

# *BABAR* Results on

$$B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$$

Jack Ritchie  
University of Texas at Austin  
(representing the *BABAR* collaboration)

# Outline



## I. $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ motivation

## II. Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s\gamma$ (with lepton tag)

- i. Branching fraction
- ii. Spectrum and moments
- iii.  $A_{CP}$

Publication imminent

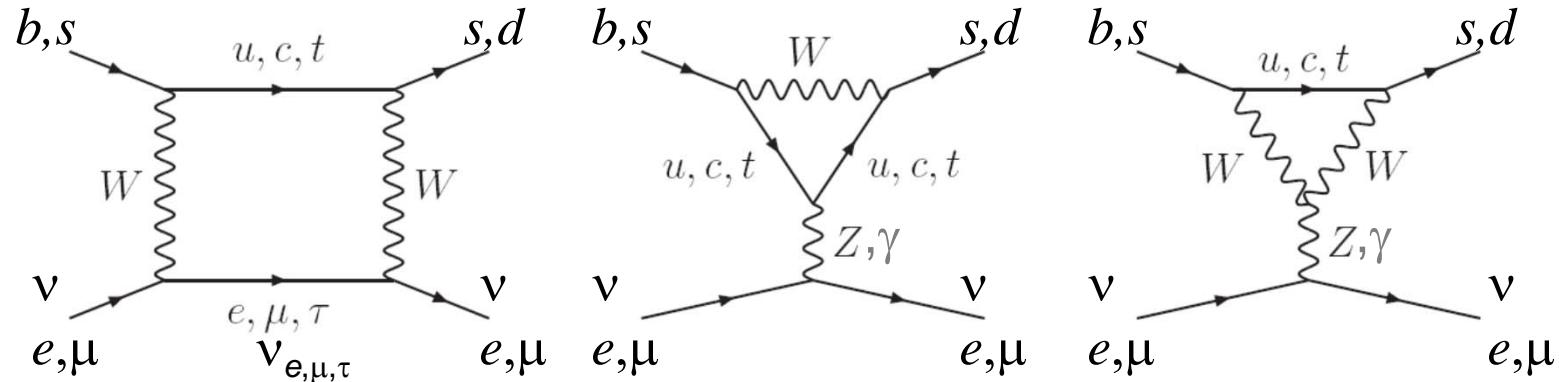
## III. Semi-inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s\gamma$

