
Branching Fractions (and Direct CPV) of Exclusive Hadronic B to Charm Decays

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Contents of the review

- This talk attempts to summarize some recent results from the B-factories

Color Suppression ♠

- $B \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$
- $B \rightarrow D^0 \omega^0$
- $B \rightarrow D^0 \eta^0$

Working towards $2\beta + \gamma$

- $B \rightarrow D^* \pi$
- $B \rightarrow D_s \pi$
- $B \rightarrow D^0 K^0$

Looking forward to γ ♣

- $B \rightarrow D^0 K$
- $B \rightarrow D^0 K^*$
- $B \rightarrow D^{*0} K^*$
- $B \rightarrow D^0_{(CP)} K$

♠ For further examples of experimental probes of $B \rightarrow D$ physics see:

“B to charmonium decays and open charm production” - Karim Trabelsi (FPCP, 5th June)

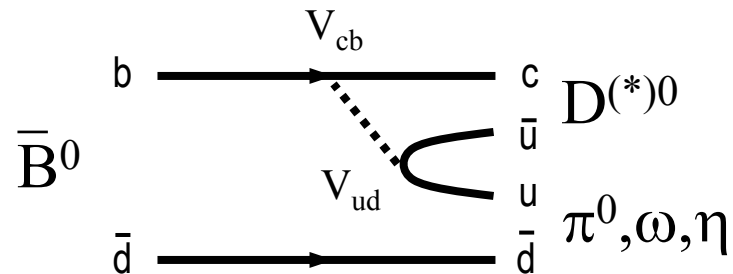
♣ For a full discussion on the extraction of γ/ϕ_3 see:

“*Reaching for gamma (present and future)*” - Andrey Golutvin (FPCP, 3rd June)

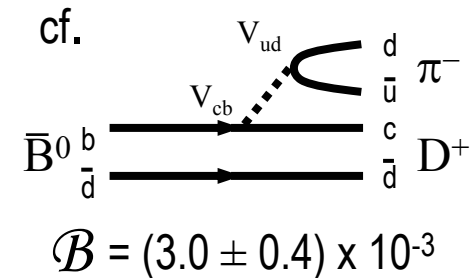
Observing colour-suppressed modes and
learning that they are not as suppressed
as previously thought

$$\begin{aligned} B^0 &\rightarrow D^{(*)0} \pi^0 \\ B^0 &\rightarrow D^{(*)0} \omega \\ B^0 &\rightarrow D^{(*)0} \eta \end{aligned}$$

Colour-suppressed B⁰ Decays



$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0) = \dots$$



- Naively, we expect a factor of $(1/3)^2$ between the colour-suppressed and colour-favoured rates
- However, a detailed calculation predicates a suppression of approximately 1/50
 - Factorization models, for example Neubert & Stech (1997) **1** predict very low branching fractions for colour-suppressed decays, in the range $0.3\text{-}0.7 \times 10^{-4}$

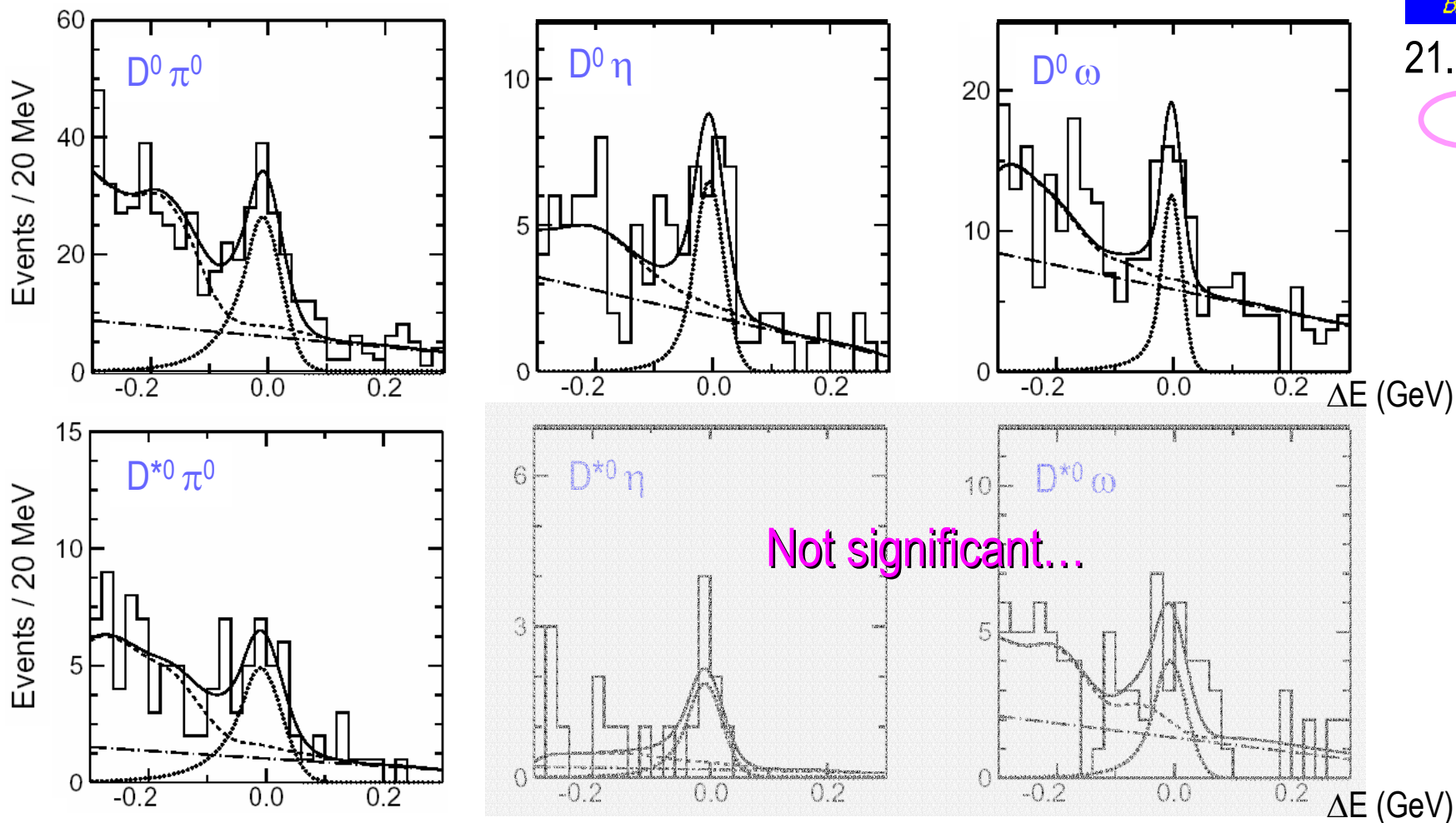
Colour-suppressed B^0 Decays

- First Observation by BELLE (2001)
 - Yield extracted with a binned maximum likelihood in ΔE



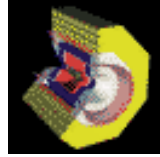
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Colour-suppressed B^0 Decays

- Followed in 2002 by CLEO with a confirmation of $D^0\pi^0$ and $D^{*0}\pi^0$
 - Signal extraction by extended likelihood fit over: m_{ES} , ΔE , a Fisher, $\cos \theta_{HEL}$



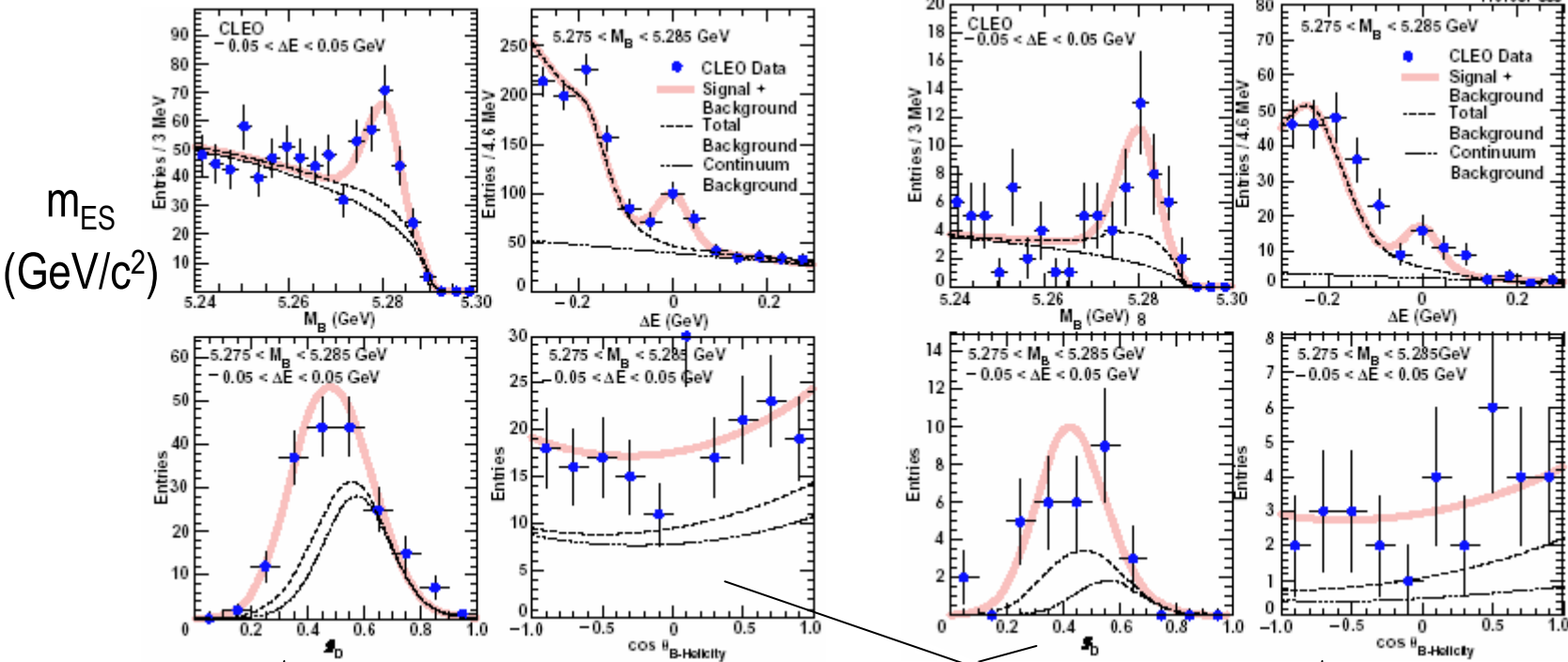
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ΔE
(GeV)

