PROSPECTS FOR BEAUTY PHYSICS AT HADRON COLLIDERS
or
What to Do When the Glue Doesn't Stick

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ABSTRACT

The cross section for $gg \rightarrow B \bar{B}$ is relatively high at collider energies, so that a one year run at RHIC or TEV I might yield $> 10^{10}$ $B-\bar{B}$ pairs, and $> 10^{12}$ pairs at the SSC. The challenge to the experimenter is to trigger on and reconstruct a significant fraction of this sample. Detectors are being proposed which make extensive use of silicon vertexing, VLSI readout, and massive online numerical processing with the goal of maintaining a 1% efficiency for few-body decays to all-charged final states. If achieved at the SSC for $\mathcal{L} = 10^{32}$ cm$^{-2}$sec$^{-1}$, this would be equivalent to an $e^+e^-$ $B$ factory operating at $\mathcal{L} = 10^{36}$ cm$^{-2}$sec$^{-1}$ and 100% reconstruction efficiency. Even at RHIC or TEV I with $10^8$ reconstructible $B$'s, the strongest signals for $CP$ violation in the $B-\bar{B}$ system would be accessible.

INTRODUCTION

Nature wants us to do $B$ physics!

- The $B$ lifetime is $\sim 1.2$ psec $\Rightarrow$ can observe the decay vertex separated from the production vertex. The $B$'s can be isolated even when produced in hadronic interactions.
- $B^0-\bar{B}^0$ mixing is large $\Rightarrow$ phenomenology rich in quantum-mechanical effects.
- The cross sections for $gg \rightarrow B \bar{B}$ are large at collider energies.$^{1,2}$

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- The signal to noise for beauty at the SSC is comparable to that for charm in fixed-target photoproduction.
- $B$-decay products are soft: 90% of all tracks have $P_T < 5$ GeV/c.

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• Can follow a classic prescription for detailed study of particles: measure the decays to few-body, all-charged final states.

• \( CP \) violation is accessible.
  - A 3-\( \sigma \) signal for a \( CP \) -violating asymmetry of 0.1 requires 1000 reconstructed events.
    \[ \Rightarrow \text{need } 10^8 \text{ reconstructible pairs if branching fraction } = 10^{-5}. \]
    \[ \Rightarrow \text{need } 10^{10} \text{ pairs produced if reconstruction efficiency } = 1\%. \]
  - The luminosity needed to produce such a sample in \( 10^7 \) sec is then
    \[ \mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1} \text{ at RHIC} \]
    \[ \mathcal{L} = 2.5 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1} \text{ at TEV I} \]
    \[ \mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1} \text{ at SSC} \]

• The crispness of the \( CP \) -violation physics encourages us to tackle difficult issues.
  - How to survive in high multiplicity.
    100 tracks/event; 100 samples/track \( \Rightarrow \sim 10^4 \) words/event.
    Can readily find patterns if detector occupancy is \( \sim 10^{-3}. \)
    \[ \Rightarrow \text{need } \sim 10^7 \text{ detector elements } (\sim 10^5/\text{layer}). \]
  - How to survive at high rate.
    Have 5-10 MHz event rate at \( \mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1} \).
    Need sparse readout and buffering of the \( 10^4 \) elements struck per event.
    \[ \Rightarrow 50-100 \text{ Gword/sec raw event rate!} \]
    Front-end analog triggers reduce event rate to < 100 kHz.
    Numeric-processor farm reduces rate to 1-2 kHz.
    Archival data rate \( \sim 100 \text{ Mbyte/sec} \) to video tapes.

• The same detector concept applies to RHIC, TEV I, and the SSC. Figure 1 shows the Beauty spectrometer as conceived at the 1988 Snowmass Workshop.
PREJUDICES ABOUT CP VIOLATION IN THE B-\bar{B} SYSTEM

- The best signal for CP violation is an asymmetry:

\[ A = \frac{\Gamma(B \to f) - \Gamma(\bar{B} \to \bar{f})}{\Gamma(B \to f) + \Gamma(\bar{B} \to \bar{f})}. \]

- The theoretical interpretation of \( A \) is clean only when \( f = \bar{f} = CP \) eigenstate.

  ⇒ must tag the other \( B \) of the \( B-\bar{B} \) pair.

  ⇒ 'self-tagging' modes like \( B^0 \to K^0 \pi^0 \) or \( D^+ \pi^- \) might be more accessible experimentally, but are less useful theoretically. (Like \( \epsilon'/\epsilon \) in \( K^0 \to \pi\pi \) these depend on penguin diagrams...)

- Large \( A \) ↔ small \( \Gamma \), in most models.

- To reach \( S \) standard deviations in a measurement of \( A \) for mode \( B \to f \) with branch \( \Gamma \), need \( N \) produced \( B \)'s, where

\[ N \approx \frac{S^2}{\Gamma A^2}. \]

Example: \( S = 3, A = 0.1, \Gamma = 10^{-5} \Rightarrow N = 9 \times 10^7 \).

