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Time Reversal Violation for Entangled Neutral Mesons



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The arrow of time

To the relief of physicists, time really does have a preferred direction

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TIME seems to flow inexorably in one direction. Superficially, that is because things deteriorate with age and this, in turn, is because there are innumerably fewer ways to arrange particles in an orderly fashion than in a jumbled mess. Any change in an existing arrangement is therefore likely to increase its disorder. Dig a little deeper, though, and time's arrow becomes mysterious. A particle cannot, by itself, become......

PARTICLE PHYSICS

Time's arrow in **B** mesons



A cornerstone of theoretical particle physics the idea that not all processes run in the same way forwards in time as they do backwards has been observed directly for the first time.

Members of the BaBar Collaboration trawled data from their experiment (pictured), which ran at the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory in Menlo Park, California, from 1999 to 2008. The researchers identified B-meson decay chains that were time reversals of each other, and a comparison of the decay rates revealed a strong asymmetry. Earlier experiments have caught hints of time-reversal violation but failed to distinguish it clearly from violations of other fundamental symmetries. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 109, 211801 (2012) For a longer story on this research, see go.nature.com/258vei

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Time-reversal asymmetry in particle physics has finally been clearly seen Bertram M. Schwarzschild

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Time-reversal violation

"To the BaBar collaboration for making the first direct observation of time-reversal violation by measuring the rates at which the B⁰ meson changes quantum states."

Majorana fermions



Looking for Maiorana fermions in a solid



Mainly based on

- For B's in B-Factories
- CONCEPT→ M.C. Bañuls, J.B., PLB (1999), NPB (2000); scrutinized by L. Wolfenstein, IJMP(1999); H. Quinn, JPCS(2009); V. Rubakov; T. Nakada; F. Botella, ... *"it would appear to be a true TRV effect"*

- METHOD, DEFINITE PROPOSAL & SIMULATION \rightarrow J.B., F. Martínez-Vidal, P. Villanueva-Pérez, JHEP (2012)
- EXPERIMENTAL RESULT→ BABAR Collaboration, PRL (2012), with View Point by Michael Zeller
- For K's in Φ-Factory
- J.B., A. Di Domenico, P. Villanueva-Pérez, NPB (2012)

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CP, T and CPT versus temporal asymmetries for entangled states of the B_d -system

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OUTLINE

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- Universe t-Asymmetry, the "Arrow of Time"
- Is it possible to search for TRV in unstable systems?
- EPR-Entanglement: Flavour-Tag, CP-Tag
- The Decay as a Filtering Measurement
- > Genuine Observables in B-factories: not needing $\Delta\Gamma$
- T-violating parameters
- CPV, TRV, CPTV Asymmetries
- Foundations of the Experimental Analysis
- T raw asymmetries & Significance, from BABAR
- Conclusion

SYMMETRIES IN THE LAWS OF PHYSICS

- » "Microscopic" Symmetry Violations.
- T-Violation exists in the Standard Model or any field theoretic extension.
- > All field theories with Lorentz invariance have CPT symmetry
 - Automatic connection between CP-violation

 related T-violation
- T and CPT described by ANTIUNITARY rather than unitary operators,

introducing many intriguing subtleties.

 \rightarrow Observed CP-Violation \rightarrow T should be violated as well: Is it observed?

T - Violation means Asymmetry under

Interchange in - out states

> Effects in particle physics odd under t \Longrightarrow -t are <u>not</u> necessarily T-violating.

t- asymmetries can occur in theories with exact T- symmetry: Universe Time's Arrow

UNIVERSE t - ASYMMETRY

- No doubt Universe is expanding, even accelerating -> asymmetry t -> -t
- BUT this is perfectly compatible with laws of physics that are TR symmetric
- > This t-asymmetry is due to the initial condition of <u>our</u> Universe \rightarrow Inflation?
- Similar to the fact that in <u>our</u> Universe we have a privileged reference frame
 - ↔ CMB radiation with same temperature



> BUT this is not a violation of Lorentz invariance of the laws of physics

THE "ARROW OF TIME"

- t-asymmetry in complex systems



Time is asymmetric with respect to the amount of order in an isolated system.

Unsolved problem?

Is quantum wave function collapse related to the thermodynamic arrow of time?