$D^0\pi^0$

$D^{*0}\pi^0$



Fisher = linear combination
of several event shape variables

$\cos \theta_{HEL}$ = angle between D
and B calculated in the B rest frame

Colour-suppressed B^0 Decays

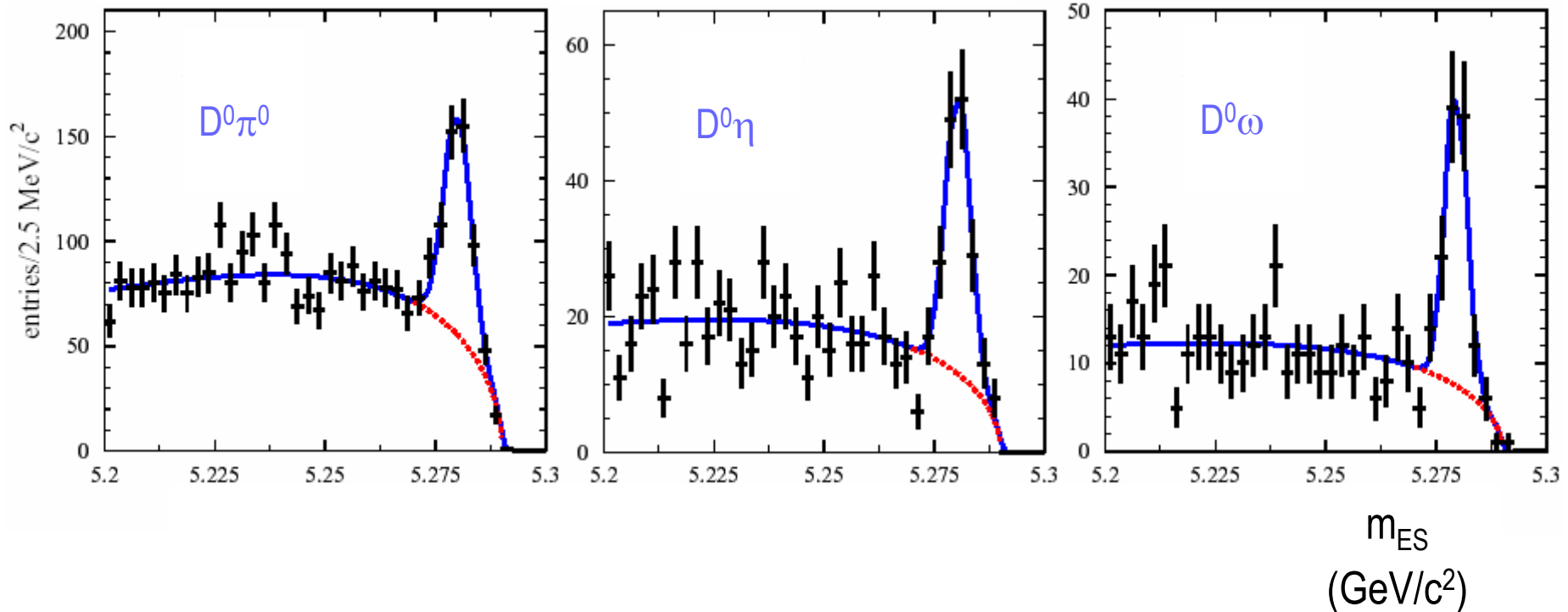
- Then Babar with the most accurate measurements on a large data set
 - Least-squares fit on the m_{ES} distribution for $B^0 \rightarrow D^0\pi^0$
 - Unbinned max. likelihood on the m_{ES} distribution for $B^0 \rightarrow D^0\omega$, $B^0 \rightarrow D^0\eta$



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(Preliminary)



Colour-suppressed B⁰ Decays

- Results are consistently approximately a factor 4 higher than predicted by factorization

		Yield	Branching fraction (x 10 ⁻⁴)	Prediction (x 10 ⁻⁴)
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$		126 ± 20	3.1 ± 0.4 ± 0.5	← 0.7
		124 ± 15	2.74 ± ^{0.36} _{0.32} ± 0.55	
		291 ± 31	2.89 ± 0.29 ± 0.38	
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0 \eta$		22 ± 9	1.4 ± 0.5 ± 0.3	← 0.5
		101 ± 14	2.41 ± 0.39 ± 0.32	
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0 \omega$		33 ± 11	1.8 ± 0.8 ± 0.4	← 0.7
		78 ± 12	2.48 ± 0.40 ± 0.32	
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0} \pi^0$		26 ± 9	2.7 ± 0.8 ± 0.6	← 1.0
		29 ± 7	2.20 ± ^{0.59} _{0.52} ± 0.79	
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0} \eta$		8 ± 4	< 4.6	
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0} \omega$		16 ± 9	< 7.9	



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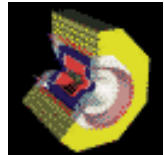
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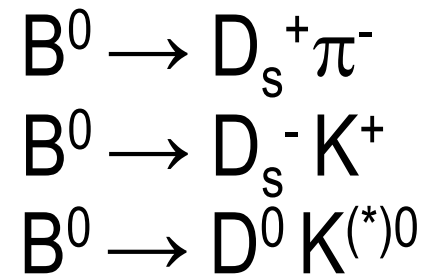
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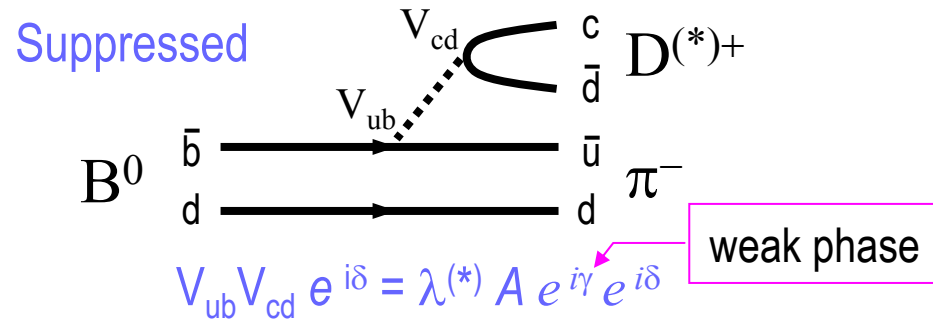
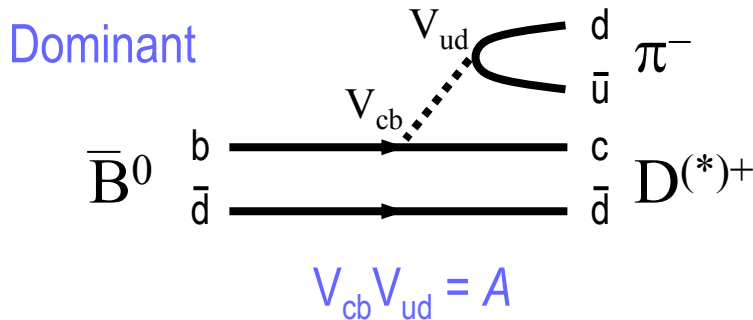
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Working towards future $2\beta + \gamma$ analyses with rare B to charm processes



Motivation for $B^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-$

- Works towards a future measurement of $\sin(2\beta+\gamma)$. Both $D^{(*)-}\pi^+$ and $D^{(*)+}\pi^-$ are assessable from a B^0 or \bar{B}^0 . One is cabbibo suppressed and dependant on V_{ub}



- However, CP violating effect will be small

$$|\lambda^{(*)}| = \left| \frac{V_{ub} V_{cd}}{V_{cb} V_{ud}} \right| \approx 0.02$$

- And $|\lambda^{(*)}|$ cannot be extracted from data because each suppressed mode has a large background from the dominant

- BUT** $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+}\pi^-$ may be extracted from $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+}\pi^-)$ using SU(3) symmetry relations

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-) \approx \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*+} \pi^-)}{\tan^2 \theta_c} \left(\frac{f_{D_s}^2}{f_{D^*}^2} \right) \lambda^2$$

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$B^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-$

