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# Exploring Hadronic B decays through $SU(3)_F$ symmetry and factorizable corrections

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Plenty of experimental data available, specially **CP**asymmetries

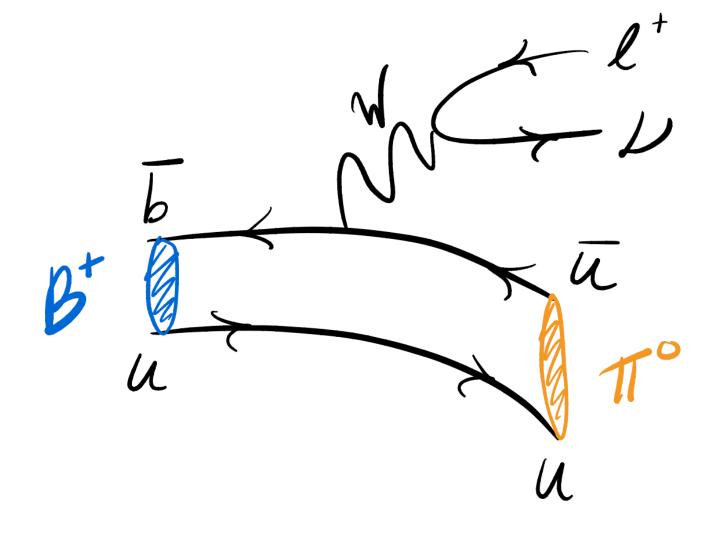
Purely perturbative techniques no longer valid



Current predictions governed by uncertainties

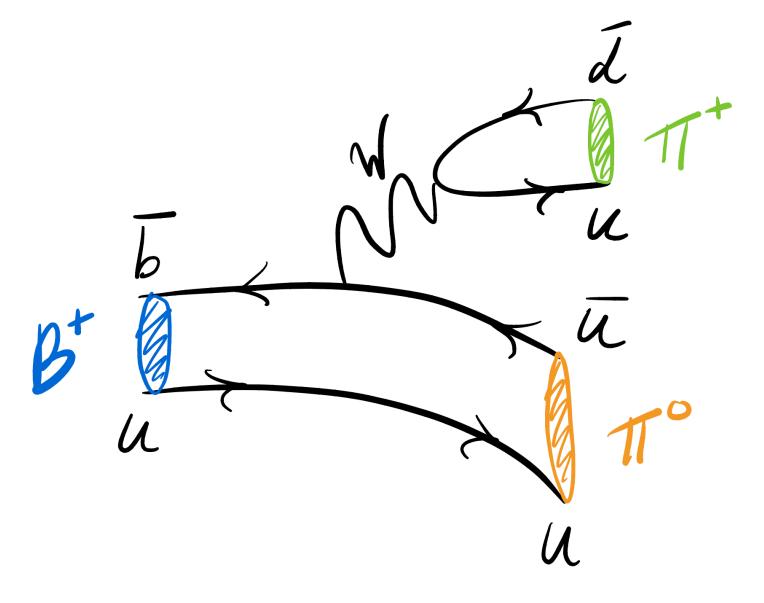
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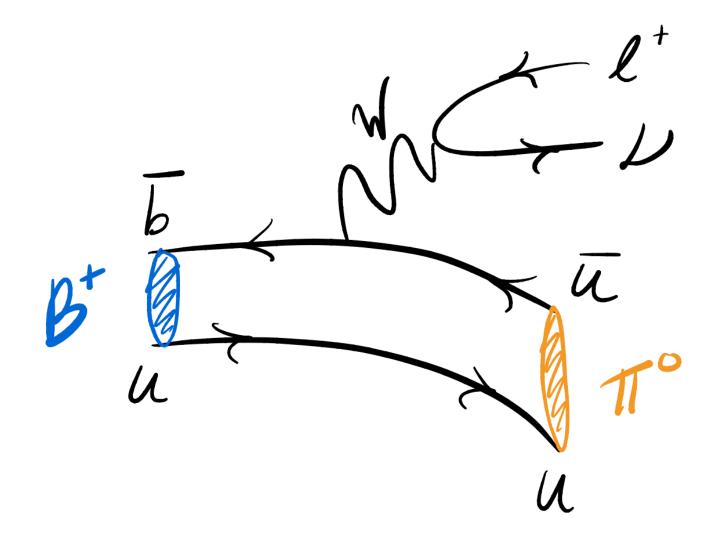
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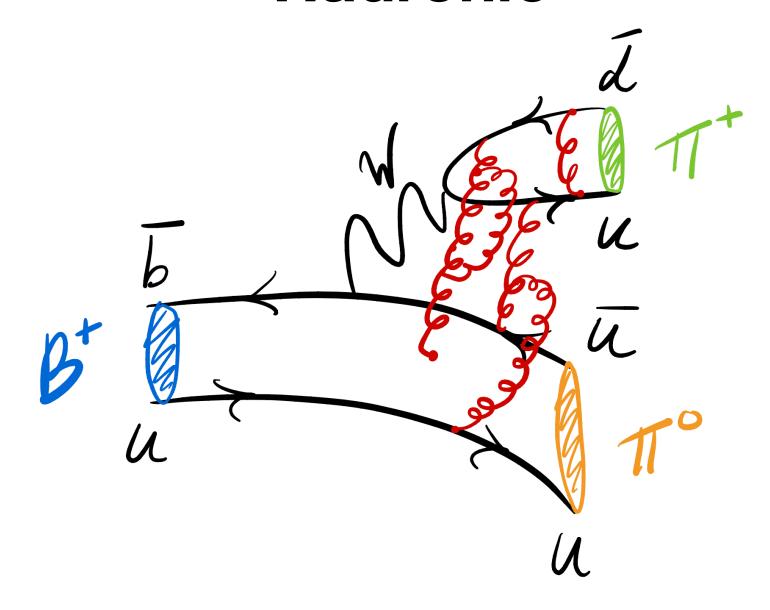


Leptonic and hadronic parts factorize

Strong interaction **confined** to the  $B \rightarrow P$  transition

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Non-perturbative interactions between the final state hadrons

There is currently **no strict theoretical approach** possible

# How can we describe $B \to PP$ decays?

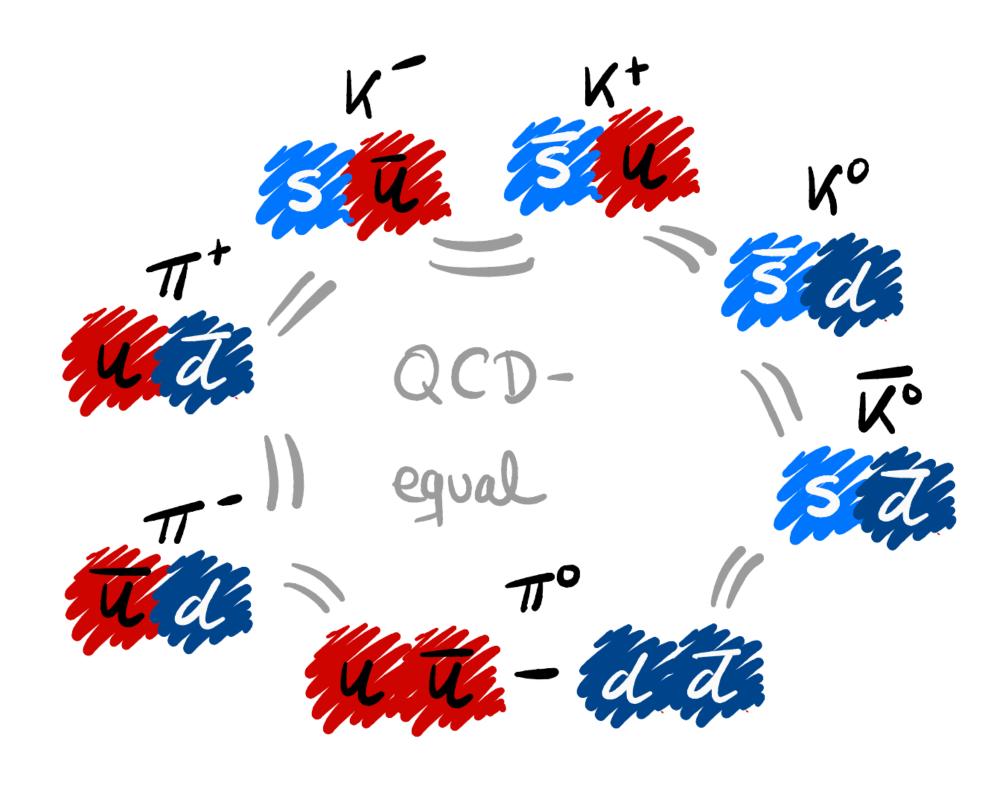
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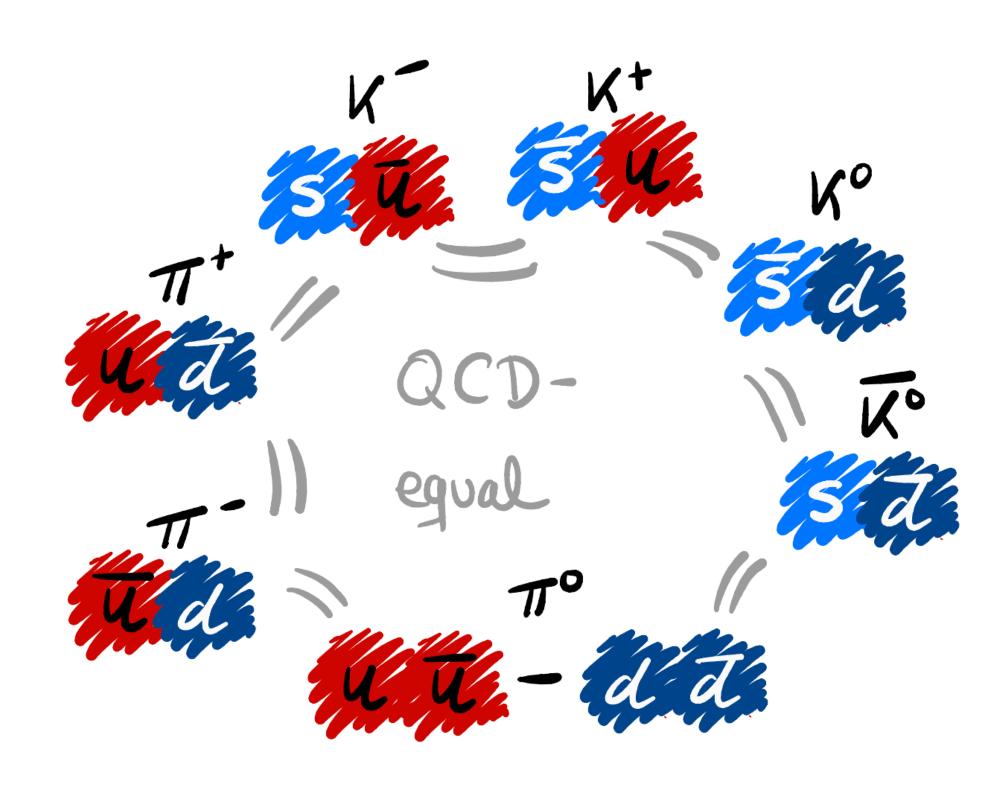


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Note! This symmetry is broken in nature  $m_u \neq m_d \neq m_s$  but it is a useful approximation



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CKM unitarity!
$$\lambda_{u}^{(q)} + \lambda_{c}^{(q)} + \lambda_{t}^{(q)} = 0$$

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For every tree topology contributing to a decay we have its penguin counterpart:

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#### **Tree amplitude**

$$\mathcal{T} = \mathbf{T} B_i(M)^i_j \bar{H}^{jl}_k(M)^k_l + \mathbf{C} B_i(M)^i_j \bar{H}^{lj}_k(M)^k_l + \mathbf{A} B_i \bar{H}^{il}_j(M)^j_k(M)^k_l$$
$$+ \mathbf{E} B_i \bar{H}^{li}_i(M)^j_k(M)^k_l + \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{P}} B_i(M)^i_j(M)^j_k \bar{H}^{lk}_l + \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{A} B_i \bar{H}^{li}_l(M)^j_k(M)^k_i$$

#### Penguin amplitude

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathbf{P_T} B_i(M)_j^i \tilde{H}_k^{jl}(M)_l^k + \mathbf{P_C} B_i(M)_j^i \tilde{H}_k^{lj}(M)_l^k + \mathbf{P_A} B_i \tilde{H}_l^{li}(M)_k^j(M)_j^k$$
$$+ \mathbf{P_{TE}} B_i \tilde{H}_k^{ji}(M)_l^k(M)_j^l + \mathbf{P} B_i(M)_j^i(M)_k^j \tilde{H}^k + \mathbf{P_{TA}} B_i \tilde{H}_j^{il}(M)_k^j(M)_l^k$$