- i. Branching fraction
- ii. Spectrum

Published this month

## IV. Summary/Conclusions

# Flavor Changing Neutral Currents

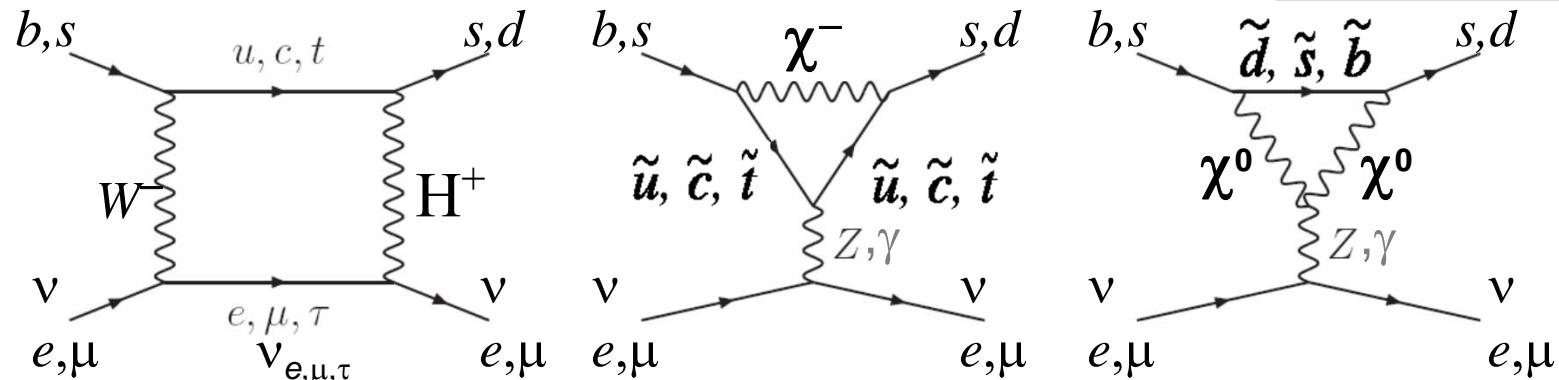


Responsible for  
rare decays in  
Standard Model

e.g.,

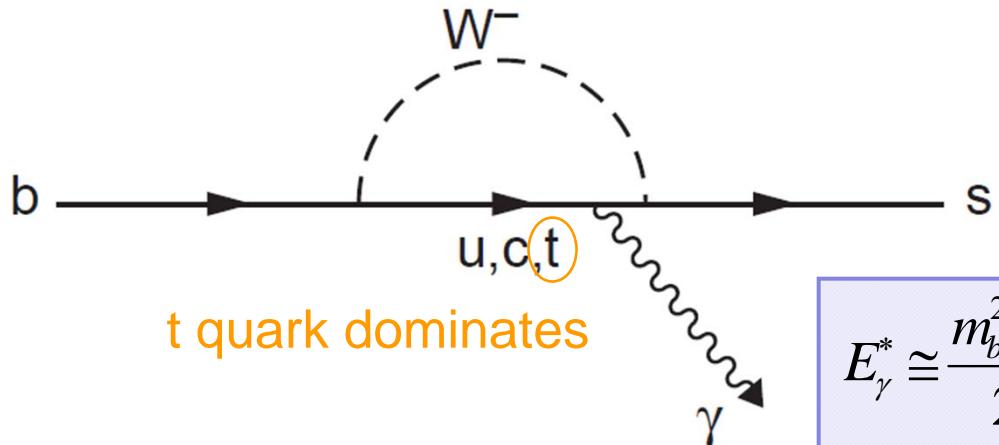
$$\begin{aligned} B &\rightarrow X_s \gamma \\ B &\rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^- (\ell = e \text{ or } \mu) \\ B_s &\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_L^0 &\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \\ K^+ &\rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu} \\ K_L^0 &\rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu} \end{aligned}$$



Sensitive to new (high-mass) particles in loops.

# $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ in the Standard Model

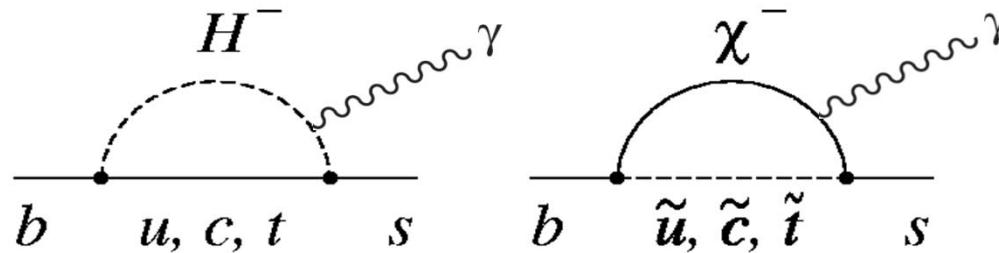


The first penguin –  
1993 CLEO observation  
of  $B \rightarrow K^*\gamma$

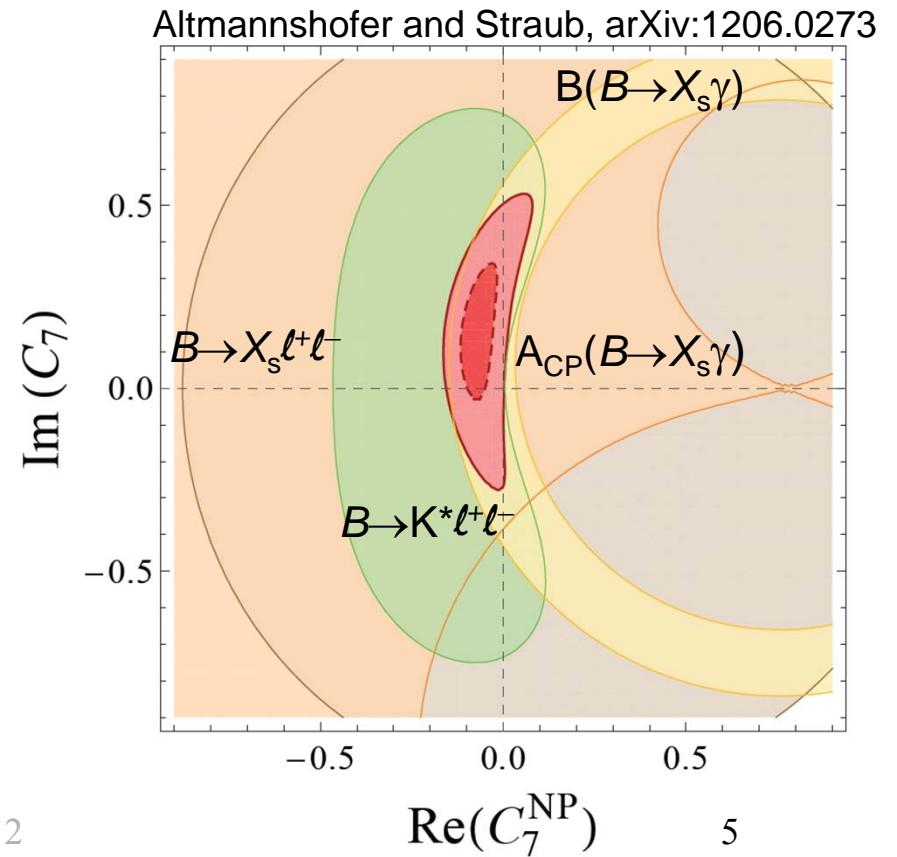
$$E_\gamma^* \cong \frac{m_b^2 - m_s^2}{2m_b} \approx \frac{m_b}{2}$$

