The Future of Flavor Physics

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"The aim of physics is to find new terms in the Lagrangian of the universe. Everything else is chemistry." M. Schwartz

By this stringent yardstick, most of us, while we strive to do physics, wind up doing chemistry

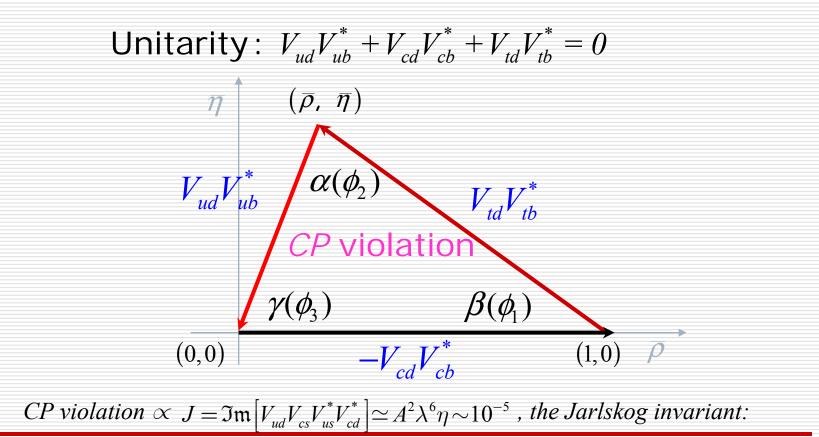
Nonetheless, flavor physics has historically been a rich source of physics, even by Mel's criterionDoes flavor physics in the LHC era meet this rigorous criterion?What are the crucial experiments in the search for new terms in the flavor Lagrangian (New Physics)?

Where is flavor physics now?

- The PEP-II/BABAR and KEKB/Belle B Factories, together with CLEOc and modern K decay experiments, have brought us to the precision measurement regime for many heavy quark and heavy lepton measurements
- CDF and DØ at Tevatron Run II are now producing physics and have unique capabilities in B_s mixing, rare decays and b baryon studies
- Bottom line: the CKM phase is consistent with being the source for all observed CP-violating phenomena
 - There must, however, be additional sources of *CP* violation
- Over the next few years, CP violation and rare decays in the flavor sector will be pursued with improved precision, and, equally important, with improved sophistication
 - *e.g.*, the best current methods for measurement of α (ϕ_2) and γ (ϕ_1) were not those put forward in the initial phase

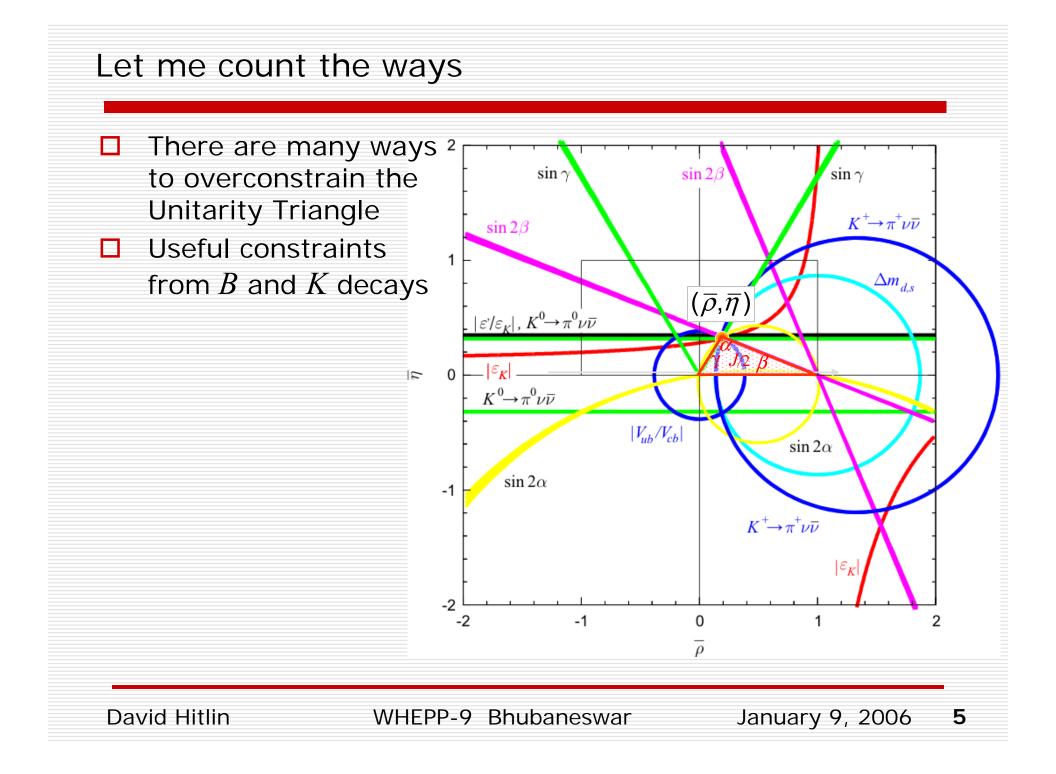
The Unitarity Triangle summarizes the salient features of Standard Model heavy flavor physics

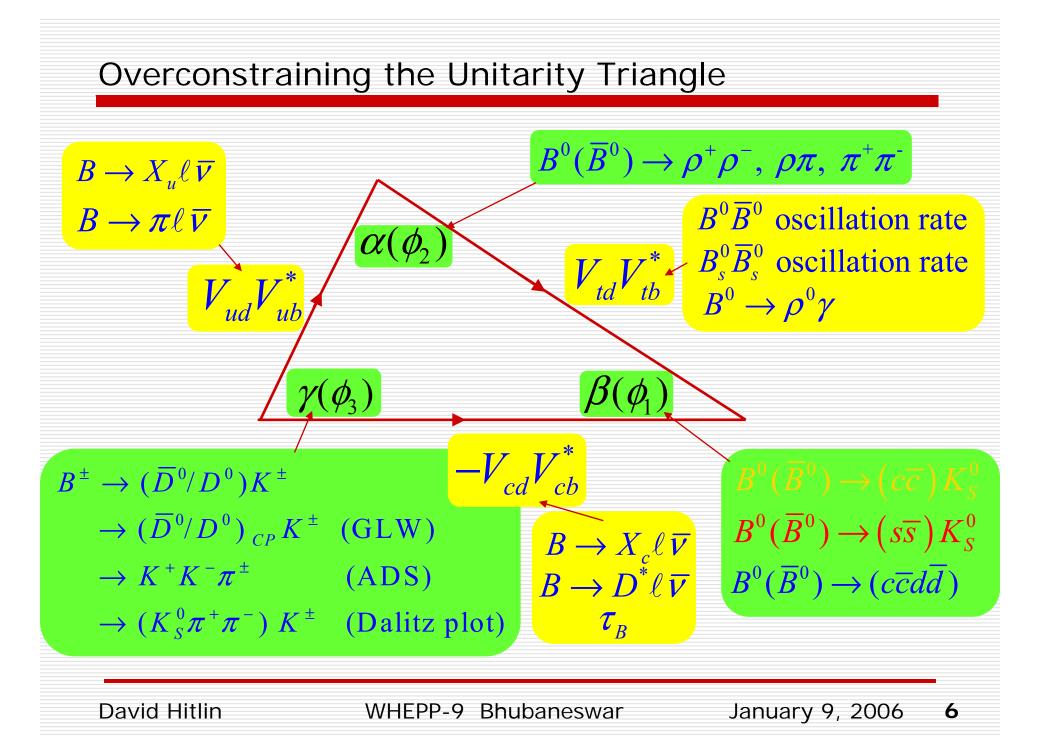
$$V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^2/2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3 (\overline{\rho} - i\overline{\eta}) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3 (1 - \overline{\rho} - i\overline{\eta})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



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CP asymmetry from the interference between mixing and decay

$$A_{f_{CP}}(t) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\overline{B}^{0}(t) \to f_{CP}\right) - \Gamma\left(B^{0}(t) \to f_{CP}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\overline{B}^{0}(t) \to f_{CP}\right) + \Gamma\left(B^{0}(t) \to f_{CP}\right)}$$

$$A_{f_{CP}}(t) = S \cdot \sin(\Delta m \cdot t) - C \cdot \cos(\Delta m \cdot t)$$
$$S = \frac{2 \cdot \operatorname{Im}(\lambda)}{1 + |\lambda|^2} \qquad C = \frac{1 - |\lambda|^2}{1 + |\lambda|^2}$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{12}^*}{M_{12} - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{12}}} \cdot \frac{\langle f_{CP} | H | \overline{B}^0 \rangle}{\langle f_{CP} | H | B^0 \rangle} = \frac{q}{p} \cdot \frac{\overline{A}_f}{A_f}$$

For a single decay amplitude: |q/p|=1 $|\lambda|=1 \implies S = \operatorname{Im}(\lambda), C = 0$ $A_{f_{CP}}(t) = \operatorname{Im}(\lambda) \cdot \sin(\Delta m \cdot t)$ If there is New Physics it could be in the decay amplitude or the mixing amplitude

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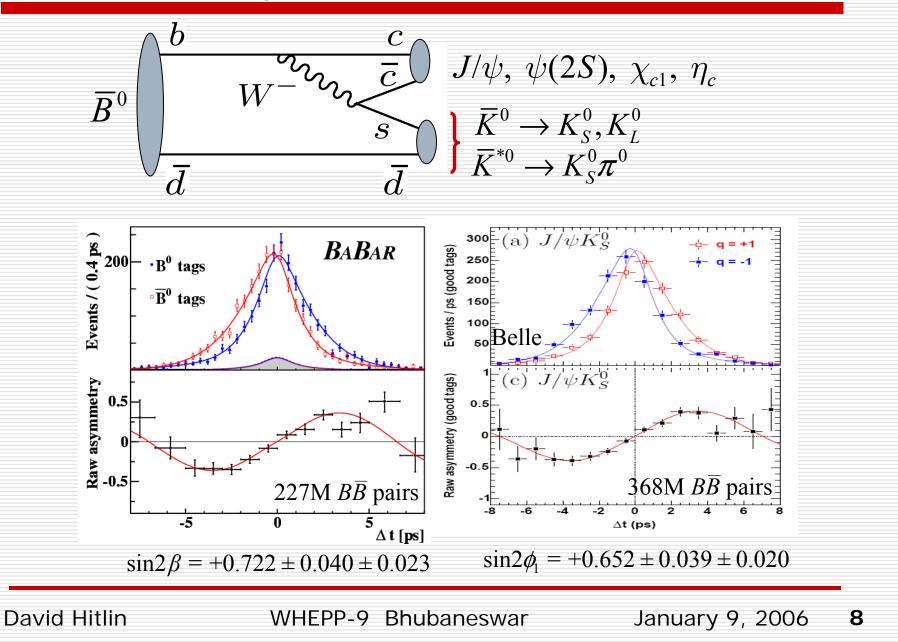
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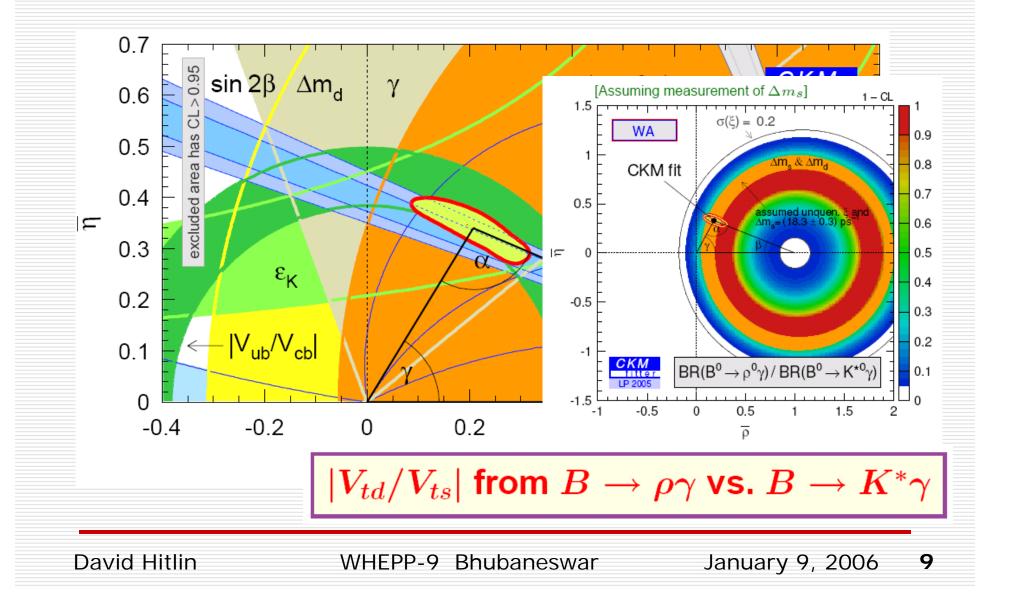
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$sin2\beta$ is now a precision measurement