#### Pseudo-scalar meson octet + singlet

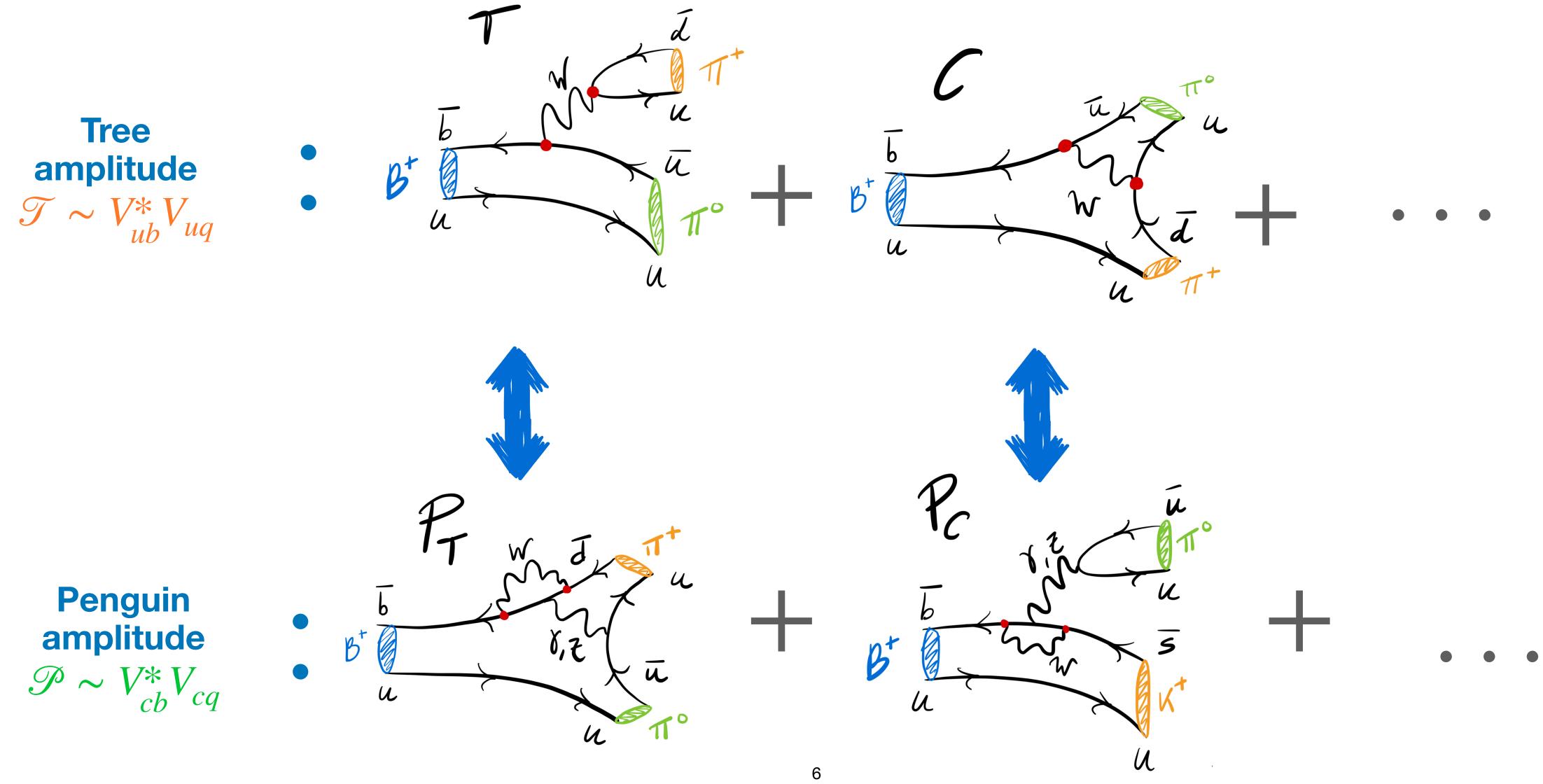
$$B_i = (B^+, B^0, B_s^0)$$

**B-meson vector** 

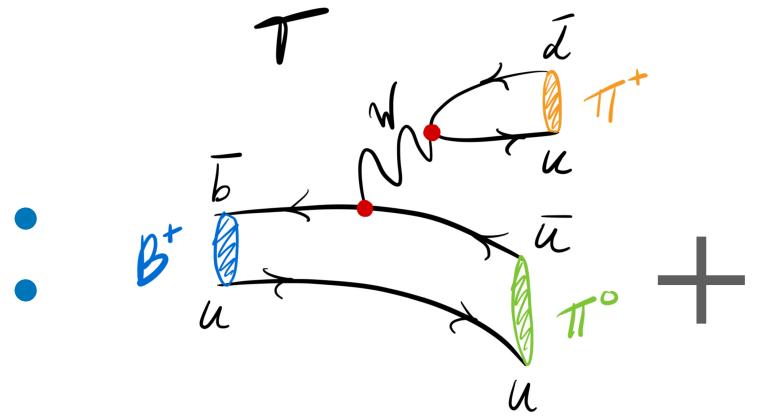
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta_8}{\sqrt{6}} & \pi^- & K^- \\ \pi^+ & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta_8}{\sqrt{6}} & \bar{K}^0 \\ K^+ & K^0 & -2\frac{\eta_8}{\sqrt{6}} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\eta_0}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$

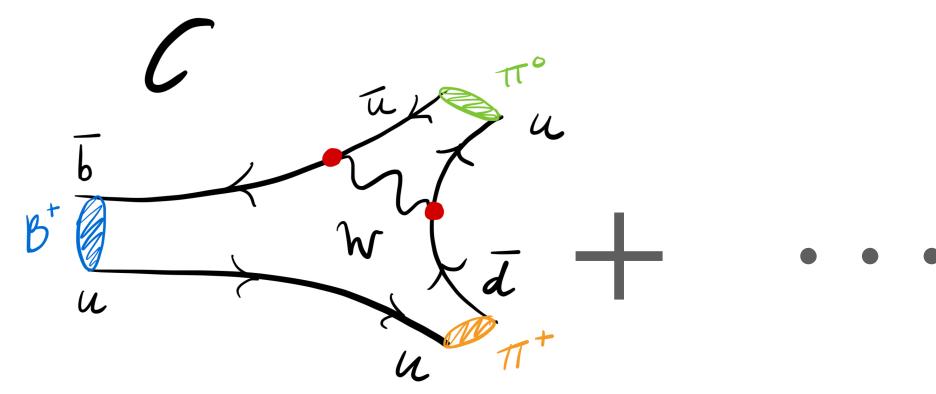
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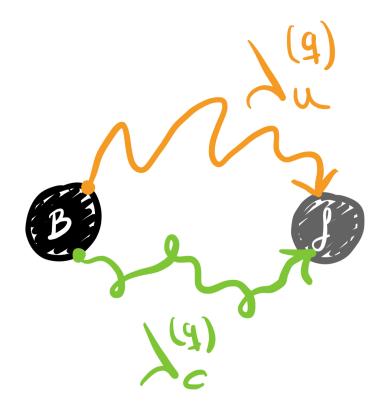
$$H_i^{j,k}$$