- Heavy-quark hadron duality  $\Rightarrow B(B \rightarrow X_s\gamma) \cong B(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$
- Theoretically clean prediction in the Standard Model
  - Next-to-next-leading order (NNLO) calculation ( $E_\gamma > 1.6$  GeV)  
$$B(B \rightarrow X_s\gamma) = (3.15 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-4}$$
 Misiak et al.,  
PRL 98, 022002(2007)
    - Small (7%) SM theory uncertainty  $\Rightarrow$  constraint on New Physics
  - $E_\gamma$  spectrum reflects  $b$  quark's mass, Fermi motion and gluon bremsstrahlung
  - Input to shape function parameters for  $|V_{ub}|$  from  $b \rightarrow ul^-v$  endpoint and used in extraction of  $|V_{cb}|$  from  $b \rightarrow cl^-v$

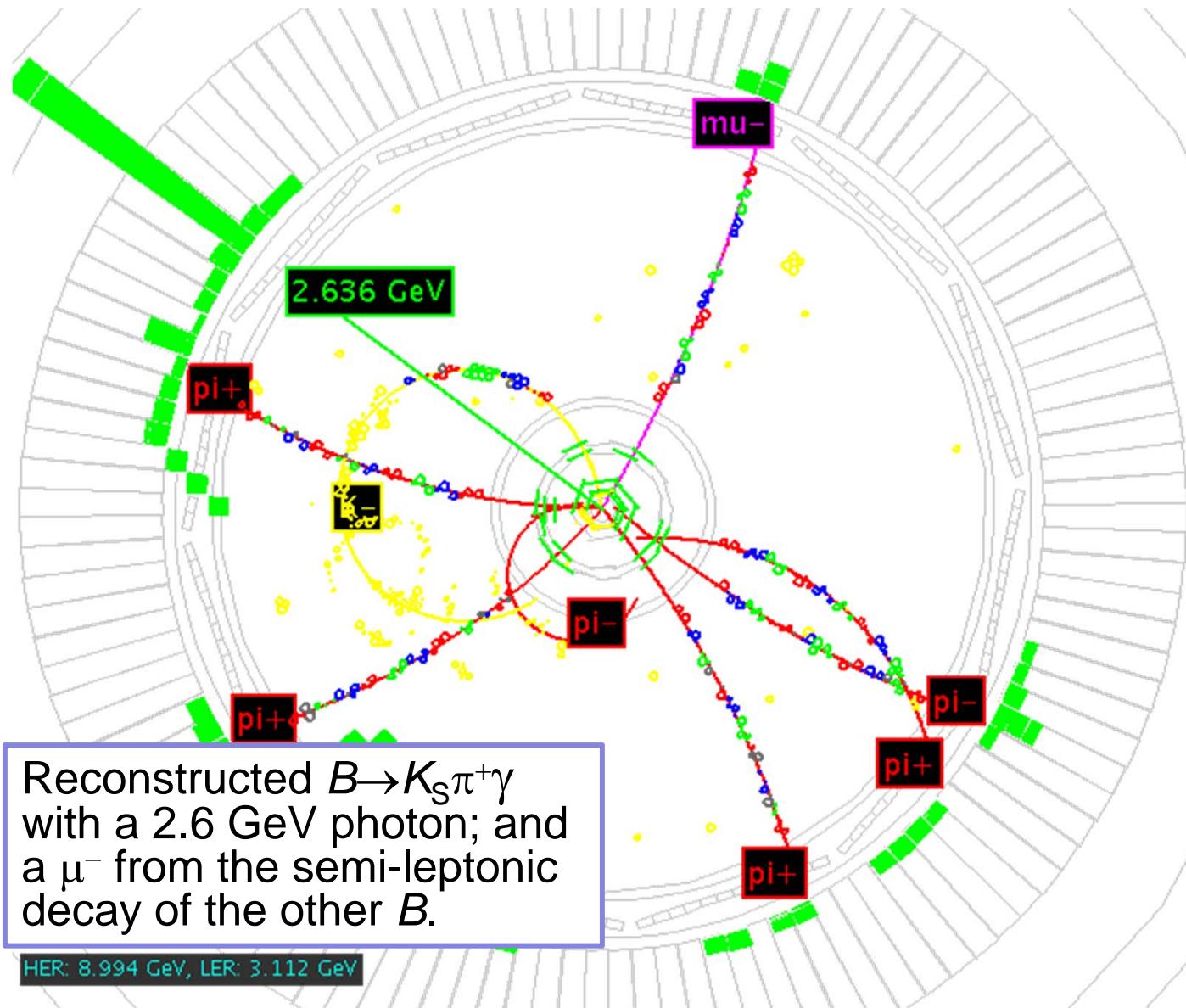
# New Physics in $b \rightarrow s\gamma$



- Sensitive to new heavy particles in the loops
  - charged Higgs, superpartners, etc
- Leading-order and next-to-leading order calculations for many models
- Experiment vs theory BF  $\Rightarrow$  strong constraints on New Physics