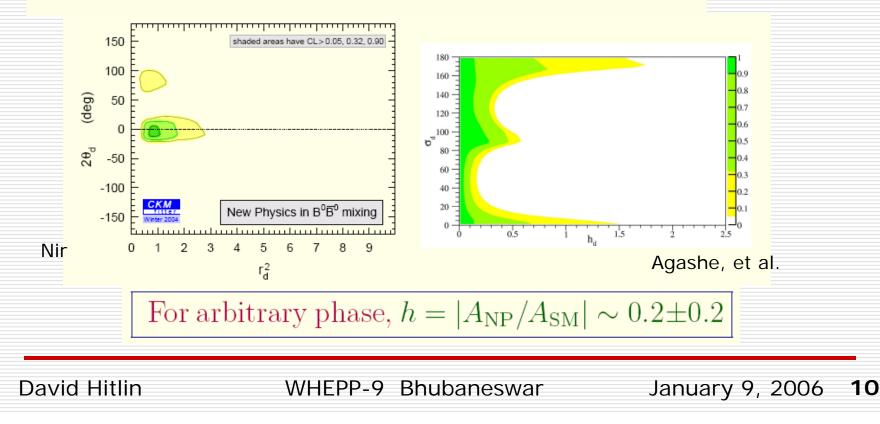


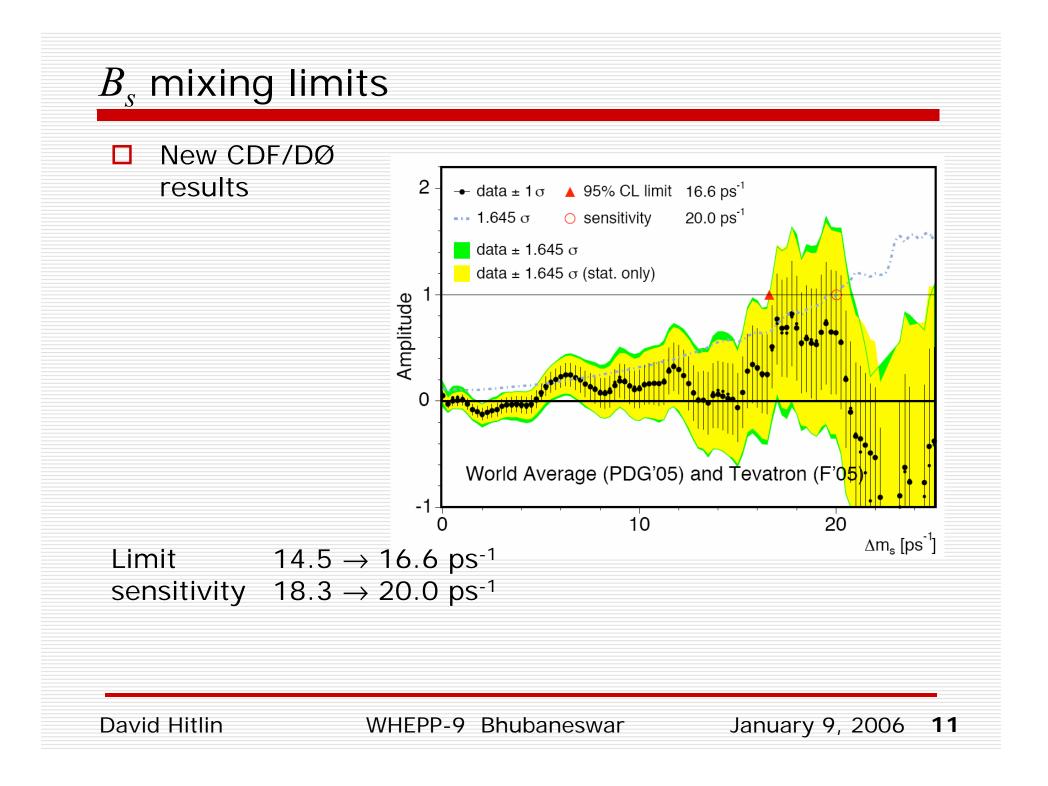
Unitary Triangle 2005



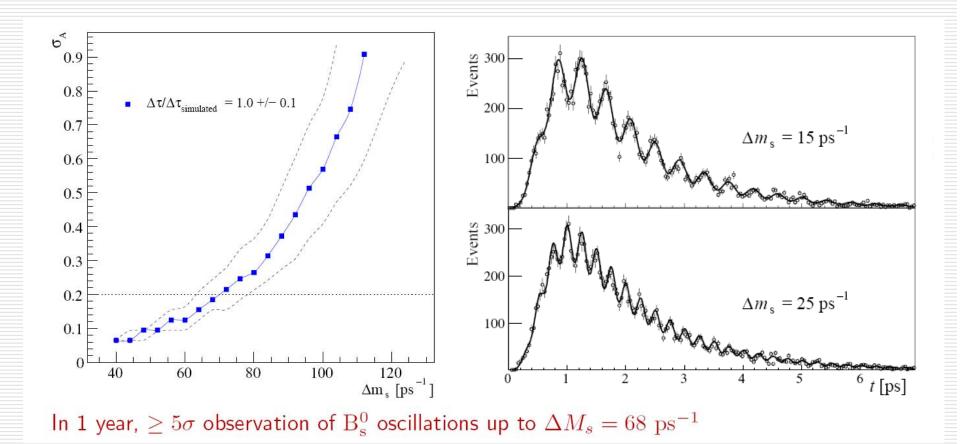
Is there New Physics in $B^0\overline{B}^0$ mixing?

- Assume: New Physics in tree decays negligible
- Define $r_d^2 \exp(2i\theta_d) \equiv 1 + he^{i\sigma} \equiv \langle B^0 | \mathcal{H}^{\text{full}} | \overline{B}{}^0 \rangle / \langle B^0 | \mathcal{H}^{\text{SM}} | \overline{B}{}^0 \rangle$
- Use $|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$, \mathcal{A}_{DK} , $S_{\psi K}$, $S_{\rho\rho}$, Δm_{B_d} , \mathcal{A}_{SL}
- Fit to η , ρ , r_d , θ_d (or h, σ)
- Find whether $h \neq 0$ $(r_d \neq 1)$ is allowed



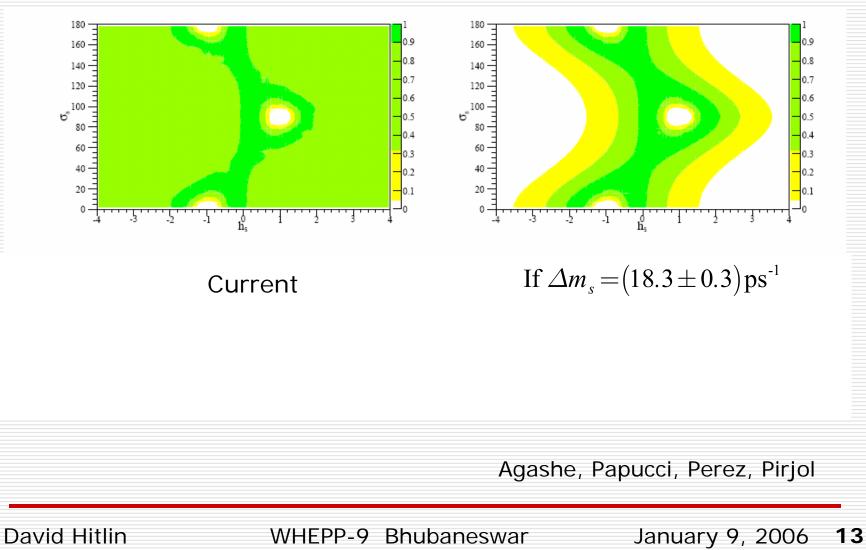


LHCb sensitivity to $B_s^0 \overline{B}_s^0$ mixing

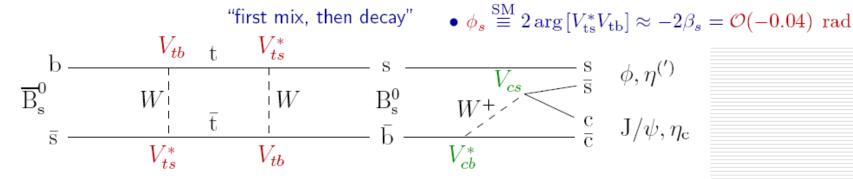


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Mixing-induced CP violation: phase mismatch $\phi_s - 2\phi_D pprox \phi_s
eq 0, \pi$



 \rightarrow CP-asymmetry directly measures $\phi_s = \mathcal{O}(-0.04)$ rad (for given $\eta_{f_{CP}}$)

$\mathcal{A}_{\rm CP}(t) =$	$-\eta_{f_{\rm CP}}\sin\left(\phi_s\right)\sin\left(\Delta M_s t\right)$
	$\frac{\eta_{f_{\rm CP}}\sin(\phi_s)\sin(\Delta M_s t)}{\cosh\left(\frac{\Delta\Gamma_s t}{2}\right) - \eta_{f_{\rm CP}}\cos\left(\phi_s\right)\sinh\left(\frac{\Delta\Gamma_s t}{2}\right)}$

Channels	$\sigma(\phi_{s})$ [rad]	Weight $(\sigma/\sigma_i)^2$ [%]
$\mathrm{B^0_s} \to \mathrm{J}/\psi \; \eta(\gamma \; \gamma)$	0.112	6.4
$\mathrm{B_s^0} \to \mathrm{J}/\psi \; \eta(\pi^+ \; \pi^- \; \pi^0)$	0.148	3.6
${ m B_s^0} ightarrow \eta_{ m c} \ \phi$	0.106	7.1
Combined three pure CP eigenstates channels	0.068	17.1
${ m B_s^0} ightarrow { m J}/\psi \phi$	0.031	82.9
Combined all four CP eigenstates channels	0.028	100.0

With 10 fb⁻¹ (5 years): $\sigma(\phi_s) \sim 0.013$ rad $\longrightarrow \sim 3\sigma$ for $\phi_s = -0.04$ rad (SM)

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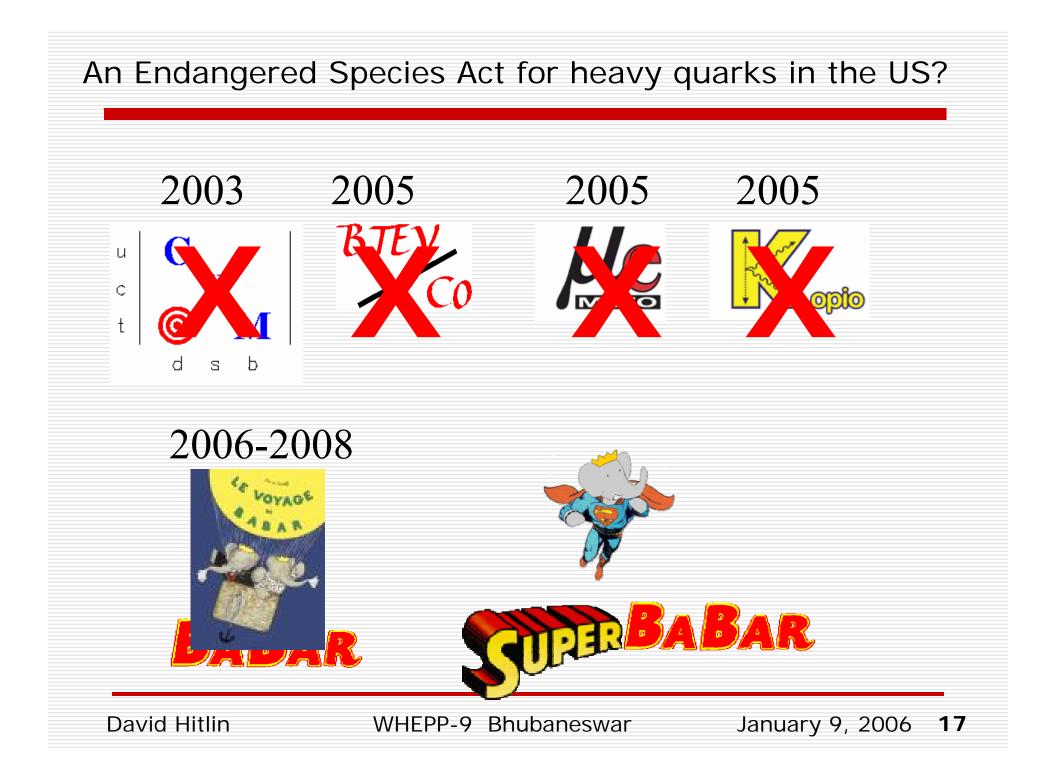
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Constraints on New Physics

- Even at current precision, the grosso modo agreement of flavor physics experimental results with Standard Model predictions places very meaningful limits on physics beyond the Standard Model
- In the presence of New Physics, many of these simple relations can be modified
- This has spawned a minor phenomenological industry that has provided guidance for the current experiments and a roadmap for future investigations
 - Where to look for New Physics?
 - □ FCNC processes
 - $\square \quad b \rightarrow s \text{ vertices: } \Delta F = 1, \ \Delta F = 2$
 - $\blacksquare CP \text{ violation, mixing, rare } b \text{ and } \tau \text{ decays}$
 - \square Precision measurements in *K*, *D* and *B* decays

The LHC era begins

- What will remain to be done in flavor physics when the current programs at BABAR, Belle, CDF and DØ are over?
 - Overconstrained tests of the CKM matrix to the level of precision warrented by theoretical uncertainties
 - Searches, and, quite likely, measurements of deviations from the Standard Model that will be crucial to an understanding of New Physics uncovered at the LHC
- □ What facilities will we have?
 - LHC: ATLAS, CMS, LHC*b*
 - Linear collider (ILC/CLIC)?
 - A Super *B* Factory?
 - Rare kaon experiments?
 - *τ*/charm collider
 - Fixed target charm experiment?
- □ Which facilities beyond the LHC are most crucial to flavor studies?



