

D^0 Mixing at the B -Factories

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Introduction

- Neutral meson mixing has been already observed in the K (1956), B_d (1987) and B_s (2006) systems
- Why is D^0 mixing interesting ?
 - It **completes the picture of quark mixing** already observed in other systems
 - Provides new information about processes with **down-type quarks** in the mixing loop diagram
 - It is an important step towards the observation of **CP violation** in the Charm sector
 - **New physics** may be present depending on the measured values of the mixing parameters



D⁰ Mixing Formalism

Neutral D mesons are produced as *flavor eigenstates* D^0 and \bar{D}^0 and decay via :

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} D^0(t) \\ \bar{D}^0(t) \end{pmatrix} = \left(\mathbf{M} - \frac{i}{2}\mathbf{\Gamma} \right) \begin{pmatrix} D^0(t) \\ \bar{D}^0(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

as *mass eigenstates* D_1, D_2

$$|D_1\rangle = p|D^0\rangle + q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$$

$$|D_2\rangle = p|D^0\rangle - q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$$

where $|q|^2 + |p|^2 = 1$ and

$$\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^2 = \frac{M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{12}^*}{M_{12} - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{12}}$$

D_1, D_2 have masses M_1, M_2 and widths Γ_1, Γ_2

Mixing occurs when there is a *non-zero* mass difference

$$\Delta M = M_1 - M_2$$

or lifetime difference

$$\Delta\Gamma = \Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2$$

For convenience define quantities x and y

$$x = \frac{\Delta M}{\Gamma}, \quad y = \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{2\Gamma}$$

where $\Gamma = \frac{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}{2}$

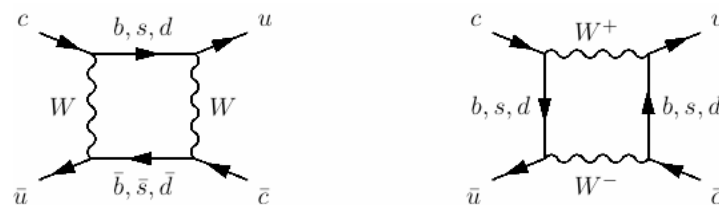


D^0 Mixing Processes

- Short-distance contributions from mixing box diagrams in the Standard Model are expected to be small :

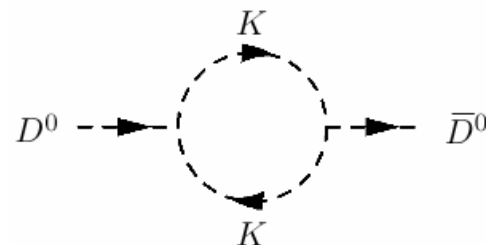
- b quark is CKM-suppressed
 - $|V_{ub}V_{cb}^*|^2$
- s and d quarks are GIM suppressed
 - $(m_s^2 - m_d^2)/m_W^2$
- mainly contributes to the mass diff.
 - $x \approx \mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$

Short-distance



- Long-distance contributions dominate
 - non-perturbative effects (hard to calculate)
 - expect to be $\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$ or less in the SM
 - mainly affect the lifetime diff. y (but also x)
 - $x, y \approx \sin^2 \theta_c \times [\text{SU}(3) \text{ breaking}]^2$

Long-distance

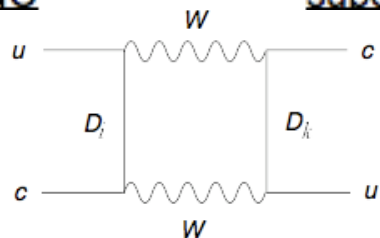
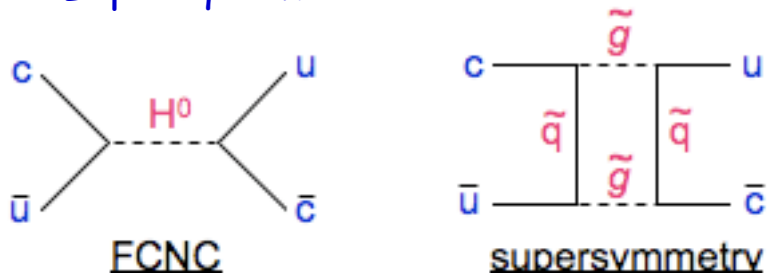


- Phys.Rev. D **65**, 054034 (2002)
- Phys.Rev. D **69**, 114021 (2004)



New Physics D^0 Mixing Predictions

- Possible enhancements to mixing due to new particles and interactions in new physics models
- Most new physics predictions for x
 - Extended Higgs, tree-level FCNC
 - Fourth generation down-type quarks
 - Supersymmetry: gluinos, squarks
 - Lepto-quarks



Heavy weak iso-singlet quarks

- Large possible SM contributions to mixing require observation of either a CP-violating signal or $|x| \gg |y|$ to establish presence of NP
- A recent survey ([arXiv:0705.365v1](#)) summarizes models and constraints:

Fourth generation	Vector leptoquarks
$Q = -1/3$ singlet quark	Flavor-conserving Two-Higgs
$Q = +2/3$ singlet quark	Flavor-changing neutral Higgs
Little Higgs	Scalar leptoquarks
Generic Z'	MSSM
Left-right symmetric	Supersymmetric alignment



BABAR $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ mixing analysis

We select a clean sample of D^0 and \bar{D}^0 by tagging the *flavor at production time* using the decays of $D^{*\pm} \rightarrow \pi_s^\pm D^0$

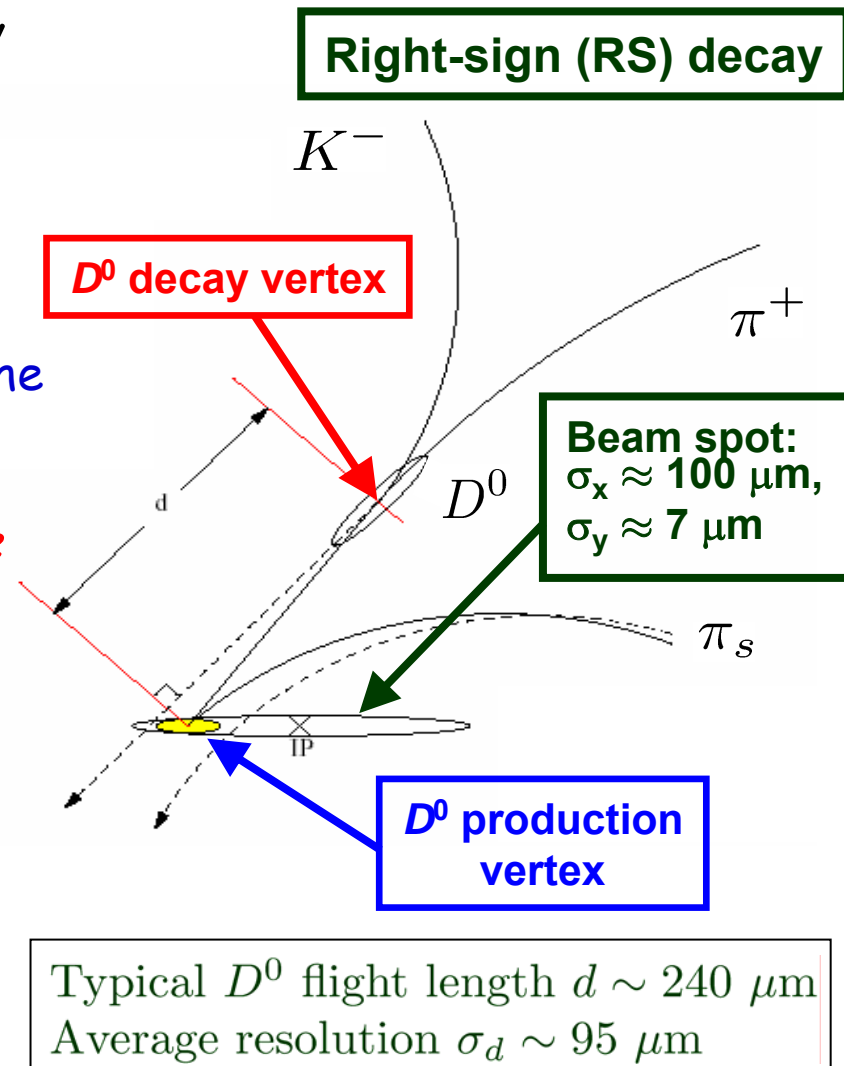
- We select events around the expected $\Delta m = m(D_{\text{rec.}}^{*+}) - m(D_{\text{rec.}}^0)$
- The charge of the slow pion determines the flavor of the D^0