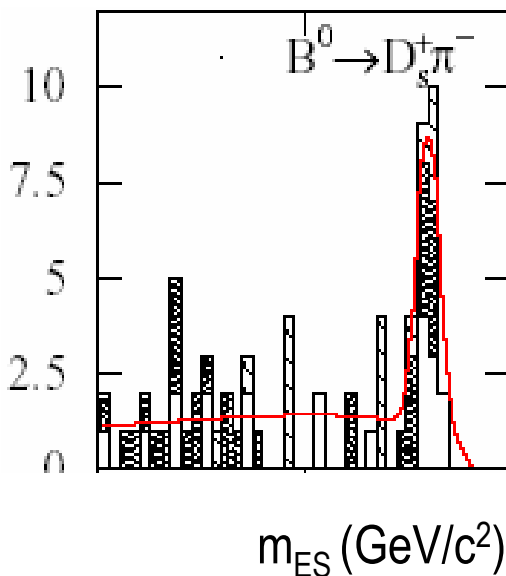


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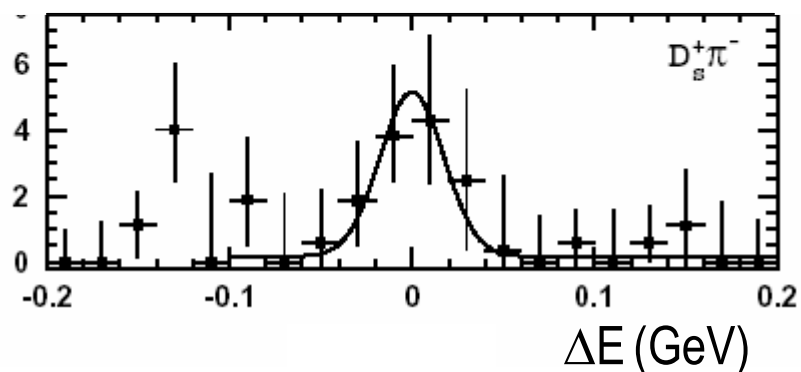
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(Likelihood fit in m_{ES})



$D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi\pi^+, K^*K^+, K_S K^+$

(Likelihood fit in ΔE and mass D_s)

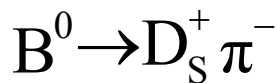


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Branching fraction ($\times 10^{-5}$)



$2.4 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.7$

$3.2 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.0$

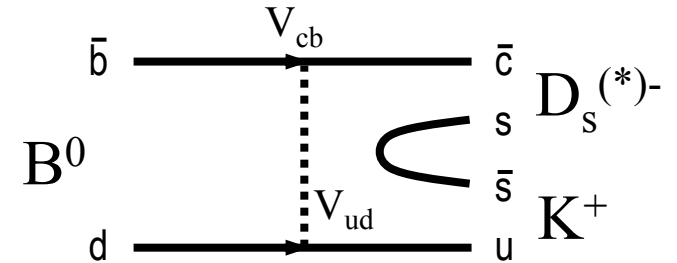
3.6σ

3.3σ

- $\sin(2\beta+\gamma)$ analyses from $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-}\pi^+$ (+cc) are currently very statistics limited
 - However, expect first results [limits] soon followed but improvements as more modes are added ($B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-}\rho^+$, $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-}a_1^+$) and the datasets grow

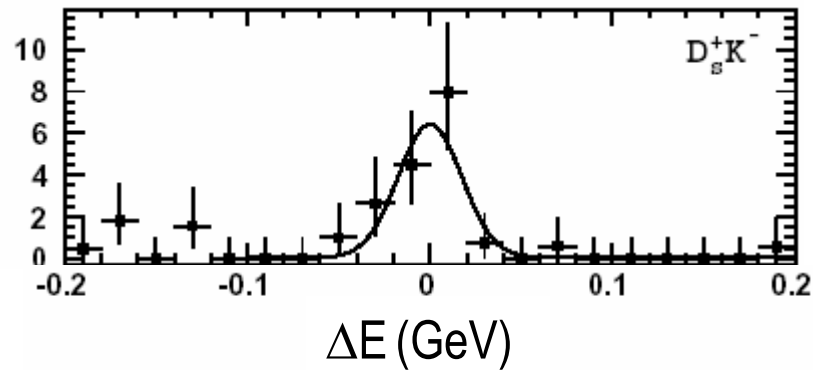
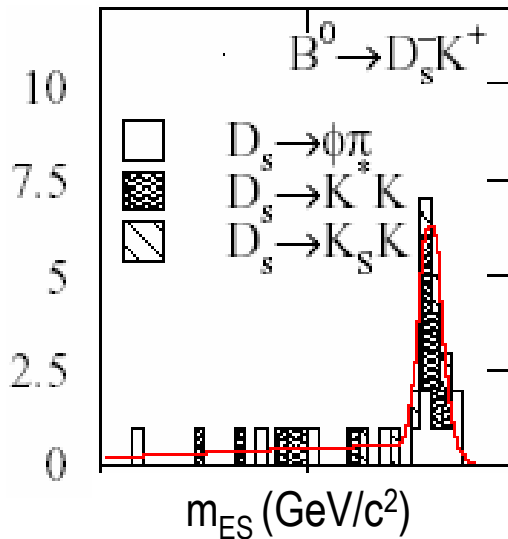
$B^0 \rightarrow D_s^- K^+$

- A search for the kinematically similar $B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(*)-} K^+$ has also been performed
 - $B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(*)-} K^+$ can only proceed through W-exchange (or final state rescattering). Theory estimates the BR between 10^{-6} – 10^{-4} **8**



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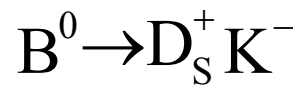


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Branching fraction (x 10⁻⁵)



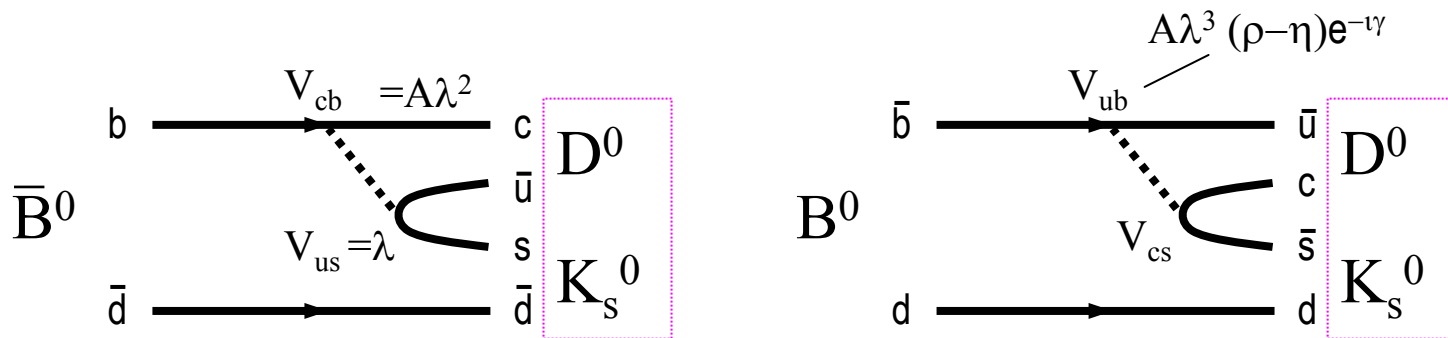
4.6 ± 1.2 ± 1.3

3.2 ± 1.0 ± 1.0

6.4σ

3.5σ

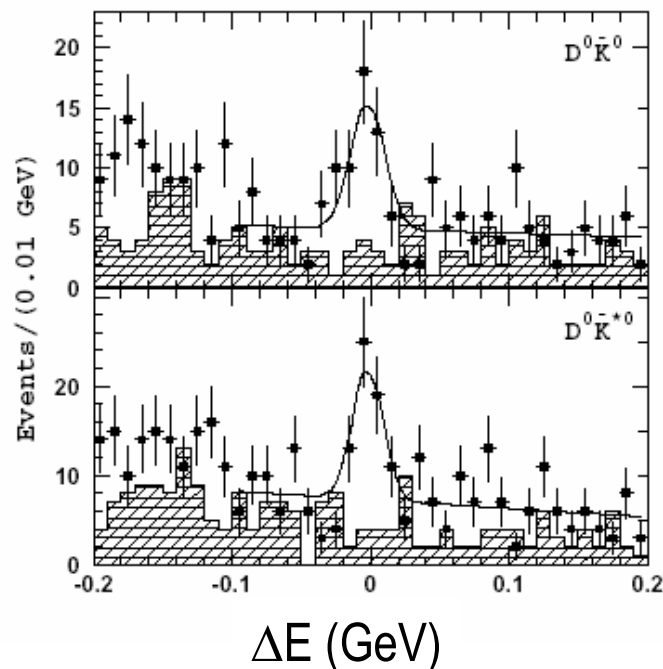
$$B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K_s^0, B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^{(*)0}$$



Interference between identical states

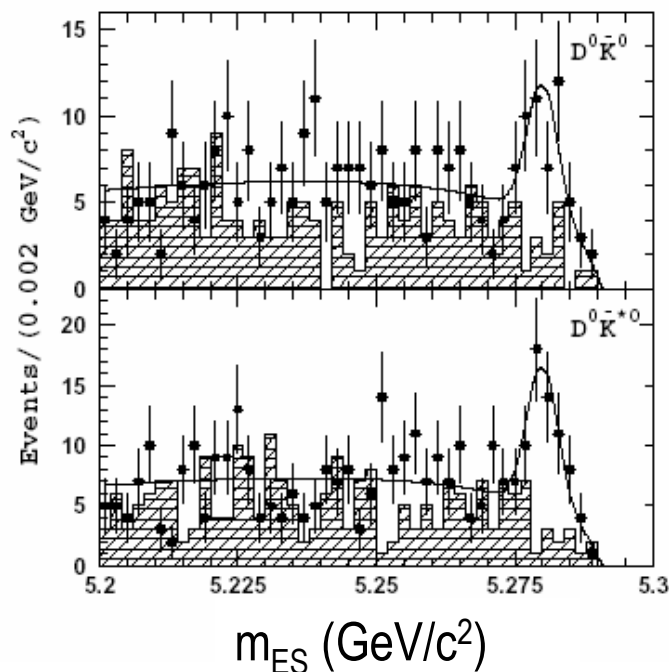
- Two color-suppressed amplitudes with relative phase $2\beta+\gamma$
 - Comparable amplitudes potentially give large CP asymmetry (~40%)
 - Potential for a future measurement of $2\beta+\gamma$ with a time-dependant analysis 9
- The low expected rate means a time-dependent analysis is statistically challenging
 - Analysis made more interesting in light of the higher rate seen in colour-suppressed $B^0 \rightarrow D^0\pi^0$ modes

