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Lifetimes and mixing parameters of neutral b hadrons

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3 physical quantities in $B_q - \overline{B}_q$ mixing:

$$\left| M_{12}^{q} \right|, \quad \left| \Gamma_{12}^{q} \right|, \quad \phi_{q} \equiv \arg\left(-\frac{M_{12}^{q}}{\Gamma_{12}^{q}} \right)$$

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Relation of Δm_q and $\Delta \Gamma_q$ to $|M_{12}^q|$, $|\Gamma_{12}^q|$ and ϕ_q :

$$\Delta m_q = M_H^q - M_L^q \simeq 2|M_{12}^q|,$$

$$\Delta \Gamma_q = \Gamma_L^q - \Gamma_H^q \simeq 2|\Gamma_{12}^q|\cos\phi_q$$

In the Standard Model $\phi_d \approx -5^\circ$ and $\phi_d \approx 0.2^\circ$, so that

$$\Delta\Gamma_q^{\rm SM}\simeq 2|\Gamma_{12}^q|$$

 M_{12}^q stems from the dispersive (real) part of the box diagram, internal *t*. Γ_{12}^q stems from the absorpive (imaginary) part of the box diagram, internal *c*, *u*.



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 \Rightarrow Substantial changes in $|M_{12}^q|$ and ϕ_q are possible.

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$$\Delta \Gamma_d = 2|\Gamma_{12}^d|\cos(\phi_d) \geq 2|\Gamma_{12}^d|0.94$$

because we know from global fits to the unitarity triangle that $-20^{\circ} \le \phi_d \le 3^{\circ}$ at 3σ CL.

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$$2 \operatorname{Br}({}^{(\overline{B}_{S})}_{S} \to D_{S}^{(*)+} D_{S}^{(*)-}) = \frac{\Delta \Gamma_{\rm CP}}{\Gamma_{S}} \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Delta \Gamma}{\Gamma_{S}}\right)\right]$$

Aleksan et al. 1993

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- ... no multi-body ccss final states occur.



Operators:



Wilson Coefficients $|C_{1,2}| \gg |C_{3,...8}|$.





The left diagram gives practically the same result for B_s and B_d . The right diagram comes with small penguin coefficients $C_{3...6}$.

More small diagrams contributing to τ_{B_s} :



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Global analysis of $B_s - \overline{B}_s$ mixing and $B_d - \overline{B}_d$ mixing

Based on work with A. Lenz and the CKMfitter Group(J. Charles, S. Descotes-Genon, A. Jantsch, C. Kaufhold,H. Lacker, S. Monteil, V. Niess)arXiv:1008.1593

Rfit method: No statistical meaning is assigned to systematic errors and theoretical uncertainties.

We have performed a simultaneous fit to the Wolfenstein parameters and to the new physics parameters Δ_s and Δ_d :

$$\Delta_q \ \equiv \ rac{M^q_{12}}{M^{q,{
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CP asymmetries in flavour-specific decays (semileptonic CP asymmetries):

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Examples: Scenario I covers the MSSM with generic flavour structure of the soft terms and small $\tan \beta$. Scenario II covers the MSSM with MFV and small $\tan \beta$.

Scenario III covers certain two-Higgs models (but not the MFV-MSSM).

Results in scenario I:



SM point $\Delta_d = 1$ disfavoured by $\geq 2.5\sigma$.

 ϕ_d^{Δ} < 0 helps to explain DØ dimuon asymmetry.

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But with e.g. $f_B = 210 \text{ MeV}$ and $|V_{ub}| = 4.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ find $B^{\text{SM}}(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_{\tau}) = 1.51 \cdot 10^{-4}$. These parameters comply with the global fit to the UT only, if new physics changes the constraints from $A_{CP}^{\text{mix}}(B_d \to J/\psi K_{\text{short}})$, Δm_d or $\Delta m_d/\Delta m_s$.

Global fit in the SM:





without 2010 CDF/DØ data on $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

Global fit to UT hinting at $\phi_d^{\Delta} < 0$:

Other authors have seen a tension with the SM in the same direction stemming from ϵ_{K} .

Lunghi, Soni; Buras, Guadagnoli

In our fit the tension with ϵ_{K} is mild, because we use a more conservative error on the hadronic parameter $\widehat{B}_{K} = 0.724 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.067$ and because the Rfit method is more conservative.

p-values: Calculate χ^2/N_{dof} with and without a hypothesis to find:

Hypothesis	p-value
$\Delta_d = 1$	2.5 σ
$\Delta_{s}=1$	2.7 σ
$\Delta_d = \Delta_s = 1$	3.4 σ
$\Delta_d = \Delta_s$	2.1 σ

Fit result at 95%CL:

$$\phi^{\Delta}_{s}=(-51^{+32}_{-25})^{\circ}$$
 (and $\phi^{\Delta}_{s}=(-129^{+28}_{-27})^{\circ}$)

Compare with the 2010 CDF/DØ result from $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$:

CDF: $\phi_s^{\Delta} = (-29^{+44}_{-49})^{\circ}$ at 95%CL DØ: $\phi_s^{\Delta} = (-44^{+59}_{-51})^{\circ}$ at 95%CL

Naive average: $\phi_s^{avg} = (-36 \pm 35)^\circ$ at 95%CL

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Scenario III (complex $\Delta_s = \Delta_d$) fits the data quite well irrespective of whether $B(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_{\tau})$ is included or not.

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- A global fit to the UT indeed shows a slight preference for a new CP phase $\phi_d^{\Delta} < 0$, driven by $B(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_{\tau})$ (and possibly ϵ_{K}). In a simultaneously global fit to the UT and the $B_s \overline{B}_s$ mixing complex a plausible picture of new CP-violating physics emerges.



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The Standard Model is already falsified from cosmological data and neutrino experiments. LHCb could be the first terrestrial experiment to see imprints of new TeV-scale physics.



A pinch of new physics in $B-\overline{B}$ mixing?