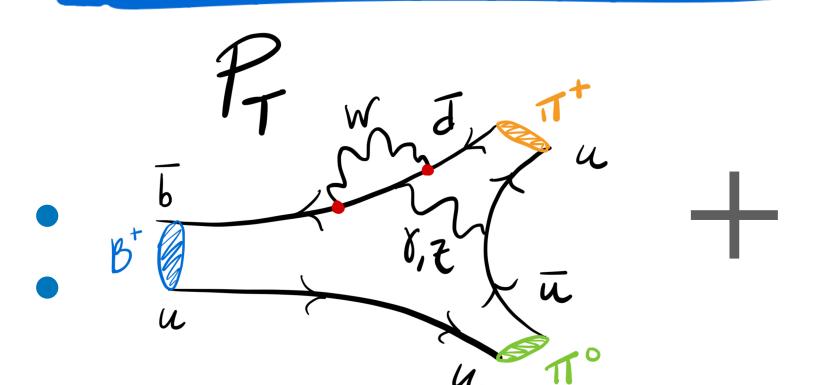


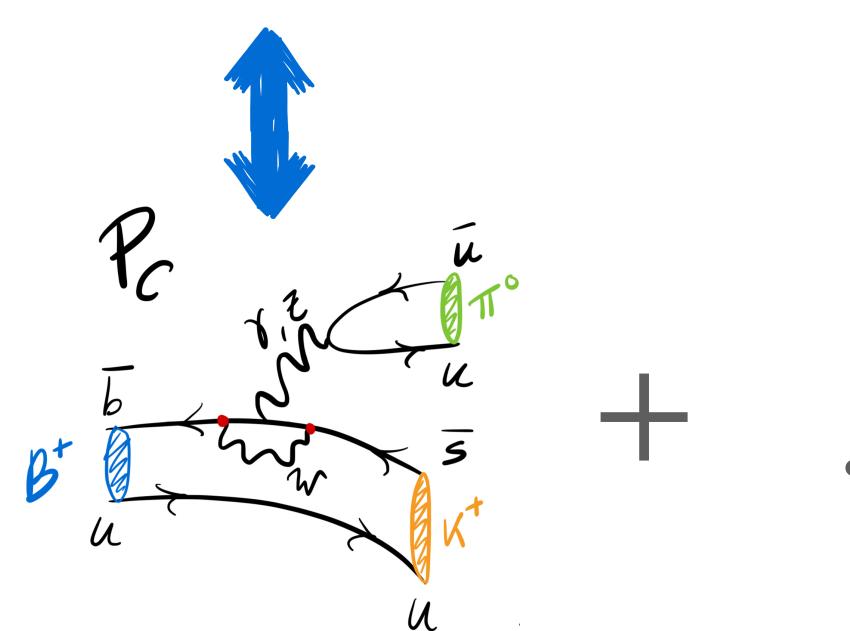






Different CKM structure necessary for CP Violation



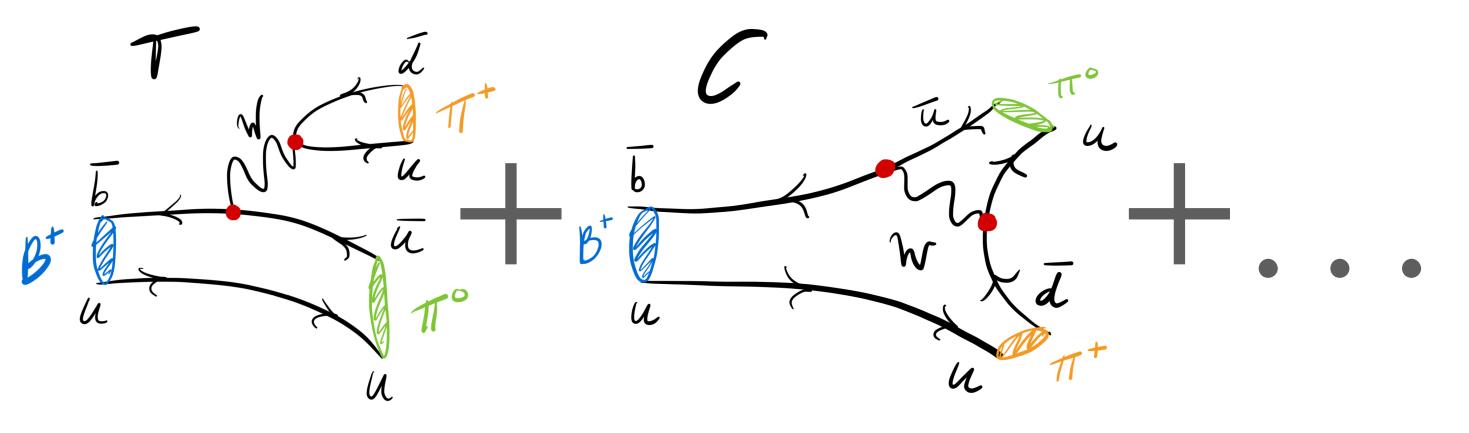


Penguin amplitude

 $\mathcal{P} \sim V_{cb}^* V_{cc}$ 

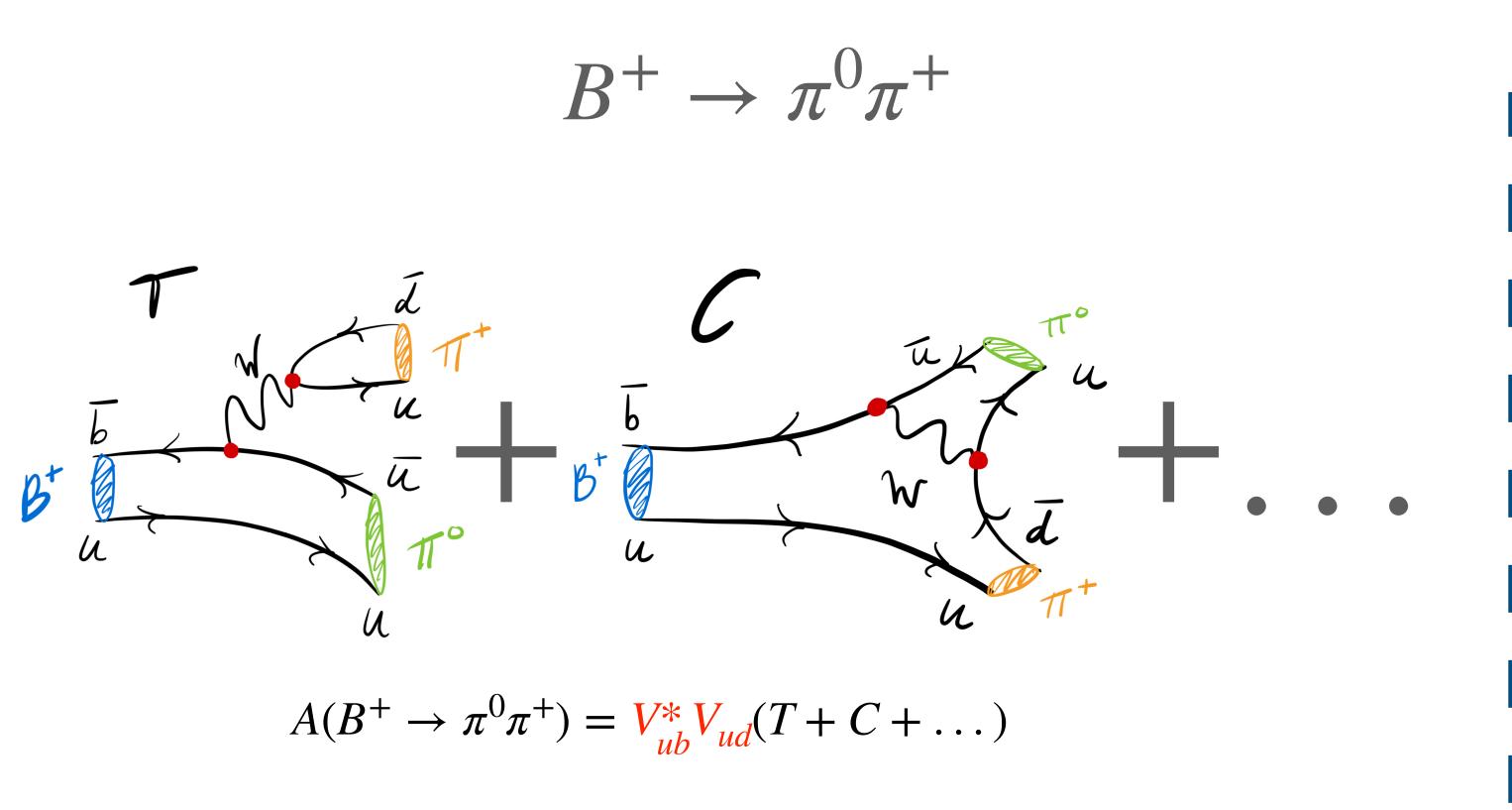
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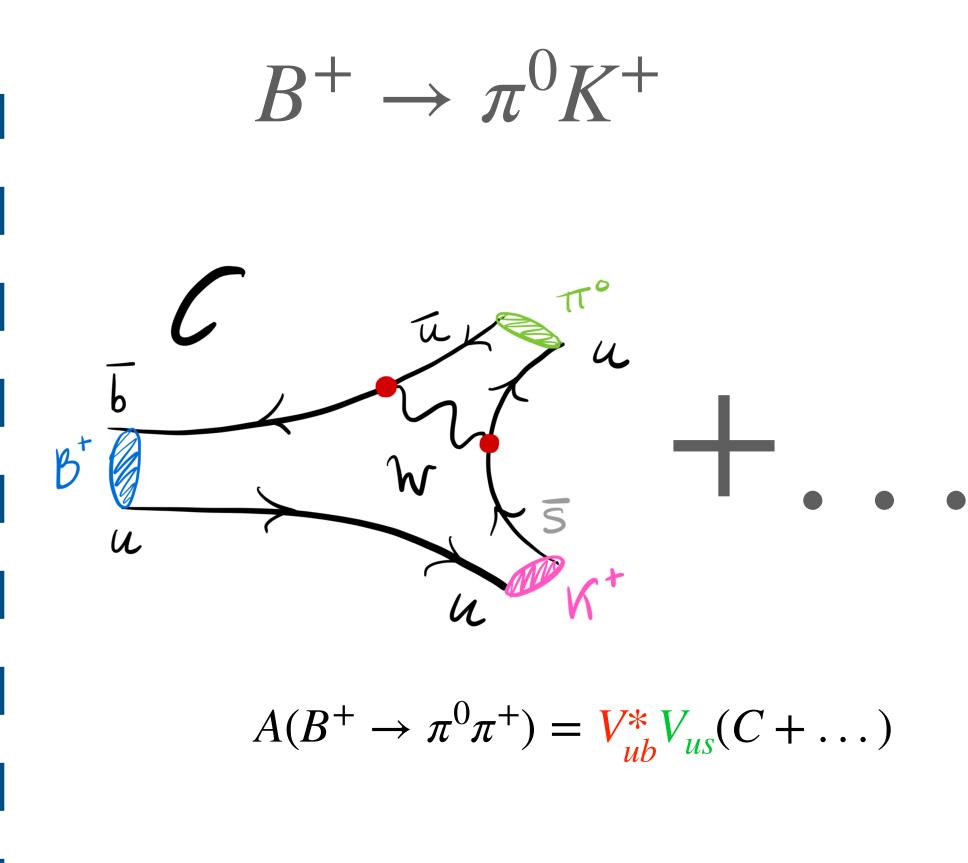
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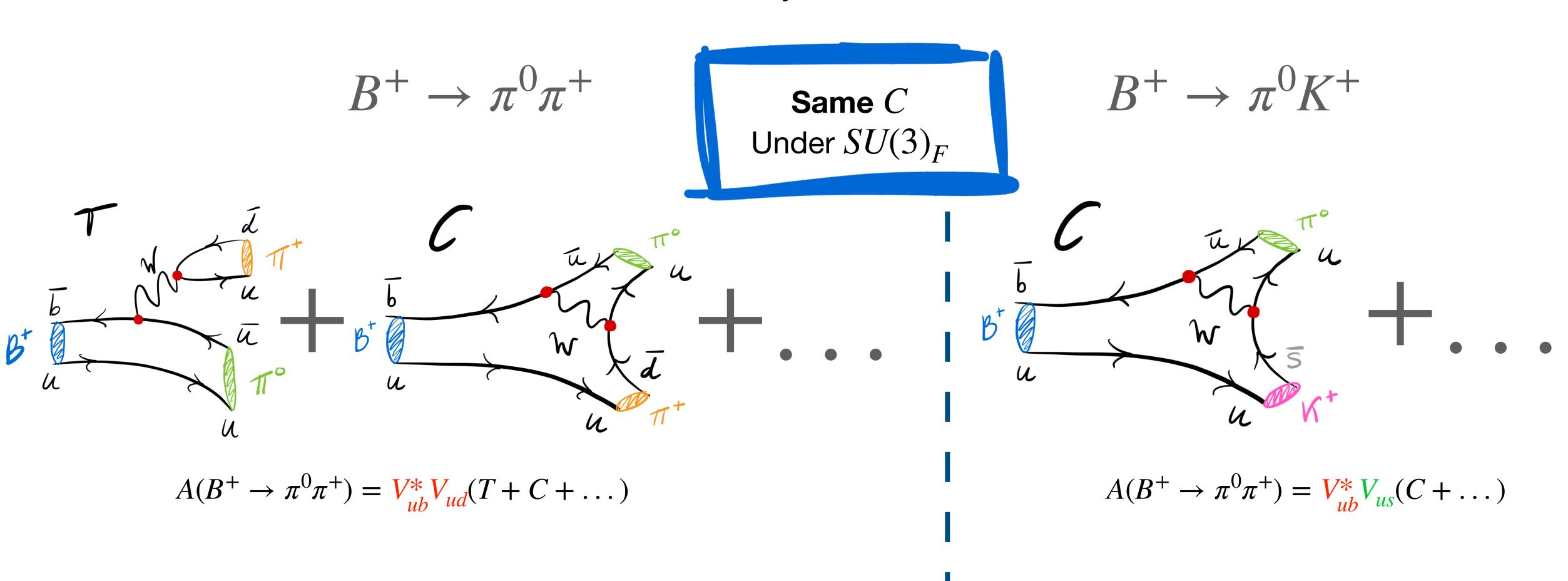
$$A(B^+ \to \pi^0 \pi^+) = V_{ub}^* V_{ud}(T + C + \dots)$$

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**Experimental results** from 16 decay modes



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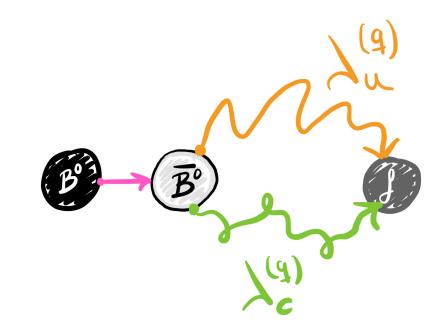


Branching ratios

Direct CP asymmetry:  $\mathcal{A}_{CP}^{dir}$ 



Mixing-induced CP asymmetry:  $\mathcal{A}_{CP}^{mix}$ 



For other SU(3) analysis see Huber and Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi 2111.06418, Berthiaume et al 2311.18011