Data samples (b) at the start* of the LHC era

- BABAR and Belle will each have collected a total data sample of approximately 1 ab⁻¹ by ~2008
 - 2 $ab^{-1} = 2 \times 10^9$ produced $B\overline{B}$ pairs
- The Tevatron Run II experiments CDF and DØ will each have collected 4-8 fb⁻¹ by ~2009
 - Premier objective is a measurement of $B_s^0 \overline{B}_s^0$ mixing

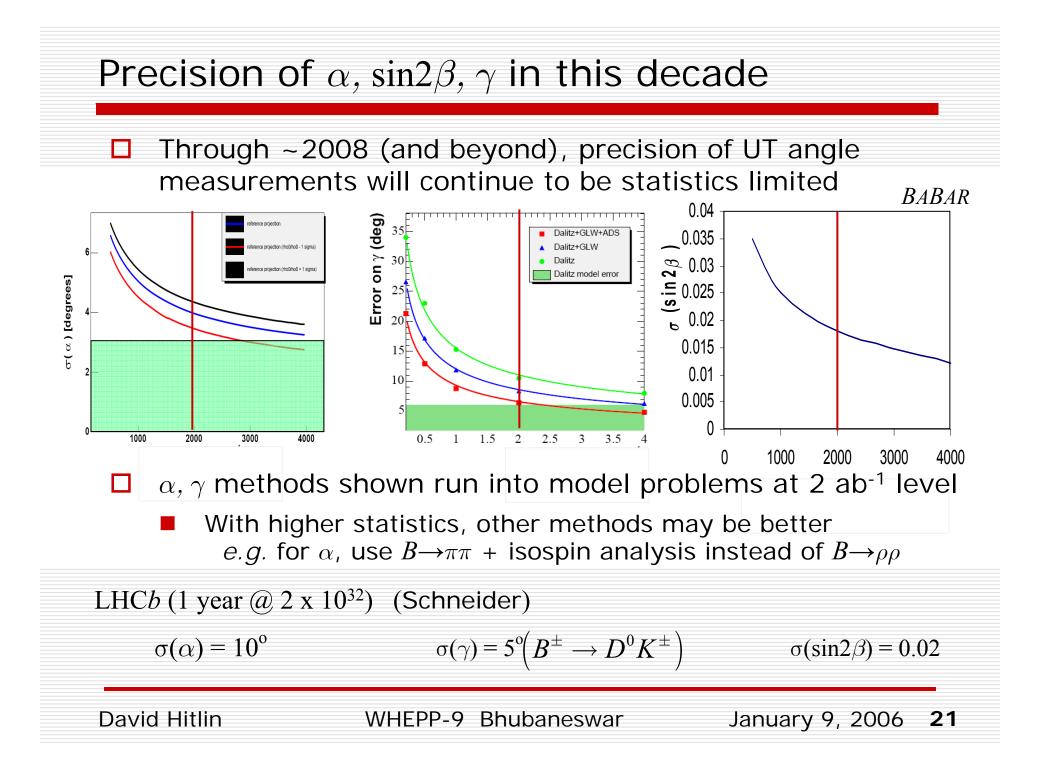
How can flavor physics complement the LHC program?

- □ The Higgs will likely come first
- The search for evidence of physics beyond the Standard Model will then take center stage
 - There have been many exercises showing how, with sufficiently large data samples and concomitant improved precision, heavy quark and \(\tau\) measurements can uniquely discriminate between SUSY breaking models, extra dimension scenarios, *etc*.
 - These need sharpening, on both sides: high p_t and flavor physics
- It is possible that the LHC will find the Standard Model Higgs and nothing else
 - In this situation, the importance of precision flavor physics in searching for physics beyond the Standard Model may increase

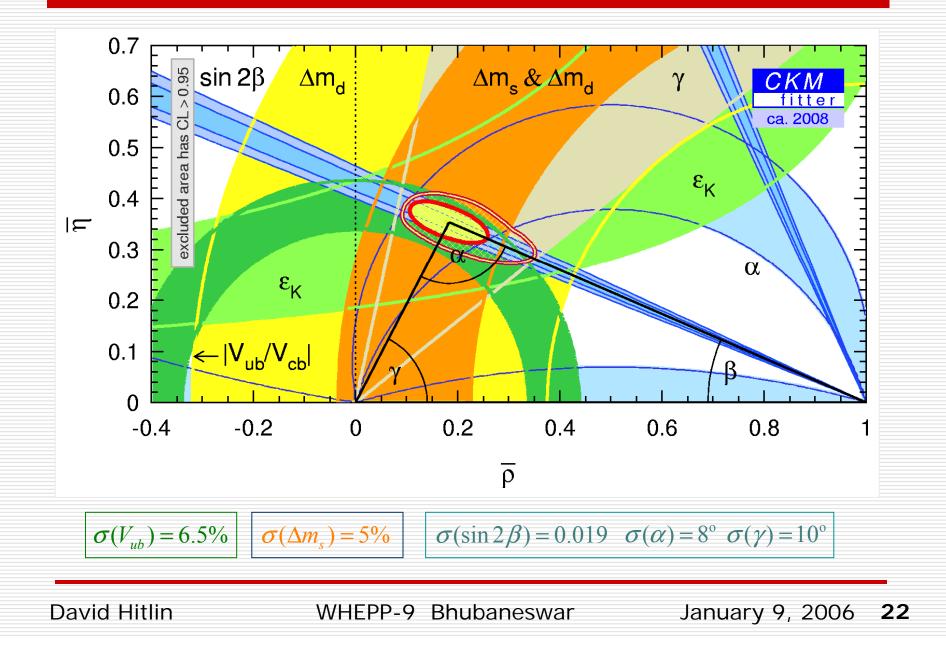
Strategies

- Improve measurements of CKM unitarity triangle measurements to the precision warrented by theory
 - CP asymmetries in tree-dominated processes
 - Differences in CP asymmetries between tree and penguindominated processes
- Search for/measure FCNC processes, highly suppressed in the Standard Model, in which New Physics may show up
 - Generation 3 to generation 2 ($b \rightarrow s, \tau \rightarrow \mu$) transitions are especially promising
 - \square B_s oscillations
 - $\square b \rightarrow s\gamma \text{ branching fraction, } A_{CP}$
 - $\square A_{\rm FB}(b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-)$
 - $\Box \quad B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

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What is the ultimate possible UT precision?

- Theoretical limits (continuum methods)
 - Many measurements will not be theory-limited for quite some time

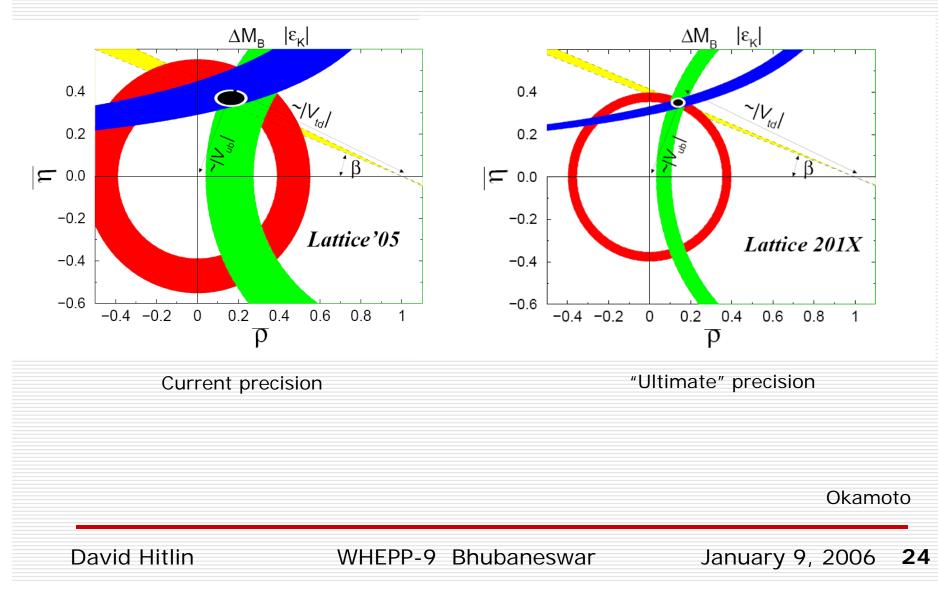
Measurement (in SM)	Theoretical limit	Present error
$B ightarrow \psi K_S$ (eta)	$\sim 0.2^{\circ}$	1.6°
$B \rightarrow \phi K_S, \ \eta^{(\prime)} K_S, \dots (\beta)$	$\sim 2^{\circ}$	$\sim 10^{\circ}$
$B ightarrow \pi \pi, \ ho ho, \ ho \pi$ ($lpha$)	$\sim 1^{\circ}$	$\sim 15^{\circ}$
$B ightarrow DK$ (γ)	$\ll 1^{\circ}$	$\sim 25^{\circ}$
$B_s ightarrow \psi \phi ~~(eta_s)$	$\sim 0.2^{\circ}$	—
$B_s ightarrow D_s K \ (\gamma - 2 eta_s)$	$\ll 1^{\circ}$	—
$ V_{cb} $	$\sim 1\%$	$\sim 3\%$
$ V_{ub} $	$\sim 5\%$	$\sim 15\%$
$B \to X \ell^+ \ell^-$	$\sim 5\%$	$\sim 20\%$
$B \to K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$	$\sim 5\%$	—
$K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$	$\sim 5\%$	$\sim 70\%$
$K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$	< 1%	—

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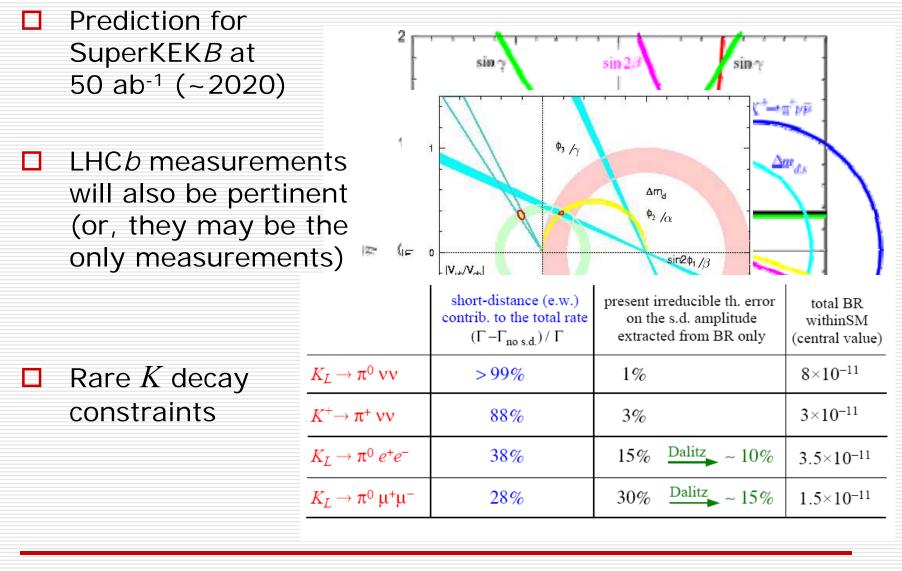
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Unitarity triangle using unquenched lattice results