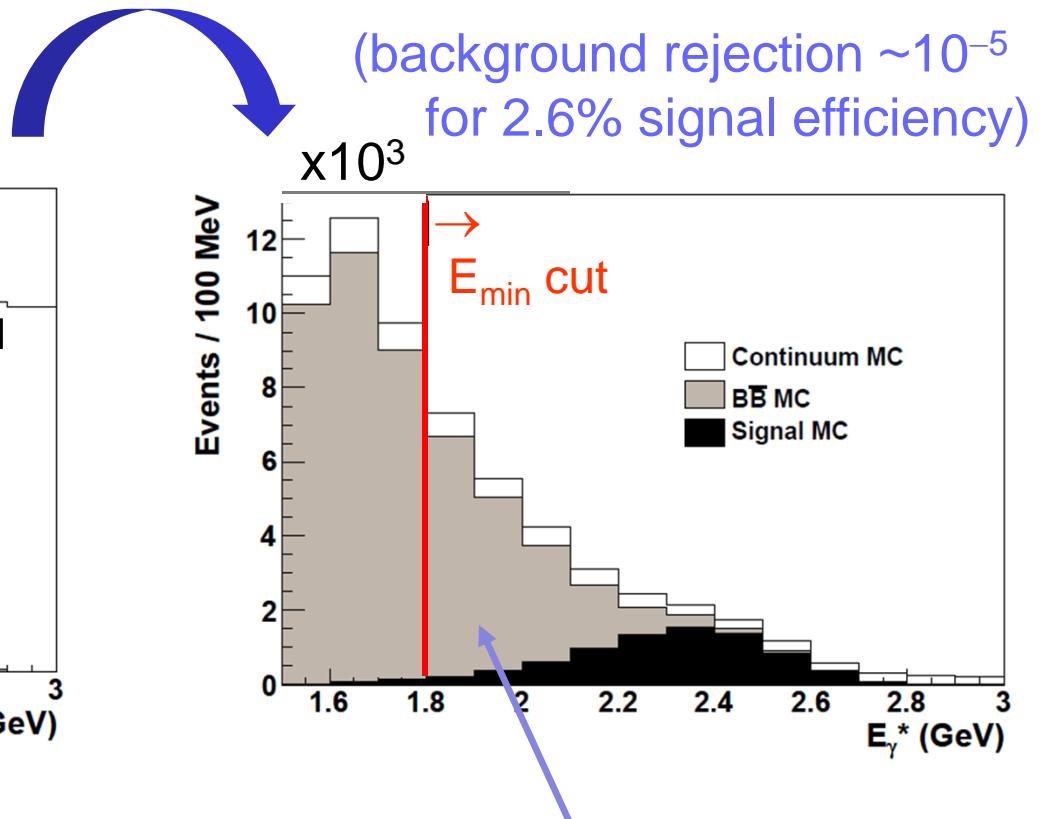
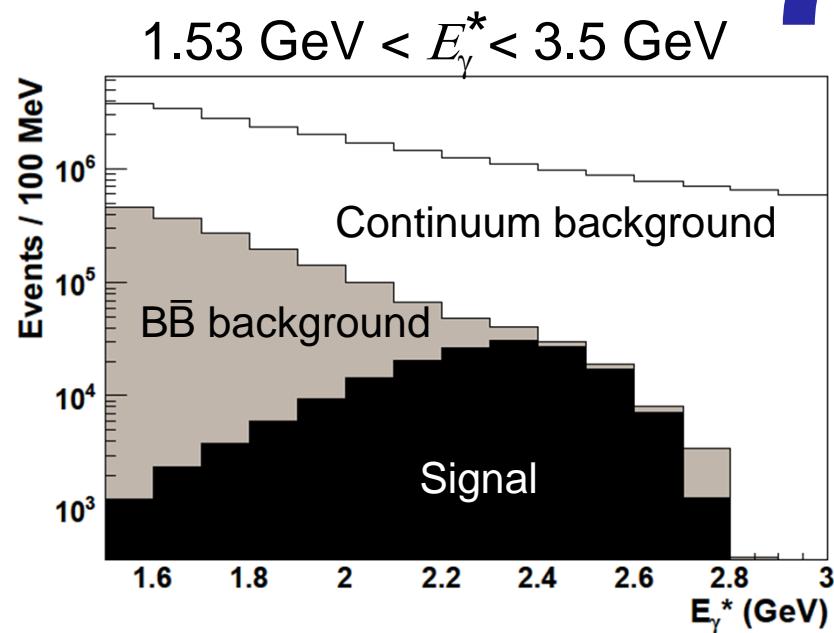
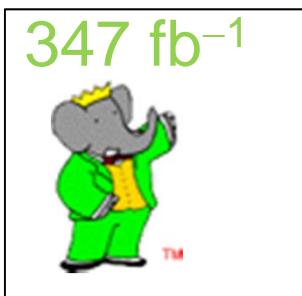
# BaBar Event Display