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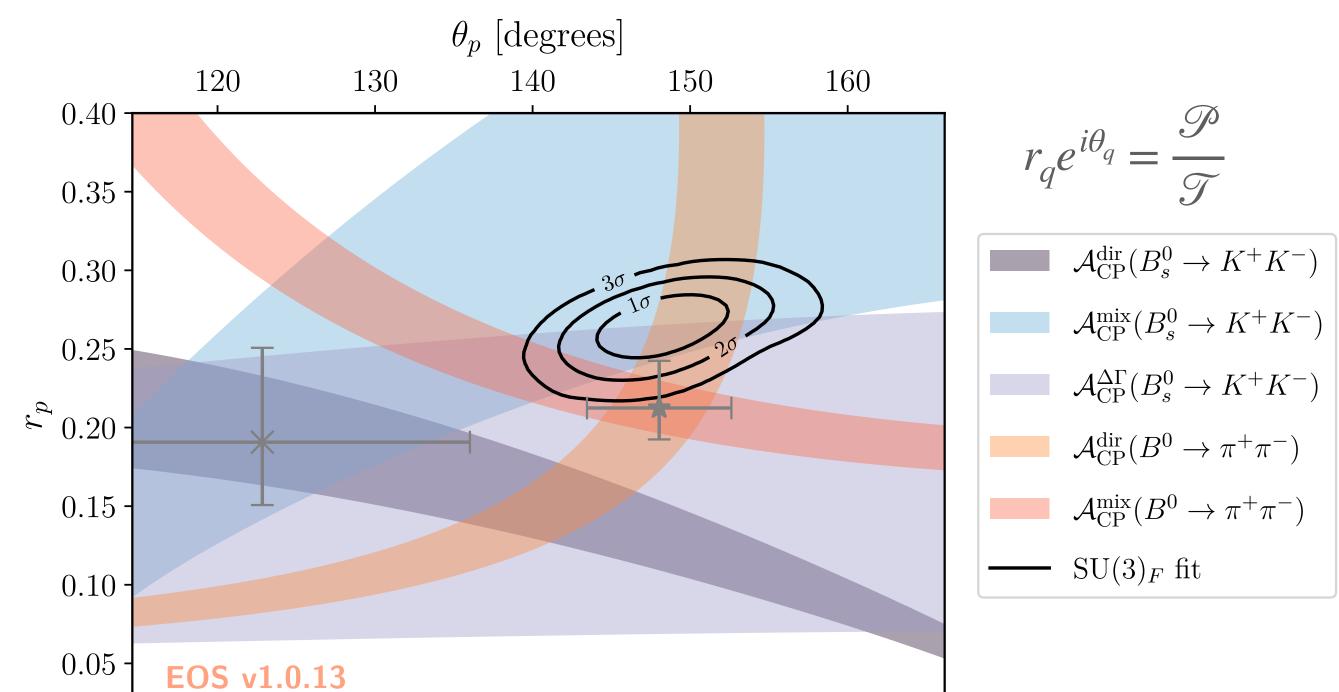
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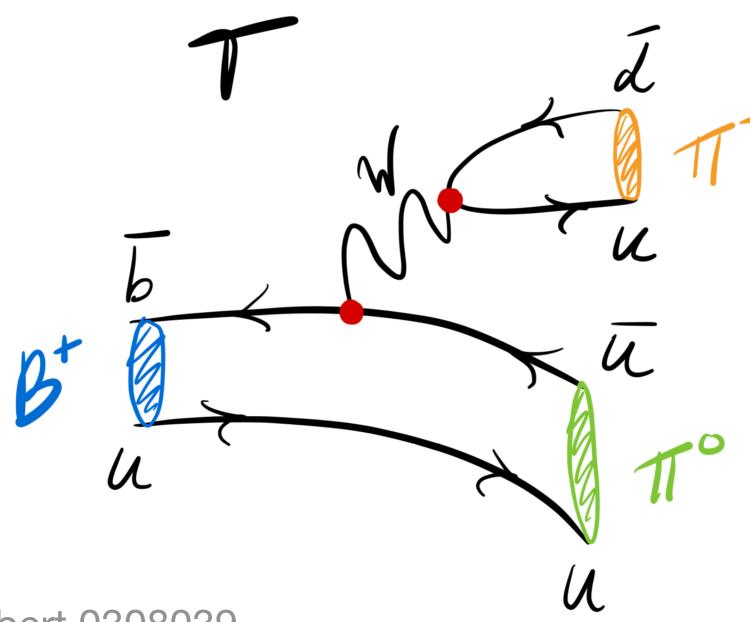
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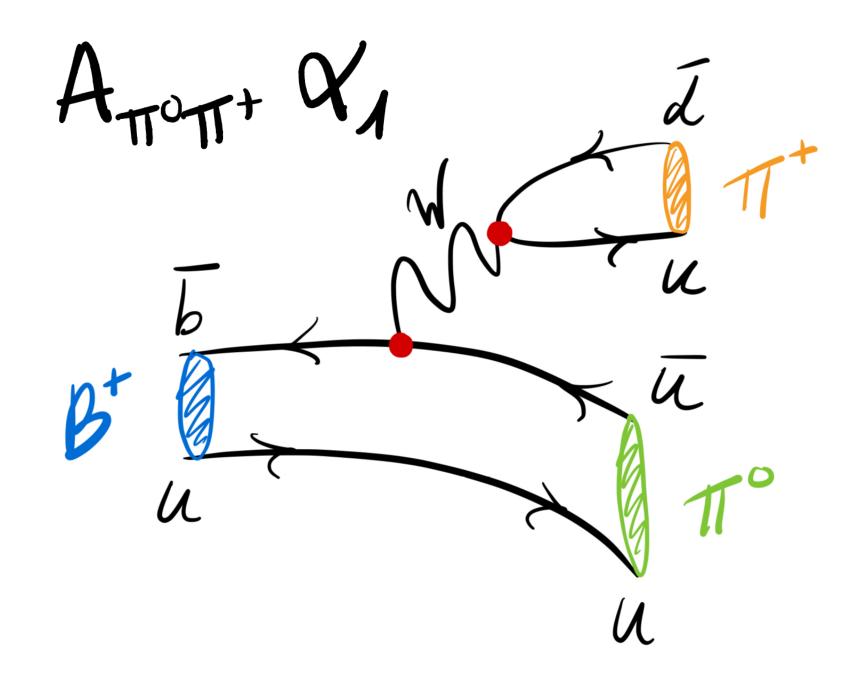
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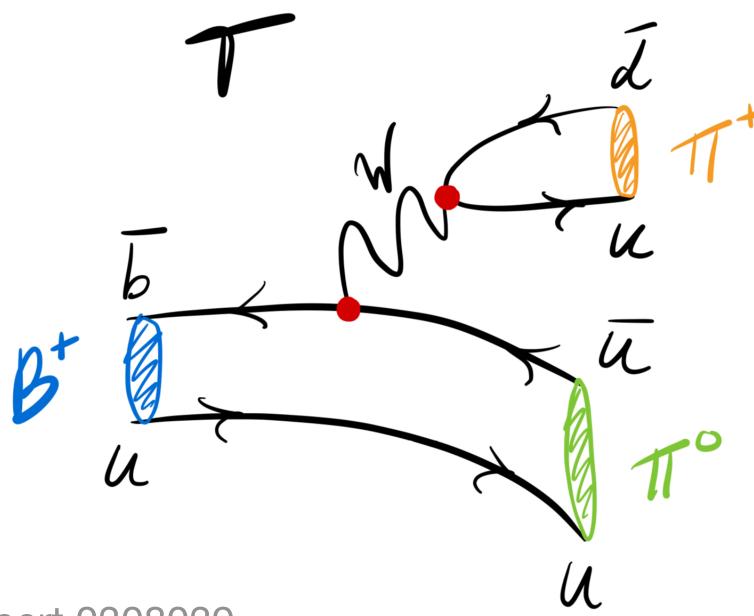
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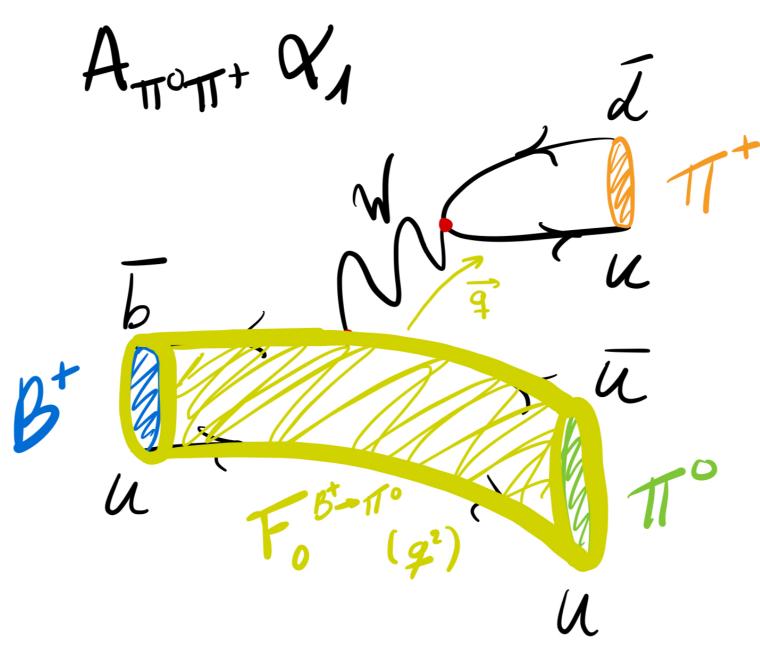
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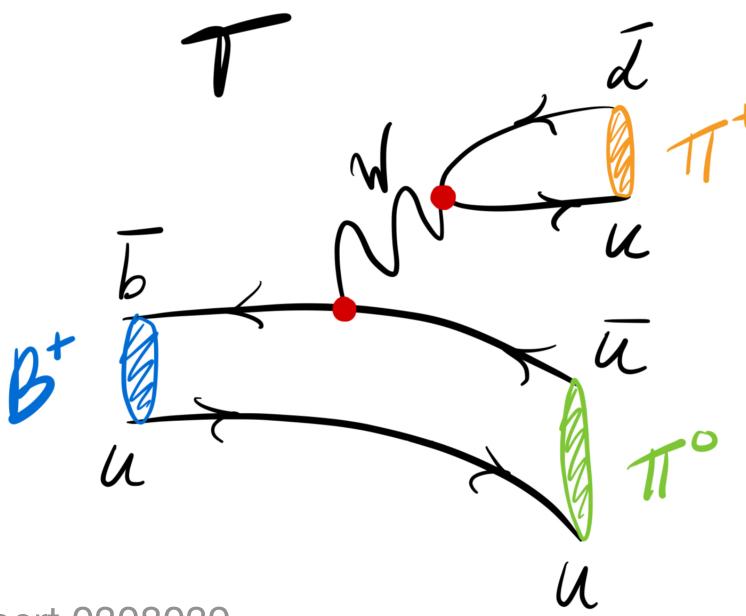
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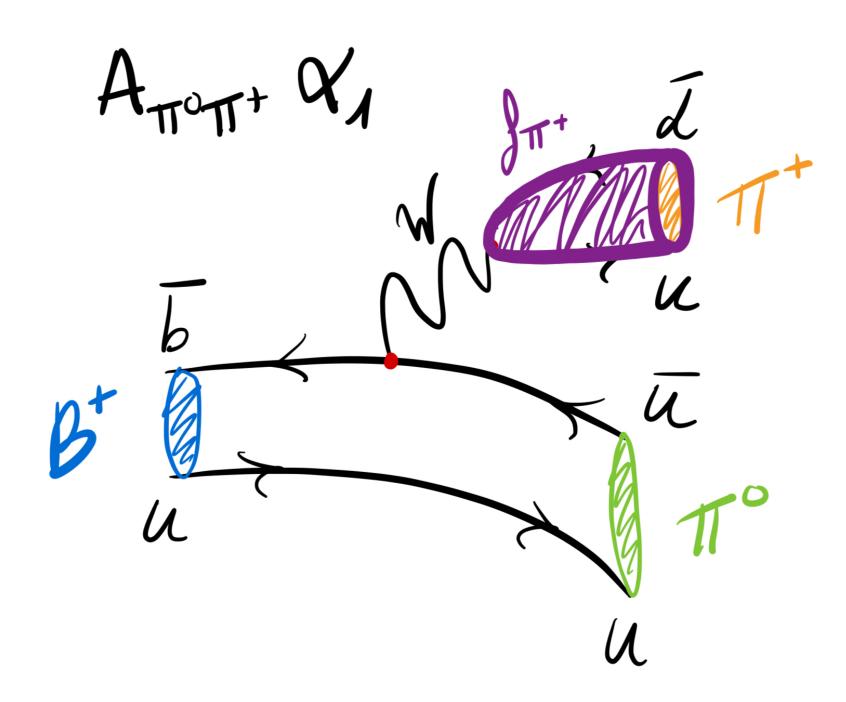
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 $A_{M_1M_2}$  • SU(3) breaking, but known! (Fixed, no new coefficients)

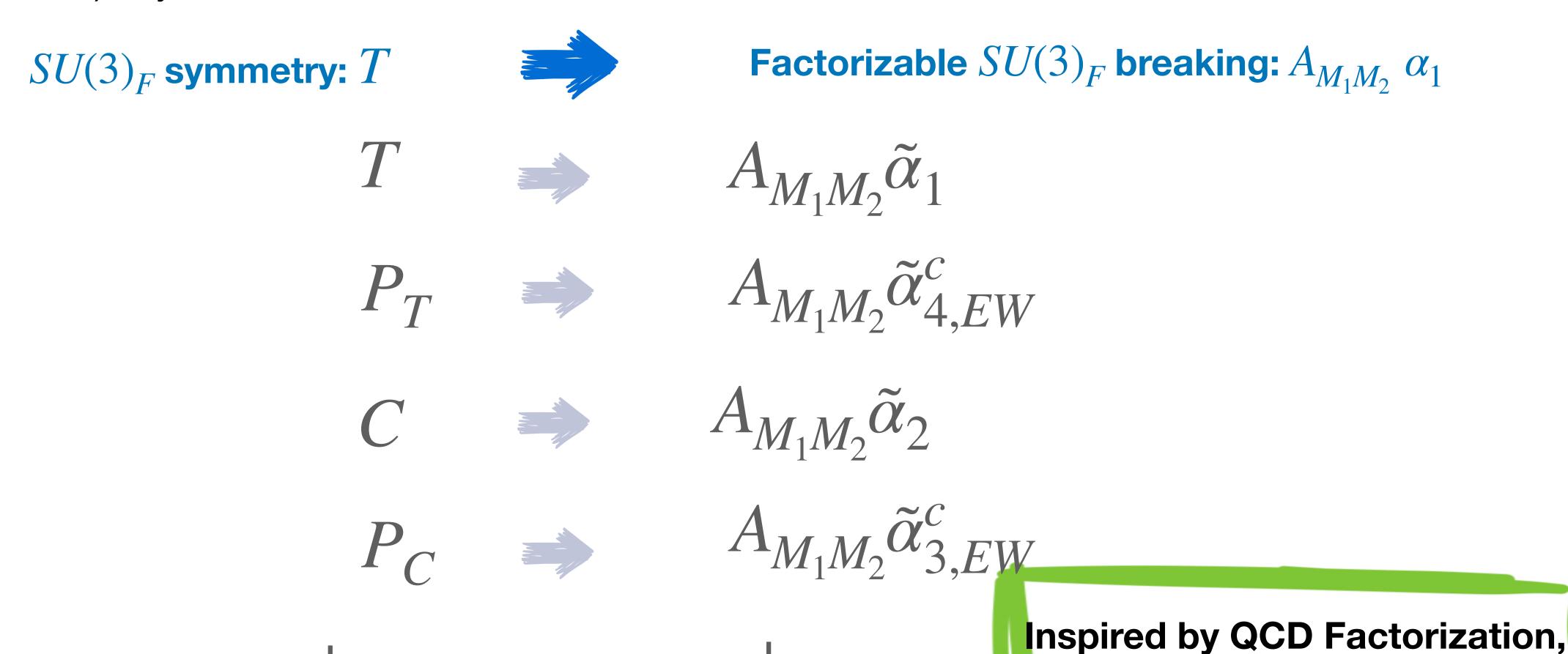
 $\alpha_1$ : SU(3) symmetric, fitted from experimental data

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more on that later!

