BEGINNING AN ANALYSIS OF $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$: BACKGROUND, GOALS, AND FIRST INSIGHTS

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WHY STUDY CHARMLESS B DECAYS?

- **CP violation** arises from a single irreducible phase in the Cabibbo–Kobayashi–Maskawa (CKM) quark-mixing matrix
- Essential for addressing the origin of the matter–antimatter asymmetry in the universe
- Charmless B decays (e.g. $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$) are sensitive to new physics
- Contribution from loop-level (penguin) diagrams
- Penguin amplitudes can reveal contributions from beyond the Standard Model

$$V_{CKM} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} |V_{ud}| & |V_{us}| & |V_{ub}| \\ |V_{cd}| & |V_{cs}| & |V_{cb}| \\ |V_{td}| & |V_{ts}| & |V_{tb}| \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 0.974 & 0.225 & 0.003 \\ 0.225 & 0.973 & 0.041 \\ 0.009 & 0.040 & 0.999 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(VV^{\dagger})_{ij} = (V^{\dagger}V)_{ij} = \delta_{ij}, \quad V_{ud}V_{ub}^* + V_{cd}V_{cb}^* + V_{td}V_{tb}^* = 0$$







DECAY MECHANISM AND DIAGRAMS

- Branching fraction: $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \omega K_S^0) = 4.5 \times 10^{-6}$ (Belle 2014)
- In $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$ interference between **color suppressed** and **doubly Cabibbo suppressed** tree level and **penguin** amplitudes which may lead to **new physics** and measurable CP asymmetry.
- sensitive to the interior angle of the unitarity triangle

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$$\phi_1(\beta) = \arg(-V_{cd}V_{cb}^*/V_{td}V_{tb}^*)$$

• The CKM phase ϕ_1 is accessible experimentally through interference between the direct decay of a *B* meson and $B^0\overline{B^0}$ mixing followed by a decay into the same final state.



DECAY DESCRIPTION

Decay Chain: Event Selection:

• $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_s^0$

• $K_s^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

• $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

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• $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

- Track quality cuts: |dz| < 4.0 cm dr < 0.4 cm
 - Mass Windows: $\left| M_{\pi\pi} m_{K_S^0} \right| < 16 \text{MeV}/c^2$, $\left| M_{\gamma\gamma} m_{\pi^0} \right| < 16 \text{MeV}/c^2$, $\left| M_{3\pi} m_{\omega} \right| < 50 \text{MeV}/c^2$
 - π^0 reconstruction: $E_{\gamma} > 50 \text{MeV}$ in the ECL barrel region

 $E_{\gamma} > 100 \text{MeV}$ in the ECL end cap regions

- Additional selection criteria: $M_{\rm bc} > 5.25 \, GeV/c^2$, $-0.15 {\rm GeV} < \Delta E < 0.1 {\rm GeV}$
- Previously measured by Belle (2014): final data sample $772 \times 10^{+6} B\overline{B}$ pair

 $\mathcal{B} = (4.5 \pm 0.4 (stat) \pm 0.3 (syst)) \times 10^{-6}$

• First evidence of CP violation in $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$ decay channel at the level of 3. 1σ .

• Mixing-induced *CP* violation: $S = -0.36 \pm 0.19 (stat) \pm 0.05 (syst)$

• Direct *CP* violation: $\mathcal{A} = +0.91 \pm 0.32 (stat) \pm 0.05 (syst)$



BELLE RESULTS

- Signal extracted via 2D fit in $M_{bc} = \sqrt{E_{beam}^2 p_B^2}$ and $\Delta E = E_B E_{beam}$
- Clean clustering of signal candidates near expected region
- Signal region is clearly defined nearby: $M_{bc} > 5.27 \ GeV/c^2$ and $-0.04 \ GeV < \Delta E < 0.03 \ GeV$
- Green hatched curves show the $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$ signal component, dashed red curves indicate the $q\bar{q}$ background, and blue dotted curves show the $B\bar{B}$ background component.



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CONTINUUM SUPPRESSION: BELLE-I

- The Challenge:
 - Dominant background in e^+e^- comes from $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (continuum) events, where q = u, d, s, c.
- Discrimination Techniques:
 - To suppress this background, multivariate analysis (MVA) tools are employed.
 - Belle uses a modified Fox-Wolfram moments to differentiate between signal and continuum.
 - The likelihood ratio from this discriminant can be transformed into a Gaussian-like distribution, $\mathcal{F}_{B\bar{B}/q\bar{q}} = \log \frac{\mathcal{L}_{B\bar{B}/q\bar{q}}}{1-\mathcal{L}_{B\bar{B}}}$
 - Further improvement comes from incorporating the polar angle of the B meson candidate in the CMS, which follows a $1 cos^2 \theta_B$ distribution for $B\overline{B}$ events and is flat for continuum.
- **Impact:** A loose selection of $L_{B\bar{B}/q\bar{q}}$ can reduce $q\bar{q}$ background by 62% with a signal efficiency of 94%.