We identify the D^0 *flavor at decay time* using the charge of the Kaon

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \quad \text{right-sign (RS)}$$

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \quad \text{wrong-sign (WS)}$$

Vertices fit with beamspot constraint determines $m_{K\pi}$, Δm , proper-time t and error δ_t



Time evolution of $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ decays

Mixing occurs when a meson produced as a D^0 decays as a \bar{D}^0 or vice versa

Right sign decays (RS):

– Cabibbo-favored (CF) $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \longleftrightarrow$ no mixing

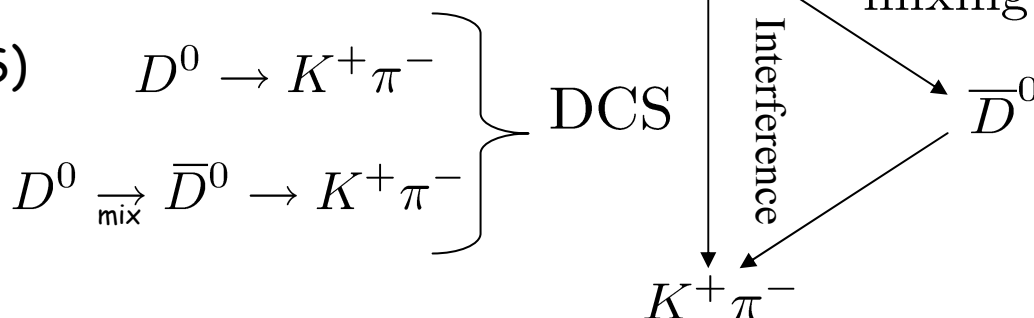
Wrong sign decays (WS):

– Doubly Cabibbo-suppressed (DCS)

– Rate (R_D): $\tan^4 \theta_c \approx 0.3\%$

– Mixing followed by CF decay

– Rate (R_M): 10^{-4} or less



Need to discriminate between DCS and Mixing decays by their proper time evolution

(assuming CP-conservation and $|x| \ll 1, |y| \ll 1$):

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dt} [|D^0(t)\rangle \rightarrow f] \propto e^{-\Gamma t} \left(R_D + \sqrt{R_D} y' \Gamma t + \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4} (\Gamma t)^2 \right)$$

DCS decay

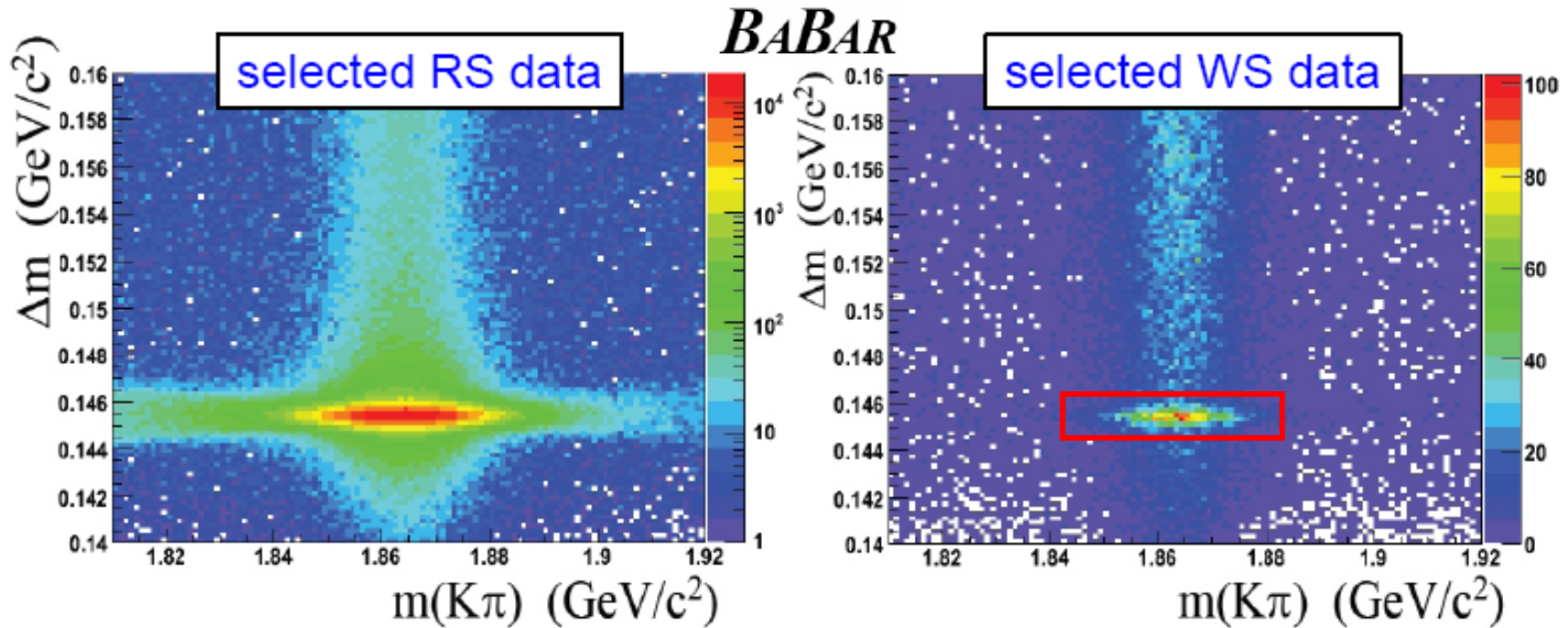
Interference between DCS and mixing

Mixing

$$x' = x \cos \delta_{K\pi} + y \sin \delta_{K\pi}, \quad y' = -x \sin \delta_{K\pi} + y \cos \delta_{K\pi}$$

$\delta_{K\pi}$: strong phase difference between CF and DCS decay amplitudes

RS and WS $m_{K\pi}, \Delta m$ Distributions



All fits are over the *full range* shown in the plots

$$1.81 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < m_{K\pi} < 1.92 \text{ GeV/c}^2 \text{ and } 0.14 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < \Delta m < 0.16 \text{ GeV/c}^2$$

Define a *signal region*

$$1.843 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < m_{K\pi} < 1.883 \text{ GeV/c}^2 \text{ and } 0.1445 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < \Delta m < 0.1465 \text{ GeV/c}^2$$



Mixing WS decay time fit

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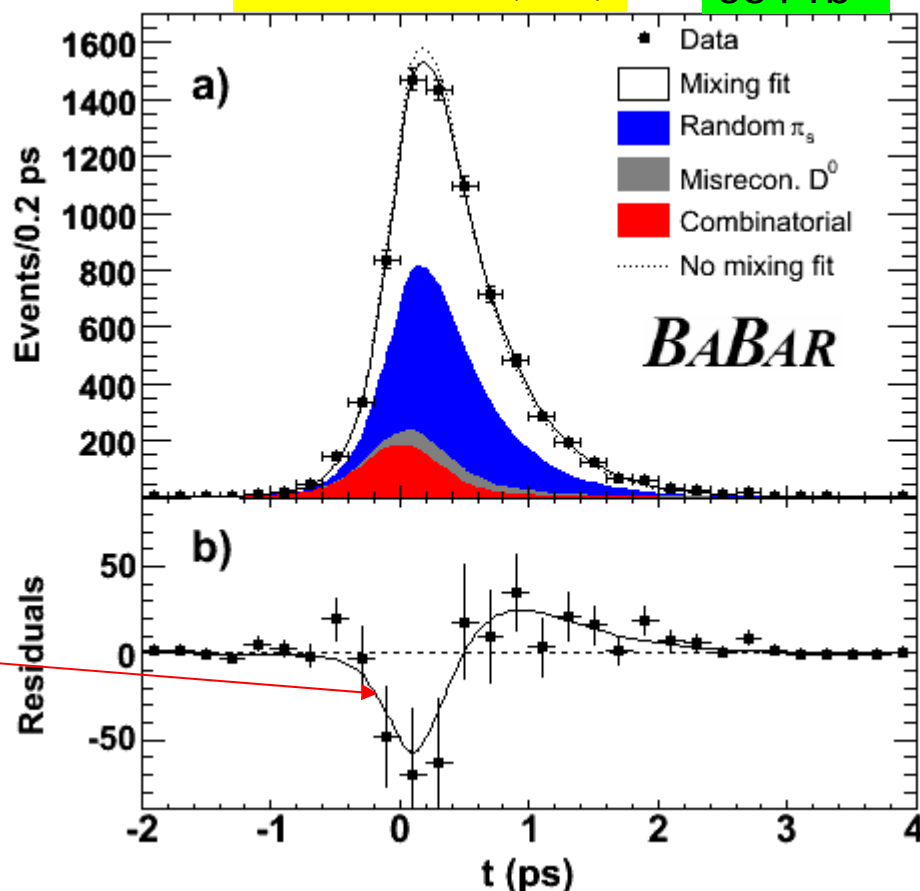
384 fb⁻¹

The difference between the no-mixing fit and the fit with mixing is shown in the residuals plot.