> In particle physics,

Particle <u>Decay</u> is an example of a time-asymmetric process:

The irreversible character of $P \rightarrow 1 + ... + n$ is <u>not</u> related to T-violation. In fact, it looks like it prevents a true test of T-symmetry in unstable systems [Wolfenstein, Quinn]

Any connection between the Universe t-asymmetry and the "arrow of time"? Probably YES, saying that the initial condition was improbable: more ordered.

➢But none of these t-asymmetries is a test of TRV: the "Arrow of Time" is NOT Time Reversal Violation.

DIRECT EVIDENCE FOR TIME REVERSAL VIOLATION

A direct evidence for TRV would mean an experiment that, considered by itself, clearly shows TRV INDEPENDENT of, and unconnected to, the results for CPV

No existing result up to now had clearly demonstrated TRV in this sense. Two types of experiments can do it:

1) A non-zero expectation value of a T-odd operator for a non-degenerate stationary state → Electric Dipole Moment: P-odd, C-even, T-odd
 It can be generated by either

- Strong T-violation $\rightarrow \theta$ -term $\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\varsigma\sigma}$ $F^{\mu\nu}$ $F^{\varsigma\sigma}$ [Peccei & Quinn], or
- Weak T-violation

2) in \leftarrow out: $S_{f,i} \rightarrow S_{-i,-f}$ transition.

The Kabir asymmetry $K^0 \to \overline{K}^0 vs$. $\overline{K}^0 \to K^0$ has been measured by CP-LEAR with non-vanishing value and a significance of 4 σ . But the interpretation of this observable as evidence for TRV is controversial...

CAN TR BE TESTED IN UNSTABLE SYSTEMS?

THE FACTS

> Taking as Reference $K^0 \to \overline{K}^0$ and calling (X,Y) the observed decays at times t_1 and t_2 , with $\Delta t \equiv t_2 - t_1 > 0$, the CP, T and CPT transformed transitions are

Transition	$K^0 \to \overline{K}^0$	$\overline{K}^0 \to K^0$	$\overline{K}^0 \to K^0$	$K^0 \to \overline{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \overline{K}^0$
(X,Y)	(I⁻, I⁻)	(l+, l+)	(l+, l+)	(I⁻, I⁻)	(ŀ, ŀ)
Transformation	Reference	СР	Т	CPT	Δt

No way to separate T and CP if T were defined.

T-operator is not defined for decaying states: its time reverse is not a physical state.

The Kabir asymmetry NEEDS the interference of CP mixing with the "initial state interaction" to generate the effect, directly proportional to $\Delta\Gamma$.

The decay plays an essential role

> The time evolutions of $K^0 \to \overline{K}^0$ and $\overline{K}^0 \to K^0$ are equal, the asymmetry is time independent.

> In the WW approach, the entire effect comes from the overlap of non-orthogonal K_L , K_S states. If the **stationary** states were orthogonal \implies no asymmetry.

L. Wolfenstein: "it is not as direct a test of TRV as one might like".

EPR-ENTANGLEMENT: FLAVOUR-TAG

> Are the previous arguments ruling out all tests of T symmetry for particles that decay? NO, if $\Delta\Gamma$ is not needed \Rightarrow interference with x without mixing (flavour-CP decays)

The opportunity arises [M.C. Bañuls, J.B.] from the Quantum Mechanical Entanglement imposed by the EPR correlation:

one can have SEPARATE tests of CP, T and CPT!

 $> B^0 - \overline{B}^0$ EPR-Entanglement imposed by Particle Identity:

 B^0, \overline{B}^0 are two states of a unique (complex) field

> The two states connected by C, so that $C\mathcal{P} = + [\mathcal{P}: \text{ permutation operation}]$.

> In neutral meson factories, $B^0 - \overline{B}^0$ produced by Y (4S)-decay: J=1, S=0 =>

L=1 \Rightarrow C= - \Rightarrow \mathscr{P} = -, antisymmetric wave function \leftrightarrow Y $\Rightarrow B^0 \overline{B}^0$ $|i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[B^0(t_1) \overline{B}^0(t_2) - \overline{B}^0(t_1) B^0(t_2) \right]$

where the states 1 and 2 are defined by the time of their decay with $t_1 < t_2$. Time evolution (including the Mixing $B^0 \rightarrow \overline{B}^0$) preserves $B^0 \overline{B}^0$ terms only.