$B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K_s^0, B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^{(*)0}$



$D^0 K^0$

$D^0 K^{*0}$



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(Preliminary)

- Signal extracted with a likelihood fit to the ΔE

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K_s^0) = (5.0 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-5}$$

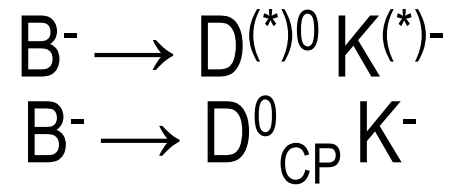
5.1 σ

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^{*0}) = (4.8 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-5}$$

5.6 σ

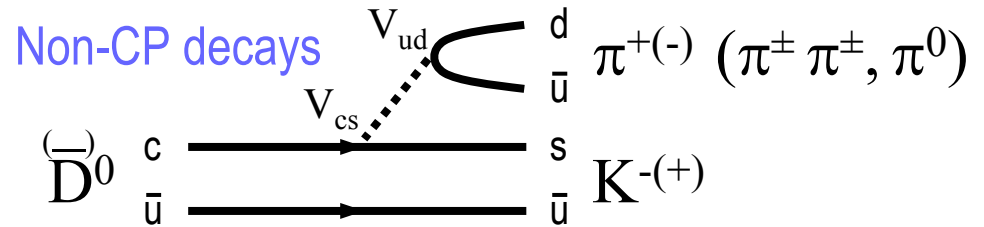
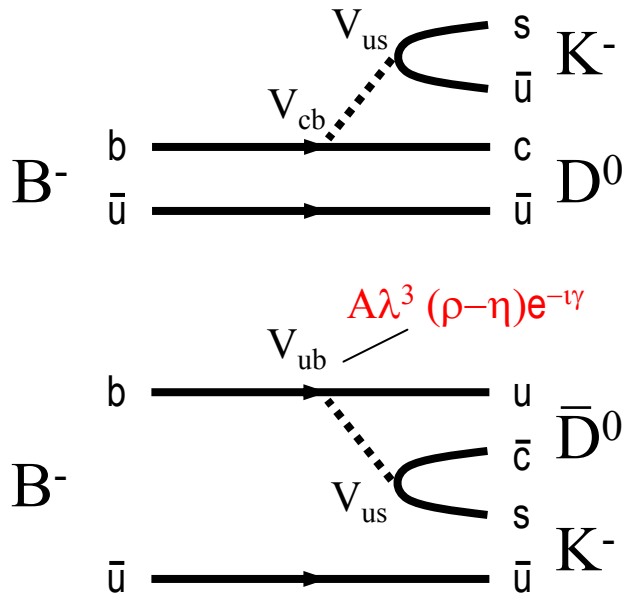
- Look forward to time-dependant analyses ($\sin(2\beta+\gamma)$) in the near future

First steps towards future γ analyses with B to charm processes



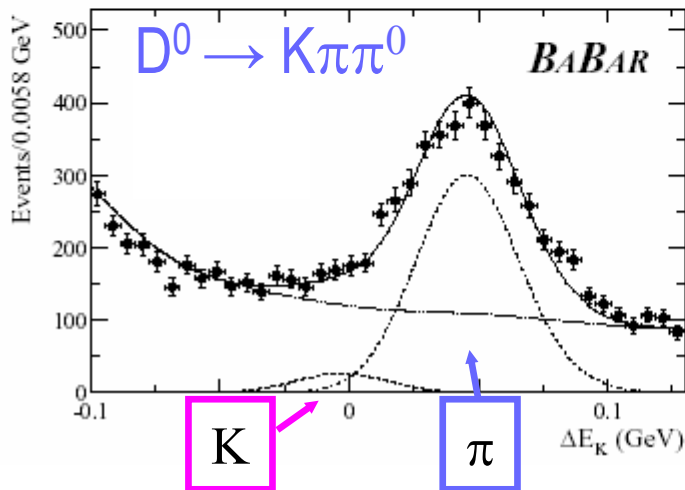
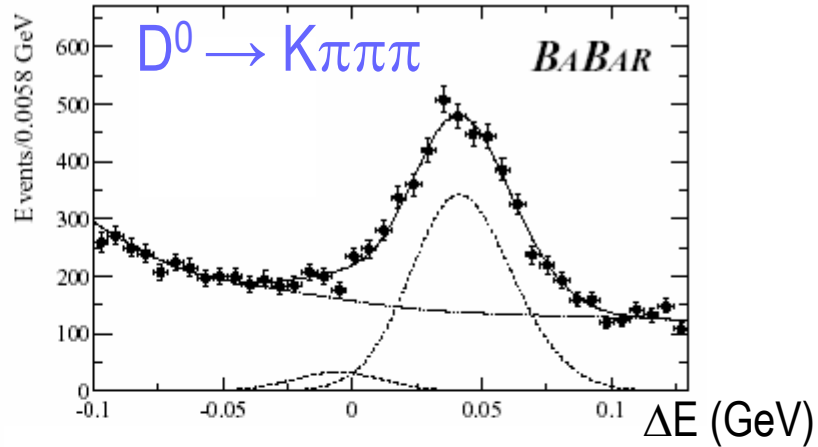
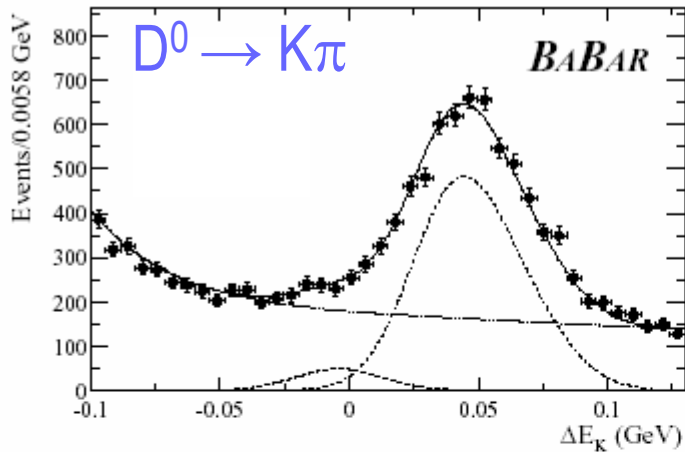
$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-$

- Motivation: extract γ from interference of charged Bs decaying to common final states



- Important first step towards the measurement of γ .
 - $b \rightarrow \bar{c} s$ are important modes for a future, theoretically clean method for extracting γ .
 - Extraction is possible even when the D^0 decay is not a CP eigenstate. (11)
 - However, this method uses interference of the colour-suppressed decay with the Cabibbo suppressed decay so it remains statistically very challenging... Perhaps 500ab^{-1}

$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- \quad D^0 \rightarrow K\pi, K\pi\pi^0, K\pi\pi\pi$



$$R = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^\pm \rightarrow D^0 K^\pm)}{\mathcal{B}(B^\pm \rightarrow D^0 \pi^\pm)}$$

$$R = (8.31 \pm 0.35 \pm 0.20)\% \quad \text{BABAR}$$

[weighted result over 3 modes]

$$R = (7.9 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.6)\% \quad \text{Belle}$$

$$R = (9.9 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.7)\% \quad \text{Belle II}$$

- Signal extracted with a likelihood fit to the ΔE , m_{ES} , $\theta_{Cherenkov}(\pi/K)$

- So approx. $BR(B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-) = 4.3 \times 10^{-4}$



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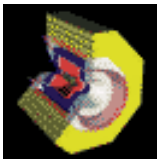
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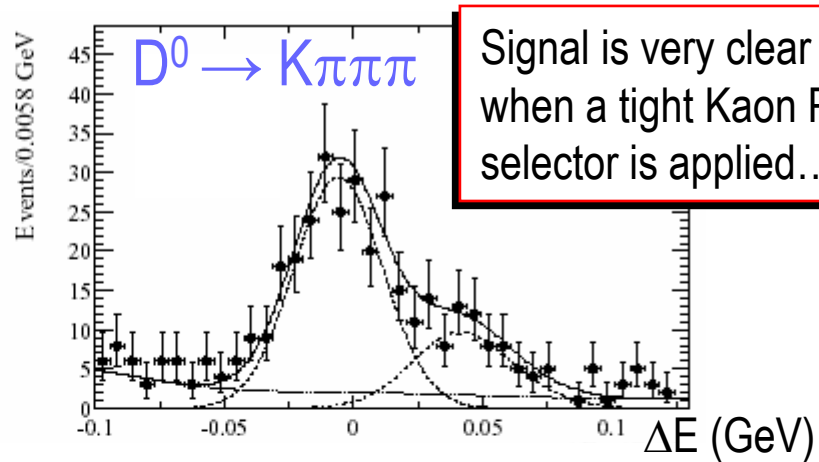
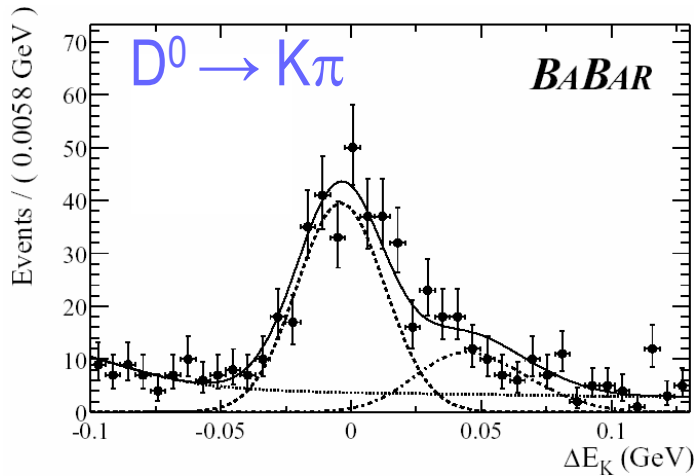
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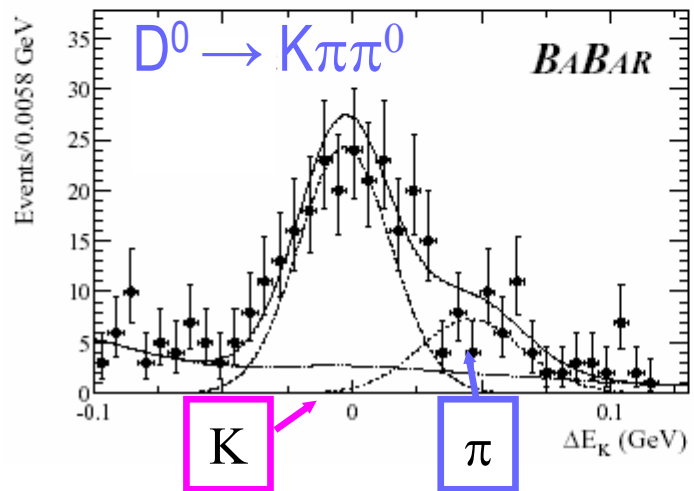
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$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- \quad D^0 \rightarrow K\pi, K\pi\pi^0, K\pi\pi\pi$