The points represent the data minus the no-mixing fit (effectively the dashed line ---)

The solid curve represent the mixing fit minus the no-mixing fit

The fit is significantly improved by allowing for mixing.



WS mixing fit projection in the signal region

$1.843 \text{ GeV}/c^2 < m < 1.883 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

$0.1445 \text{ GeV}/c^2 < \Delta m < 0.1465 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



Mixing fit likelihood contours

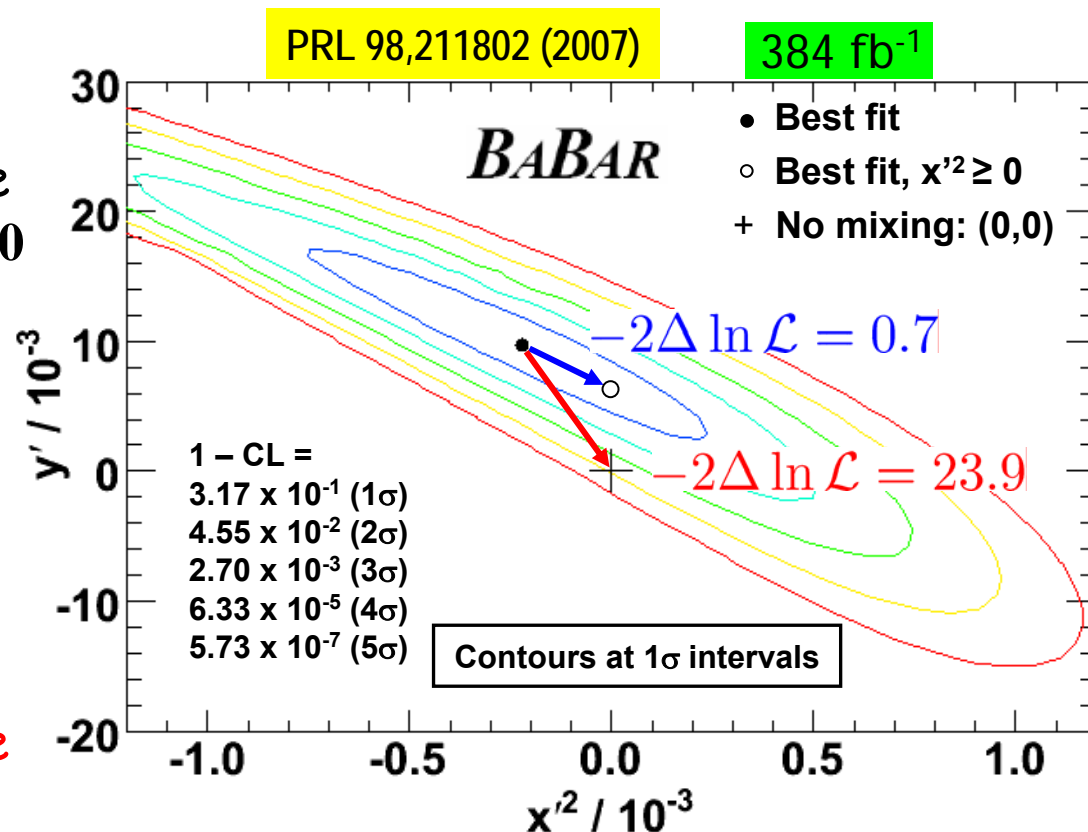
Contours in y', x'^2 computed from $-2\Delta \ln \mathcal{L}$

- Best-fit point is in the non-physical region $x'^2 < 0$
- 1σ contour extends into physical region
- Correlation: -0.95

Contours include systematic errors

The no-mixing point is at the 3.9σ contour

Fits show no evidence for CP violation



$$R_D: (3.03 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.10) \times 10^{-3}$$

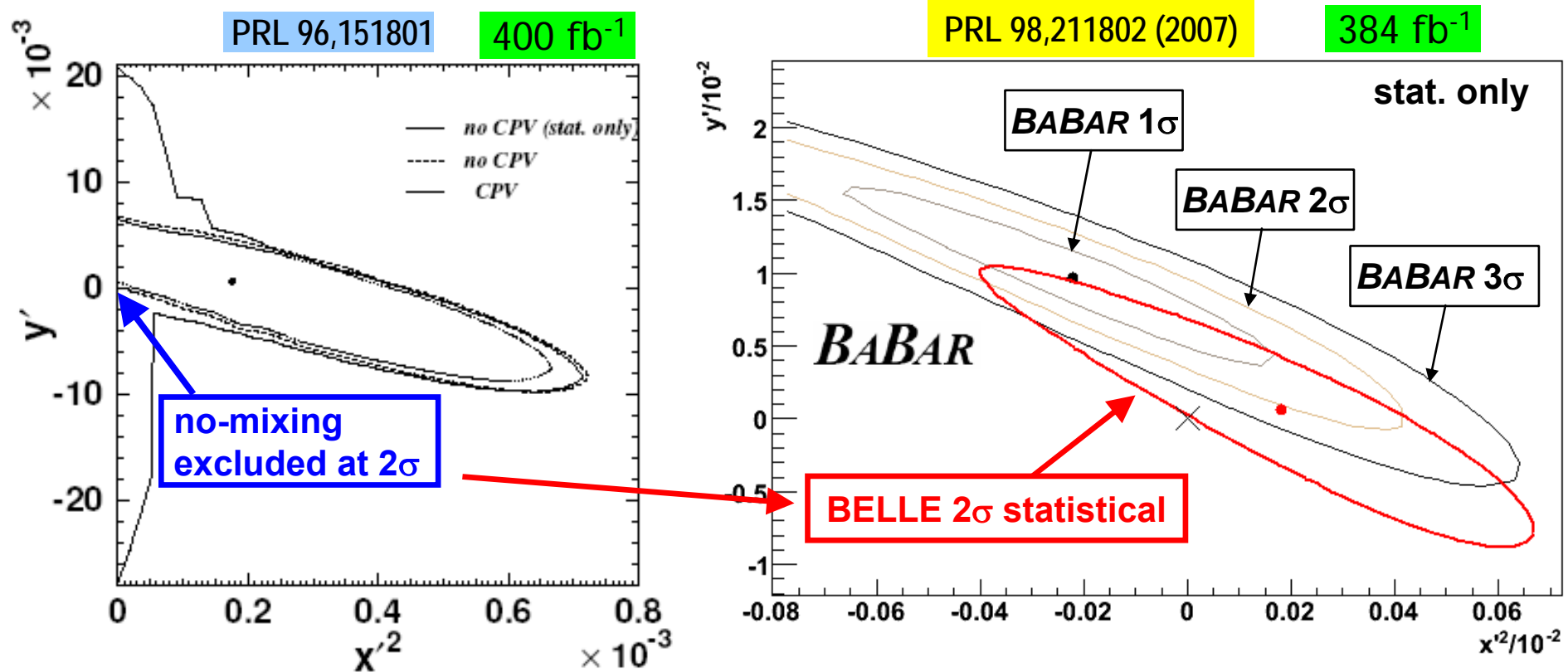
$$x'^2: (-0.22 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$y': (9.7 \pm 4.4 \pm 3.1) \times 10^{-3}$$



BABAR vs. BELLE $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ result

Results consistent within 2σ



Average $K\pi$ Mixing Results

Heavy flavor averaging group (HFAG)
provides "official" averages

Combine BaBar and Belle likelihoods in 3 dimensions (R_D , x'^2 , y')