- CP violation and the K-M matrix (Wolfenstein):

\[ V_{KM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \mu \lambda^3 (\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 & \mu \lambda^2 \\ -\mu \lambda^3 (1 - \rho - i\eta) & -\mu \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \]
\[ \lambda \sim \text{the Cabibbo angle.} \]
\[ \mu \text{ is known via the } B \text{ lifetime.} \]
\[ \eta \neq 0 \leadsto CP \text{ violation.} \]
But, \( \rho, \eta \) are not well determined from the \( K\bar{K} \) system.

- The \( B-\bar{B} \) system is the place!
- Bjorken’s trick: unitarity of \( V_{KM} \Rightarrow V_{td} + \lambda V_{ts} + V^*_{ub} \approx 0. \)
  \[ \Rightarrow \] these 3 vectors form a closed triangle. On dividing the lengths by \( \mu \lambda^3 \), we obtain the figure below:

\[ \begin{array}{c}
\text{(\( \phi, \eta \))} \\
\sim V_{ud}^* \\
\sim V_{ts} \\
\sim 1
\end{array} \]

Since the base is known, the experimental challenge is equivalent to measuring the 3 interior angles \( \phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3 \).

- For \( B \rightarrow f \) with \( f \) a \( CP \) eigenstate, the asymmetry \( A \) depends only on sin \( \phi \)
  \[ A \sim \sin 2\phi_1 \text{ for } B \rightarrow \psi K_S, \ D\bar{D}K_S, \ \psi\pi\pi, \ D\bar{D}, \ D^0\pi^+\pi^-, \ ... \]
  \[ A \sim \sin 2\phi_2 \text{ for } B \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, \ p\bar{p}, \ ... \]
  \[ A \sim \sin(\phi_2 - \phi_1) \text{ for } B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0}K_S, \ ... \]

- An overconstrained study of \( CP \) violation in the K-M matrix requires the observation many decay modes.
  \[ \Rightarrow \text{ need a general purpose detector with particle identification.} \]
  \[ \Rightarrow \text{ need tagging of the second } B. \]
  \[ \Rightarrow \text{ an extensive program for the 1990’s!} \]

**PRE-CP PHYSICS IN THE B-\( \bar{B} \) SYSTEM**

- \( \sigma_{BB} \leftrightarrow \text{gluon structure functions at collider energies.} \)
- \( B_d-\bar{B}_d \) and \( B_s-\bar{B}_s \) mixing. The latter is large but surprisingly hard to measure due to rapid oscillations.
- \( \Gamma(B \rightarrow f) \) for likely \( CP \) violating modes
  \[ \Rightarrow \text{ a rich program even before } CP \text{ violation.} \]
RECENT DETECTOR PROPOSALS

1. March 1987, Letter of Intent to FNAL by Reay et al.³
2. March 1987, Letter of Intent to FNAL by Lockyer et al.⁴
3. July 1987, SSC Beauty Spectrometer at the Berkeley Workshop.⁵
4. November 1987, Dipole Beauty Spectrometer at the FNAL Beauty Workshop.⁶
6. July 1988, SSC Beauty Spectrometer at the Snowmass Workshop.⁸
7. July 1988, Solenoid Beauty Spectrometer at the RHIC Workshop.⁹
9. October 1988, Letter of Intent for a Bottom Collider Detector for the Fermilab Tevatron.¹¹

OVERVIEW OF THE BOTTOM COLLIDER DETECTOR

We will use the recently proposed Bottom Collider Detector¹¹ as an example. A schematic side view is shown in Figure 3. The design is driven by the need for large angular acceptance, good momentum resolution for low-momentum tracks, precision vertexing, and particle identification. Calorimetry is not important except for electron identification. The basic character of the detector is 'central', but with greater emphasis on the angular region $2^\circ < \theta < 30^\circ$ than in present detectors designed for $W$ and $Z$ physics.

Figure 3. Overview of the BCD detector.
- A dipole magnet is chosen to optimize the detection of tracks produced between $2^\circ < \theta < 178^\circ$ (pseudorapidity: $-4 < \eta < 4$). The kinematics of $B$-$\bar{B}$ production are such that both forward and central tracks must be measured well to have a high geometric acceptance, while transverse momenta greater than 5 GeV/$c$ are seldom of interest. A dipole magnetic field oriented perpendicular to the beams is the best and simplest solution. A low-field (1 Tesla), large-diameter magnet is preferable for pattern recognition of low-momentum tracks.

- The magnet design calls for circular pole tips of 4-m diameter, separated by a 4-m gap. This large gap permits a tracking system with 75-100 samples per track, the minimum acceptable number in a high-multiplicity event, while still accommodating the EM calorimeter, TRD, and RICH counters inside the gap.