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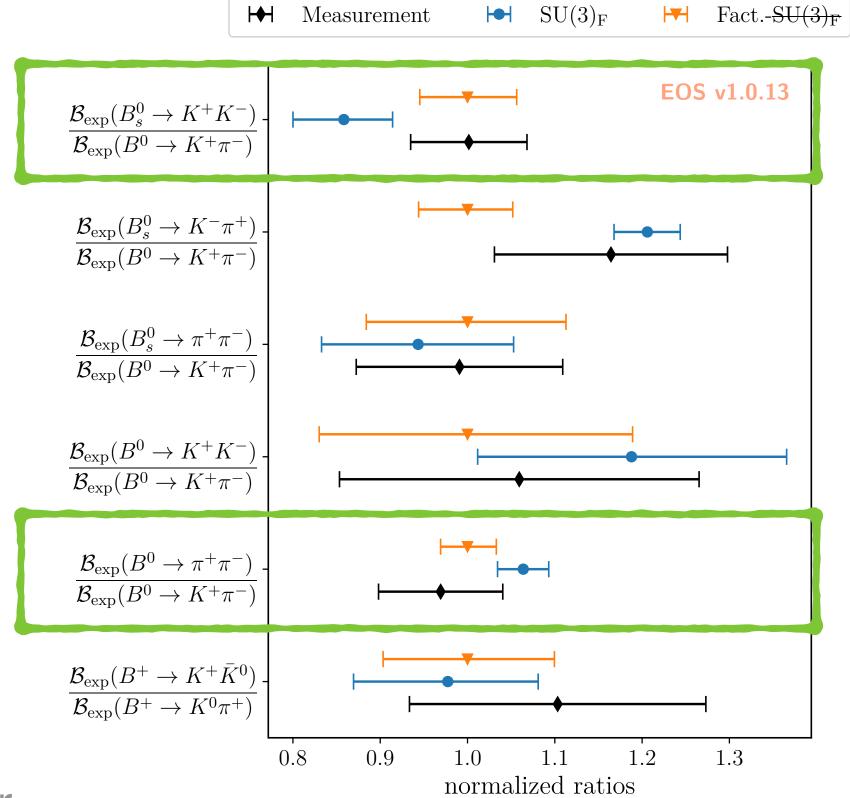
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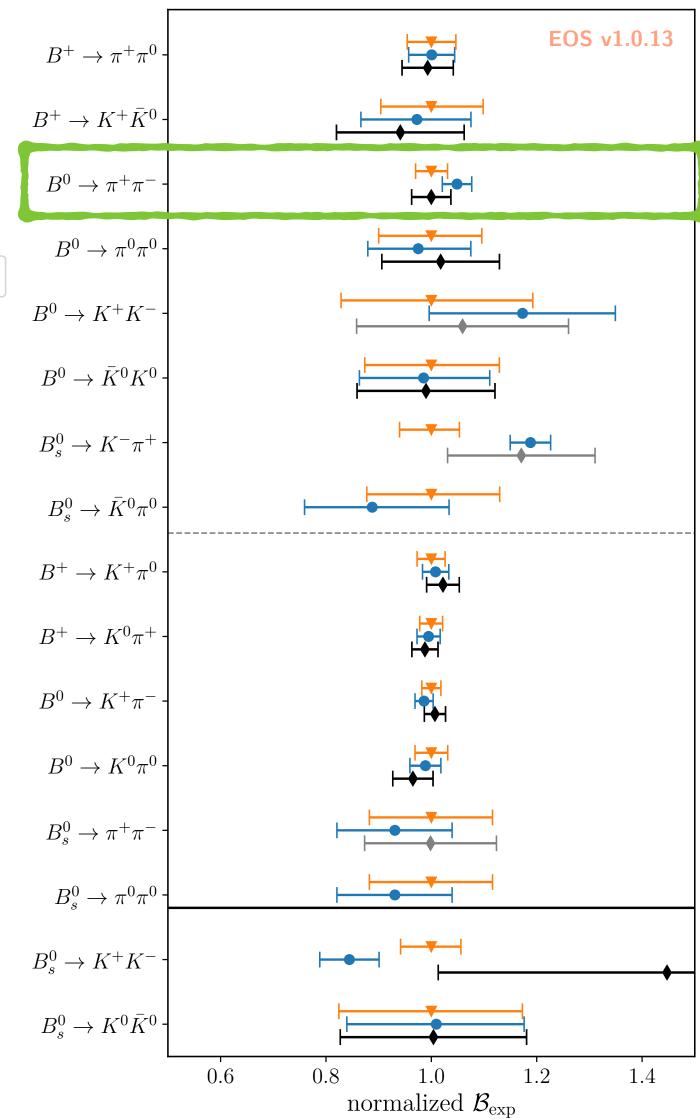
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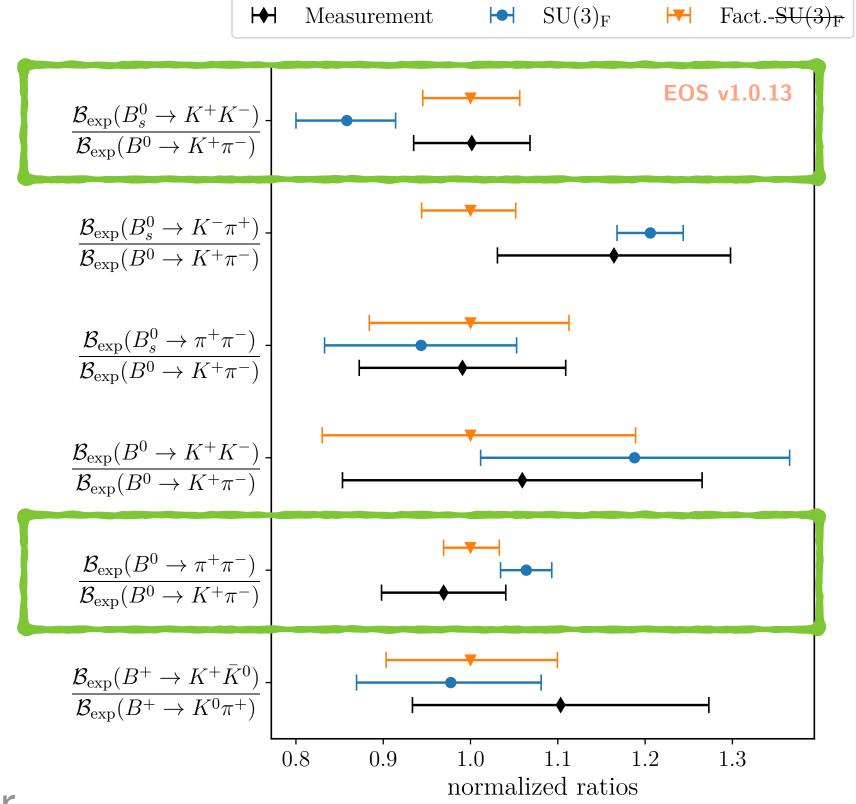
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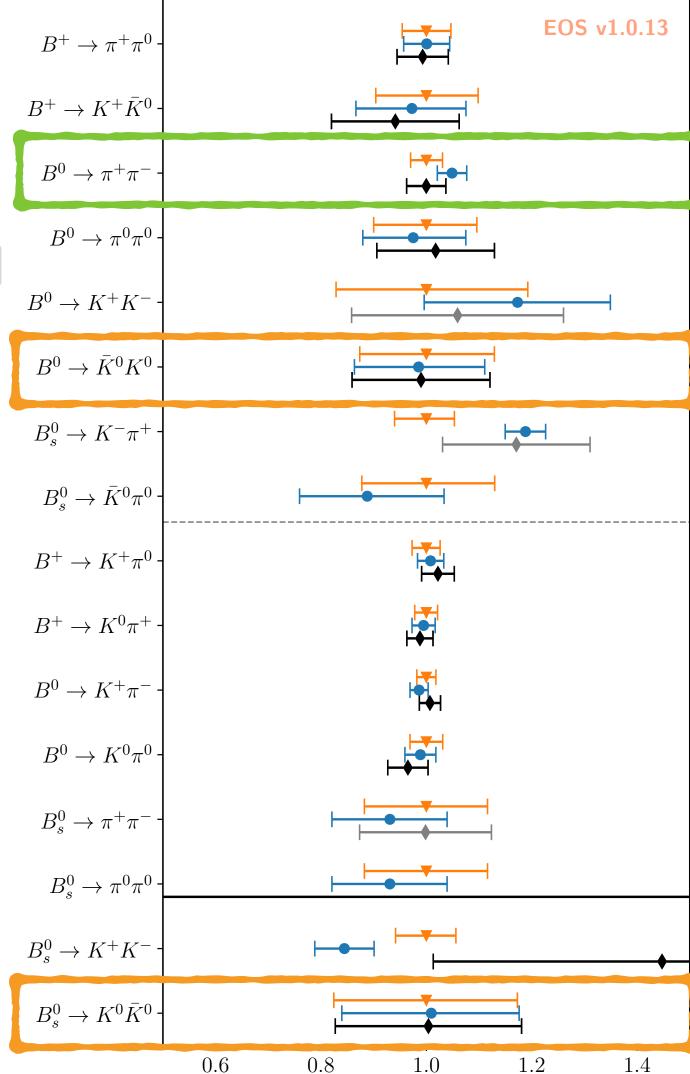


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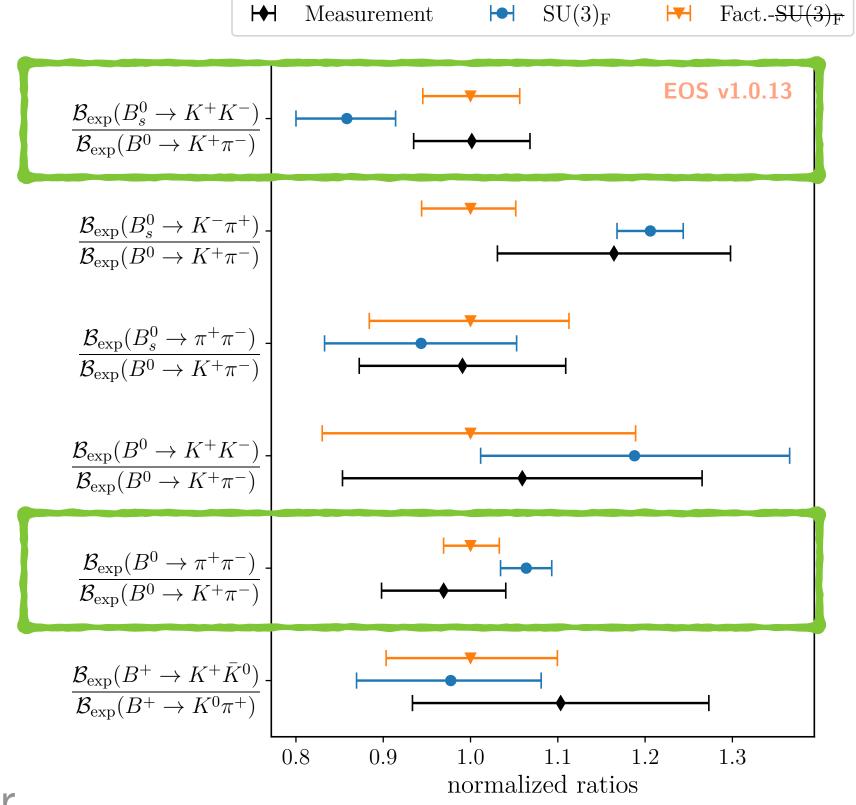
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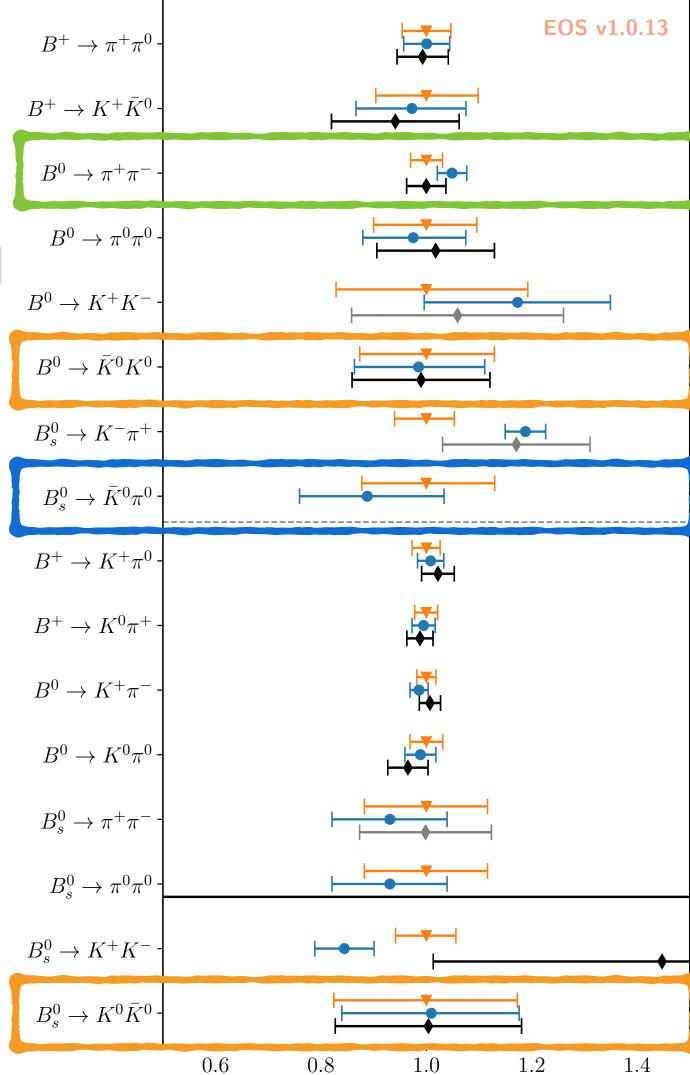