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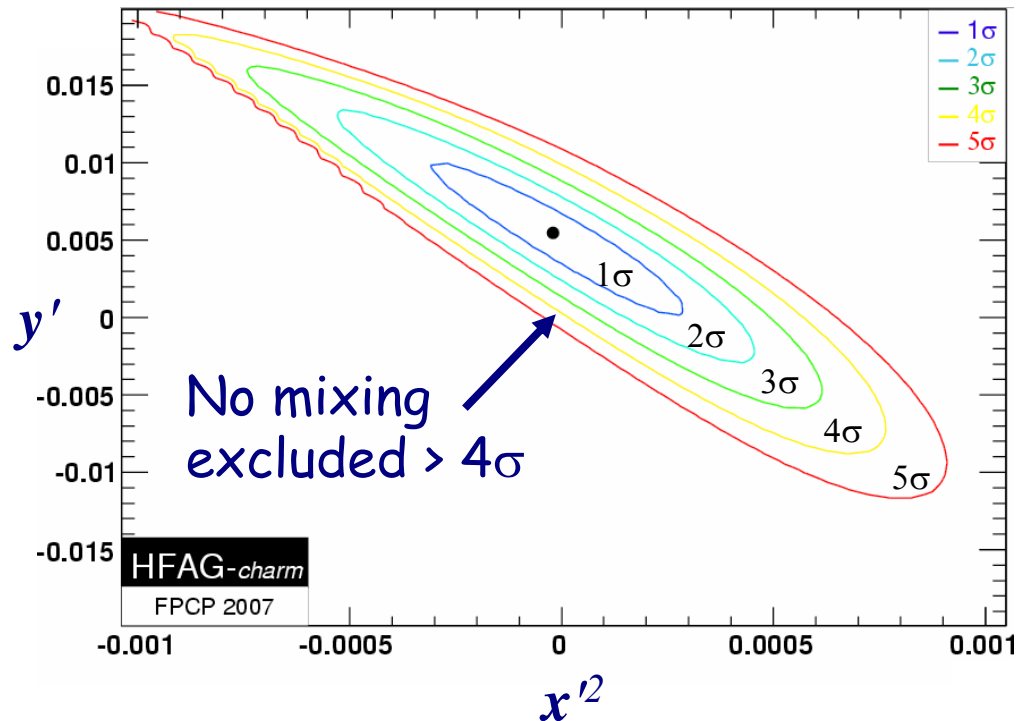
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July 2007 Averages:

$$R_D = (3.30^{+0.14}_{-0.12}) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$x'^2 = (-0.01 \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$y' = (5.5^{+2.8}_{-3.7}) \times 10^{-3}$$



BELLE K^+K^- , $\pi^+\pi^-$ lifetime ratio

Look for a lifetime difference y_{CP} between $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$, $\pi^+\pi^-$ (CP-even) and the $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$ (CP-mixed)

$$y_{CP} = \frac{\tau(K^-\pi^+)}{\tau(K^-K^+)} - 1 = \frac{\tau(K^-\pi^+)}{\tau(\pi^-\pi^+)} - 1$$

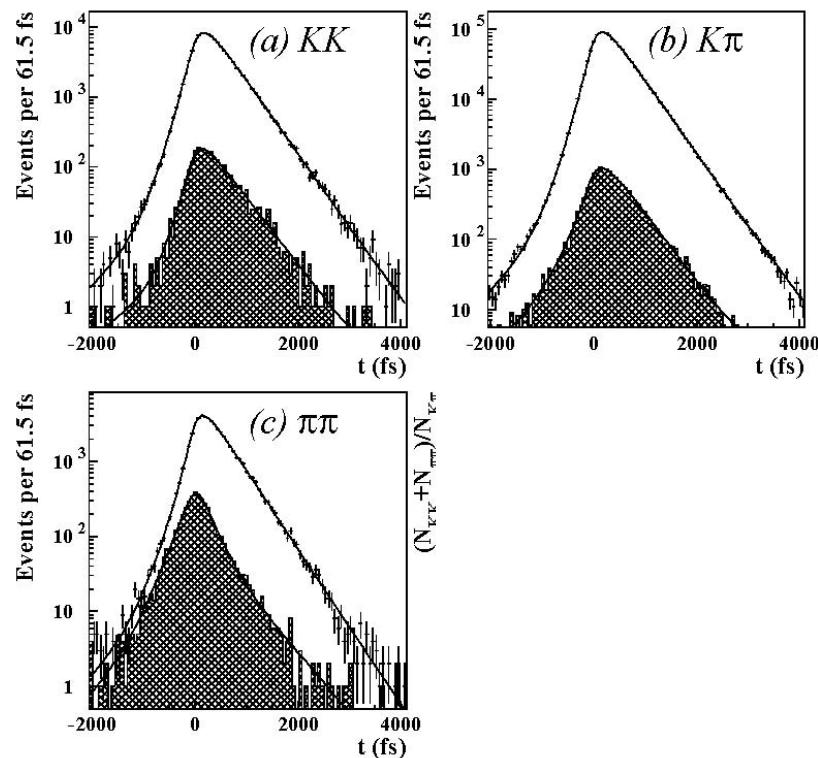
If CP is conserved, then $y_{CP} = y$

CP violation would give a lifetime difference in D^0 and \bar{D}^0 decays to K^+K^- , $\pi^+\pi^-$ final states,

Measure e.g. :

$$A_\Gamma = \frac{\tau(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^-K^+) - \tau(D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-)}{\tau(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^-K^+) + \tau(D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-)}$$

Decay time Distributions

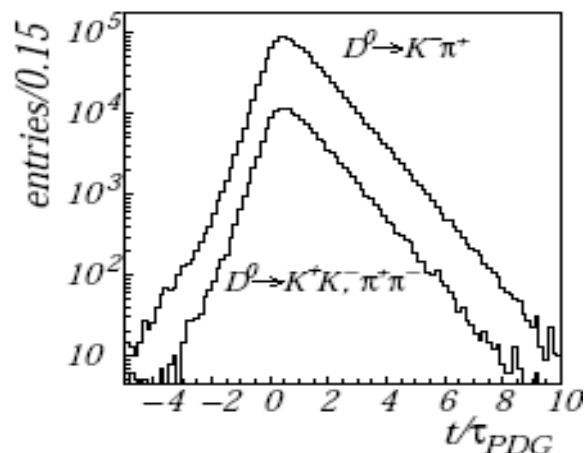




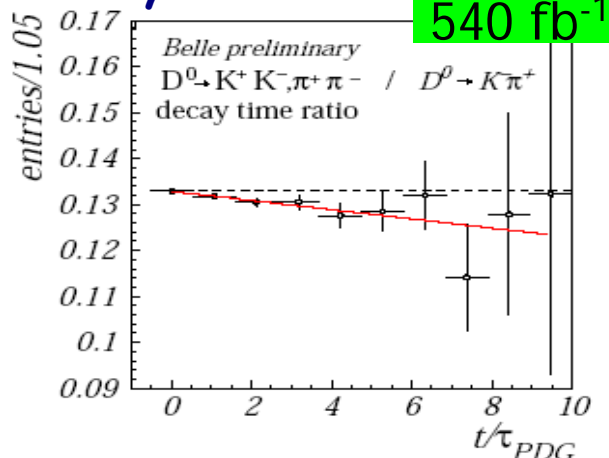
BELLE K^+K^- , $\pi^+\pi^-$ lifetime ratio

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Decay time distributions



Decay time ratio



Measure lifetime difference of CP eigenstates

$$y_{CP} = \frac{\tau(K^- \pi^+)}{\tau(K^- K^+)} - 1 = \frac{\tau(K^- \pi^+)}{\tau(\pi^- \pi^+)} - 1$$

From the combined fit to KK and $\pi\pi$:

Evidence for $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing
(regardless of possible CPV)

$$y_{CP} = (1.31 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.25) \%$$

> 3 σ above zero

$$A_{\Gamma} = (0.01 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.15) \%$$

no evidence for CP violation





BELLE $D^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi \pi$ Analysis

Time-dependent, Dalitz-plot analysis using $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+$,
 $D^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi \pi + \text{c.c. decays}$

Self-conjugate mode

Initially-produced D^0 decay amplitude is given by

$$M(m_-^2, m_+^2, t) = \mathcal{A}(m_-^2, m_+^2) \frac{e_1(t) + e_2(t)}{2} + \frac{q}{p} \bar{\mathcal{A}}(m_+^2, m_-^2) \frac{e_1(t) - e_2(t)}{2}$$

where \mathcal{A} and $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$ are amplitudes for decay to D^0 or \bar{D}^0 as functions of phase-space variables, and

$$m_{\pm} = \begin{cases} m(K_s, \pi^{\pm}) & D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \\ m(K_s, \pi^{\mp}) & D^{*-} \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \pi^- \end{cases} \quad e_{1,2}(t) = \exp(-i(m_{1,2} - i\Gamma_{1,2}/2)t)$$