# Experimental Issues for $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

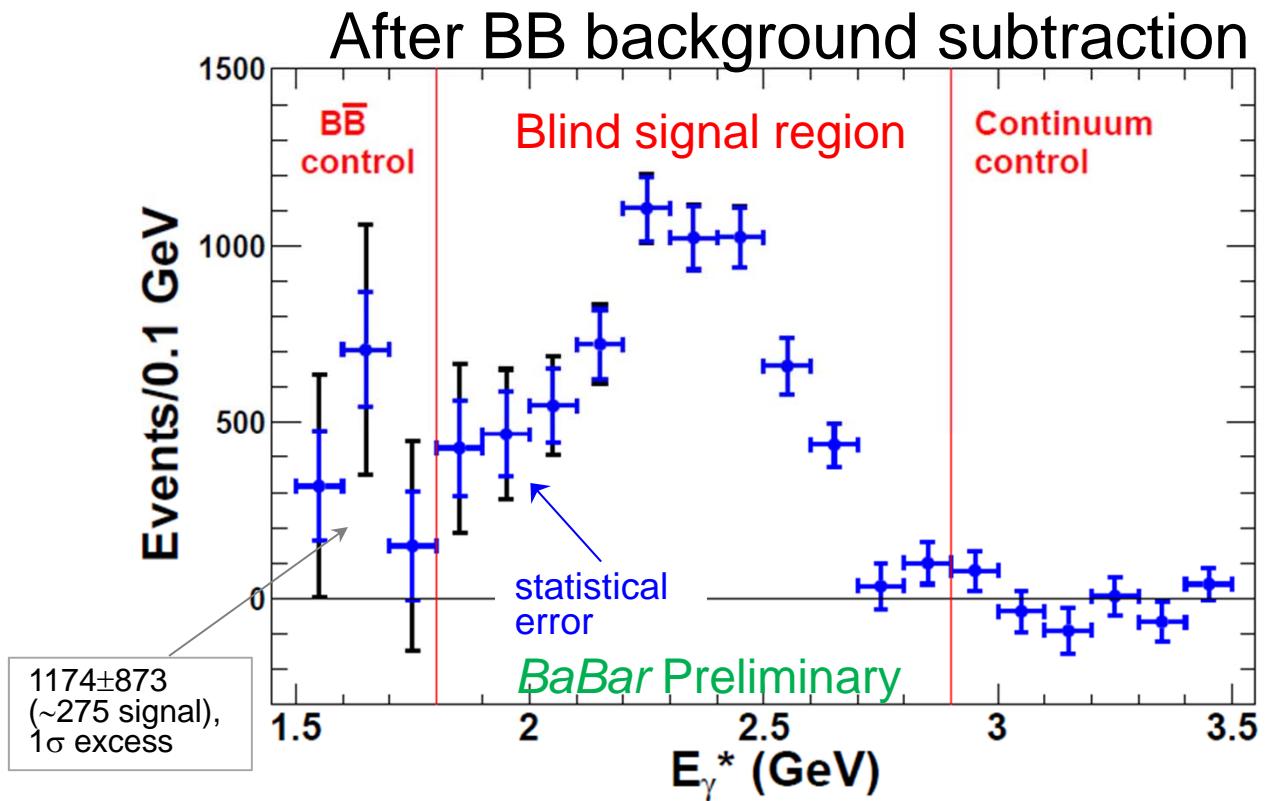
- Two experimental techniques
  - Not statistics limited for branching fraction measurement
- Fully Inclusive
  - Only look at the  $\gamma$  from the signal  $B$  decay
    - Photon energy is smeared by the calorimeter resolution ( $\sigma/E \sim 2.6\%$ )
    - $B \rightarrow X_d \gamma$  is not distinguishable (i.e., it's included);  $|V_{td}/V_{ts}|^2 \leq 0.04$
  - Suppress  $B$  decay background with  $E_\gamma$  min cut (a compromise between experimental versus theoretical uncertainties);  $E_\gamma > 1.8$  GeV
  - Continuum rejection via event shape **and** either lepton tag or reconstructing the other  $B$
- “Semi-inclusive” (sum of exclusive modes)
  - Reconstruct many final states (38 in *BABAR*)
  - Dominant systematic from the missing fraction ( $\approx 45\%$ )

# Fully Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ with lepton tag



Remaining  $B\bar{B}$  background is subtracted using MC corrected with data control samples. Details in arXiv:1207.5772. Publication imminent (PR D).

# Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ Branching Fraction



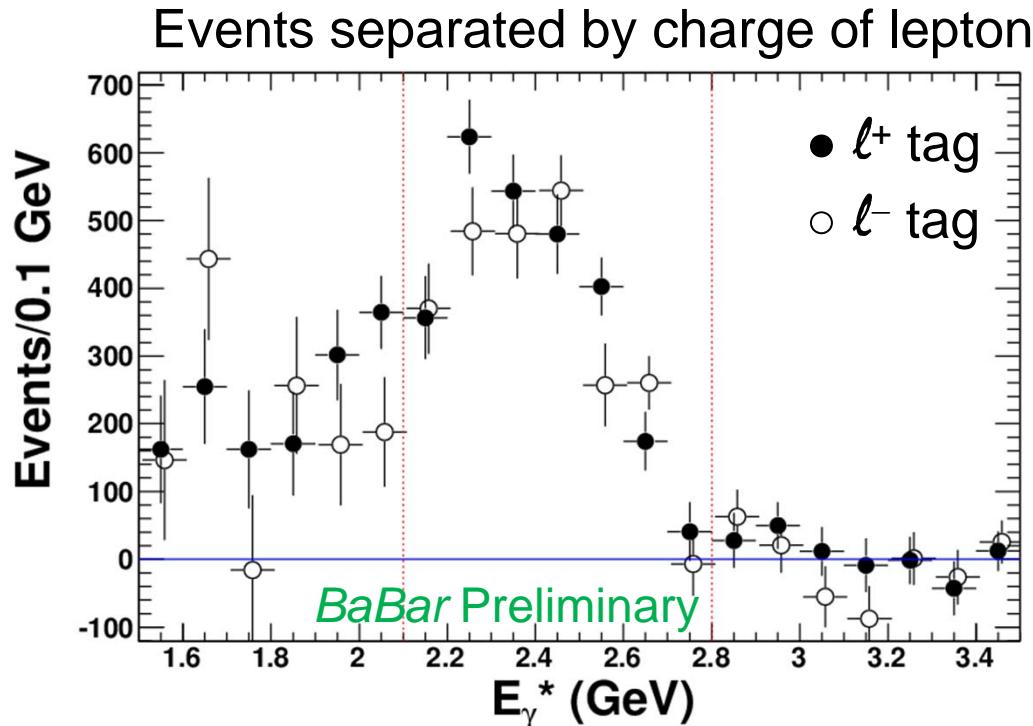
- Blind analysis
- Signal efficiency based on HFAG parameters for spectrum
- Corrected for EMC and Doppler smearing of photon energy.
- Correct for  $b \rightarrow d\gamma$  using  $1/(1+|V_{td}/V_{ts}|^2)=0.958 \pm 0.003$
- Evaluate statistical, systematic (mostly BB subtraction), and model (spectrum) errors

**BaBar Preliminary**

Energy Range	$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_{s+d}\gamma) (10^{-4})$	$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s\gamma) (10^{-4})$
1.8 to 2.8 GeV	$3.347 \pm 0.158 \pm 0.301 \pm 0.080$	$3.207 \pm 0.151 \pm 0.288 \pm 0.077$
1.9 to 2.8 GeV	$3.126 \pm 0.141 \pm 0.203 \pm 0.059$	$2.995 \pm 0.135 \pm 0.194 \pm 0.057$
2.0 to 2.8 GeV	$2.925 \pm 0.128 \pm 0.146 \pm 0.045$	$2.802 \pm 0.122 \pm 0.140 \pm 0.043$

# Direct CP Violation ( $A_{CP}$ ) in $B \rightarrow X_{s+d}\gamma$

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_{s+d}\gamma) - \Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow X_{\bar{s}+\bar{d}}\gamma)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_{s+d}\gamma) + \Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow X_{\bar{s}+\bar{d}}\gamma)} \simeq 0$$



A strong SM prediction,  
so a good NP test.

Remains valid despite long-distance  
dominance for  $X_s$  only;

Benzke, Lee, Neubert, Paz,  
*PRL 106* 141801 (2011)

- Blind analysis
- Dilution correction accounts for  $B^0$ - $\bar{B}^0$  mixing (+mistags)
- Energy range chosen to minimize total (stat+syst) error.
- Optimized region  $2.1 < E_\gamma^* < 2.8$  GeV

*BaBar Preliminary*

$$A_{CP} = 0.057 \pm 0.060 \pm 0.018$$

arXiv:1207.5772  
Publication imminent (PR D)

# Unfolded Spectrum and Moments

Unfolding procedure corrects for detector acceptance, selection efficiency, energy resolution, and for CM motion of the  $B$ .