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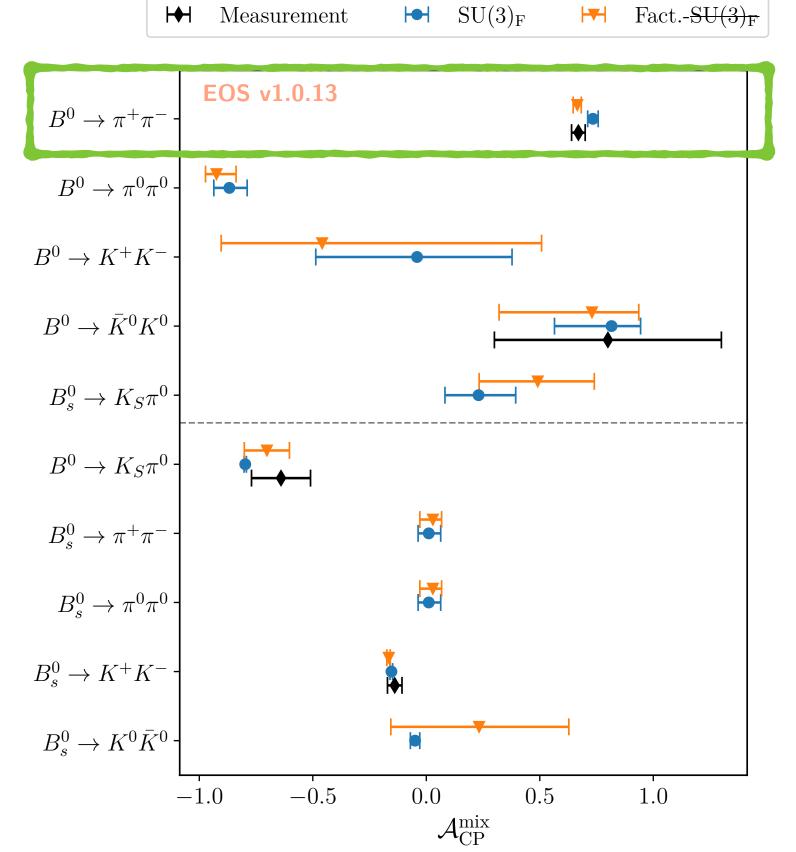
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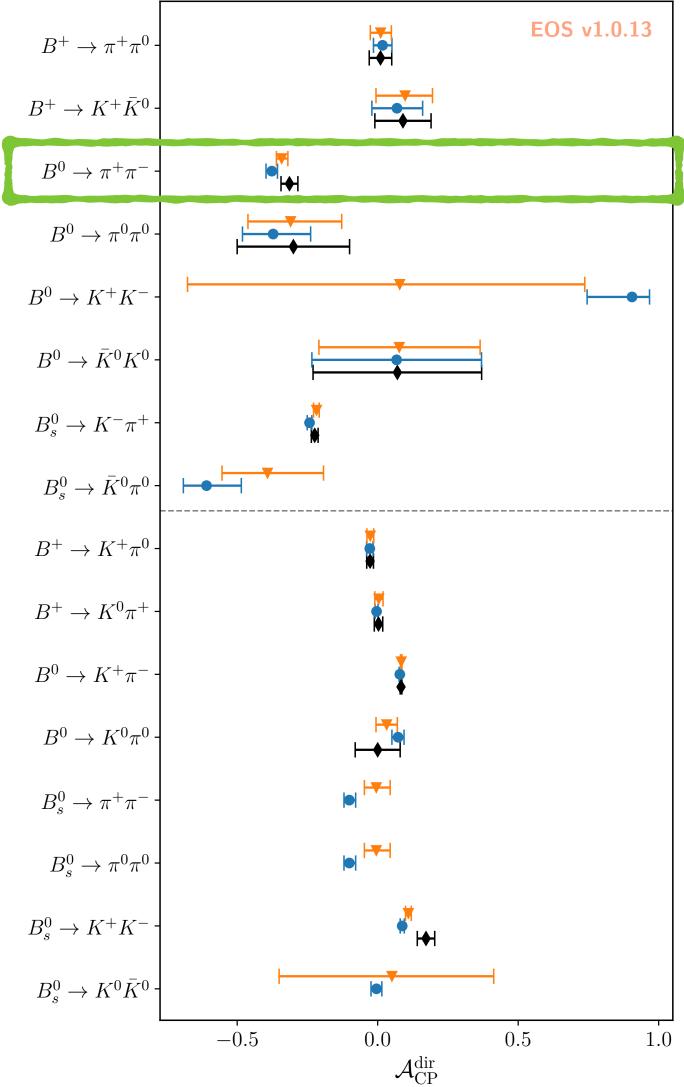
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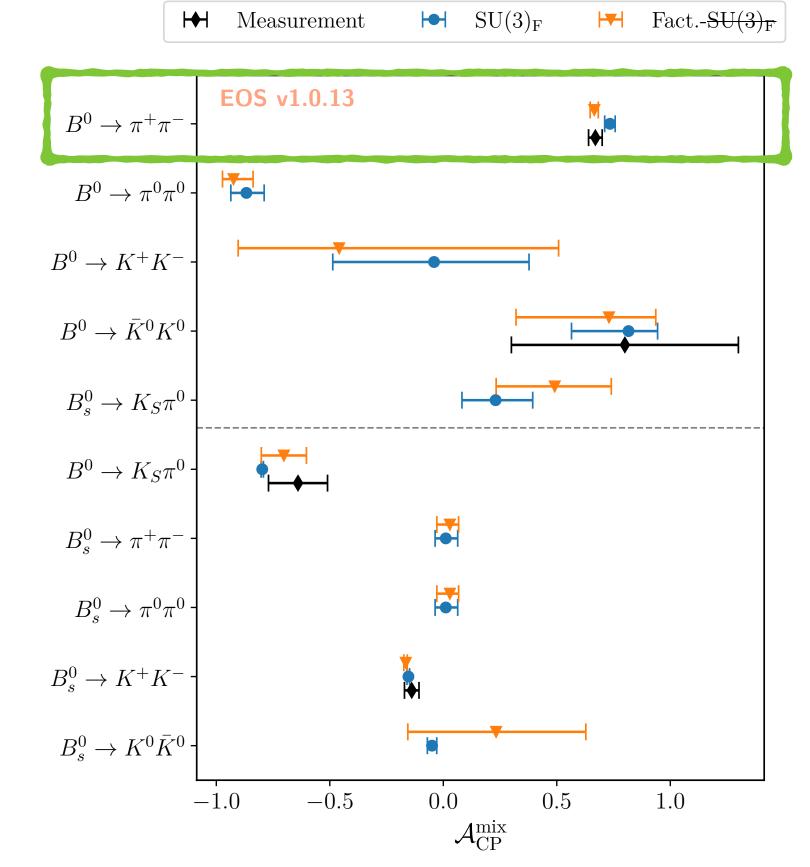
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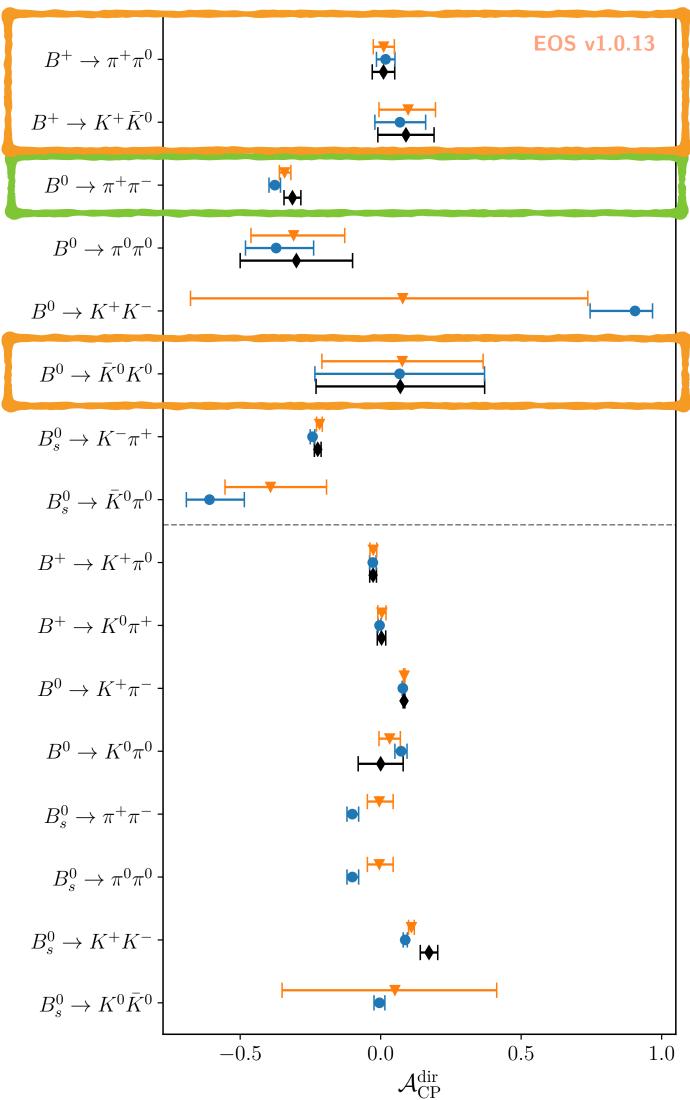


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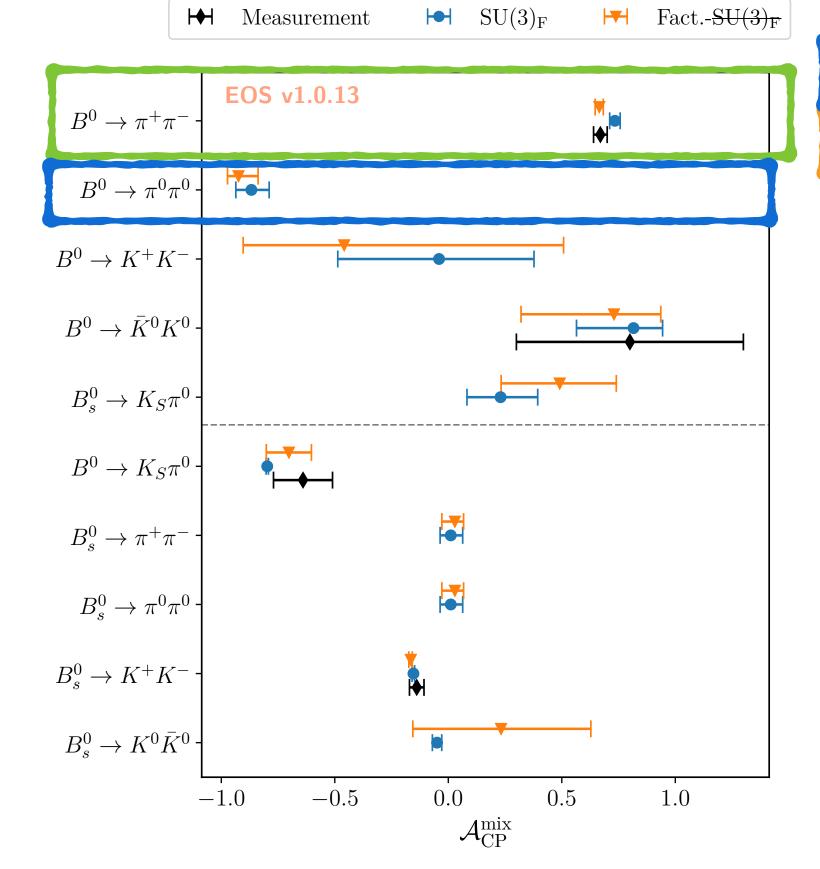
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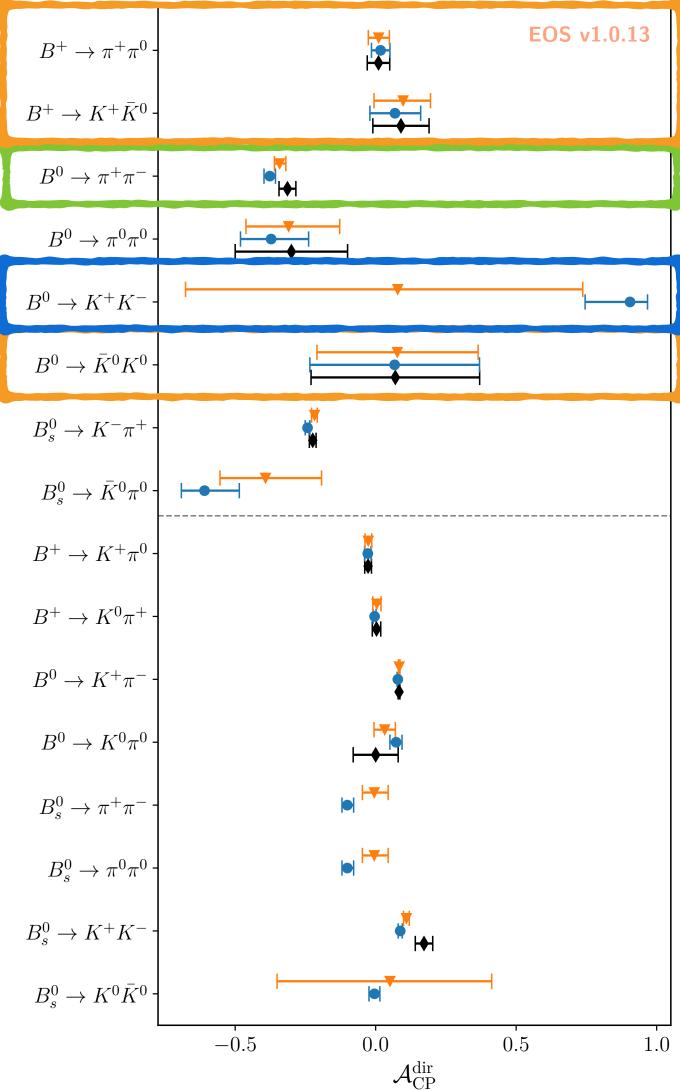


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Factorizable  $SU(3)_F$  breaking describes data very accurately. Small tensions in  $\mathscr{A}_{\mathrm{CP}}(B^0_s \to K^+K^-)$ ,  $\mathscr{A}_{\mathrm{CP}}^{\mathrm{mix}}(K^0_S\pi^0)$  and  $\mathscr{A}_{\mathrm{CP}}^{\mathrm{dir}}(B^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-)$  that do not exceed  $1.5\sigma$ 



Updates / new measurements would reduce the overall uncertainty in the predictions:  $B^0_{(s)} \to K^0 \bar{K}^0, B^0 \to K^+ K^-$ , ...



What about the coefficients? Can we improve our understanding of QCD?