Measures x and y directly

All phases are measured in the Dalitz plot analysis



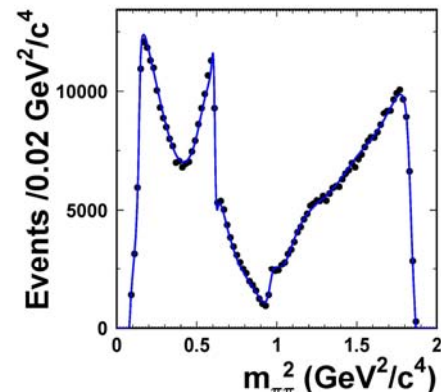
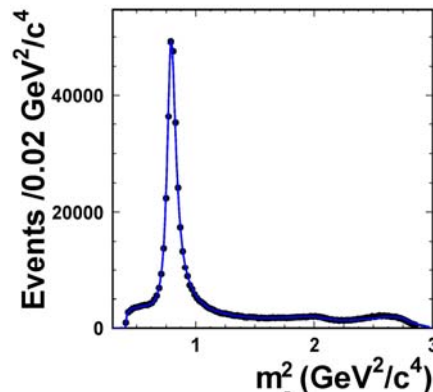
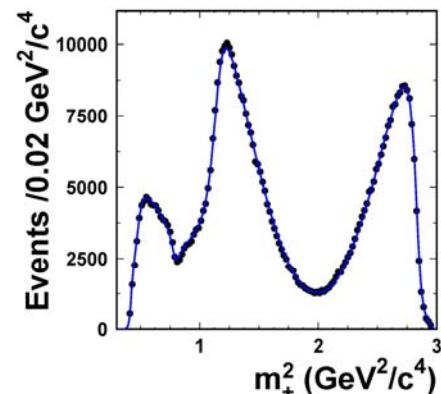
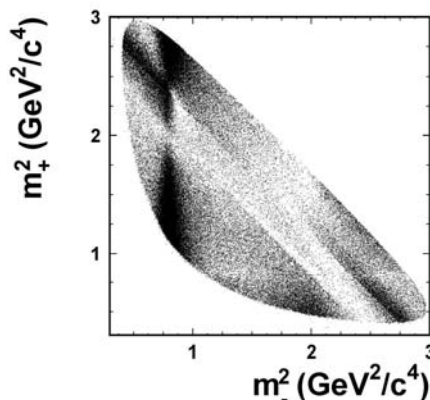
BELLE $D^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi \pi$ Analysis

• Dalitz fit model

- 18 BW resonances + a non-resonant contribution :

TABLE I: Fit results for Dalitz plot parameters.

Resonance	Amplitude	Phase (deg)	Fit fraction
$K^*(892)^-$	1.629 ± 0.005	134.3 ± 0.3	0.6227
$K_0^*(1430)^-$	2.12 ± 0.02	-0.9 ± 0.5	0.0724
$K_2^*(1430)^-$	0.87 ± 0.01	-47.3 ± 0.7	0.0133
$K^*(1410)^-$	0.65 ± 0.02	111 ± 2	0.0048
$K^*(1680)^-$	0.60 ± 0.05	147 ± 5	0.0002
$K^*(892)^+$	0.152 ± 0.003	-37.5 ± 1.1	0.0054
$K_0^*(1430)^+$	0.541 ± 0.013	91.8 ± 1.5	0.0047
$K_2^*(1430)^+$	0.276 ± 0.010	-106 ± 3	0.0013
$K^*(1410)^+$	0.333 ± 0.016	-102 ± 2	0.0013
$K^*(1680)^+$	0.73 ± 0.10	103 ± 6	0.0004
$\rho(770)$	1 (fixed)	0 (fixed)	0.2111
$\omega(782)$	0.0380 ± 0.0006	115.1 ± 0.9	0.0063
$f_0(980)$	0.380 ± 0.002	-147.1 ± 0.9	0.0452
$f_0(1370)$	1.46 ± 0.04	98.6 ± 1.4	0.0162
$f_2(1270)$	1.43 ± 0.02	-13.6 ± 1.1	0.0180
$\rho(1450)$	0.72 ± 0.02	40.9 ± 1.9	0.0024
σ_1	1.387 ± 0.018	-147 ± 1	0.0914
σ_2	0.267 ± 0.009	-157 ± 3	0.0088
NR	2.36 ± 0.05	155 ± 2	0.0615

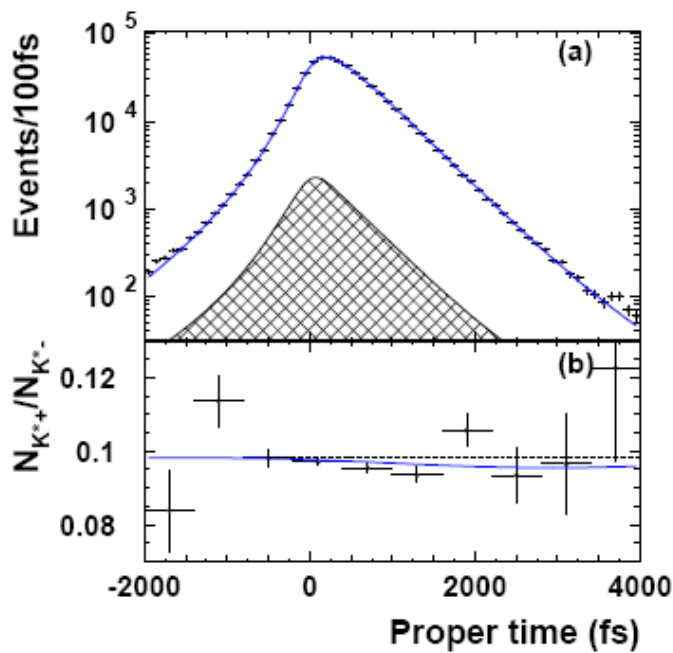


BELLE $D^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi \pi$ Results

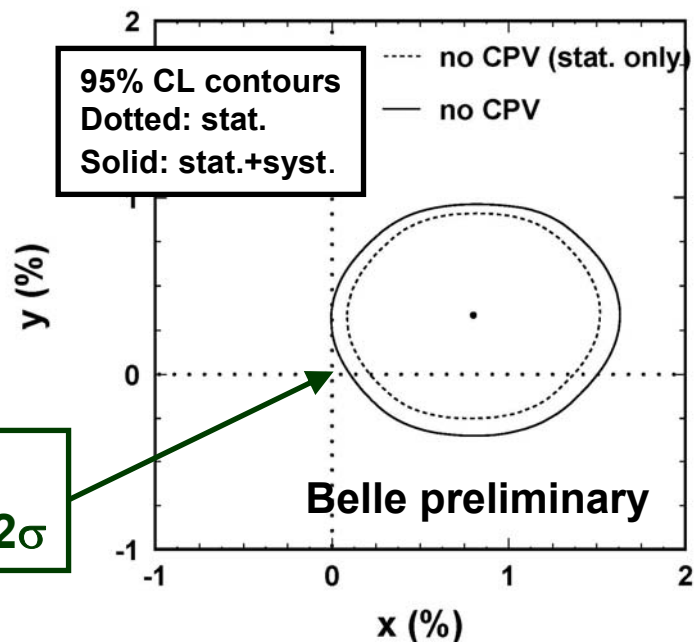
Proper-time fit results

$$x = (0.80 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.17)\% \quad (2.4\sigma)$$

$$y = (0.33 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.15)\%$$



**No-mixing
excluded at 2.2σ**



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540 fb^{-1}

Largest systematics:
In x : from Dalitz fit model
In y : from event selection



Average D^0 Mixing Results

Heavy flavor averaging group (HFAG)