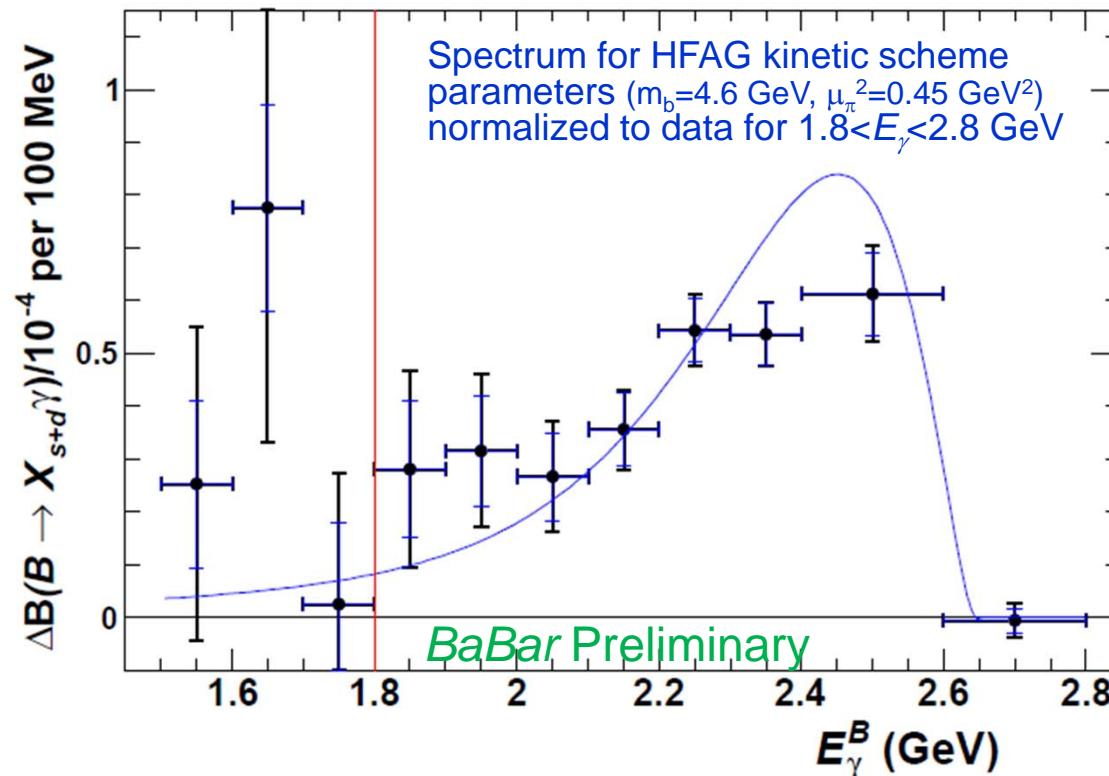
Moments measured

$$E_1 = \langle E_\gamma \rangle$$

$$E_2 = \langle (E_\gamma - \langle E_\gamma \rangle)^2 \rangle$$

$$E_3 = \langle (E_\gamma - \langle E_\gamma \rangle)^3 \rangle$$

Useful for determining heavy quark parameters.



$E_\gamma^B$ Range (GeV)	$E_1$ (GeV)	$E_2$ (GeV $^2$ )
1.8 to 2.8	$2.267 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.032 \pm 0.003$	$0.0484 \pm 0.0053 \pm 0.0077 \pm 0.0005$
1.9 to 2.8	$2.304 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.017 \pm 0.004$	$0.0362 \pm 0.0033 \pm 0.0033 \pm 0.0005$
2.0 to 2.8	$2.342 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.005$	$0.0251 \pm 0.0021 \pm 0.0013 \pm 0.0009$

429 fb<sup>-1</sup>



- Reconstruct 38 modes
- Signal selection and  $\pi^0$  rejection using random forest classifiers
- Fits to extract signal yields in 18  $X_s$ -mass bins in range  $0.6 < m_{X_s} < 2.8$  GeV
- Determine photon energy from

$$E_\gamma^B = \frac{m_B^2 - m_{X_s}^2}{2m_B}$$

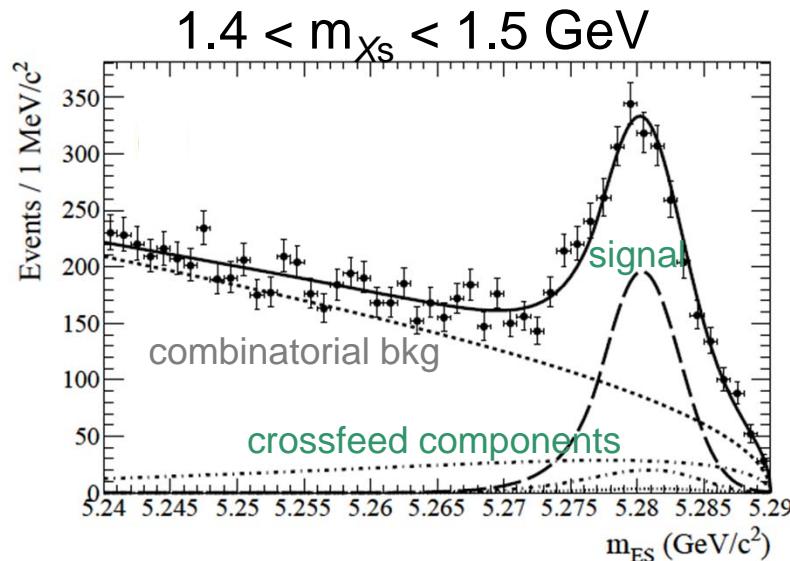
- Estimate missing fraction from JETSET studies

# Semi-inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

1	$K_S \pi^+$	20	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$
2	$K^+ \pi^0$	21	$K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^- \pi^0$
3	$K^+ \pi^-$	22	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$
4	$K_S \pi^0$	23	$K^+ \eta$
5	$K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	24	$K_S \eta$
6	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^0$	25	$K_S \eta \pi^+$
7	$K^+ \pi^0 \pi^0$	26	$K^+ \eta \pi^0$
8	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$	27	$K^+ \eta \pi^-$
9	$K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	28	$K_S \eta \pi^0$
10	$K_S \pi^0 \pi^0$	29	$K^+ \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$
11	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	30	$K_S \eta \pi^+ \pi^0$
12	$K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	31	$K_S \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$
13	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^0 \pi^0$	32	$K^+ \eta \pi^- \pi^0$
14	$K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	33	$K^+ K^- K^+$
15	$K_S \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$	34	$K^+ K^- K_S$
16	$K^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$	35	$K^+ K^- K_S \pi^+$
17	$K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	36	$K^+ K^- K^+ \pi^0$
18	$K_S \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^0$	37	$K^+ K^- K^+ \pi^-$
19	$K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$	38	$K^+ K^- K_S \pi^0$