## What do we learn about QCD?

### Factorizable $SU(3)_F$ breaking vs QCDF

Fact.  $SU(3)_F$  breaking parametrisation is inspired by QCD Factorization:

**QCDF** 

Method to calculate theoretically amplitudes for hadronic processes at higher orders



Expand in orders of  $\alpha_{\!\scriptscriptstyle S}$  and  $1/m_b$ 



Use the large mass of the b-quark to factorize the final state. Then correct for gluon interactions



Divergences show up in higher order and annihilation terms, for which only a model can be used

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Purely data-driven

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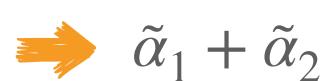
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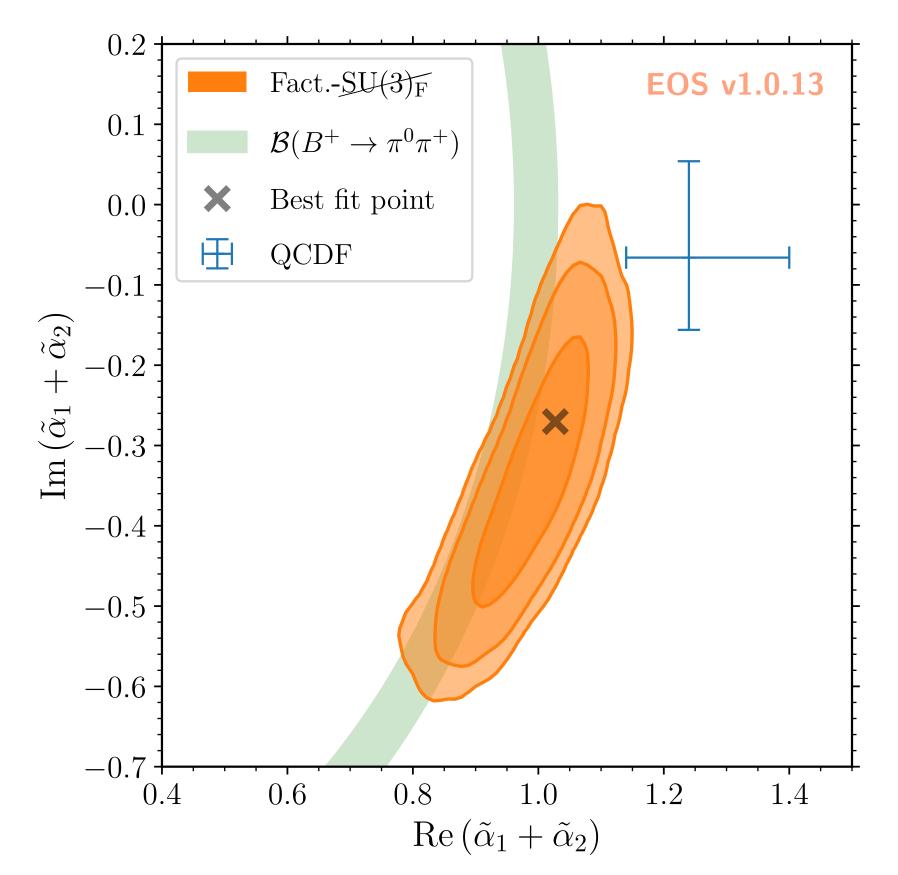


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$$\frac{\alpha_{4,EW}^c}{\tilde{\alpha}_1} \sim \frac{\alpha_{3,EW}^c}{\tilde{\alpha}_2} \sim \frac{\tilde{\alpha}_4^c}{\tilde{\alpha}_4^u} \sim [10^{-4},10^{-2}]$$

Data is consistent with small EW corrections!

Surprisingly  $\tilde{\alpha_{\Delta}^c} \ll \tilde{\alpha}_{\Delta}^u$  (QCDF prediction:  $\tilde{\alpha}_{\Delta}^c \simeq \tilde{\alpha}_{\Delta}^u$ )

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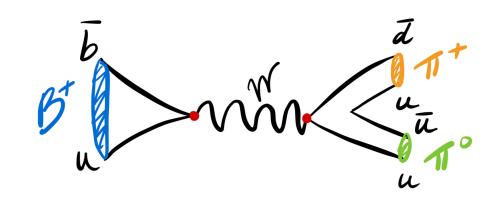


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 $\Rightarrow$  QCDF predictions for **annihilation** modes (b coefficients) are **model dependent** 



In progress: detailed comparison with QCDF. Can we improve the modelling?



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- Experimental updates in modes like  $B^0 \to K^0 \bar K^0$  or  $B^0 \to \pi^0 \pi^0$  could improve significantly our predictions and solve the strong correlations between coefficients
- Detailed comparison with QCDF and inclusion of  $\eta, \eta'$  mesons in progress



## Backup

### $\eta - \eta'$ : Flavor vs. Mass basis

In addition to pions and kaons, the pseudo scalar meson spectrum also includes  $\eta_8$  and  $\eta_1$ 

$$78 = \frac{1616 + 2363 - 2.833}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$74 = \frac{1616 + 2363 + 3333}{\sqrt{3}}$$

However, the mesons observed in experiments,  $\eta$  and  $\eta'$ , are a mixture between these two

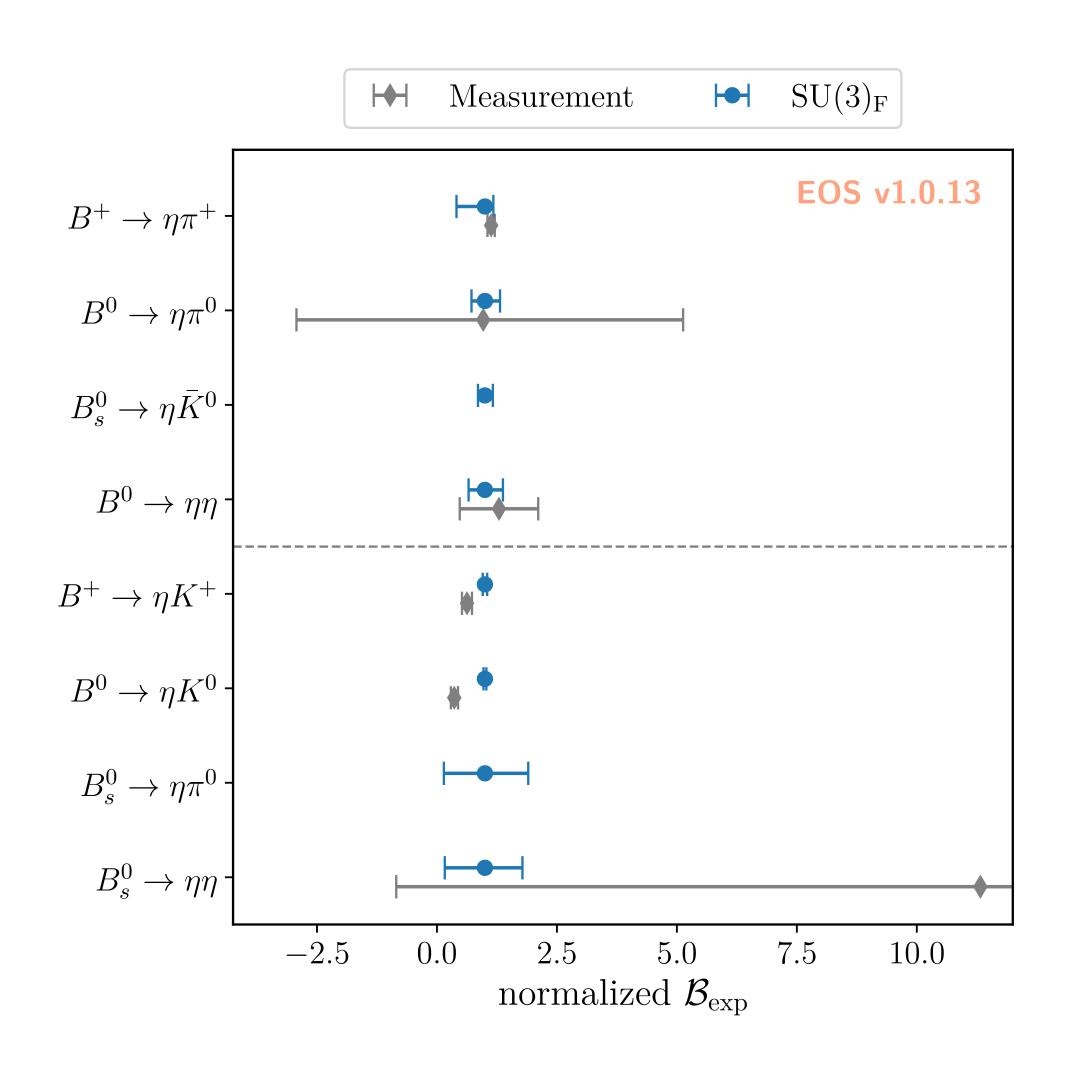
$$\begin{pmatrix} |\eta\rangle \\ |\eta'\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\eta_8\rangle \\ |\eta_1\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

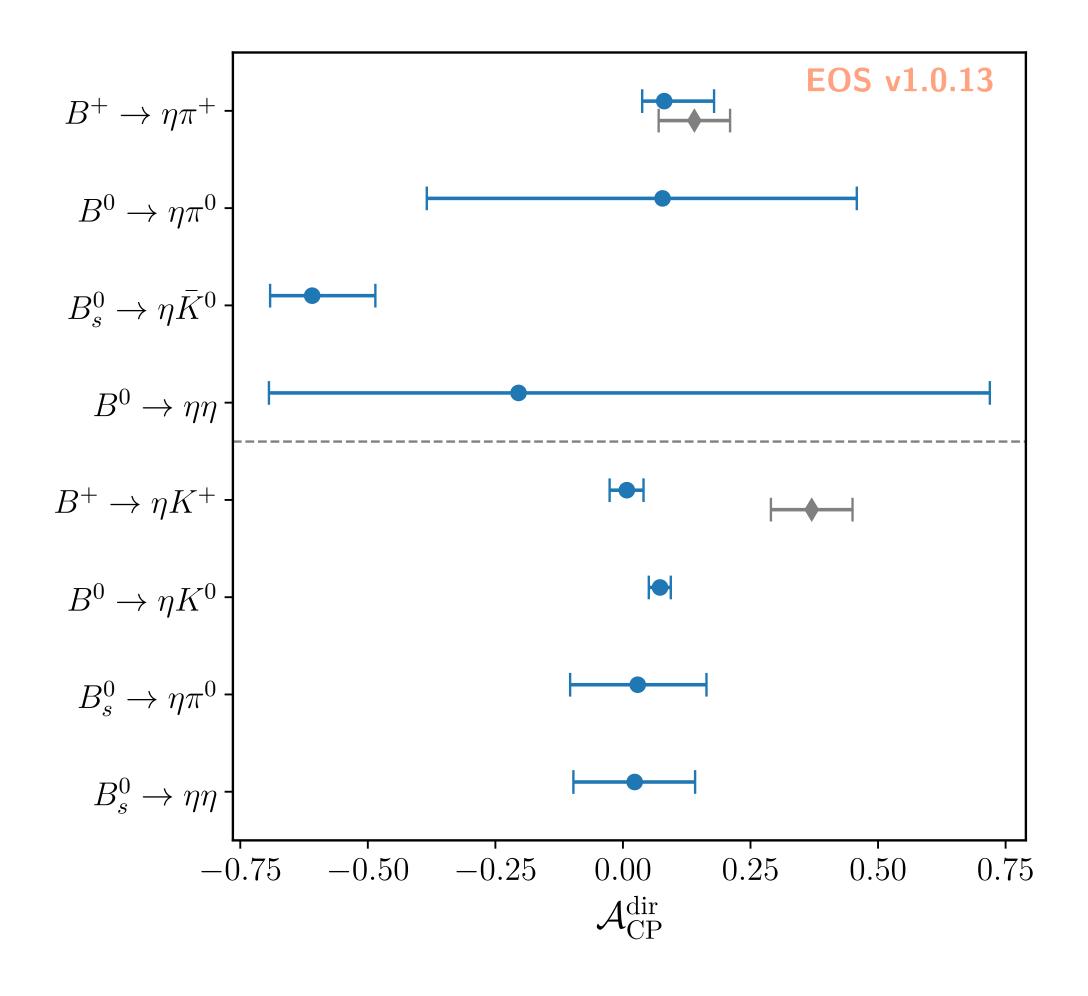
### SU(3) limit in the $\eta-\eta'$ system

- In full SU(3) flavor symmetry,  $\theta=0$  (therefore  $\eta=\eta_8$  and  $\eta'=\eta_1$  ) and  $\eta_8$  meson is massless (like the pions and kaons.
- This is **not** the case for  $\eta_1$ , which remains massive even if the masses of the u,d and s are zero.
- In experiments, it is observed non-negligible mixing,  $heta \simeq -19^\circ$ :  $\eta$  receives contributions form  $\eta_1$

- SU(3) breaking is needed to describe the  $\eta-\eta'$  system with a certain level of accuracy
- Fact.  $SU(3)_F$  breaking in  $B\to \eta h$  would require inclusion of singlet coefficients and decoupling of form factors and decay constant into singlet and octet contributions

### $SU(3)_F$ postdictions for the $\eta$ system





### 1. SU(3) Flavor Symmetry

q = u, d, s

D = d, s

**Fundamental representation of**  $SU(3)_F$ , q:



Transformation of each element in  $\langle PP \,|\, \mathcal{O}_i \,|\, B\rangle$ 

- $\Rightarrow$  Light meson  $P = q\bar{q} : 3 \otimes \bar{3} = 1 \oplus 8$
- $\Rightarrow$  B meson  $\bar{b}q:3$
- $\Longrightarrow$  Hamiltonian operators  $\mathcal{O}_i: \bar{b} \to \bar{D}u\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{b} \to \bar{D}:$  $\bar{3}$ , 6 and  $\bar{15}$

How do we construct a matrix element  $\langle PP \, | \, \mathcal{O}_i \, | \, B \rangle$  using  $SU(3)_F$ ?