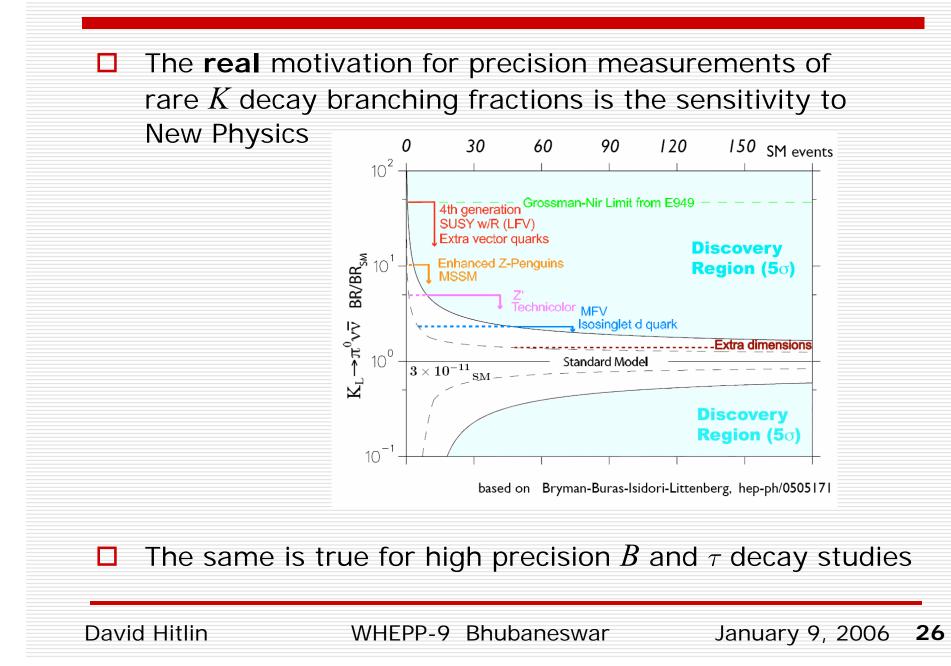
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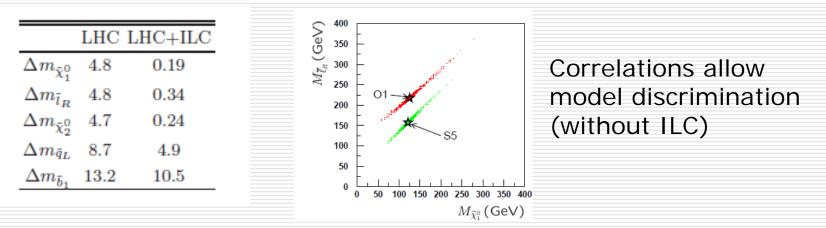
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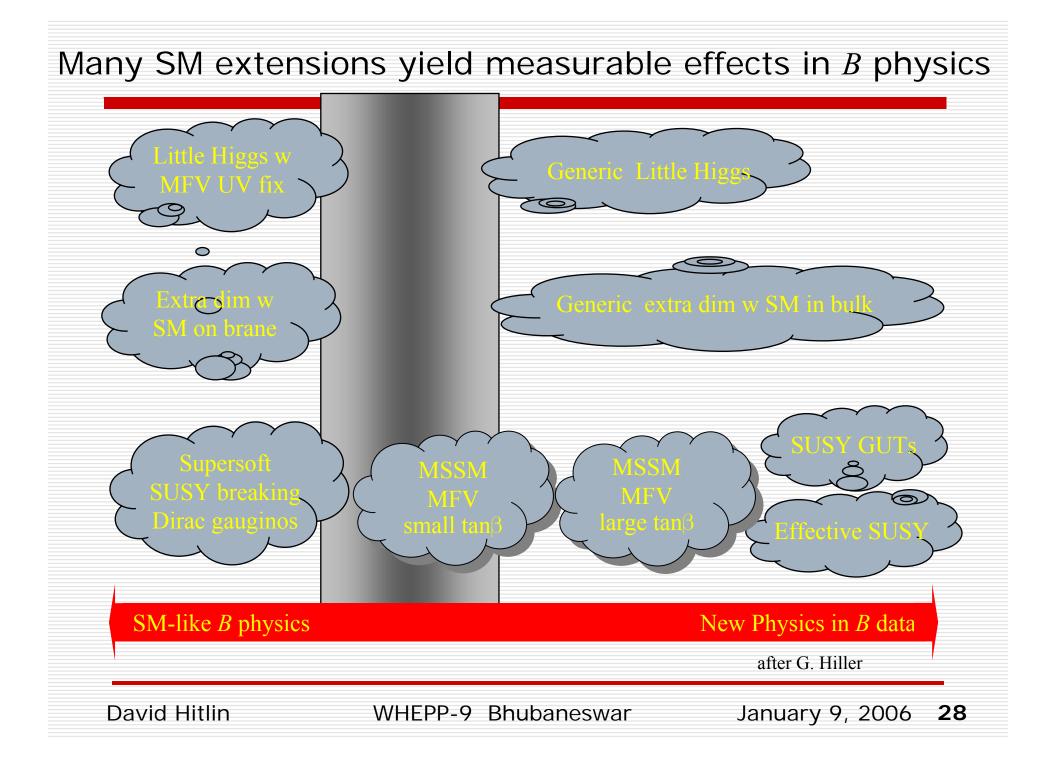


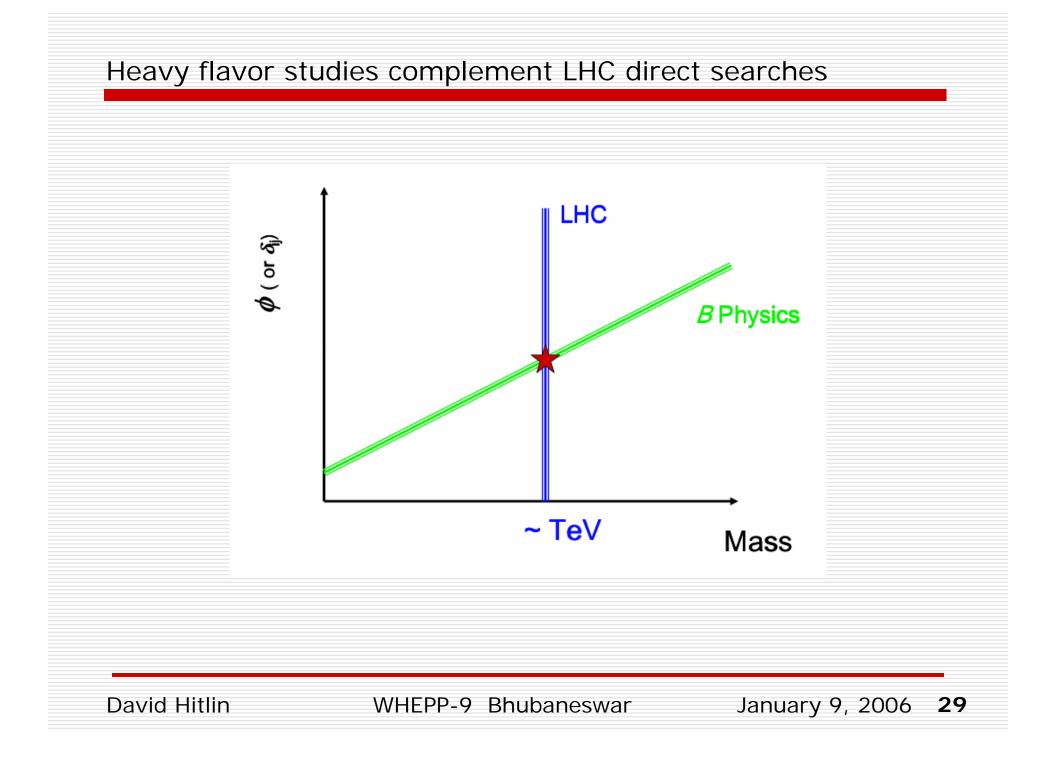
After the LHC finds New Physics

- LHC, by the mass difference and threshold methods, will measure SUSY masses to a precision of 5 to 10 GeV
- ILC or CLIC, a decade later, will dramatically improve errors, by, e.g., measuring slepton masses with a threshold scan to a precision ~100 MeV with 10 fb-1 per point



- In the meantime it is important to clarify the flavor structure of New Physics discoveries with high statistics K, B and τ experiments
 - These studies can uniquely discriminate between SUSY models





Experimental signatures of extended flavor structure

- □ FCNC processes, LFV processes and CPV in loop decays
 - There are many clean measurements that are diagnostic of models
 - New *CP* violating phase in $b \rightarrow sq\bar{q}$: *CP*V(*t*) in $B^0 \rightarrow \phi K_{s'} \eta' K_{s'} K_s K_s K_s$
 - Right-handed current in $b \rightarrow s\gamma$: CPV(t) in $B^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^0 \gamma$
 - Lepton flavor violation in τ decays: $\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma)$
 - Charged Higgs in tree diagram : $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D\tau v)/\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D\mu v)$

$$b \rightarrow d\gamma$$
, $A_{\rm FB}$ in $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$, $B \rightarrow K^*\nu\nu$, $B \rightarrow \ell\nu$,

 B_s mixing

Some measurements are unique to hadron experiments, some to e^+e^- , and some can be done in both environments

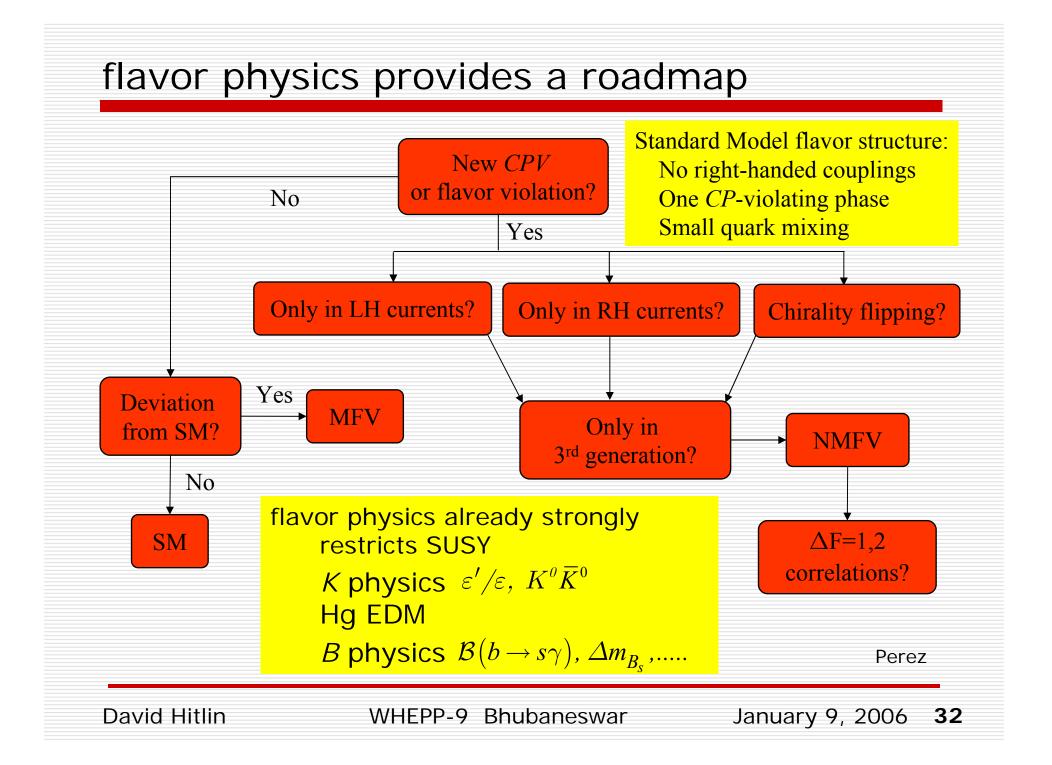
Many rare processes are sensitive to New Physics

Mode	Standard Model Branching Fraction B	New Physics Effects
$b \rightarrow s \gamma$	~ 3 x 10 ⁻⁴	$\mathcal{B}, A_{CP}, A_{FB}$
$b \rightarrow sg$	$\sim 10^{-5}$ per mode	A _{CP}
$B \rightarrow X \ell \ell$	~10 ⁻⁶ per mode	$\mathcal{B}, A_{CP}, A_{FB}$
$B \rightarrow X \nu \nu$	~10 ⁻⁶ per mode	B up to 10 ⁻⁵ /mode
$D \rightarrow X \ell \ell$	~10 ⁻⁶ per mode	B up to 10 ⁻⁵ /mode
$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$	~ 10 ⁻⁴	Close to SM sensitivity
$\tau \rightarrow \ell \gamma$	~ 10 ⁻⁴⁰	\mathcal{B} up to 10^{-8}
$B \rightarrow \ell \ell$	< 10 ⁻¹¹	B up to 10 ⁻⁵
$D \rightarrow \ell \ell$	< 10 ⁻⁹	B up to 10 ⁻⁶

The observed pattern of effects is diagnostic of the mechanism of SUSY breaking or the type of extra dimension model