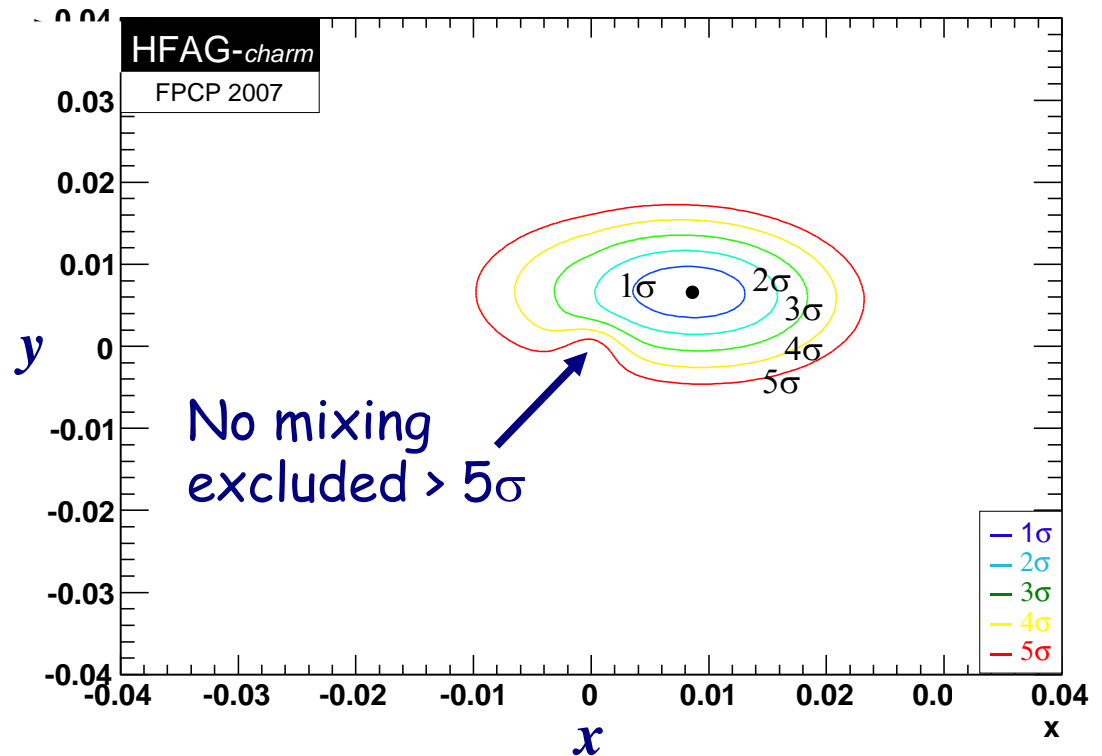
Combine all available measurements (likelihoods)
in 3 dimensions (x, y, δ)

July 2007 Averages:

$$\delta = 0.33^{+0.26}_{-0.29}$$

$$x = (0.87^{+0.30}_{-0.34}) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$y = (0.66^{+0.21}_{-0.20}) \times 10^{-2}$$



Summary

- BABAR: Evidence for D^0 mixing at 3.9σ ($K\pi$ analysis)
- BELLE: Evidence for D^0 mixing at 3.2σ (Lifetime ratio)
- The combined BABAR plus Belle result is inconsistent with the null mixing hypothesis at the 4σ level and show no evidence for CP violation.
- HFAG combined average in 3 dimensions (x, y, δ) excludes the no mixing hypothesis at 5σ level
- Oscillations in the theory of SM long-distance contributions to D^0 mixing have been observed.
- More precise measurements of D-meson mixing and CP violation parameters as well as better calculations are needed in order to find hints of New Physics effects.
- New results from BABAR (Lifetime ratio, Dalitz) and Belle analyses are underway.



Backup Slides



Fit Procedure

Unbinned maximum likelihood fit in several steps
(high demand on computing resources, 1+ million events)

Fit to $m(K\pi)$ and Δm distribution:

- RS and WS samples fit simultaneously
- Signal and some background parameters shared
- All parameters determined in fit to data, not MC

Fit RS decay time distribution:

- Determines D^0 lifetime and resolution function
- Include event-by-event decay time error δt in resolution
- Use $m(Kp)$ and Δm to separate signal/bkgd (fixed shapes)

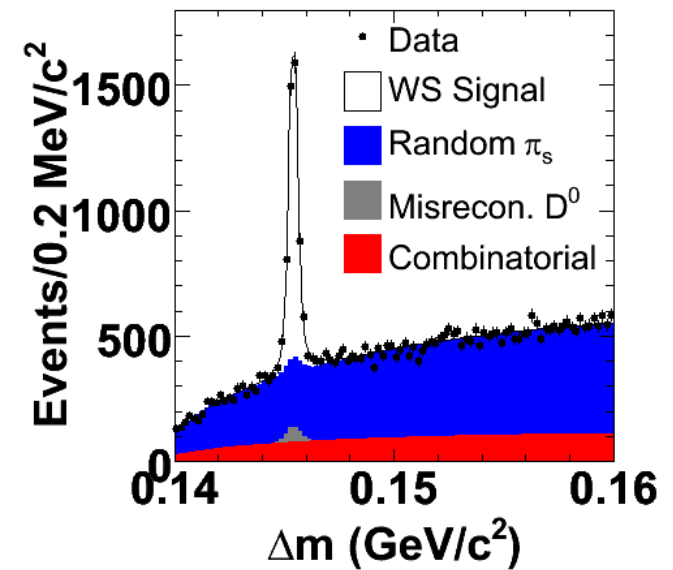
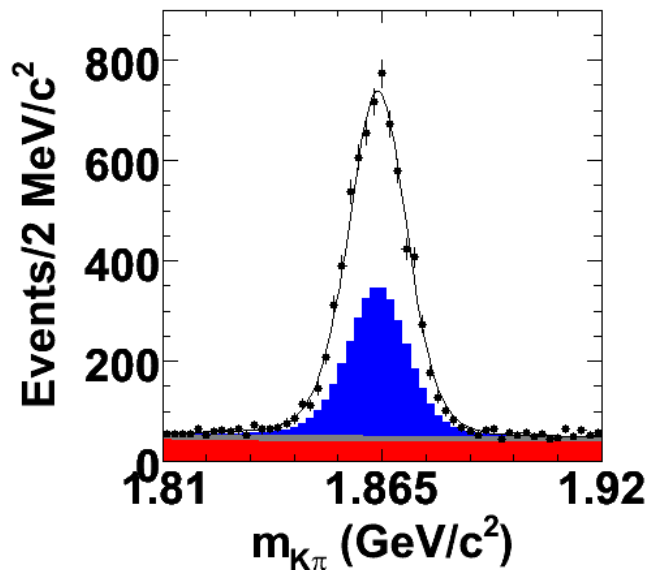
Fit WS decay time distribution:

- Use D^0 lifetime and resolution function from RS fit
- Compare fit with and without mixing (and CP violation)



Wrong-sign $m_{K\pi}$, Δm fit

The $m_{K\pi}$, Δm fit determines the WS b.r. $R_{WS} = N_{WS}/N_{RS}$



BABAR (384 fb⁻¹): $R_{WS} = (0.353 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.004)\%$ (PRL 98,211802 (2007))

BELLE (400 fb⁻¹): $R_{WS} = (0.377 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.005)\%$ (PRL 96, 151801 (2006))

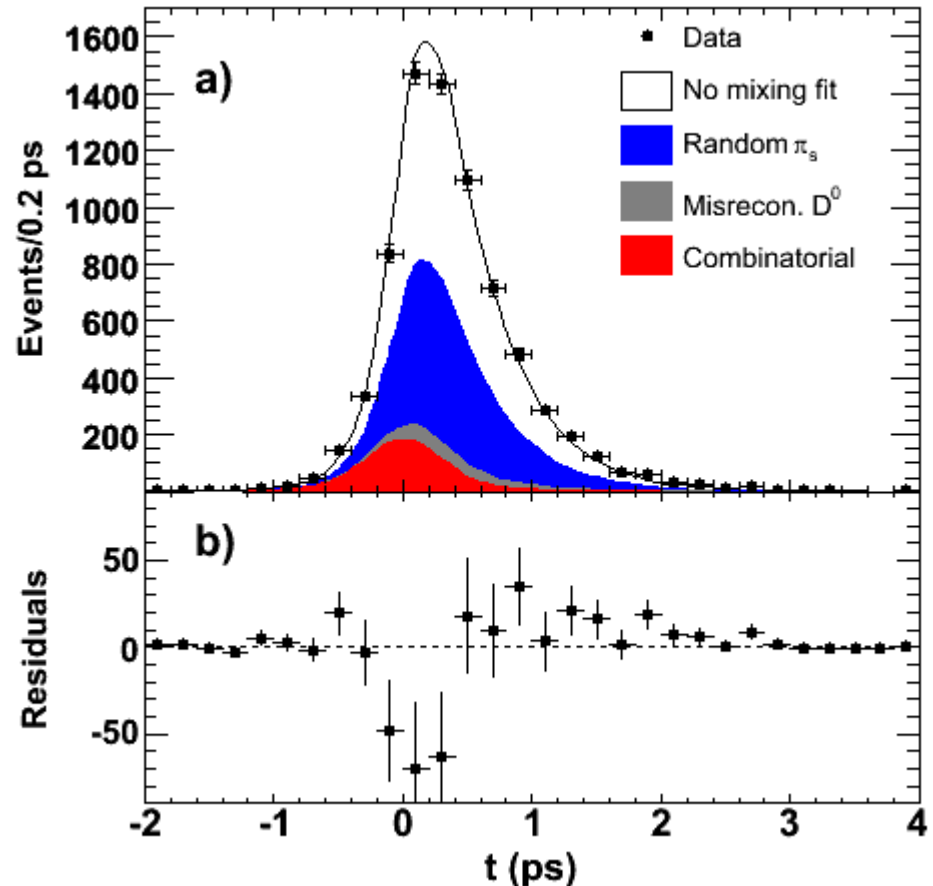


No-mixing WS decay time fit

The parameters fitted are
WS category yields
WS combinatoric shape
parameter

As can be seen in the
residual plot, there are
large residuals.