Perfect for Flavour-Tag: The observation $\underline{of}_0 B^0 \rightarrow I^+$, for example, at time t_1 , tells us that the complementary (still living) state is \overline{B}^0 at t_1 , and, once the state is prepared at t_1 , we have single state time evolution for $t_1 < t < t_2$.

EPR-ENTANGLEMENT: CP-TAG

BUT the INDIVIDUAL STATE of each neutral meson is NOT DEFINED BEFORE its collapse as a filter imposed by the observation of the decay of its orthogonal partner!

> One can rewrite $|i\rangle$ in terms of any other pair of **orthogonal** states of the individual neutral B-mesons:

Consider B₊ and B₋, where B₋ is filtered by the decay J/ Ψ K₊, K₊ being the neutral K-meson decaying K₊ $\rightarrow \pi\pi$, and B₊ is the orthogonal to B₋, not connected to J/ Ψ K₊

➡ automatic transfer of information.

We may call the preparation of the initial state at t_1 , using the filter imposed by a first observation of one of these decays, a "CP-tag", although B_{\pm} are not CP-eigenstates of B's necessarily.

The same entangled state of the system can be rewritten

$$|i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[B_{+}(t_{1})B_{-}(t_{2}) - B_{-}(t_{1})B_{+}(t_{2}) \right]$$

THE DECAY AS A FILTERING MEASUREMENT

> The decay is irreversible (a misfortune for T-symetry), but

"Virtue shines in the misfortunes" ARISTOTLE

➤Is the Decay projecting a definite state of the B (the Virtue)?

> A decay product with definite flavour, for example I⁺, projects B⁰, implying the Flavour Tag \overline{B}^{0} for the living partner.

> For a definite CP eigenstate decay product, for example J/ Ψ K_L, the condition to filter a definite state is [J.B., F. Martinez, P. Villanueva] that the decay amplitude has a <u>single weak phase</u>. This B state is called B₊.

> Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen correlation \rightarrow

a "CP-Tag" prepares the orthogonal state B₋ for the living partner. What is B₋ experimentally? The state filtered by $J/\Psi K_S$ decay product.

> B₊, B₋ are <u>not</u> necessarilly CP-eigenstates of the neutral B-system

WHAT IS T-TRANSFORMATION EXPERIMENTALLY?



GENUINE OBSERVABLES NOT NEEDING $\Delta\Gamma$

We may proceed to a partition of the complete set of events into four categories, defined by the tag in the first decay at t_1 : B_+ , B_- , B^0 or \overline{B}^0 so we have 8 different Decay-Intensities at our disposal as functions of $\Delta \tau = t_2 - t_1 \rangle 0$

Each of these 8 processes

 $I_{i}(\Delta \tau) \sim e^{-\Gamma \Delta \tau} \{ C_{i} \cos(\Delta m \Delta \tau) + S_{i} \sin(\Delta m \Delta \tau) + C'_{i} \cosh(\Delta \Gamma \Delta \tau) + S'_{i} \sinh(\Delta \Gamma \Delta \tau) \}$

For a genuine test of a symmetry, one has to compare the I_i (Δt) of a transition and its transformed. For the case of T: in <=> out

>Careful: Up to now, for CPV analyses in B-factories, BABAR & BELLE had assumed CPT-invariance and $\Delta\Gamma = 0$:

Then $\Delta t \implies -\Delta t$ exchange, which is NOT T-operation, [M.C.Bañuls, J.B.] implies T symmetry.

→ Only 2 independent Intensities to be compared, if CP \sim T \sim Δ t are connected. → Alternatively, one may establish S_i ≠ 0 for a single transition. Δ t-asymmetric.

INTERLUDE: CP-Violation in Standard Model

In the Standard Model, charged weak interactions among quarks are codified in a 3 X 3 unitarity matrix: the CKM Mixing Matrix.

The existence of this matrix conveys the fact that the quarks which participate to weak processes are a linear combination of mass eigenstates

The unitarity conditions can be represented by triangles in the complex plane.