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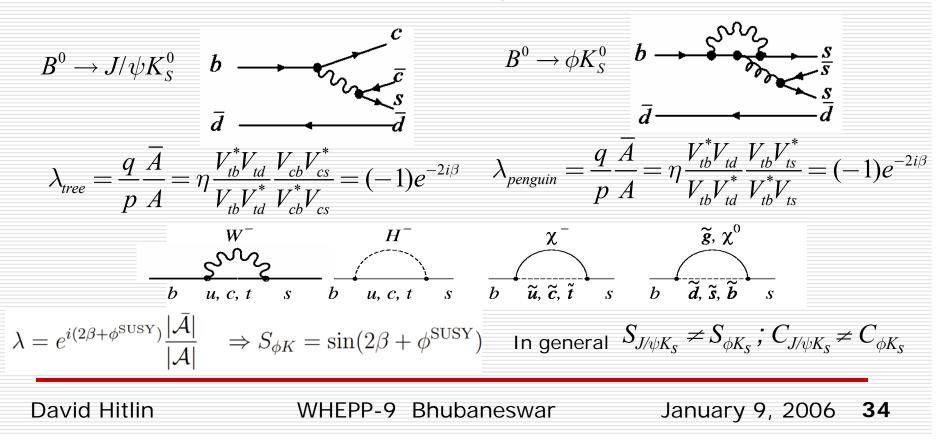


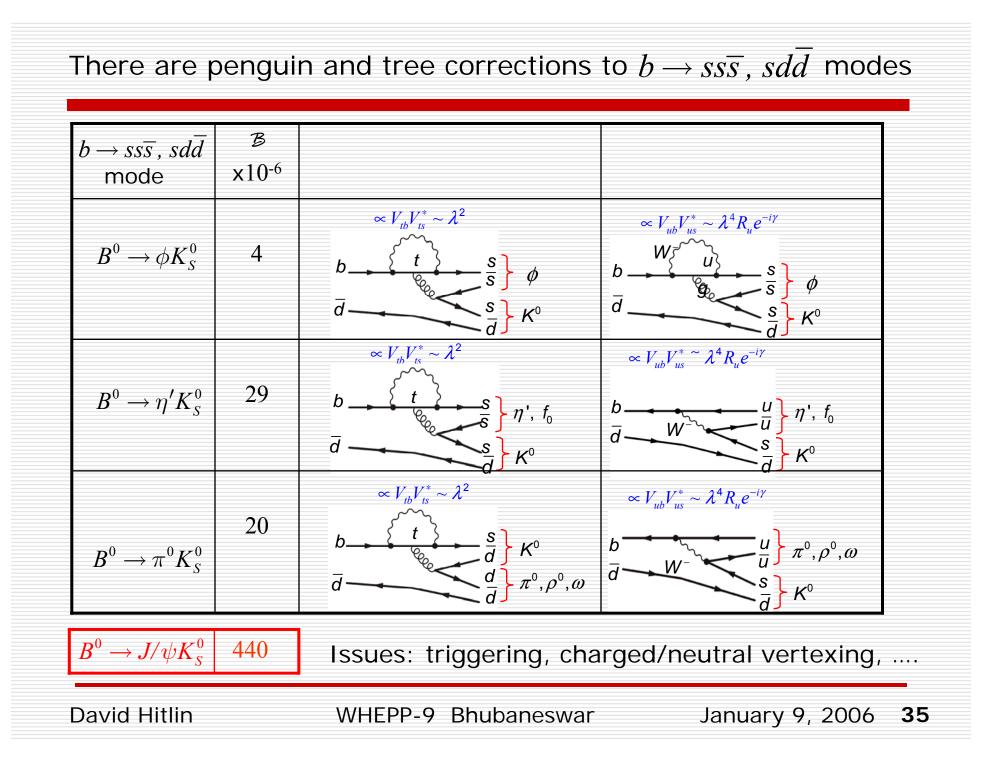
What can a Super *B* Factory bring to the party?

- flavor physics, whether *b*, *c* or τ decays, provides
 - Sensitivity to New Physics (SUSY, extra dimensions,)
 - □ New *CP* phases, non-Standard Wilson coefficients,
 - Strong and unique constraints on models of SUSY breaking
 - \square $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$ has already ruled out a host of New Physics models
 - Super *B* specific measurements
 - $\Box \quad CPV \text{ in } b \rightarrow s$
 - **G** FCNC ($K\ell\ell, K\nu\nu$ )
 - $\Box \quad LFV (\tau \text{ decays})$
 - □ Higgs mediation ($B \rightarrow \tau \nu, B \rightarrow D \tau \nu$, etc.)
 - Precision CKM Unitarity Triangle parameters
 - Measure α , β , γ , V_{ub} , V_{cb} , Δm_d to the limit of theoretical precision (see above)
 - There is, of course, some overlap with LHCb

Probes of new physics

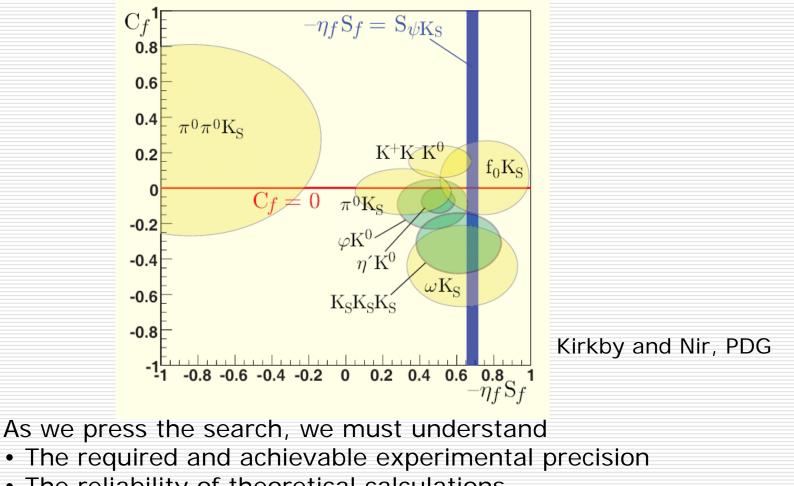
- In the Standard Model we expect the same value for "sin2 β " in $b \rightarrow c\overline{cs}, b \rightarrow c\overline{cd}, b \rightarrow s\overline{ss}, b \rightarrow d\overline{ds}$ modes, but different SUSY models can produce different asymmetries
- Since the penguin modes have branching fractions one or two orders of magnitude less than tree modes, great deal of luminosity is required to make these measurements to meaningful precision





There is as yet no evidence for New Physics

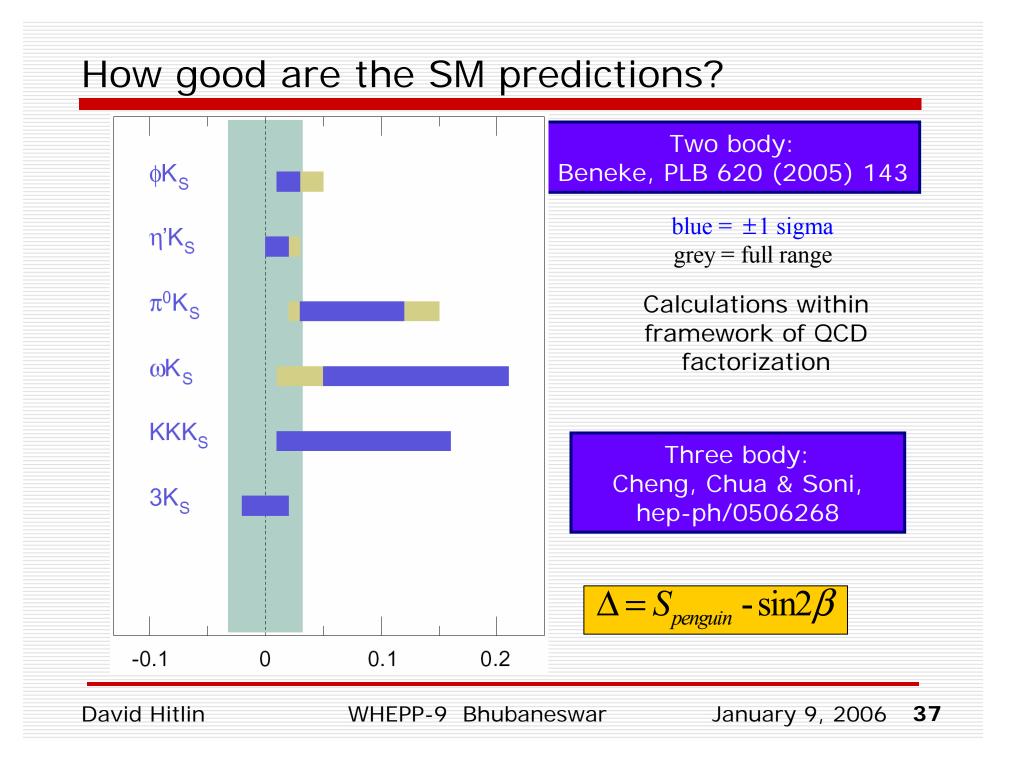
from *CP* asymmetry measurements in $b \rightarrow s$ transitions

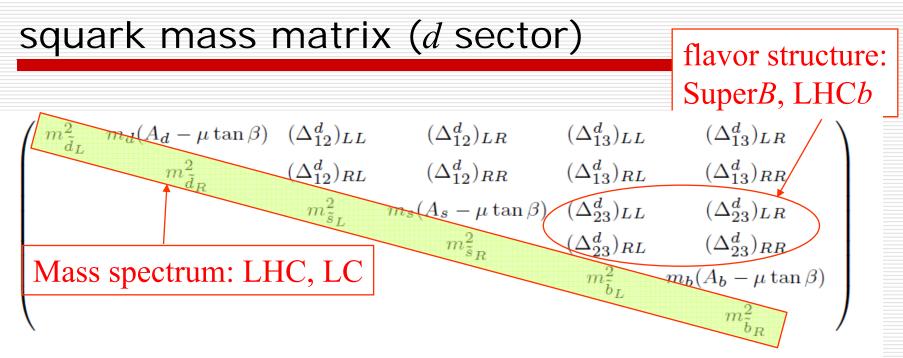


The reliability of theoretical calculations

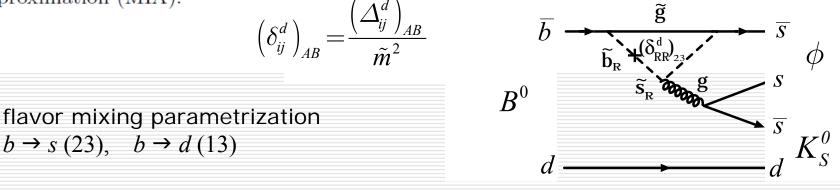
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Assuming all Δ 's small and squarks nearly degenerate, we can use mass insertion approximation (MIA):



Off diagonal terms can provide unique information on CP phases

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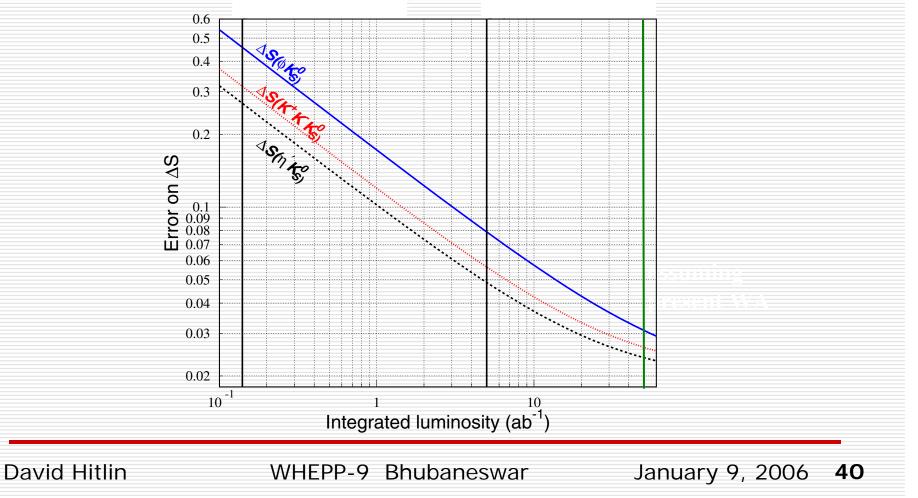
The scale of New Physics Mass insertion approximation: model-independent ($\delta_{LL,RR}$) ϕ_{23} mass insertion ϕ_{13} mass insertion 18% 120% $\sum_{k=0}^{N} A_{c}^{a}(\phi K_{s})$ $\Delta A_{CP}(\pi^0 K_{ m s})$ 16% 14% 12% 10% 60% 8% ϕK_{S} (now) 6% 40% $\phi K_{\rm S}$ 50 ab⁻¹ 4% 20% 2% 0% 0% 300 600 700 800 900 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 200 400 500 1000 1000 ϕ_{13} mass insertion (GeV) ϕ_{23} mass insertion (GeV) $\Delta A_{CP} (J/\psi K_{S} - \pi^{0}K_{S})$ $\Delta A_{CP} \left(J / \psi K_{S} - \phi K_{S} \right)$ after Ciuchini, Franco, Martinelli, Masiero, & Silvestrini

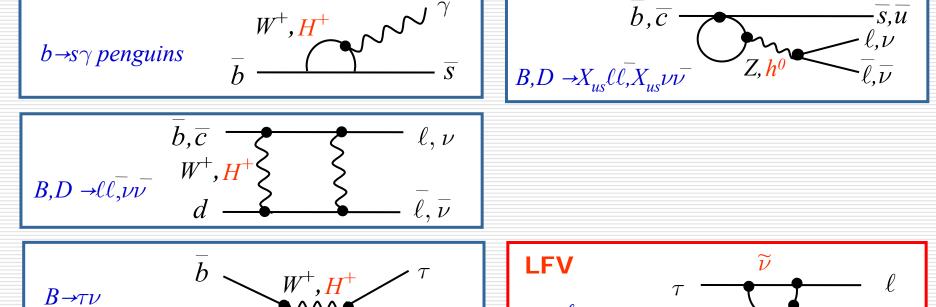
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How much integrated luminosity?