Distribution of the continuum suppression variable $(\mathcal{F}_{B\bar{B}/q\bar{q}})$ for (Belle 2014 data, signal-enhanced region). The green hatched curve is signal, dashed red is $q\bar{q}$ background, and blue dotted is $B\bar{B}$ background.

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TIME-DEPENDENT CP VIOLATION & FLAVOR TAGGING

• The probability of a B meson having a flavor content q at some time and decaying to such a CP eigenstate after a time Δt is:

$$\mathcal{P}(\Delta t, q) = \frac{e^{-|\Delta t|/\tau_{B^0}}}{4\tau_{B^0}} \bigg\{ 1 + q \bigg[\mathcal{A}_{\omega K^0_S} \cos \Delta m_d \Delta t + \mathcal{S}_{\omega K^0_S} \sin \Delta m_d \Delta t \bigg] \bigg\}.$$

 ${\mathcal A}$ (direct CP violation) and ${\mathcal S}$ (mixing-induced CP violation).

• Time Difference (\Deltat) Measurement:

- Δt is the proper time interval between the decays of the reconstructed B meson (B⁰_{Rec}) and the tag-side B meson (B⁰_{Tag}).
- It's approximated from the displacement in z between their decay vertices: $\Delta t \simeq \Delta z / \beta \gamma c$.

Flavor Tagging:

- The flavor of B_{Tag}^0 is determined from tracks and photons not used in B_{Rec}^0 reconstruction.
- Tagging information includes the flavor q = +1(B⁰) and -1 (B
 ⁰) and flavor tag quality (r), ranging from 0 (no discrimination) to 1 (unambiguous assignment).



Background-subtracted time-dependent fit results (a) shows the Δt distribution for B^0 and \bar{B}^0 tags. (b) shows the asymmetry $N_{B^0} - N_{\bar{B}^0}/N_{B^0} + N_{\bar{B}^0}$ as a function of Δt , used to extract the CP violation parameters.

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CURRENT STATUS – SIGNAL MC BELLE-II

- Successfully generated and processed a dedicated Monte Carlo sample for $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$ decays.
- This simulation is crucial for understanding detector response and optimizing event selection.
 Basic selection applied: PID, kinematic cuts

Reconstruction Progress:

- Working on implementing the reconstruction chain for the final state particles: π^+ , π^- , π^0 , and photons.
- dr < 0.5 and abs(dz) < 4.0 and thetaInCDCAcceptance
- π^{\pm} : Binary PID: $\mathcal{L}_{\pi}/(\mathcal{L}_{\pi} + \mathcal{L}_{K}) > 0.4$
- π^0 : stdPi0s: eff60_May2020 / E_{γ} >50 Mev \rightarrow barrel & E_{γ} >100 Mev \rightarrow caps regions / Momentum of π^0 > 210 Mev/c
- Mass Windows: 720 $Mev < M_{\omega \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0} < 840 Mev / 472 Mev < M_{K_s^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-} < 524 Mev / 115 Mev < M_{\pi^0} < 150 Mev$

Mode: $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_s^0$	Efficiency (ϵ)
BelleII signal MC	$10.9\%\pm 0.031\%$
Belle SVD2	14.5%

• Further optimization of selection criteria based on MC performance.





FEW RESULTS AND PLOTS

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- M_{bc} plot: shows the Mbc distribution after applying cut $|\Delta E| < 0.2 \ GeV$
- ΔE plot: shows the ΔE distribution after applying cut $M_{bc} > 5.2 \ GeV$
- ΔE vs M_{bc} plot: 2D histogram shows the correlation between ΔE and M_{bc} . We see a clear concentration of events in the signal region around the expected M_{bc} and ΔE values.



Next steps to improve it: • optimization of event selection criteria

Best Candidate Selection



CONTINUUM BACKGROUND SUPPRESSION BELLE II

- Suppress background from continuum $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ production, where q = u, d, s, c
- Utilize a fast boosted decision tree (FBDT)

• Key Variables Used in FBDT:

Modified Fox-Wolfram moments / CLEO "cones" / Magnitude of the ROE (Rest of Event) thrust / Cosine of the angle between the thrust axis of B⁰_{sig} and the thrust axis of the ROE / Cosine of the angle between the thrust axis of Bsig0 and the beam axis / Polar angle of the Bsig0 momentum in the e+e- center-of-mass system



SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

- Charmless B decays, particularly $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$, are vital probes for CP violation and potential new physics beyond the Standard Model, due to contribution from penguin.
- Belle's previous measurement provided the first evidence of CP violation in $B^0 \rightarrow \omega K_S^0$ at 3.1 standard deviations, paving the way for Belle II's high-precision measurements.
- My current work involves setting up the full analysis chain, beginning with signal Monte Carlo reconstruction and initial background studies.

Goals for Belle II:

• Utilize Belle II's enhanced detector performance to achieve greater precision in the measurements of $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \omega K_S^0)$, \mathcal{A} , and \mathcal{S} .

Next Steps for My Analysis:

- Complete optimization of event selection criteria using full MC samples.
- Working on Best Candidate Selection
- Develop and implement advanced background suppression techniques.
- Working Flavor Tagging and move toward data fit
- Progress towards extracting results from Belle II collision data.







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