

# **CP** Violation in the **B** Meson System

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# Outline

- Refresher (hadrons, *C*, *P*, and *T*)
- Historical background
- Why is it interesting to study *CP* violation?
- How CPV arises in the Standard Model
  - *B* meson decays and *B*-Factories

#### **Review of Basic Principles**

#### Particle Zoo 101

- For each fundamental particle x there is an antiparticle  $\overline{x}$

Mesons (bosons) $q\overline{q}'$	Baryons (fermions) $q_1q_2q_3$
$u\overline{d} = \pi^+$ $u\overline{s} = K^+$ $d\overline{s} = K^0$	uud = p $udd = n$

- Strong force keeps quarks bound into hadrons
- Weak force responsible for radioactive decay ⇒ lepton and quark flavor changes

# **Discrete Operations**

- The field equations (*Lagrangians*) for particle interactions are symmetric under certain discrete operations or transformations.
- Invariance of these equations under such transformations imply existence of conserved, multiplicative quantum numbers.
- There are 3 particularly important such operations in particle physics...

# C: Charge Conjugation





Charged particle wavefunctions not eigenstates

 $C |e^{-}\rangle = |e^{+}\rangle \neq \pm |e^{-}\rangle$ 

Many neutral particles are (eigenvalue  $\pm 1$ )

 $C | \gamma \rangle = - | \gamma \rangle$   $C | \pi^{0} \rangle = + | \pi^{0} \rangle$ 

# **P:** Parity



Particles have intrinsic parity:

$$\boldsymbol{P} | \boldsymbol{\gamma} \rangle = - | \boldsymbol{\gamma} \rangle \quad \boldsymbol{P} | \boldsymbol{\pi}^{0} \rangle = - | \boldsymbol{\pi}^{0} \rangle$$

**Fermions:** opposite parity for particle and antiparticle **Bosons:** same parity for particle and antiparticle

#### **T:** Time Reversal

Reverses direction of time

$$-t \longrightarrow -t$$

 $-p \rightarrow -p$ 



### The CPT Theorem

- These 3 operations are connected through invariance of combined *CPT* for **all** forces
- *CPT* Theorem: all field theories are invariant under this combo of operations (any order)
  - Consequences:
    - particles and antiparticles have same mass and lifetime

>particles obey spin statistics (Fermi or Bose)

# **Historical Background**

# Conservation of C, P, and T?

Strong, electromagnetic and gravitational interactions are observed to be invariant under *C*, *P*, and *T*, separately.

Weak Interaction...

- It conserves *neither C nor P*.
- First postulated by Lee and Yang in 1956 and verified in studies of  $\beta$  decay of Cobalt.
- Later observed in many other systems (neutrinos, etc.).

## Violation of C and P in Weak Decays

#### Neutrino system:



Neither of these states are observed in nature

#### Example $\Rightarrow$ Pion decay:

$$\Gamma(\pi^{+} \to \mu^{+} v_{L}) \neq \Gamma(\pi^{-} \to \mu^{-} \overline{v}_{L}) = 0 \quad C \text{ violation}$$
  
$$\Gamma(\pi^{+} \to \mu^{+} v_{L}) \neq \Gamma(\pi^{+} \to \mu^{+} v_{R}) = 0 \quad P \text{ violation}$$

#### **Conservation of CP**?

• For a long time it was thought that *CP* was conserved in weak interactions:

$$\Gamma(\pi^+ \to \mu^+ \nu_L) = \Gamma(\pi^- \to \mu^- \overline{\nu}_R)$$

 $\Rightarrow$  *CP* invariance

But in 1964, an expt by Christenson, Cronin, Fitch and Turlay first demonstrated <u>*CP* violation</u> in the weak decays of  $K^0$  mesons

## **CPV** in Kaon Decays

• Two distinct neutral kaon states had been observed:  $K_1^0 \rightarrow \text{short lifetime}, CP \underline{even}$  (eigenvalue +1)

$$K_2^0 \rightarrow \text{long lifetime, } CP \text{ odd (eigenvalue -1)}$$
  
 $\tau(K_1^0 \rightarrow 2\pi) = 0.9 \times 10^{-10} \text{ sec}$   
 $\tau(K_2^0 \rightarrow 3\pi) = 0.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ sec}$ 

• The 1964 expt discovered the longer-lived kaon decaying, very rarely (~ $10^{-3}$ ) to the  $2\pi$ , *CP* = +1 state

$$\begin{vmatrix} K_L^0 \rangle = | K_2 \rangle + \varepsilon | K_1 \rangle \\ | K_S^0 \rangle = | K_1 \rangle - \varepsilon | K_2 \rangle$$
  $| \varepsilon | \approx 2 \times 10^{-3}$ 