 50 ab⁻¹ is required for CP asymmetry measurements in rare penguin modes and for rare branching fractions





Time dependent *CP* asymmetry in $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

 □ Theoretically clean, but A_{CP} is very small in the Standard Model, since the photon is polarized, and the final state is almost flavor specific ⇒ Helicity suppresion: ~m_s/m_b
 □ Requires vertex reconstruction with

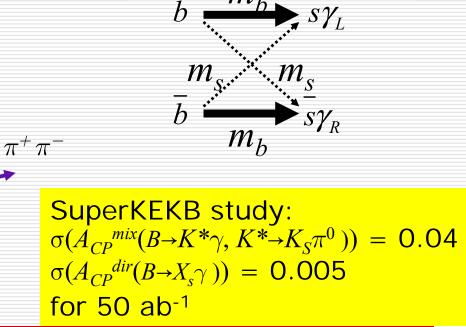
 $K_{\rm S}$ trajectory

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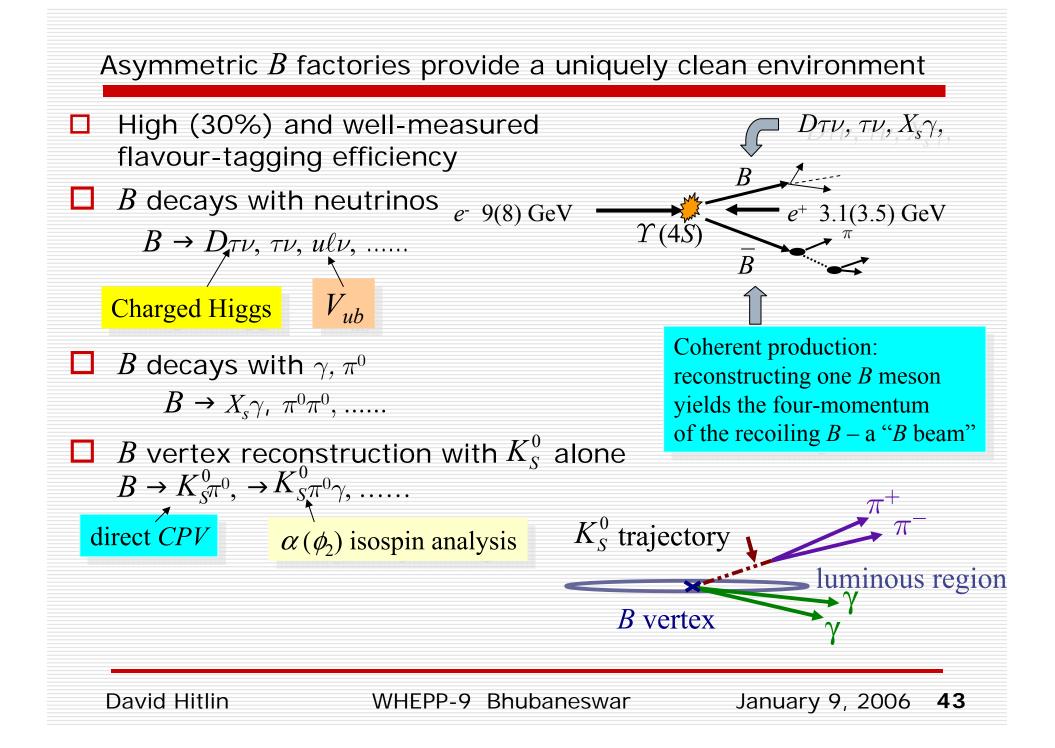
 $K_{\rm s}$ alone

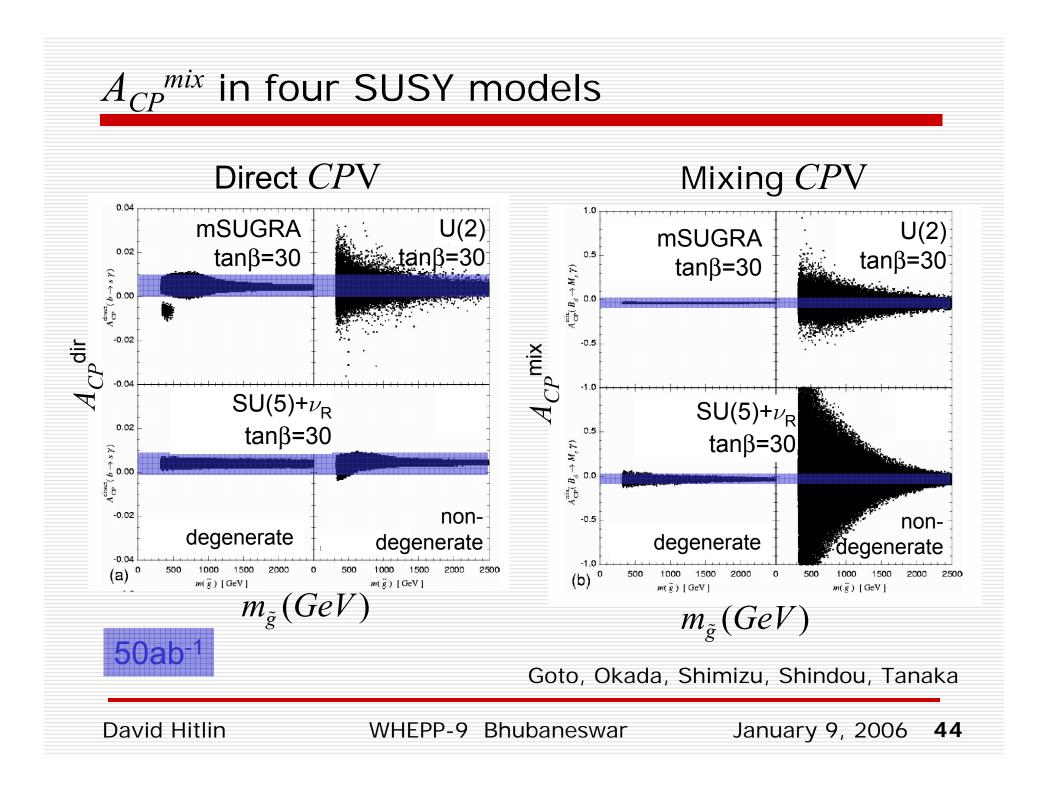




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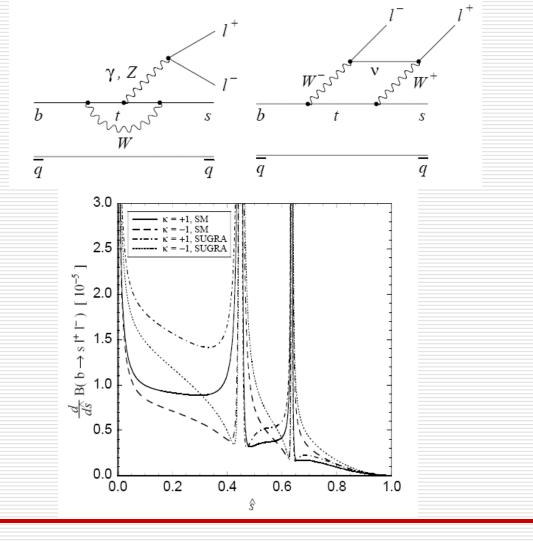
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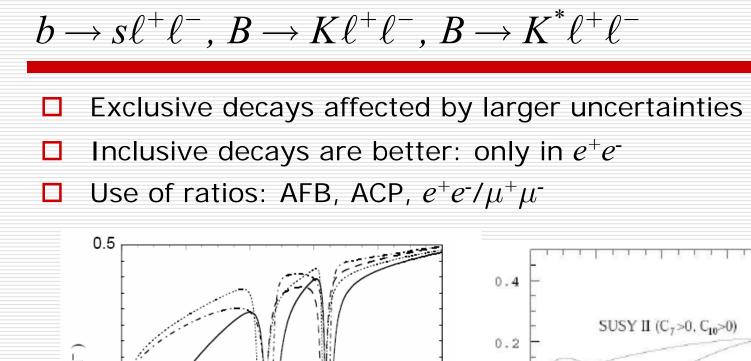


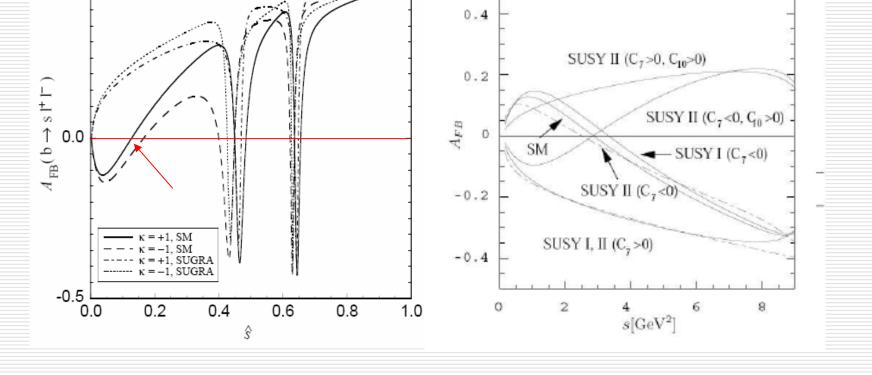


Uniquely sensive tests of Wilson coefficients



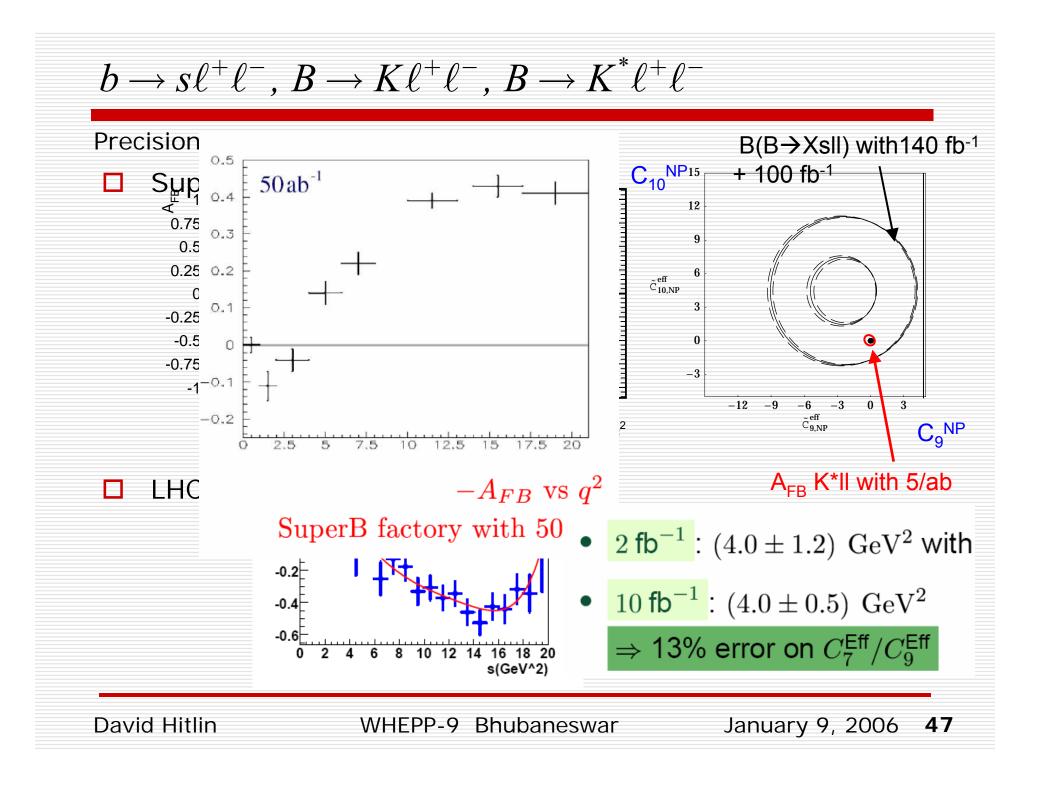
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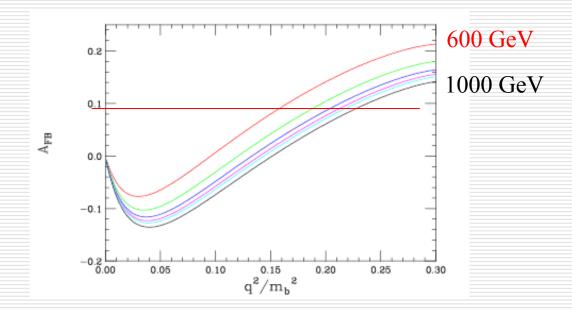
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$b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$, $B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-$, $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$