For the B-Bbar system, the unitarity triangle is given by

 $V_{ud}V_{ub}^* + V_{cd}V_{cb}^* + V_{td}V_{tb}^* = 0$

Flavour Mixing and CP-Violation are described with high precision in the SM:

 $S_i \sim sin(2 \beta) = 0.67 \pm 0.02$



GENUINE OBSERVABLES NOT NEEDING $\Delta\Gamma$

> 1) Take $B_0 \rightarrow B_+$ as the Reference transition and call (X,Y) the observed decays at times t_1 and t_2 . The CP, T and CPT transformed transitions are

Transition	$B^0 \rightarrow B_+$	$\overline{B}^0 \to B_+$	$B_+ \rightarrow B^0$	$B_+ \rightarrow \overline{B}^0$	$B_{-} \rightarrow \overline{B}^{0}$
(X,Y)	(Ι ⁻ ,J/ΨK _L)	(I+,J/ΨK _L)	(J/ΨK _s , I+)	(J/ΨK _s , I ⁻)	$(J/\Psi K_L, I^-)$
Transformation	Reference	СР	Т	CPT	Δt

<u>Exercise</u>: Check that the 4 processes are experimentally independent and that Δt -exchange (in the same experimental "sample") X \Longrightarrow Y is NOT equiv. to a symmetry

> 2)Take $B^0 \rightarrow B_a$ as the Reference transition. The CP, T and CPT transformed transitions are

Transition	$B^0 \rightarrow B$	$\overline{B}^0 \to B$	$B_{-} \rightarrow B^{0}$	$B_{-} \rightarrow \overline{B}^{0}$	$B_+ \rightarrow \overline{B}^0$
(X,Y)	(ŀ,J/ΨK _s)	(I+,J/ΨK _s)	(J/ΨK _L , I+)	$(J/\Psi K_L, I^-)$	$(J/\Psi K_s, I^-)$
Transformation	Reference	CP	Т	CPT	Δt

A second Asymmetry for each of the 3 transformations can be built!

- 3) Select (Y,X) from 1) as Reference.
- 4) Select (Y,X) from 2) as Reference.
- Only QM EPR-Entanglement and time resolution assumed.

4 Model-Independent Asymmetries for CP
4 Model-Independent Asymmetries for T

T-VIOLATING PARAMETERS

> Asymmetries in time dependent decay rates for any pair of T-conjugated transitions would be apparent through differences between $S_{\alpha,\beta}^{\pm}$ or $C_{\alpha,\beta}^{\pm}$ > Example:

A significant difference between the $S^+_{\ell^+,K_S}$ and $S^-_{\ell^-,K_L}$ coefficients implies observation of T violation.

> In the standard model these coeficients are related as a consequence of CPT invariance and $\Delta \Gamma = 0$ [J.B., M.C.Bañuls]

$$S = S_{l^{+},K_{S}}^{+} = -S_{l^{-},K_{S}}^{+} = -S_{l^{+},K_{S}}^{-} = S_{l^{-},K_{S}}^{-} = -S_{l^{+},K_{L}}^{+} = S_{l^{-},K_{L}}^{+} = S_{l^{+},K_{L}}^{-} = -S_{l^{-},K_{L}}^{-} \approx 0.7$$
$$C = C_{l^{+},K_{S}}^{+} = -C_{l^{-},K_{S}}^{+} = C_{l^{+},K_{S}}^{-} = -C_{l^{-},K_{S}}^{-} = C_{l^{+},K_{L}}^{+} = -C_{l^{-},K_{L}}^{+} = -C_{l^{-},K_{L}}^{-} \approx 0$$

>Any non-vanishing value of the asymmetry parameters

$$\Delta S_{\rm T}^{+} = S_{\ell^{-},K_{L}}^{-} \cdot S_{\ell^{+},K_{S}}^{+} \qquad \Delta C_{\rm T}^{+} = C_{\ell^{-},K_{L}}^{-} \cdot C_{\ell^{+},K_{S}}^{+} \Delta S_{\rm T}^{-} = S_{\ell^{-},K_{L}}^{+} \cdot S_{\ell^{+},K_{S}}^{-} \qquad \Delta C_{\rm T}^{-} = C_{\ell^{-},K_{L}}^{+} \cdot C_{\ell^{+},K_{S}}^{-}$$

measures T violation in the time evolution between the two decays.