Signal is very clear when a tight Kaon PID selector is applied...



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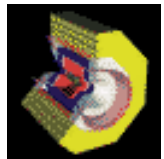
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$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^{*-}$ $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi, K\pi\pi^0, K\pi\pi\pi$

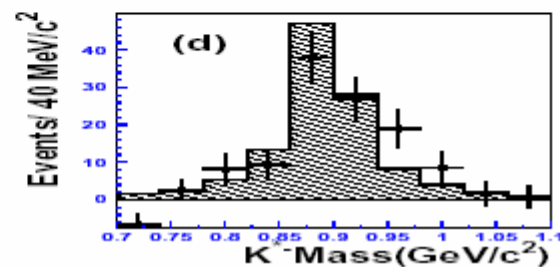
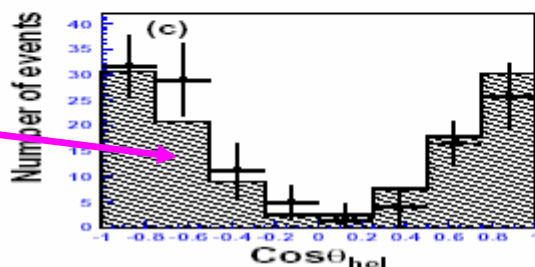
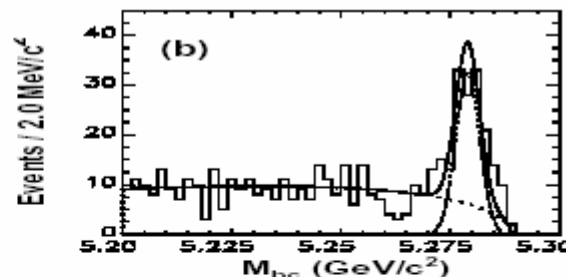
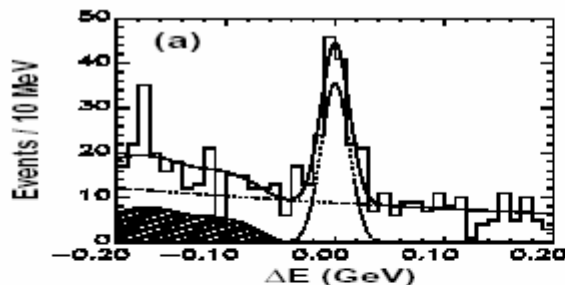
- The same physics can be targeted with excited K^{*-} states replacing the K^-



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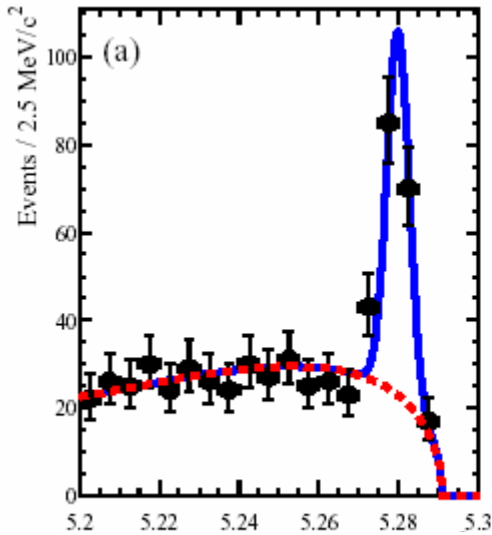
$\cos \theta_{\text{HEL}}$ form
from polarized
pseudoscalar to
pseudoscalar-
vector decay

- Signal extracted with a likelihood fit to the ΔE

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^{*-}) = (5.4 \pm 0.6(\text{stat}) \pm 0.8(\text{sys})) \times 10^{-4}$$

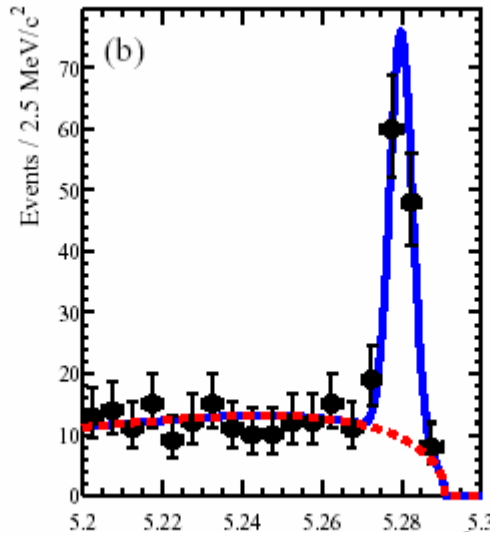
$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$ $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi, K\pi\pi^0, K\pi\pi\pi$

- For the same reason, observing and then using $B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$ is also important.
 - Hot off the press from Babar



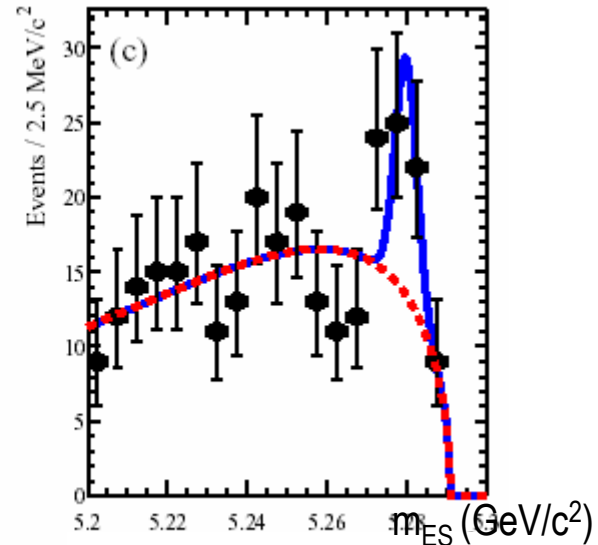
$B \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$

ALL



$B \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$

$D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$



$B \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$

$D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \gamma$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}) = (8.0 \pm 1.0(\text{stat}) \pm 1.2(\text{sys})) \times 10^{-4}$$



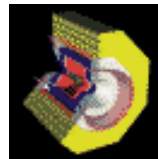
Compares well with CLEO (2001) result $(7.7 \pm 2.2(\text{stat}) \pm 2.6(\text{sys})) \times 10^{-4}$



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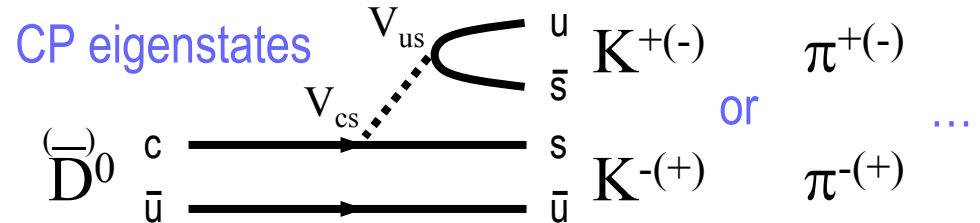
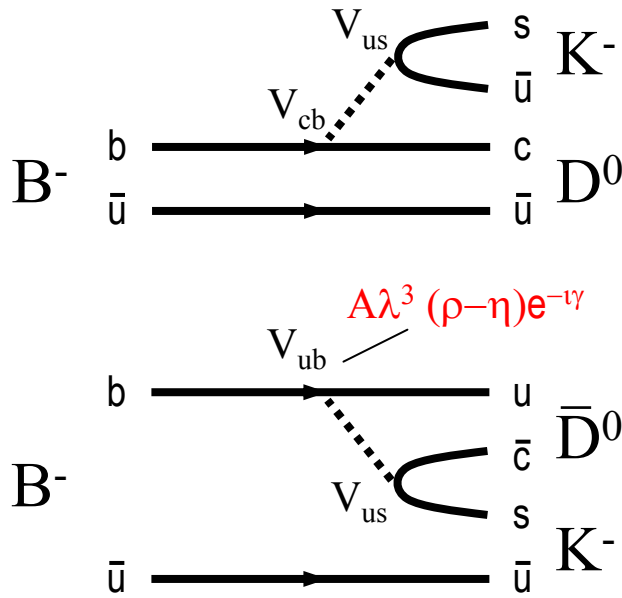
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$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- \quad D^0 \rightarrow \{\text{CP-eigenstate}\}$