- The vertex detector is designed to find the secondary vertices of $B$ particles with high accuracy and efficiency, thereby isolating the $B$ from the rest of the event. The resulting ability to study the time evolution of the states is particularly advantageous for $CP$ studies. Extensive Monte Carlo simulation indicate that 3-d vertex reconstruction is necessary to achieve good pattern recognition, and that the system should have a worst-case impact-parameter resolution of $< 20 \mu m$. All tracks should intersect at least 3 planes with an angle of incidence $< 45^\circ$. These requirements, along with the length of the interaction region, led to a hybrid design of barrels and planes of double-sided silicon detectors. These devices are located outside the beam pipe, beginning at 1.5-cm radius, to minimize the effects of multiple scattering. Monte Carlo studies of this design, where tracking efficiencies were 100%, gave an efficiency of finding $B$ vertices of $\sim 45\%$. A preliminary mechanical model of this detector design has been constructed.

- The vertex detector relies on the gas tracking system for most of the pattern recognition. The tracking system is designed for efficient and rapid 3-d pattern recognition of tracks over the full angular range. There are 75-100 samples along each track. The technology used is thin-walled straw tubes, pressurized to 3 atmospheres and arranged in superlayers. Such straw tubes permit a measurement error of 40 $\mu m$ per hit. This high precision will allow a mass resolution of 20 MeV/$c^2$ and an extrapolation error into the silicon vertex detector of 50 $\mu m$. Good mass resolution is desirable to separate $B_d$ from $B_s$, and to set a narrow mass window around the $B$ as a rejection against combinatoric background.

- Particle identification is important in reducing the combinatoric background, especially for modes such as $B \rightarrow K\pi$ and $B \rightarrow p\bar{p}$. Electron identification is required for triggering and tagging the particle-antiparticle nature of the $B$. The design incorporates TRD's RICH counters, and an electromagnetic calorimeter over the full detector acceptance and for the
full momentum range of the \( B \)-decay products.

- The trigger and data acquisition system is designed to handle a luminosity of \( 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1} \) and data flow rates of GigaBytes per second. The trigger philosophy is to assemble the full event as soon as possible and pass it to a farm of numeric processors where a variety of trigger algorithms can be implemented in software. The system is based on the latest communications-industry technology, which represents a new approach for high-energy physics experiments and is suitable for SSC data rates.

- An initial cost estimate for the detector is $30M.

In the space remaining we elaborate slightly on two issues, a possible ‘topology trigger,’ and the data-acquisition system based around a ‘barrel switch.’

TOPOLOGY TRIGGER

A first-level trigger is desired which might be straightforward to implement while reducing the event rate by 20-50. The ‘topology trigger’ simply counts the number of charged tracks in the event above a given cut in \( P_T \). This is illustrated in Figure 4, based on an ISAJET simulation.

If a cut on only a single track could be made reliably, we see that a cut at \( P_T = 2.5 \text{ GeV/c} \) would yield a factor of 50 reduction in the event rate at the expense of only a 10% loss of events with a 2-body decay such at \( B \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- \). Or, if two tracks are each required to be above 2 GeV/c, the desired reduction of the total event rate could be achieved with 40% loss of 2-body \( B \) decays. The efficiency for many-particle \( B \) decay is, of course, less.

DATA ACQUISITION

The architecture of the data acquisition takes advantage of several new approaches; in particular:

- Digital transmission via fiber-optic cables.
- A simple ‘barrel shifter’ switch for event building at 100 kHz.
- A farm of \( \sim 2000 \) numeric processors, especially suited to tracking problems, which implement the second-level triggers, employing full reconstruction algorithms for some detector systems.

A block diagram of the proposed data-acquisition system is shown in Figure 5. The data flow is from top to bottom. Prompt triggers (such as the topology trigger) will first reduce the data rate by a factor of 20-50, using a subset of the detector elements labelled A-Z in Figure 5. From this point on there in no other specially built logic for triggering. If the event is accepted by the first-level trigger, the data fragments are transmitted over fiber-optic cable to the Event-Builder Switch. There can be any number of data sources from each detector.
Figure 4. (a) The number of charged tracks above a given $P_T$ for events containing a $B \to \pi^+\pi^-$ decay, according to an ISAJET simulation; (b) the same for events without any $B$'s.
Figure 5. Block diagram of the proposed data-acquisition system.
The Event-Builder Switch is based on the high-speed technology of a telephone exchange. The 'barrel-switch' technique can accept parallel inputs from a large number of sources and reorganize these into a set of output streams, each stream containing only information from a single event. Data rates of tens to a few hundreds of GigaBytes/sec are possible.

The Receiver/Formatters format the data into structures suitable for high-level language programs, and then pass the events into one member of the large farm of numeric processors. Each of these processors will be the equivalent of about 40 VAX 780's and will implement the second-level trigger in software. They should reduce the event rate by another factor of 100, leaving a rate of $\sim 1 \text{kHz}$ at a luminosity of $10^{32} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$, which can be archived to tape on video cassettes.

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