Representation of final state:

$$\langle PP \mid$$

$$(8 \otimes 8)_{c} = 1 \oplus 8 \oplus 27$$

$$\bar{3} \otimes 3 = 1 \oplus 8_1$$

$$6 \otimes 3 = 8_2 \oplus 10$$
any parameterisation
$$\bar{1} \times 15 \otimes 3 = 8_3 \oplus 10 \oplus 27$$

**Independent parameters** 

5 components for "tree"-like, 5 for "penguin" like:

10 independent coefficients in

### Fact. $SU(3)_F$ Coefficients

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$$\sum_{p=u,c} A_{M_{1}M_{2}} \left\{ \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{M}_{1} \left( \alpha_{1} \boldsymbol{U}_{p} + \alpha_{4}^{p} + \alpha_{4,\mathrm{EW}}^{p} \hat{\boldsymbol{Q}} \right) \boldsymbol{M}_{2} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{p} \right.$$

$$\left. + \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{M}_{1}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{p} \cdot \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \left( \alpha_{2} \boldsymbol{U}_{p} + \alpha_{3}^{p} + \alpha_{3,\mathrm{EW}}^{p} \hat{\boldsymbol{Q}} \right) \boldsymbol{M}_{2} \right] \right.$$

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The end-point divergencies can be parameterised like:

$$X_{H}^{M} = \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dy}{1 - y} \Phi_{p}^{M} = \left(1 + \rho_{H} e^{i\phi_{H}}\right) \ln \frac{m_{B}}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$$

### Redefinitions in Fact. $SU(3)_F$

The parametrisation formula show redundancy in the number of coefficients:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\alpha}_{1} &\equiv \alpha_{1} + \frac{3}{2}\alpha_{4,EW}^{u}, \, \tilde{\alpha}_{2} \equiv \alpha_{2} + \frac{3}{2}\alpha_{3,EW}^{u} \\ \tilde{\beta}_{1} &\equiv \beta_{1} + \frac{3}{2}\beta_{4,EW}^{u}, \, \tilde{\beta}_{2} \equiv \beta_{2} + \frac{3}{2}\beta_{3,EW}^{u}, \\ \tilde{\alpha}_{4}^{r} &\equiv \alpha_{4}^{r} + \beta_{3}^{r} - \frac{1}{2}\left(\alpha_{4,EW}^{r} + \beta_{3,EW}^{r}\right), \, \tilde{\beta}_{4}^{r} \equiv \beta_{4}^{r} - \frac{1}{2}\beta_{4,EW}^{r}, \end{split}$$

Certain coefficients have been calculated up to NNLO in QCDF (See 0911.3655, 1507.03700)

$$\alpha_1 = 1.000^{+0.029}_{-0.069} + 0.011^{+0.023}_{-0.050}i$$

$$\alpha_4^u = -\left(2.46^{+0.49}_{-0.24} + 1.94^{+0.32}_{-0.20}i\right) \times 10^{-2}$$

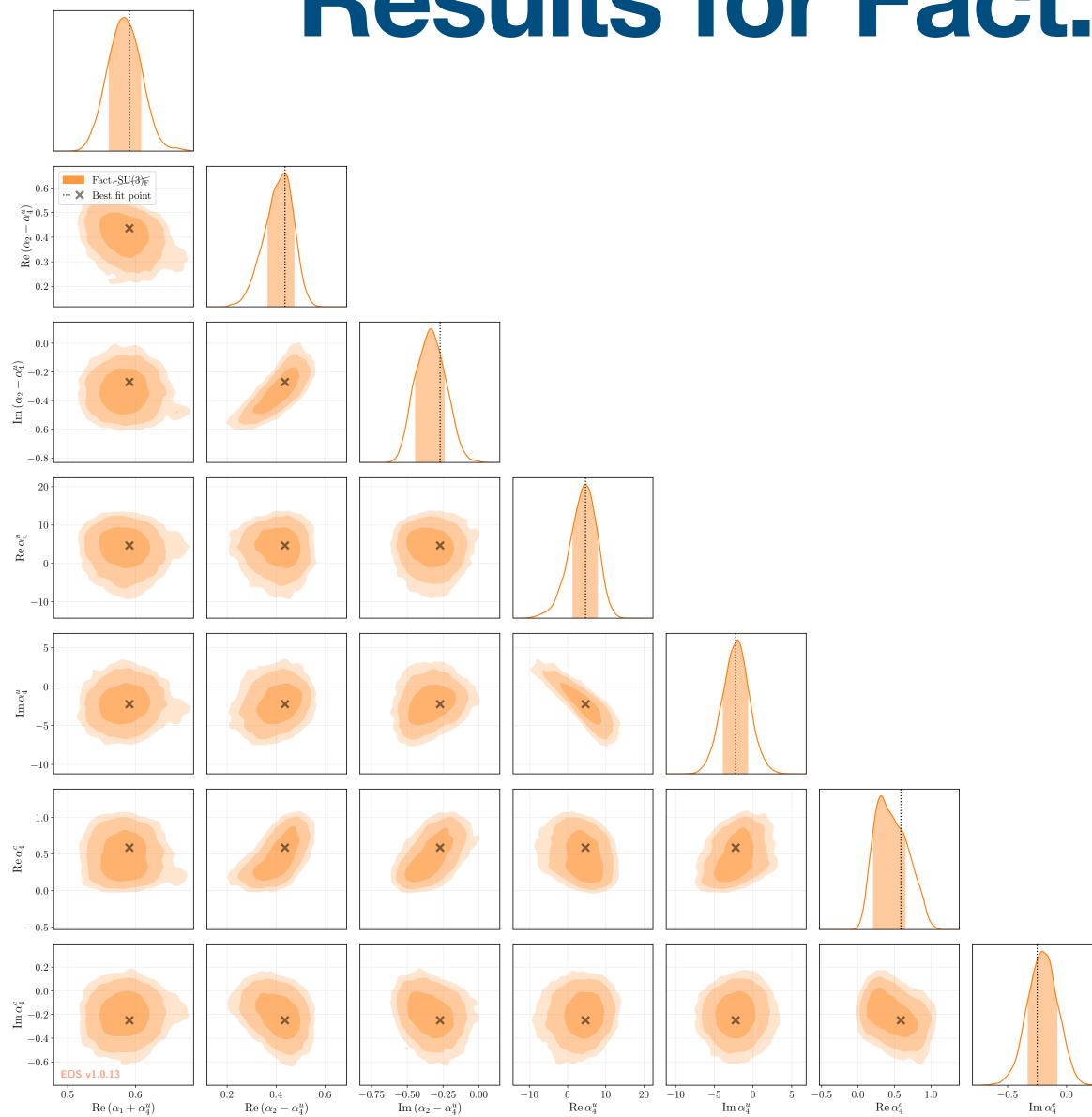
$$\alpha_2 = 0.240^{+0.217}_{-0.125} - 0.077^{+0.115}_{-0.078}i$$

$$\alpha_4^c = -\left(3.34^{+0.43}_{-0.27} + 1.05^{+0.45}_{-0.36}i\right) \times 10^{-2}$$

### Fact. $SU(3)_F$ Coefficients

$b \to d \text{ decay}$	$ ilde{lpha}_1$	$ ilde{lpha}_2$	$ ilde{lpha}_4^u$	$ ilde{b}_2$	$ ilde{b}_1$	$ ilde{b}_4^u$	$b \rightarrow s \ \mathbf{decay}$	$ ilde{lpha}_1$	$ ilde{lpha}_2$	$ ilde{lpha}_4^u$	$ ilde{b}_2$	$ ilde{b}_1$	$ ilde{b}_4^u$
$B^+ \to \pi^0 \pi^+$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	$rac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0	$B^+ \to \pi^0 K^+$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0
$B^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^0$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0	$B^+ \to K^+ \pi^0$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0	0	0
$B^+\to \bar K^0K^+$	0	0	0	0	0	0	$B^+ \to K^0 \pi^+$						
$B^+ \to K^+ \bar K^0$	0	0	1	1	0	0	$B^+ \to \pi^+ K^0$	0	0	1	1	0	0
$B^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-$	0	0	0	0	1	1	$B_s \to K^+K^-$	0	0	0	0	1	1
$B^0 \to \pi^-\pi^+$	1	0	1	0	0	1	$B_s \to K^-K^+$	1	0	1	0	0	1
$B^0 \to \pi^0 \pi^0$	0	-1	1	0	1	2	$B_s \to \pi^0 \pi^0$	0	0	0	0	1	2
$B^0 \to K^+K^-$	0	0	0	0	1	1	$B_s \to \pi^+\pi^-$	0	0	0	0	1	1
$B^0 \to K^-K^+$	0	0	0	0	0	1	$B_s \to \pi^- \pi^+$	0	0	0	0	0	1
$B^0 \to K^0 \bar K^0$	0	0	1	0	0	1	$B_s  o ar K^0 K^0$	0	0	1	0	0	1
$B^0\to \bar K^0 K^0$	0	0	0	0	0	1	$B_s \to K^0 \bar{K}^0$	0	0	0	0	0	1
$B_s \to \pi^+ K^-$	0	0	0	0	0	0	$B^0 \to K^+\pi^-$	0	0	0	0	0	0
$B_s \to K^- \pi^+$	1	0	1	0	0	0	$B^0 \to \pi^- K^+$	1	0	1	0	0	0
$B_s  o \pi^0 ar K^0$	0	0	0	0	0	0	$B^0 \to \pi^0 K^0$	0	0	$-rac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0	0
$B_s \to \bar{K}^0 \pi^0$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0	0	$B^0 \to K^0 \pi^0$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	0	0	0	0

### Results for Fact. $SU(3)_F$ coefficients



$$\int \tilde{\alpha}_1 + \tilde{\alpha}_4^u = 0.584 \pm 0.24$$

$$\frac{3}{2}\alpha_{4,\text{EW}}^c + \tilde{\alpha}_4^c = -(0.102 \pm 0.001) + (0.044 \pm 0.002) i$$

$$\int \tilde{\alpha}_2 - \tilde{\alpha}_4^u = (0.414^{+0.053}_{-0.065}) - (0.34 \pm 0.11) i$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \alpha_{3,EW}^c - \tilde{\alpha}_4^c = (0.141^{+0.031}_{-0.024}) - (0.059 \pm 0.010) i$$

$$\int \tilde{b}_1 + 2\tilde{b}_4^u = -\left(3.7^{+9.6}_{-8.2}\right) + \left(13.7^{+6.9}_{-11.9}\right)i$$

$$\frac{3}{2}b_{4,EW}^c + 2\tilde{b}_4^c = -\left(1.5^{+1.4}_{-1.5}\right) + \left(11.0^{+4.6}_{-5.2}\right)i$$

### Theoretical vs. Experimental Branching Ratio

Experimental Branching ratio is given by:

$$\langle \Gamma(B_s(t) \to f) \rangle \equiv \Gamma(B_s^0(t) \to f) + \Gamma(\bar{B}_s^0(t) \to f) = R_H^f e^{-\Gamma_H^{(s)}t} + R_L^f e^{-\Gamma_L^{(s)}t},$$

Theoretical Branching ratio is given by:

$$\langle \Gamma(B_s(t) \to f) \rangle |_{t=0} \equiv \Gamma(B_s^0 \to f) + \Gamma(\bar{B}_s^0 \to f)$$

Relation between Theoretical and Experimental BR (effects up to O(7%)):

BR 
$$(B_s \to f)_{\text{theo}} = \left[ \frac{1 - y_s^2}{1 + \mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma}^f y_s} \right] \text{BR } (B_s \to f)_{\text{exp}}$$

### Role of interference in CP violation

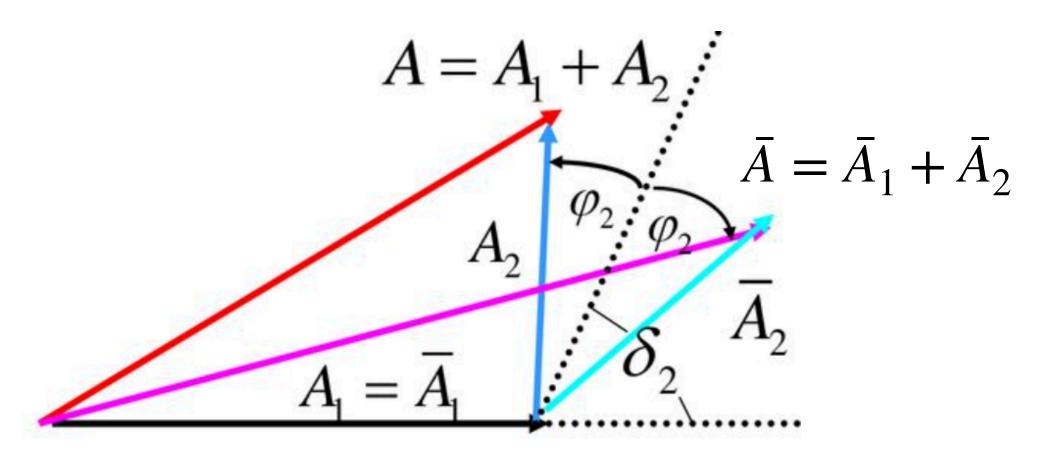
Consider the amplitude of a certain process  $B \to f$ . CP violation arises if for a certain observable  $\mathcal{O}$  we have  $\mathcal{O}(B \to f) \neq \mathcal{O}(\bar{B} \to \bar{f})$ 

Observables depend only on the modulus of the amplitude

Only weak phases are shifted when they are CP conjugated

We can define de amplitude of the process as  ${\cal A}={\cal A}_1+{\cal A}_2$ 

CP violation only appears if  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  have a relative weak phase,  $\phi_2$ , and strong phase,  $\delta_2$ 



$$A_1 = |A_1|$$

$$A_2 = e^{i\delta_2} e^{i\phi} |A_2|$$