- We can also look for direct CP violation where the D^0 decays to CP eigenstates 18

$$\text{CPV} : \mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{\text{CP}}^0 K^-) \neq \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{\text{CP}}^0 K^+)$$



- Again, a statistically challenged analysis

- Rate is suppressed (either by colour or cabbibo effects) for CP decays of the D^0 w.r.t. non-CP decays ($D \rightarrow K\pi \dots$)

- CP violation effect is expected to be small
 - Assume $D\bar{D}$ mixing is negligible

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \pi^-)} \approx \left| \frac{a_2}{a_1} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{V_{ub}}{V_{cb} V_{us}^*} \right| \approx 10\%$$

colour suppression term

$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- \quad D^0 \rightarrow \{\text{CP-eigenstate}\}$

Results are presented for $CP = +1 : K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$

$CP = -1 : K_S\pi^0, K_S\phi, K_S\eta, K_S\omega, K_S\eta'$



$D \rightarrow K\pi$
(or D_f)

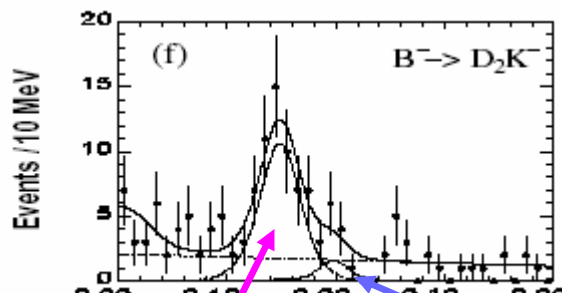
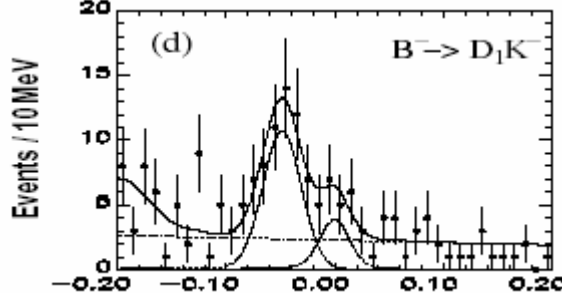
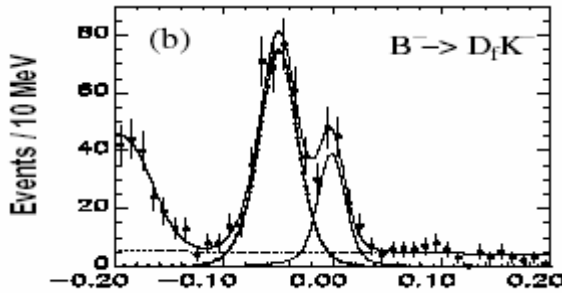
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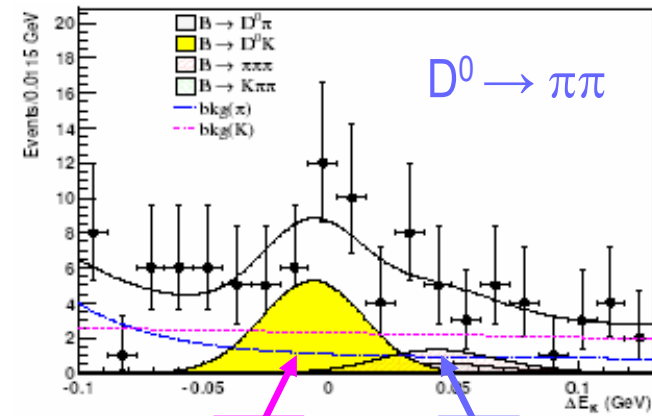
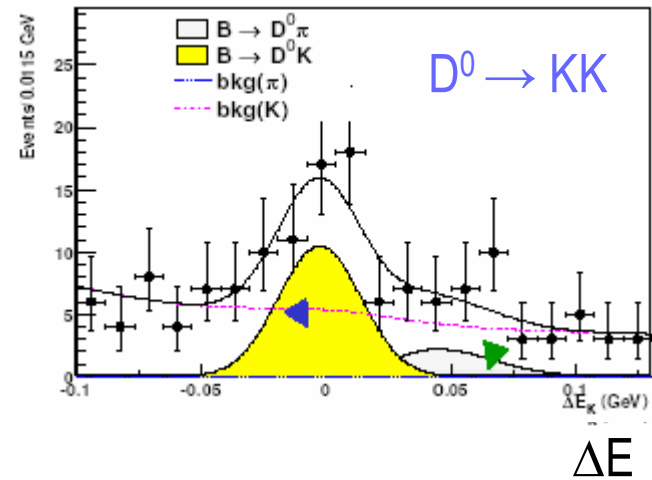
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$CP = +1$
(or D_1)

$CP = -1$
(or D_2)



K **π**



K **π**



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(Preliminary)

$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- \quad D^0 \rightarrow \{\text{CP-eigenstate}\}$

- The asymmetry is expected to be small and, as yet, no CPV is seen

$$\mathcal{A}_{1,2} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{1,2}^0 K^-) - \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{1,2}^0 K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{1,2}^0 K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{1,2}^0 K^+)}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{1,2} = \frac{2r \sin(\delta) \sin(\gamma)}{1 + r^2 + 2r \cos(\delta) \cos(\gamma)}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{1,2} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{1,2}^0 K^-) / \mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{1,2}^0 \pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{D \rightarrow K\pi}^0 K^-) / \mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{D \rightarrow K\pi}^0 \pi^-)}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{1,2} = 1 + r^2 + 2r \cos(\delta) \cos(\gamma)$$







$$r = \frac{\Gamma(\text{colour sup.})}{\Gamma(\text{colour allow.})}$$

δ = strong phase
 γ = weak phase

1 internal relation

$$\mathcal{A}_1 \mathcal{R}_1 = -\mathcal{A}_2 \mathcal{R}_2$$

leaves 3 independent
 measurables for 3
 unknowns (r, δ, γ)!

			CP = +1
\mathcal{A}_1	=	$0.06 \pm 0.19(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{sys})$	
	=	$0.17 \pm 0.23(\text{stat}) \pm 0.08(\text{sys})$	
\mathcal{R}_1	=	$1.21 \pm 0.25(\text{stat}) \pm 0.14(\text{sys})$	
	=	$1.06 \pm 0.26(\text{stat}) \pm 0.17(\text{sys})$	
			CP = -1
\mathcal{A}_2	=	$-0.19 \pm 0.17(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{sys})$	
\mathcal{R}_2	=	$1.41 \pm 0.27(\text{stat}) \pm 0.15(\text{sys})$	



81.2 fb⁻¹

12

(Preliminary)



78 fb⁻¹

13

(Preliminary)

Summary of the review

Color Suppression

- Colour-suppressed modes have been observed and confirmed by all the B-factory experiments
- Colour suppression in $B \rightarrow D^0 X^0$ decays is not as strong as previously expected
- Good news for statistically-limited analyses using colour-suppressed modes

Working towards $2\beta+\gamma$

- $>3\sigma$ evidence for $B \rightarrow D_s^* \pi$; a vital ingredient of $2\beta+\gamma$ analyses of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \pi$
- First observation of the annihilation process $B^- \rightarrow D_s^* K^-$
- First observation of $B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^0$; beginning of a new $2\beta+\gamma$ analysis

Looking forward to γ

- A lot of effort is being targeted at $B \rightarrow D_{(CP)}^0 K$ decays. Several methods for extraction of γ
 - The search direct CPV with exclusive hadronic B to charm decays is underway
 - But we are definitely statistically limited so, as yet, no violation is seen
- Belle and Babar both currently approaching 150fb^{-1} and aiming for 500fb^{-1} in 2005,

Watch this space.....

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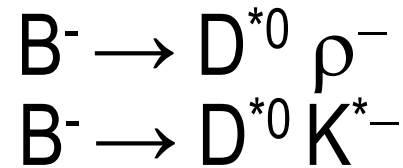
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BACK-UP SLIDES

$$B^0 \text{ and } B^\pm \longrightarrow D^{(*)} D^{(*)} K$$

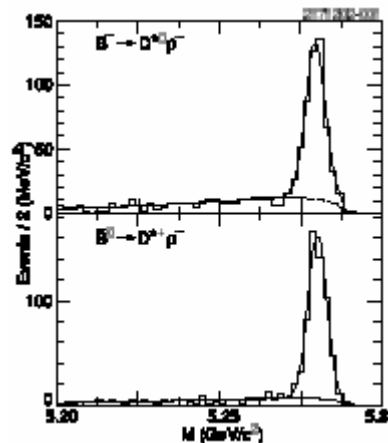
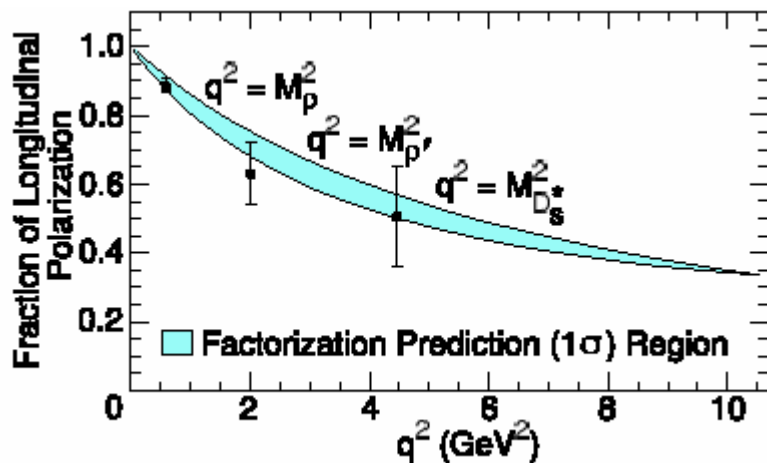
$$B^0 \longrightarrow D^{(*)} \pi\pi$$