Extra dimension models

- Randall-Sundrum example (Rizzo)
 - Zero crossing moves with mass of lightest KK graviton



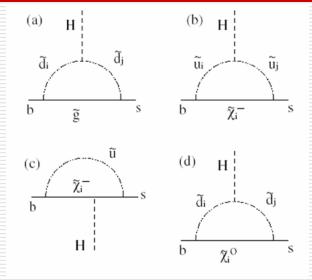
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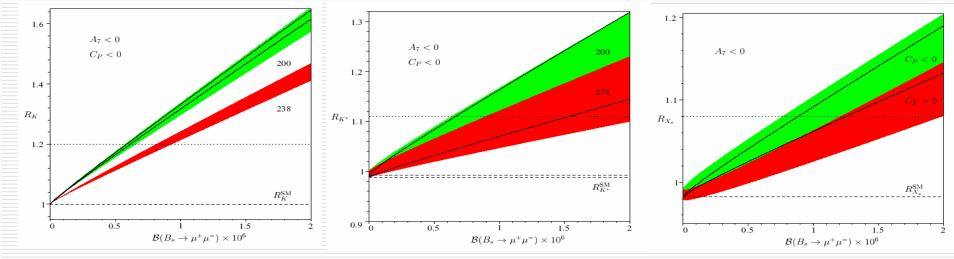
(More) model-independent analysis of NP couplings

New Physics scalar and pseudoscalar couplings can result in a difference in $R_{K,K^*,x_s} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow (K, K^*, x_s)e^+e^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow (K, K^*, x_s)\mu^+\mu^-)}$

from unity

 R_{K,K^*,x_s} is correlated with the (unobserved) rate $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$



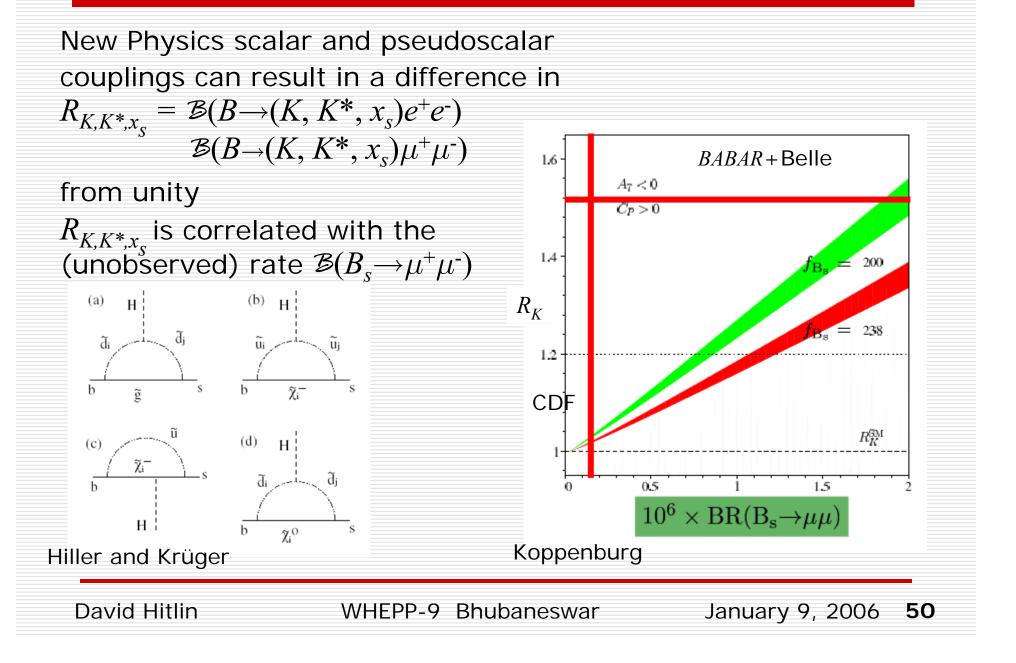


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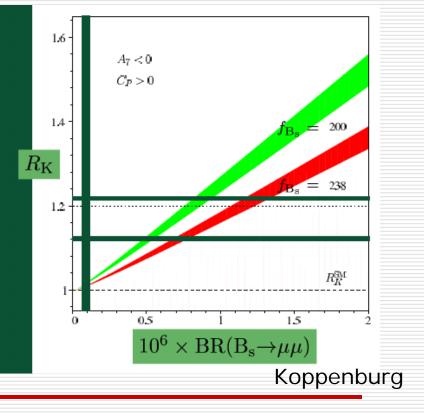
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(More) model-independent analysis of NP couplings



Prospects

- \square R_K can be measured very well at a Super *B* factory
- It would appear to be difficult at LHCb due to difficulty with triggering on electrons, but a new study indicates that if the trigger can be modified, there is good sensitivity
- A 10% measurement of R_K is possible with 2.5 ab⁻¹ at a Super B factory or with 2 fb⁻¹ at LHCb with an electron trigger

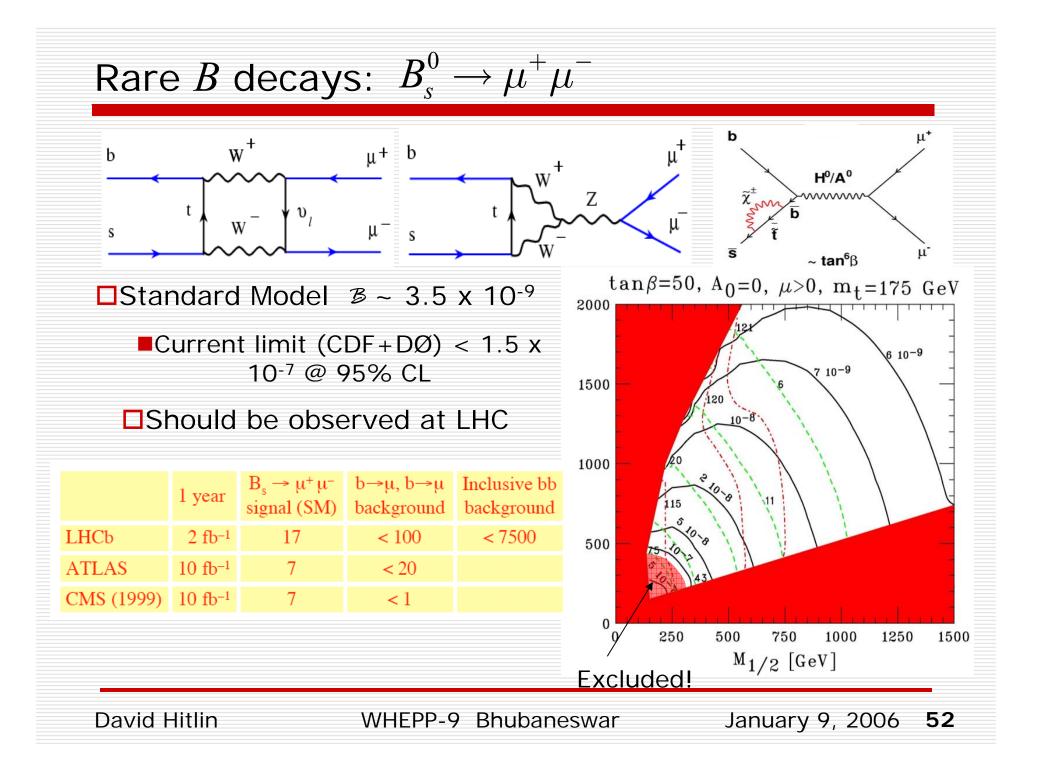


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$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$

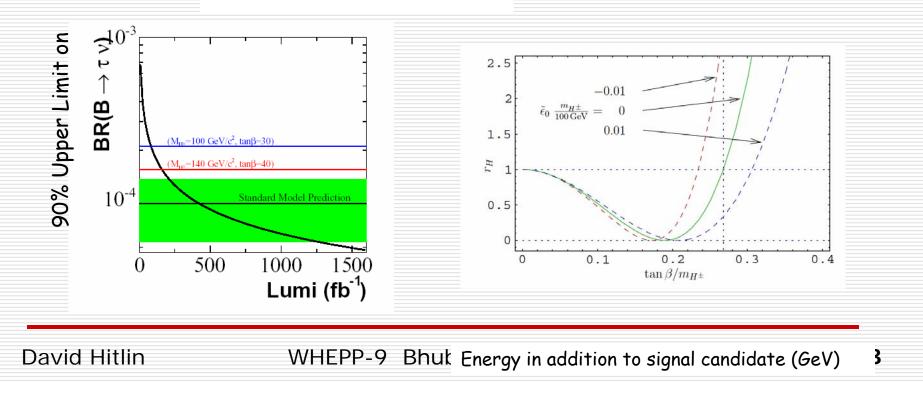
Standard Model prediction:

$$BF(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_{\tau}) = 1.2 \times 10^{-4} \left(\frac{f_B}{200 MeV}\right)^2 \left(\frac{V_{ub}}{0.004}\right)^2$$

can be modified by an H^+ at large $\tan\beta$

 $BF(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = 1.3^{+1.0}_{-0.9} \times 10^{-4}$

 $(<2.6\times10^{-4}$ at 90% C.L.)