Residuals = data - fit



WS no-mixing fit projection in signal region
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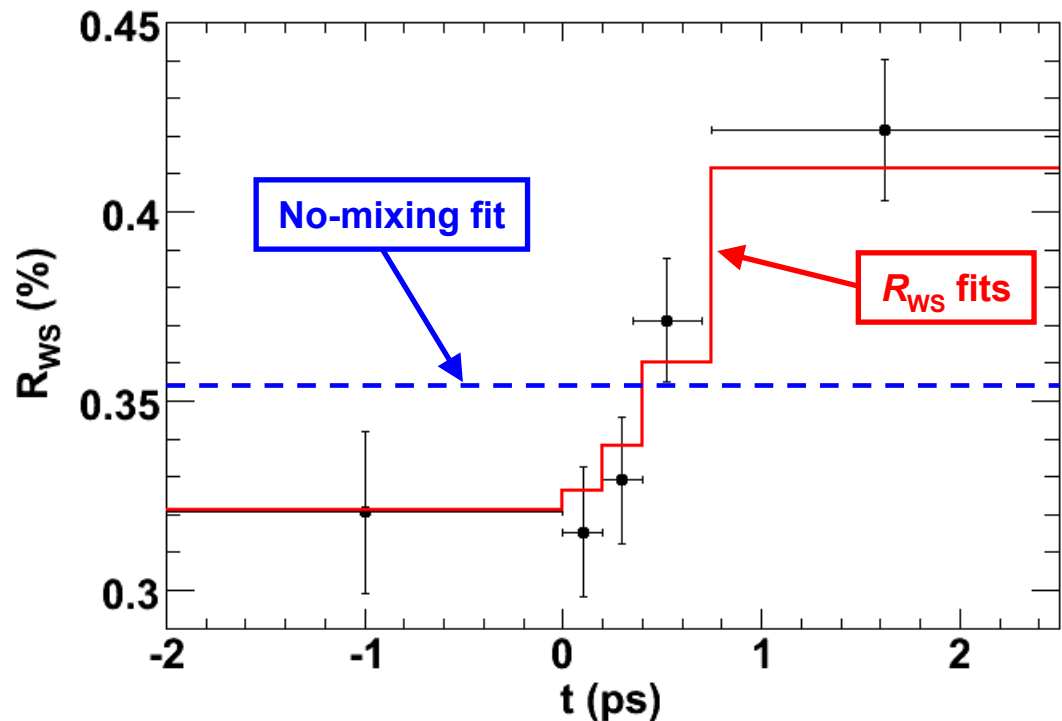
R_{WS} vs. decay-time slices

If mixing is present, it should be evident in a R_{WS} rate that *increases with decay-time*.

Perform the R_{WS} fit in *five time bins* with similar RS statistics.

Cross-over occurs at $t \approx 0.5$ psec

Similar to residuals plot.



Dashed line: standard R_{WS} fit ($\chi^2=24$).
Solid, red line: independent R_{WS} fits to each time bin ($\chi^2 = 1.5$).



List of systematics, validations

Systematics: variations in
 Functional forms of PDFs
 Fit parameters
 Event selection
 Computed using full difference
 with original value
 Results are expressed in units of
 the statistical error

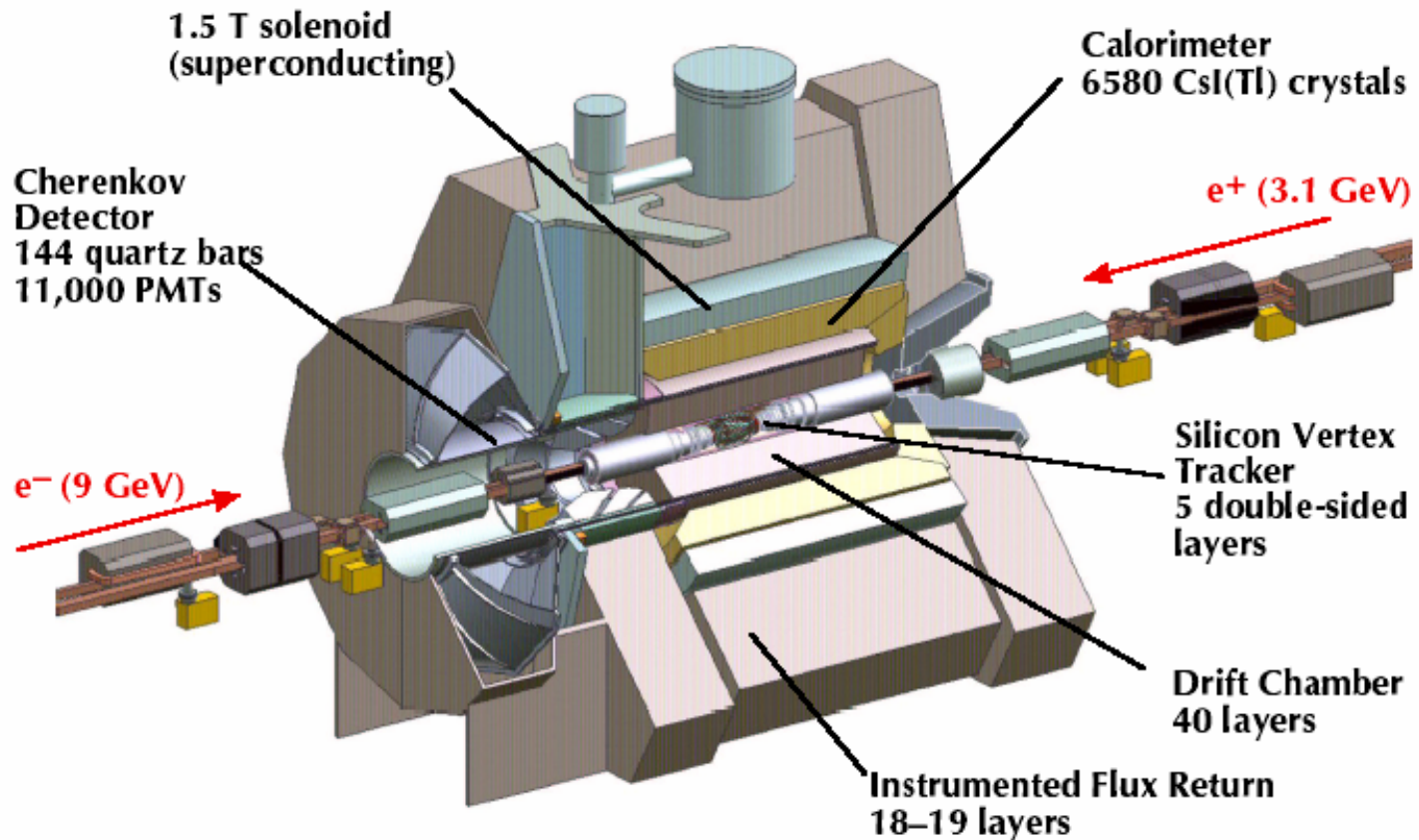
Systematic source	R_D	y'	χ^2
PDF:	0.59σ	0.45σ	0.40σ
Selection criteria:	0.24σ	0.55σ	0.57σ
Quadrature total:	0.63σ	0.71σ	0.70σ

Validations and cross-checks
 Alternate fit (R_{WS} in time bins)
 Fit RS data for mixing
 $\chi^2 = (-0.01 \pm 0.01) \times 10^{-3}$
 $y' = (0.26 \pm 0.24) \times 10^{-3}$
 Fit generic MC for mixing
 $\chi^2 = (-0.02 \pm 0.18) \times 10^{-3}$
 $y' = (2.2 \pm 3.0) \times 10^{-3}$
 Fit toy MCs generated with
 various values of mixing
 Reproduces generated
 values
 Validation of proper frequentist
 coverage in contour
 construction
 Uses 100,000 MC toy
 simulations



