$

If $J_B = S_b = 1/2$, the only possible L values are

$$L = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad S - \text{wave (} P\text{-violating)}$$

$$L = 1 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad P - \text{wave (} P\text{-conserving)}$$

□ Introducing CP-odd and final state interaction [Phys. Rev. D 34, 833(1986)]:

$$S = |S| \exp(i\xi_S + i\delta_S), \quad \bar{S} = -|S| \exp(-i\xi_S + i\delta_S)$$

$$P = |P| \exp(i\xi_P + i\delta_P), \quad \bar{P} = |P| \exp(-i\xi_P + i\delta_P)$$

Jacob-Wick formalism



Nonleptonic decay matrix:

$$a_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_D \\ \alpha_D \sin \theta \cos \varphi & \gamma_D \cos \theta \cos \varphi - \beta_D \sin \varphi & -\beta_D \cos \theta \cos \varphi - \gamma_D \sin \varphi & \sin \theta \cos \varphi \\ \alpha_D \sin \theta \sin \varphi & \beta_D \cos \varphi + \gamma_D \cos \theta \sin \varphi & \gamma_D \cos \varphi - \beta_D \cos \theta \sin \varphi & \sin \theta \sin \varphi \\ \alpha_D \cos \theta & -\gamma_D \sin \theta & \beta_D \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Semileptonic decay matrix

$$b_{\mu\nu} := \frac{\pi}{6(q^2 - m_l^2)} \sum_{\lambda_W, \lambda'_W} \sum_{\lambda_2, \lambda'_2 = -1/2}^{1/2} H_{\lambda_2 \lambda_W} H_{\lambda'_2 \lambda'_W}^* \underbrace{\sigma_\mu^{\lambda_2 - \lambda_W, \lambda'_2 - \lambda'_W} \sigma_\nu^{\lambda'_2, \lambda_2} L_{\lambda_W, \lambda'_W}(q^2, \Omega_l)}_{\mathcal{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda_W, \lambda'_W, \lambda_2, \lambda'_2}}$$

Approximate maximum likelihood method



Fisher information matrix

$$\mathcal{I}(\omega_k, \omega_l) := N \int \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial \omega_k} \frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial \omega_l} d\xi$$

To compute e.g. $\mathcal{I}_0(A_{\text{CP}})$ assume

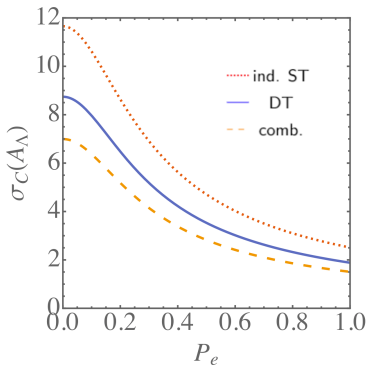
$$\frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} = \frac{\mathcal{V}}{C_{00}} \frac{1}{1 + \mathcal{G}} = \frac{\mathcal{V}}{C_{00}} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-\mathcal{G})^i \quad \text{with} \quad \int \mathcal{G} d\xi = 0, \quad \mathcal{G} \geq -1$$

$$\mathcal{I}_0(A_{\text{CP}}) = \frac{2N}{3} \alpha^2 \langle \mathbf{P}_B^2 \rangle \implies \sigma(A_{\text{CP}}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{\alpha \sqrt{N \langle \mathbf{P}_B^2 \rangle}}.$$

Single-step decays

For $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$, only $A_{CP,\Lambda}$ is available (no final-state polarization detector).

$$\sigma(A_{CP}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{\alpha \sqrt{N \langle \mathbf{P}_B^2 \rangle}}$$



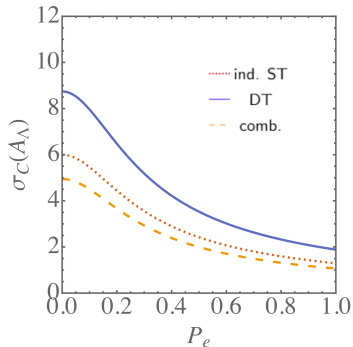
- $\epsilon_\Lambda = \epsilon_{\bar{\Lambda}} = 1$
- Single-Tag: **aut** B **aut** \bar{B}
- Double-Tag: B **and** \bar{B}
- Combination: B **or** \bar{B}

ST-DT combined corresponds to a **two-times** σ improvement.

Single-step decays



For $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ with detection efficiency $\epsilon_\Lambda = \epsilon_{\bar{\Lambda}} = 0.5$



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