GENUINE CPV-ASYMMETRIES

$$A_{CP,1} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{-}, J / \Psi K_{L}) - \Gamma(l^{+}, J / \Psi K_{L})}{+}$$

$$A_{CP,2} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{-}, J / \Psi K_{S}) - \Gamma(l^{+}, J / \Psi K_{S})}{+}$$

$$A_{CP,3} = \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{-}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{+})}{+}$$

$$A_{CP,4} = \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{-}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{+})}{+}$$

GENUINE TRV-ASYMMETRIES

$$A_{T,1} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{-}, J / \Psi K_{L}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{+})}{+}$$

$$A_{T,2} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{-}, J / \Psi K_{S}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{+})}{+}$$

$$A_{T,3} = \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{-}) - \Gamma(l^{+}, J / \Psi K_{S})}{+}$$

$$A_{T,4} = \frac{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{-}) - \Gamma(l^{+}, J / \Psi K_{L})}{+}$$

GENUINE CPTV-ASYMMETRIES

$$A_{CPT,1} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{-}, J / \Psi K_{L}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{-})}{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{-})}$$

$$A_{CPT,2} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{-}, J / \Psi K_{S}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{-})}{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{+})}$$

$$A_{CPT,3} = \frac{\Gamma(l^{+}, J / \Psi K_{L}) - \Gamma(J / \Psi K_{S}, l^{+})}{\Gamma(J / \Psi K_{L}, l^{+})}$$

FOUNDATIONS OF THE ANALYSIS



ΔS^{\pm} , ΔC^{\pm} parameters



EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

	Parameter	Final result	SM expected val.	
	ΔS_T^+	$-1.37 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.06$	-1.4	
	ΔS_T^{-}	$1.17 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.11$	1.4	
	ΔC_T^+	$0.10 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.08$	0.	
	ΔC_T^{-}	$0.04 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.08$	0.	
;	ΔS_{CP}^+	$-1.30 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.07$	-1.4	
	$\Delta S_{CP}^{-} \leftarrow$	$1.33 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.06$	1.4	
	ΔC_{CP}^+	$0.07 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.03$	0.	
	ΔC_T^-	$0.08 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.04$	0.	
;	ΔS^+_{CPT}	$0.16 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.09$	0.	
	ΔS_{CPT}^{-}	$-0.03 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.06$	0.	
	ΔC_{CPT}^+	$0.14 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.07$	0.	
	ΔC_{CPT}^{-}	$0.03 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.08$	0.	
	$S^{+}_{\ell^{+},K^{0}_{S}}$	$0.55 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.06$	0.7	
	$S^{-}_{\ell^+,K^0_S}$	$-0.66 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.04$	-0.7	
	$C^{+}_{\ell^{+},K^{0}_{s}}$	$0.01 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.05$	0.	
	$C^{-1}_{\ell^+,K^0_S}$	$-0.05 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.03$	0.	

INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS



INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS



T RAW ASYMMETRIES & SIGNIFICANCE











CONCLUSION

Observed t-Asymmetries, like the Arrow of Time, are not T-violating: Genuine TRV means Asymmetry under in sout

>Unique opportunity for unstable systems: EPR-Entanglement between the two neutral mesons in B, and Φ , factories \longrightarrow Information transfer.

> Flavour-CP Channels \rightarrow 8 different Decay-Intensities. In appropriate combinations,

4 Genuine independent Asymmetries for each: CP, T, CPT

2 Independent Asymmetry parameters for each CP, T, CPT

➤T-violating parameters in the time evolution of a neutral B meson, between flavour and CP decay times, have been measured by BABAR.

>BABAR observes a large deviation of T invariance at 14 σ level, far more than needed to declare a Discovery.

The results are consistent with CPT invariance in the time-evolution of the $B^{\circ}-\overline{B}^{\circ}$ system, connecting CPV and TRV in DIFFERENT transitions.

>This is the first direct observation of Time Reversal Violation in the time evolution of any system.

This Discovery was made possible thanks to the spectacular quantum properties of EPR <u>entangled</u> states:

"The reality of two entangled B's is much more than the sum of two separate B local realities"

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION





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