

Design your own B-meson CP Violation Experiment

1. Which accelerator, and why, would you prefer to use for your experiment:
 - e^+e^- or $p\bar{p}$?
 - pp or $p\bar{p}$?
 - fixed target or collider?
 - any other?

Mention pro's and con's of each option.

2. Select your favourite collider. At which energy do you want to make collisions? Why?
3. You are going to measure the CP asymmetry in $B_s \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm$, which has a branching ratio of about 10^{-4} . How many B_s particles must be produced to obtain a precision of 1° on the CP angle γ ?
4. In the CP asymmetry you measure the decay rates:
 $B_s \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm$ and $\bar{B}_s \rightarrow D_s^\pm K^\mp$
 - How would you tag the flavour of the B_s at production?
 - Are there intrinsic limits to this precision?
 - How would you calibrate the wrong tag fraction using other data?
5. To select events of the type $B_s \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm$ and also of another decay mode $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$, a large amount of background must be rejected.
 - What are the specific signatures of the two signal decays that can be used to reject background? Think of quantities that can be used at trigger time and quantities that can be used off-line.
 - In one of the two decays there is a potentially very dangerous background for the CP measurement from another B_s decay. Do you know which one? How can you reject that background, i.e. which detector technology would you use?
6. Give the formula to reconstruct the decay time of a B meson in an observed event in terms of directly “detectable” quantities.
What are the subdetectors required and what is their importance?
7. Make a sketch of your detector that measures CP violations with B decays