Testing factorization with polarization measurements in B to vector-vector decays



Tests of factorization from $B \rightarrow D^* \rho^-$ and $B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$

- Under the factorization hypothesis, B decays to vector mesons are analogous to semileptonic decays with a momentum transfer $q^2 = M_{\ell\nu}^2$



$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} \rho^-$

$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \rho^-$

$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} \rho^-$

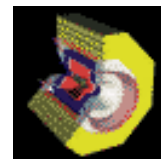
$$\frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma} = 0.892 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.016$$

$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \rho^-$

$$\frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma} = 0.885 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.012$$

$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*-}$

$$\frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma} = 0.86 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.03$$



9.1 fb⁻¹



81.2 fb⁻¹

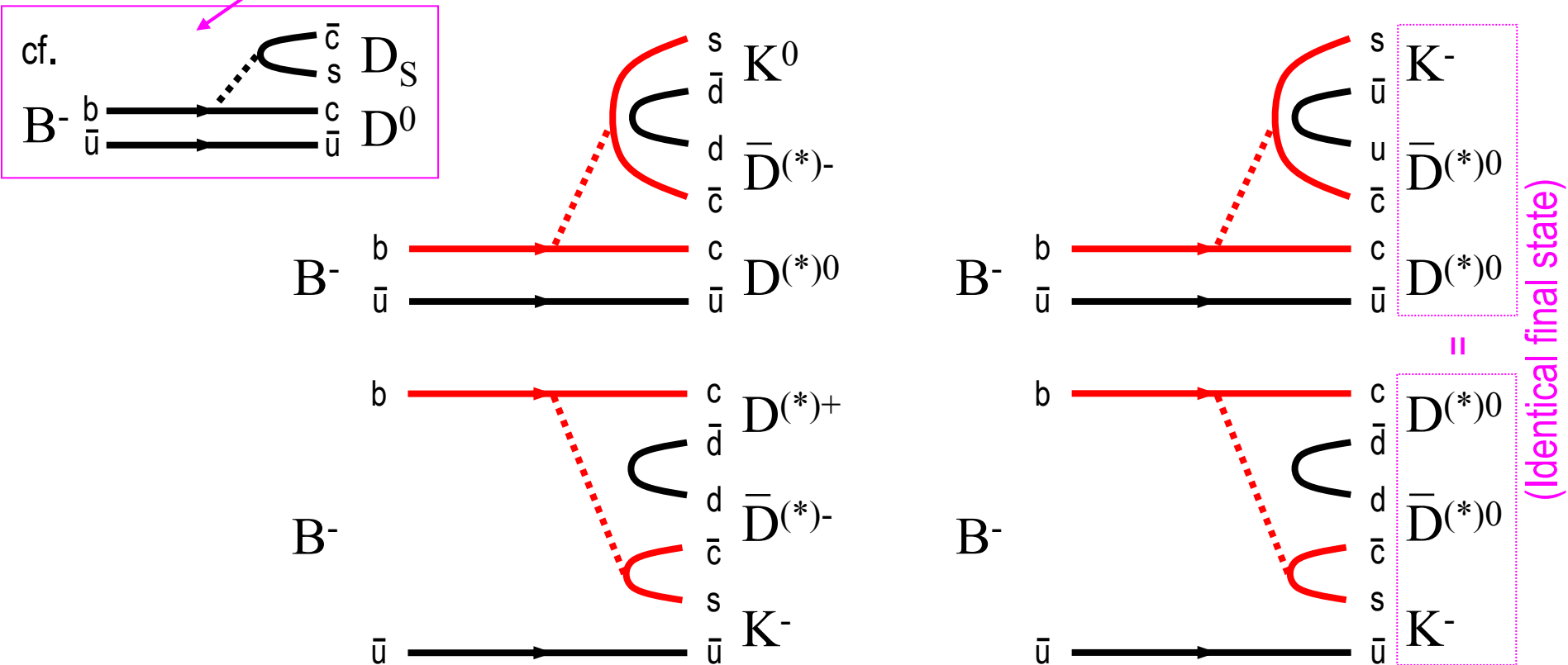
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Resolving charm counting questions with the high statistics from the B-factories

$$B^0 \text{ and } B^\pm \longrightarrow D^{(*)} D^{(*)} K$$

B^0 and $B^\pm \rightarrow D^{(*)} D^{(*)} K$

- $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow c\bar{c}s)$ using $B \rightarrow D_s X, (cc)X, \Xi_c X$ ($\sim 15\%$) is too low to agree with observed semi-leptonic rates ($\sim 10\%$) of B decays
- The observation of a significant rate for 3-body $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \bar{D}^{(*)} K$ processes validates solutions this long-standing problem of charm content of B decays



B⁰ and B[±] → D^(*) D^(*) K

B decay mode	Branching fraction (10 ⁻³)	90% C.L. upper limit (10 ⁻³)
	$1.7 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.3$	
$B^0 \rightarrow D^- D^{*0} K^+$	$4.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.7$	
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} D^0 K^+$	$3.1^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \pm 0.4$	
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} D^{*0} K^+$	$11.8 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.7$	
	$0.8^{+0.6}_{-0.5} \pm 0.3$	< 1.7
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} D^+ K^0 + CC$	$6.5 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.0$	
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} D^{*+} K^0$	$8.8^{+1.5}_{-1.4} \pm 1.3$	
	$0.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2$	< 1.4
$B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 D^{*0} K^0 + CC$	$1.7^{+1.4}_{-1.3} \pm 0.7$	< 3.7
$B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} D^{*0} K^0$	$3.3^{+2.1}_{-2.0} \pm 1.4$	< 6.6
	$1.8 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.4$	< 2.8
$B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} D^+ K^0$	$4.1^{+1.5}_{-1.4} \pm 0.8$	< 6.1
$B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 D^{*+} K^0$	$5.2^{+1.0}_{-0.9} \pm 0.7$	
$B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} D^{*+} K^0$	$7.8^{+2.3}_{-2.1} \pm 1.4$	
	$1.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.3$	< 3.8
$B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} D^0 K^+$	$1.8^{+0.7}_{-0.6} \pm 0.4$	
$B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 D^{*0} K^+$	$4.7 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.7$	
$B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} D^{*0} K^+$	$5.3^{+1.1}_{-1.0} \pm 1.2$	
	$0.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1$	< 0.4
$B^+ \rightarrow D^- D^{*+} K^+$	$0.2 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1$	< 0.7
$B^+ \rightarrow D^{*-} D^+ K^+$	$1.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.2$	
$B^+ \rightarrow D^{*-} D^{*+} K^+$	$0.9 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2$	< 1.8

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)} D^{(*)} K) = (4.3 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)} D^{(*)} K) = (3.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-2}$$

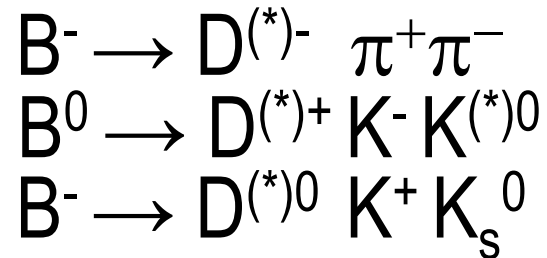
- A significant measurement has been made for all decay types
- The total BRs show that B → DDK contributes significantly to the b → ccs rates
- The total $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow ccs)$ is ~23% which is lower than ~30% predicted by theory



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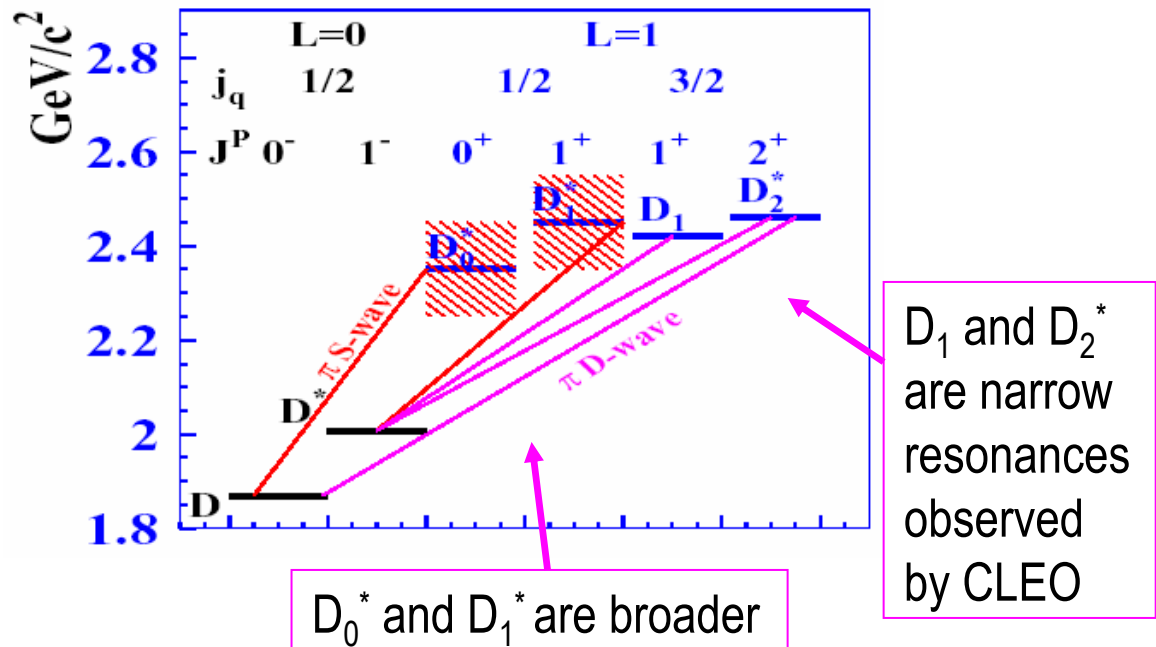
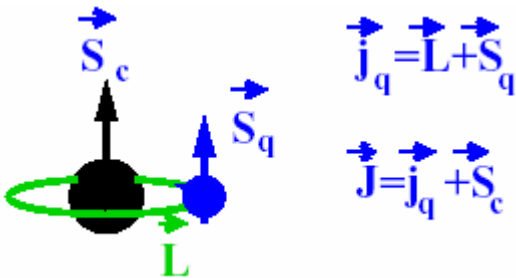
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Exploring the resonant sub-structure of B-decays