PEP-II a Charm Factory: We use $384 \text{ fb}^{-1} e^+e^- \rightarrow c, \bar{c}$
 $\sigma(b\bar{b}) = 1.1 \text{ nb}$
 $\sigma(c\bar{c}) = 1.3 \text{ nb}$
 $\rightarrow 500 \times 10^6 \text{ } c\bar{c} \text{ events}$

The BaBar Detector



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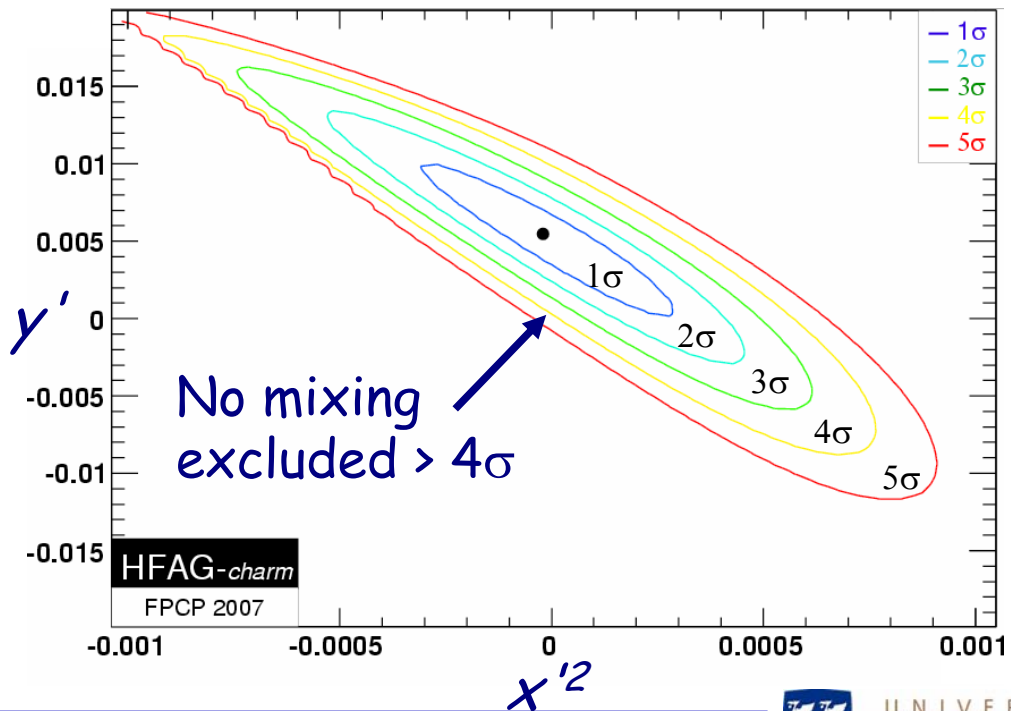
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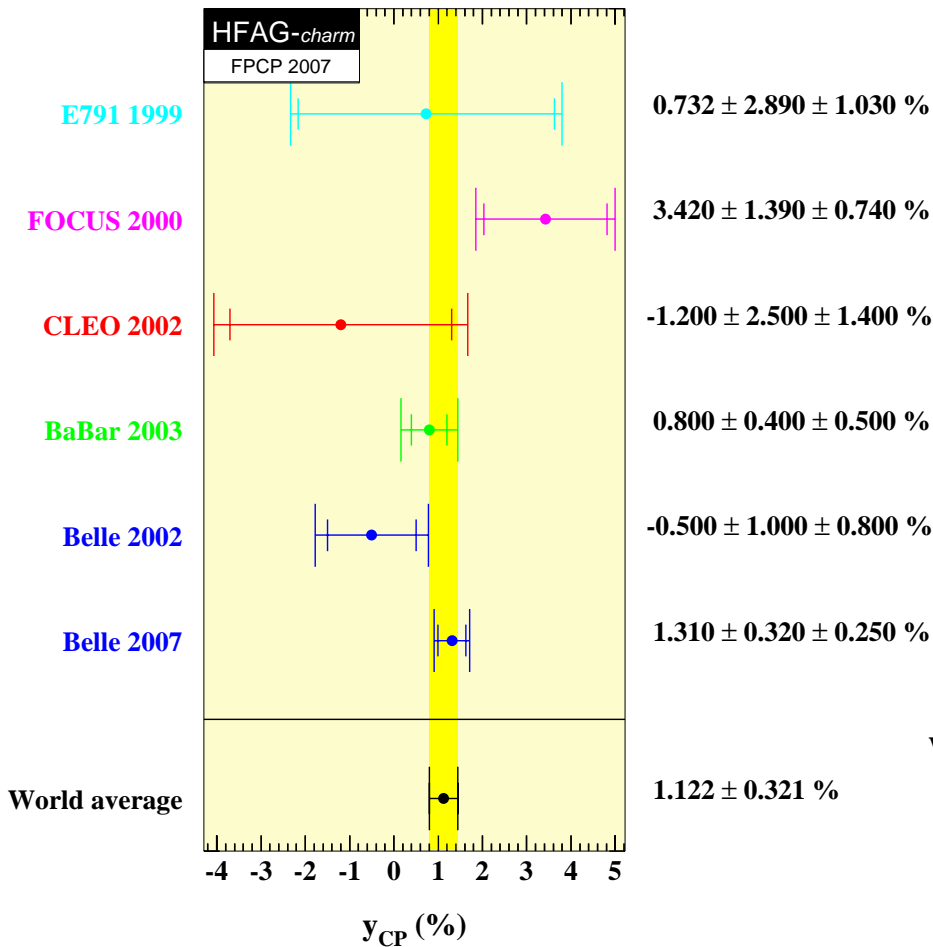
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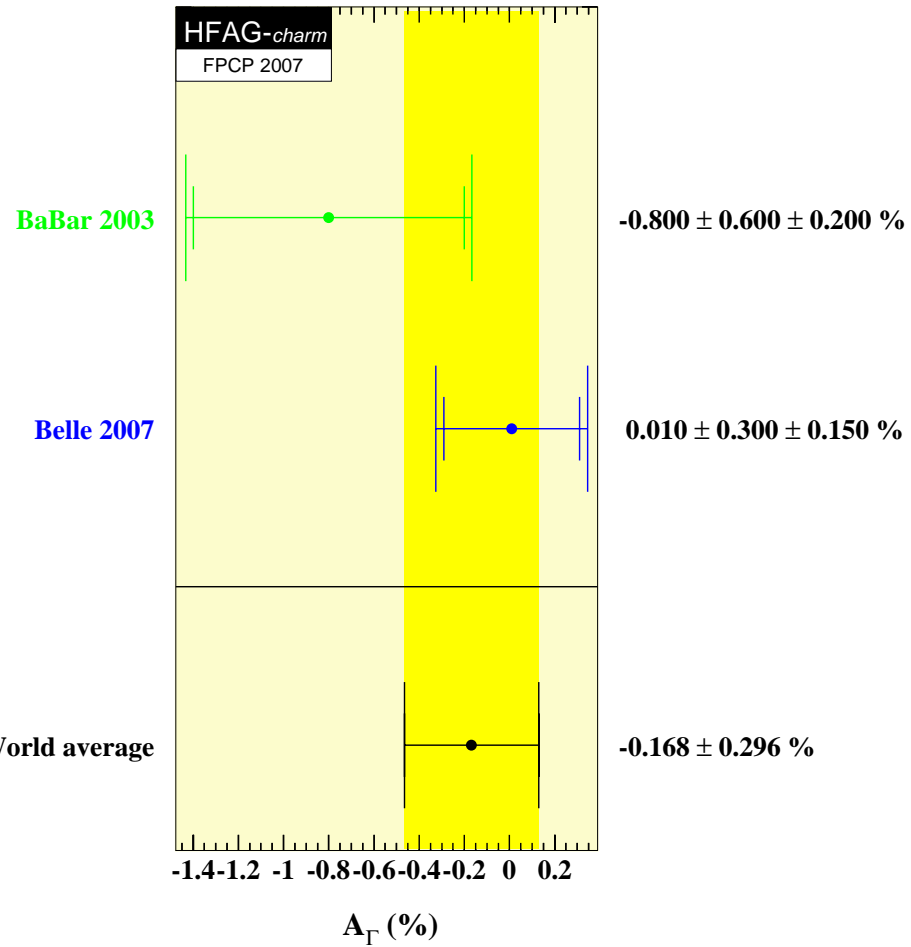
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Average y_{cp}



Average A_Γ



Average y

Average x