#### Why Such Interest in CP Violation?

#### Interest in CP Violation

- What is it about the weak interaction that generates *CP* violation?
  - It <u>is</u> naturally present in the Standard Model of particle physics
- Can we observe it in decays of other particles besides the kaon?
  - Compare measurements with predictions of the Standard Model
- Can we observe the effects of New Physics?
  - Super Symmetry, String Theory  $\rightarrow$  sources of more *CPV*
  - Amount of CPV from SM alone does not explain large matterantimatter asymmetry of present universe

# **CP** Violation in the Standard Model: **B** Meson Decays

$$B^{0} = \overline{b} d$$
$$\overline{B}^{0} = b\overline{d}$$

# **CPV** in the Decays of **B** Mesons

- As we shall see, *CP* violation expected to be relatively large (hopefully experimentally observable!) in the decays of *B* mesons to certain final states.
- "B-Factories" built in US (BaBar) and Japan (Belle) to produce hundreds of millions of B mesons, with goal of looking for CP violation ⇒ differences in B and B decay rates
  - Colliders of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  beams  $\rightarrow$  production of BB pairs
  - Began running in 1999 and plan to continue until ~2009
- Looking for *CP* asymmetries...

## **CP** Asymmetries

• Example: Look for *CPV* in the *B* meson decay to final state *X* (system of final state particles)

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(\overline{B} \to \overline{X}) - \Gamma(B \to X)}{\Gamma(\overline{B} \to \overline{X}) + \Gamma(B \to X)}$$
$$\Gamma(B \to X) \propto |A_X|^2$$
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- $\Gamma(B \rightarrow X)$  is the decay rate for *B* to decay to *X*
- $A_{B\to X}$  is the "transition amplitude" for this decay (complex #)
- $\mathcal{A}_{CP} \neq 0$  is violation of *CP* conservation

#### **The SM Weak Decays**

Quark "generation" can change in weak decays (quark mixing):



Not so for leptons:



# **The Weak Couplings of Quarks**

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gV

 $V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{ud} & V_{ds} & V_{ds} \end{pmatrix}$ 

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- The coupling strength at the vertex is given by
  - g is a *universal* weak coupling
  - $gV_{ij}$  depends on the initial and final state quark
  - For leptons, only g (?)
- The *V<sub>ij</sub>* can be written as a matrix (CKM matrix)
- $V_{ij} \Rightarrow V_{ij}^*$  For antiquarks

The transition amplitude, *A*, is proportional to the product of the couplings for each vertex in the given weak decay

#### **Properties of the CKM Matrix**

- The CKM matrix is a 3x3 complex, unitary matrix ( $V^{\dagger}V = 1$ )
- This means 4 independent parameters describe it:
  - 3 real numbers
  - 1 complex phase  $\rightarrow$  possibility of *CP* violation

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^2/2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + O(\lambda^4)$$

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$$V_{td} e^{-i\beta}$$
All elements other than  $V_{td}$  and  $V_{ub}$  are real

• Example:  $B^0 \to K^+ \pi^-$  and  $\overline{B}{}^0 \to K^- \pi^+$ 



• But what if a second diagram exists...?



• Now a non-zero *CP* asymmetry <u>can</u> be possible in SM!



• This *CP* asymmetry has just been observed for first time at the *BaBar* experiment!



- Very interesting and important discovery of *direct CP* violation in *B* meson decays
  - But real goal is to try and make a measurement of the Standard Model parameters  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$
  - Not easy because we need theoretical predictions for values of  $|A_T|$ ,  $|A_P|$  and  $\delta_T \delta_P$
- A "cleaner" way involves measurements of *indirect CP* violation ⇒ see talk by Morii

#### **Summary**

- Study of *CP* violation in Weak decays of particles at forefront of particle physics research:
  - Crucial ingredient in cosmology → need to explain how the universe can exist as we observe it today!
  - Arises in the Standard Model (SM) via the single imaginary quantity in the quark-mixing (CKM) matrix, and nowhere else.
  - Until recently (2000), no reliable comparison of experimental measurements and SM predictions → effects had been predicted to be largest in decays of *B* mesons

Advent of *B*-Factories in 1999 to study this phenomenon  $\Rightarrow$  Very successful so far! *CP* asymmetries being observed

Do expt. measurements agree with SM...or New Physics?