Resonance structure - $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)+} \pi^- \pi^-$

- Study of charmed meson production in B decays provides an opportunity to test Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET)
 - In the heavy quark limit, the heavy quark spin s_c decouples from the other degrees of freedom, so that the total momentum of the light quark $j_q = L + s_q$ is a good quantum number

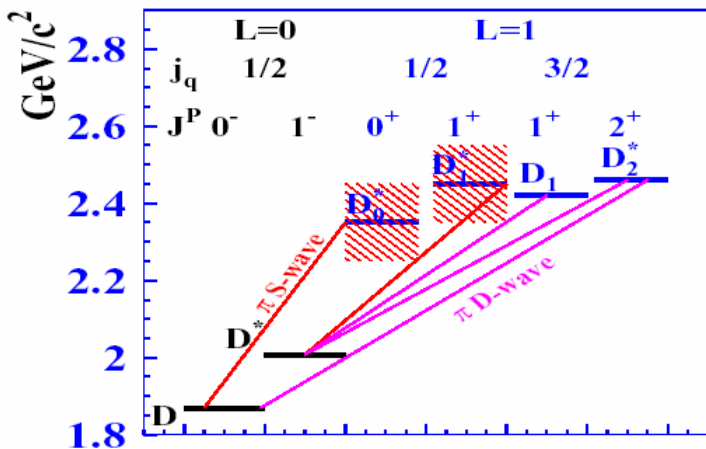
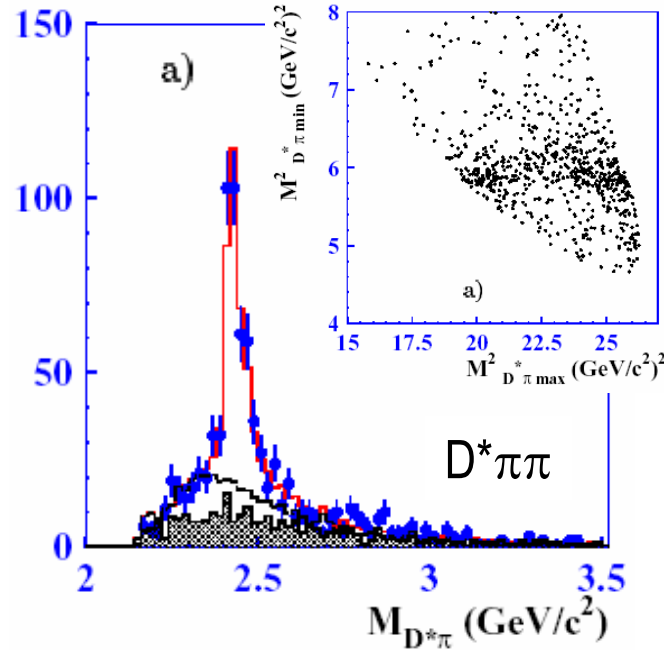
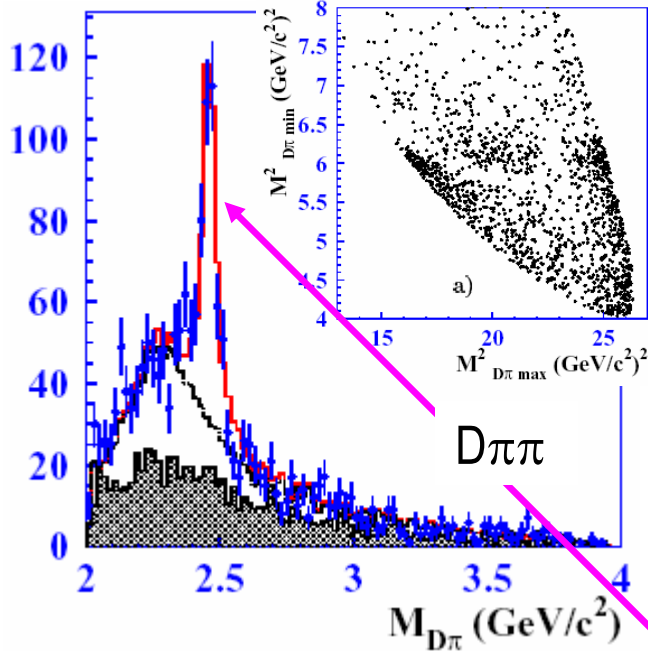


Resonance structure - $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)+} \pi^- \pi^-$



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$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_2^{*0} \pi^-) \times \mathcal{B}(D_2^{*0} \rightarrow D^- \pi^+) = (3.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_0^{*0} \pi^-) \times \mathcal{B}(D_0^{*0} \rightarrow D^- \pi^+) = (5.5 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_1 \pi^-) \times \mathcal{B}(D_1 \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+) = (6.2 \pm 0.5 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-4}$$

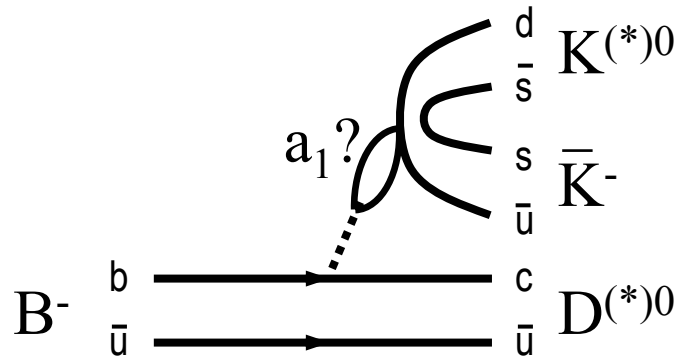
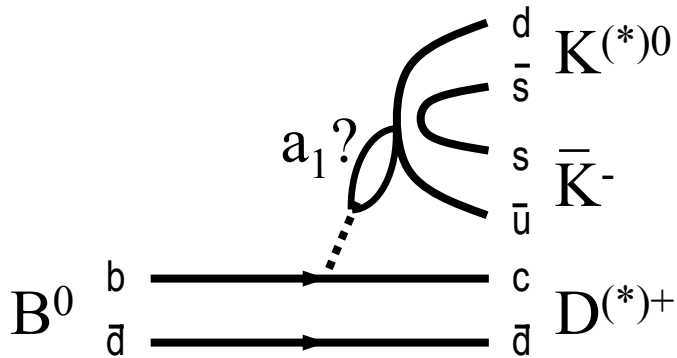
$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_2^{*0} \pi^-) \times \mathcal{B}(D_2^{*0} \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+) = (2.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_1^{*0} \pi^-) \times \mathcal{B}(D_1^{*0} \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+) = (4.1 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+} K^- K^{(*)0}, \quad B^\pm \rightarrow D^{(*)0} K^+ K_s^0$$

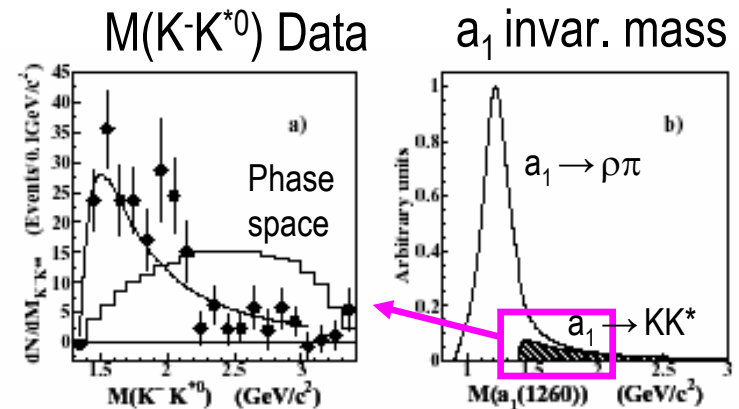


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Decay modes	Br. fractions, upper limits (10 ⁻⁴)	Signif. σ
$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- K^{*0}$	$7.5 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.1$	8.0
$B^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^- K^{*0}$	$8.8 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.5$	10.4
$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^- K^{*0}$	$15.3 \pm 3.1 \pm 2.9$	6.7
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} K^- K^{*0}$	$12.9 \pm 2.2 \pm 2.5$	9.5
$B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- K^0$	$5.5 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.8$	5.5

1st observation of all modes



“The observed behaviour can be interpreted as the production of an intermediate $a_1(1260)$ resonance that decays to $K^- K_s^0$.”