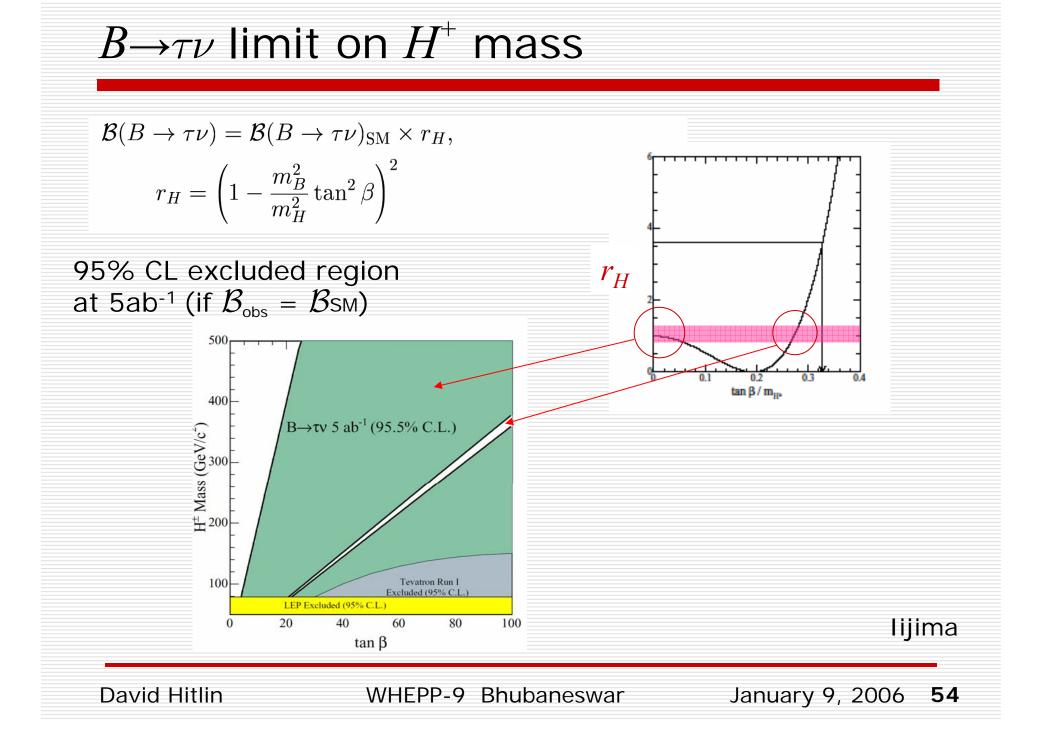
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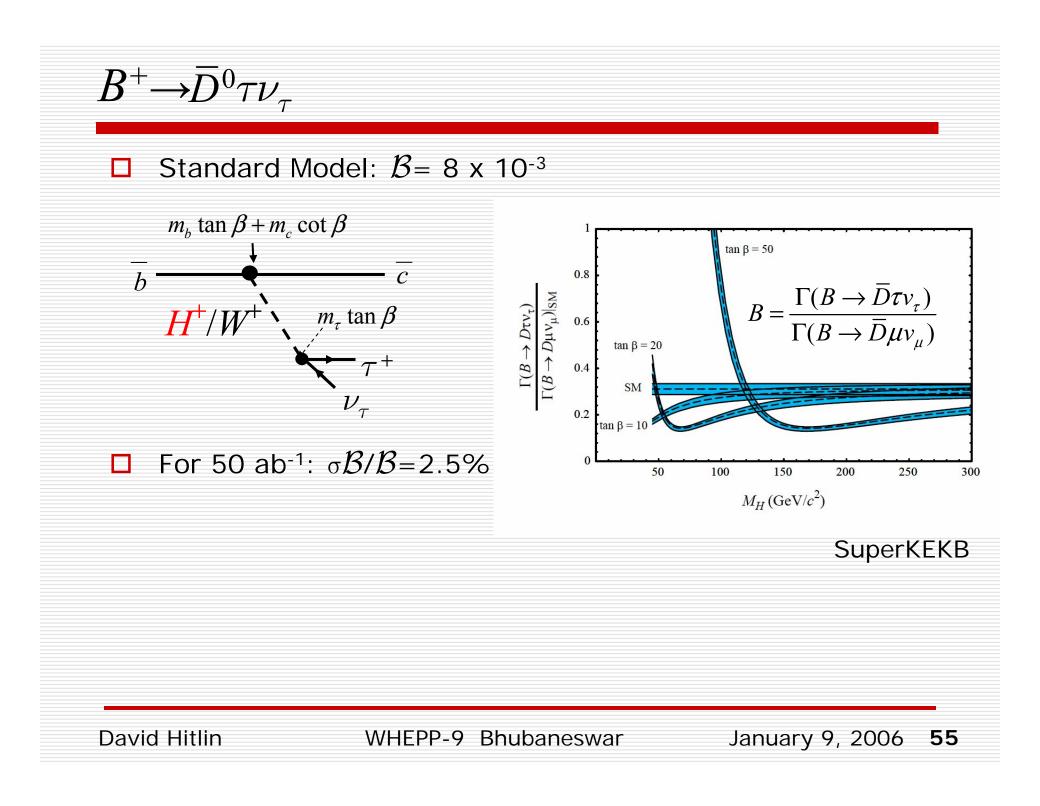
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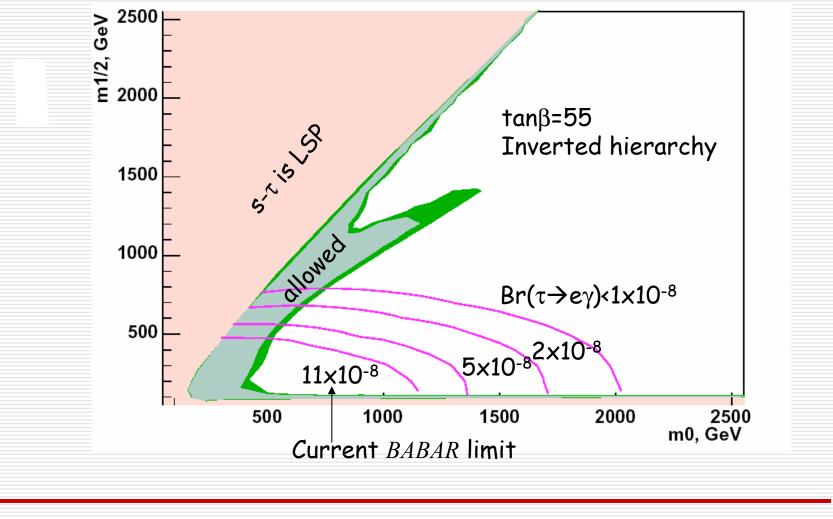
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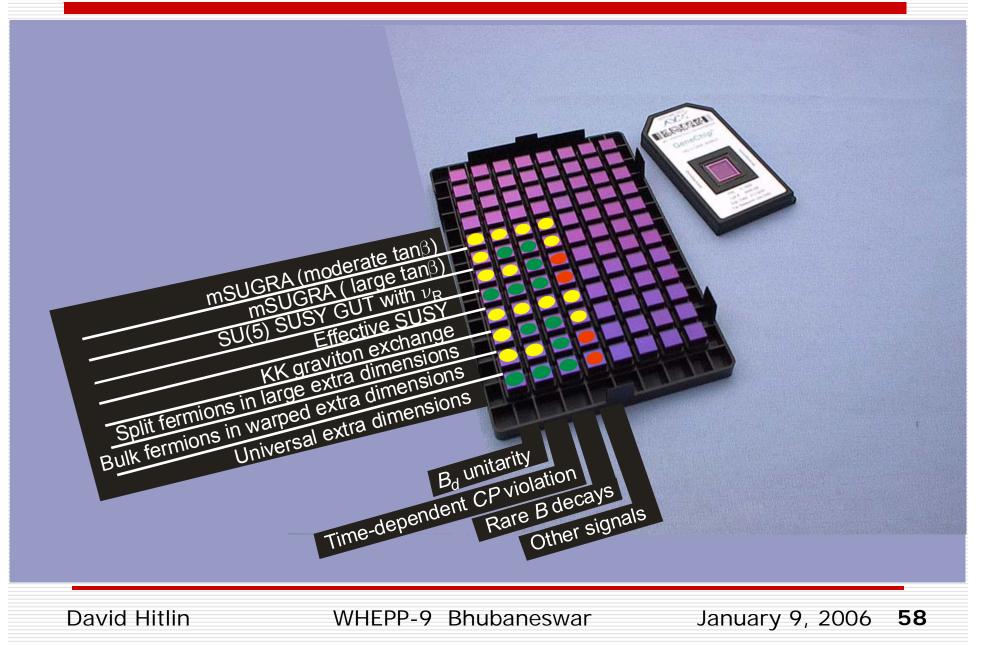
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The pattern of deviation from the SM values is diagnostic

- _i mixing - _i mixing	$B \rightarrow \phi K_S$ $B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$ $B \rightarrow \phi K_S$	$B \rightarrow (D)^* \tau \nu$ $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$ $-$ $A_{CP} (b \rightarrow s \gamma)$ $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$	$\begin{array}{c} - \\ B_s \rightarrow \mu \mu \\ B_s \text{ mixing} \\ \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} B_s \text{ mixing} \\ \tau \text{ LFV, } n \text{ EDM} \\ \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} B_s \text{ mixing} \\ \end{array}$
- _/ mixing	$\begin{array}{c} B \to \phi K_S \\ B \to K^* \gamma \end{array}$	$b \rightarrow s\ell^{+}\ell^{-}$ $-$ $A_{CP}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$	B_s mixing B_s mixing au LFV, <i>n</i> EDM
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_i mixing	$B \rightarrow \phi K_S$	$b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$	B_s mixing $D^0 \overline{D}^0$ mixing
-	-	$b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$ $b \to s\gamma$	$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \nu$
~ d	mixing		mixing $B \to \phi K_S$ $b \to s \ell^+ \ell^-$ $b \to s \ell^+ \ell^-$

flavor physics is a DNA chip for New Physics



The role of hadronic experiments

- $\square \quad \text{Measure } \mathcal{B}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \overline{\nu}) \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(K^0_L \to \pi^0 \nu \overline{\nu})$
- Search for LFV in μ to *e* conversion, $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$
- $\square \quad \text{Measure } B_s \text{ mixing}$
- $\square \quad \text{Measure } CPV \text{ in } J/\psi\phi$
- □ Measure $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu \mu)$ at SM level or above
- □ Measure $A_{\rm FB}$ in exclusive $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$
- $\square \quad \text{Measure } \mathcal{B}(B \to Kee) / \mathcal{B}(B \to K\mu\mu) ?$
- $\square \quad \text{Improve measurements of } \alpha, \beta, \gamma$

The role of a Super *B* Factory (if one exists)

- □ Measure α , β , γ , V_{ub} , V_{cb} , Δm_d to the limit of theoretical precision
- □ Measure CPV in $b \rightarrow sss$ decays to sufficient precision to ascertain a pattern
- □ Measure $A_{\rm FB}$ in inclusive and exclusive $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$ decays
- $\square \quad \text{Measure } \mathcal{B}(B \to Kee) / \mathcal{B}(B \to K\mu\mu)$
- $\square \quad \text{Measure } B \rightarrow \tau \nu$
- □ Search for right handed couplings in $b \rightarrow s\gamma$
- $\Box \quad \text{Search for NP effects in } B \rightarrow VV \text{ decay}$
- □ Search for *CPV* in $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ and $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ decays
- **Search for LFV**: $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$ decay
- □ Search for charged Higgs in $B \rightarrow D \tau \nu$ decay

Will there be a Super *B* Factory?

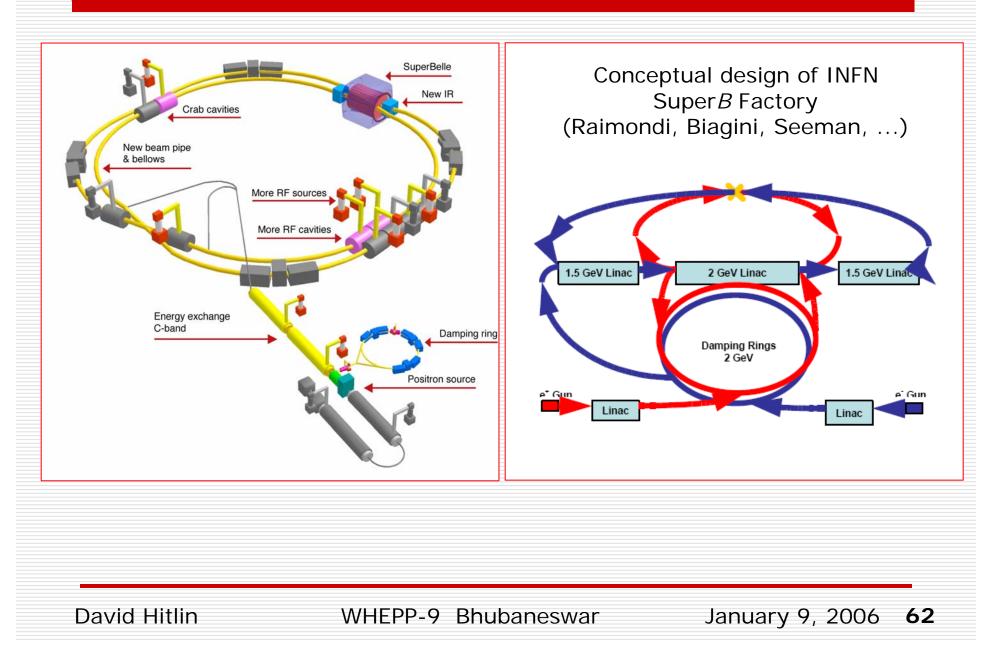
- Potential upgrades of PEP-II, KEKB
 - SuperPEP-II design aimed at $\mathcal{L}=7 \times 10^{35}$
 - SLAC is now out of the local HEP accelerator business
 - SuperKEKB design has $\mathcal{L}=4 \times 10^{35}$ with 50 ab⁻¹ by 2020
 - Proposed to ministry; awaits a decision
- □ Another approach is being considered
 - Raimondi has suggested revisiting the recirculating linear collider scheme proposed in the '80's by Amaldi and Coignet, in the light of modern accelerator physics techniques
 - The luminosity goal is $\mathcal{L} \sim 10^{36}$
 - The idea appears quite promising
 - Linear collider-related R&D over the past two decades has addressed many of the technical issues
 - INFN is actively considering an LCSuperB based on an international collaborative effort
 - A workshop was held on Nov 11/12 at Frascati

http://www.lnf.infn.it/conference/superbf05/

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One and one half Super B Factory concepts



Conclusions

- Heavy flavor physics, in all its guises, can play a significant role in deepening our understanding of the Standard Model, and, should New Physics be found at LHC, it provides unique tools for probing the flavor structure of the new particles (squarks?)
- If the scale of New Physics is < 1 TeV, as motivated by our current understanding of the Higgs mechanism, there will be measurable effects in the heavy quark/heavy lepton sector
 - LHC will yield information on masses and couplings of new particles by direct production
 - Information on squark off-diagonal couplings requires detailed studies of heavy quark decays at Super B Factories or dedicated hadronic experiments
- The effects of new physics loops can be seen in rare decay branching fractions and kinematic distributions and in CP-violating asymmetries in channels with very small branching fractions

Conclusions - II

- The new generation of experiments at hadronic accelerators will doubtless extend the fruitful programs of the current B Factories
- □ It is important that other approaches be followed as well:
 - A Super B Factory can, in the next decade, provide unique high precision measurements as well as results complementary to those of hadronic experiments
 - Rare K decay experiments
 - Searches for lepton flavor violation
- Flavor physics has a glorious history and remains relevant as a tool for understanding New Physics at the LHC
- A year-long series of workshops on flavor physics in the LHC era is currently underway at CERN. Let us hope that this effort can contribute to a sustained future for flavor physics over the next decade or more

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