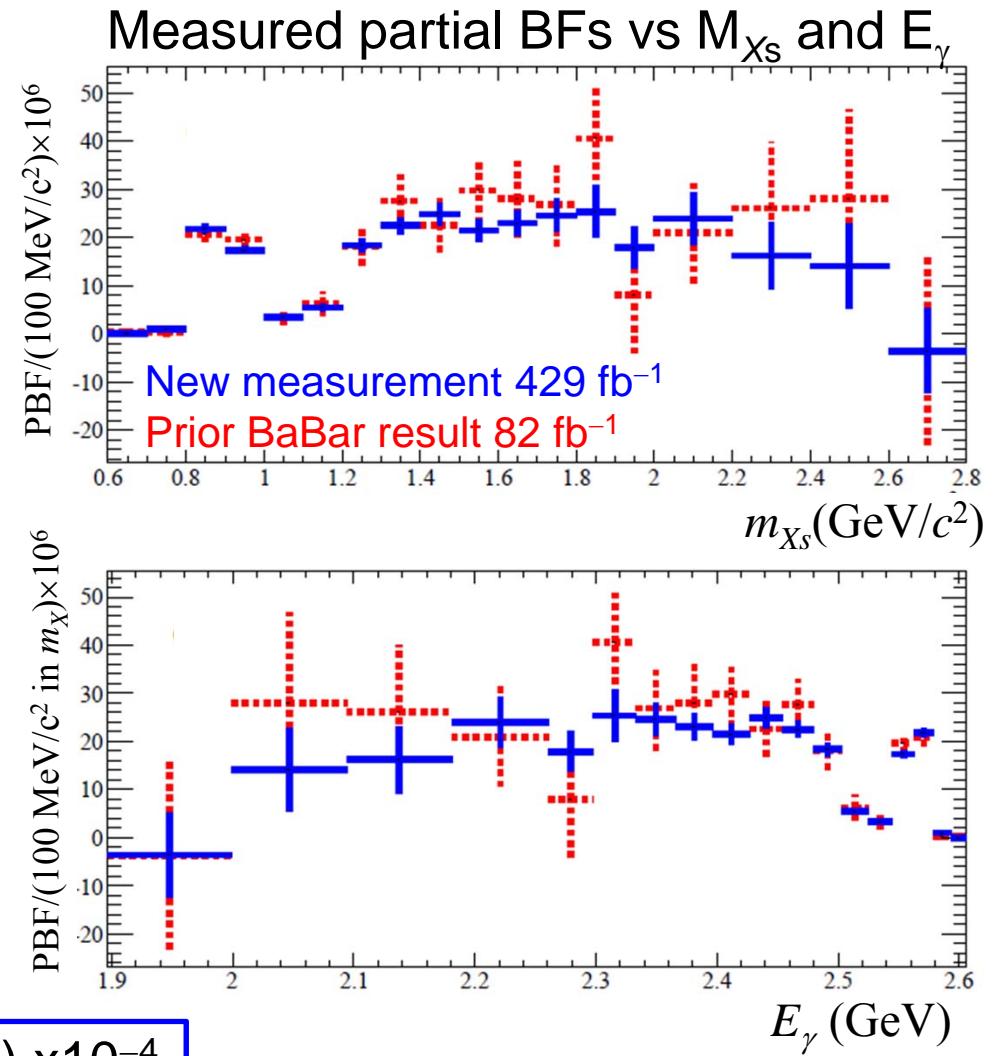
For  $A_{CP}$  study, will measure  
 $\Delta \mathcal{A}_{X_s \gamma} \equiv \mathcal{A}_{X_s^- \gamma} - \mathcal{A}_{X_s^0 \gamma}$

# Semi-inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ Spectrum



- Fits in 18  $X_s$  mass bins
- Crossfeed shape and fraction from MC
- Signal+crossfeed yield and combinatorial background shape from fits to data
- BF from spectrum ( $E_\gamma > 1.9 \text{ GeV}$ )

$$B(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.29 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-4}$$



Phys. Rev. D **86**, 052012 (2012)

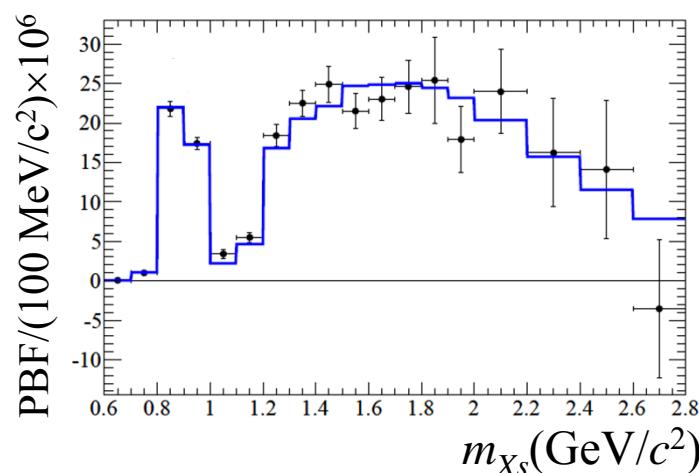
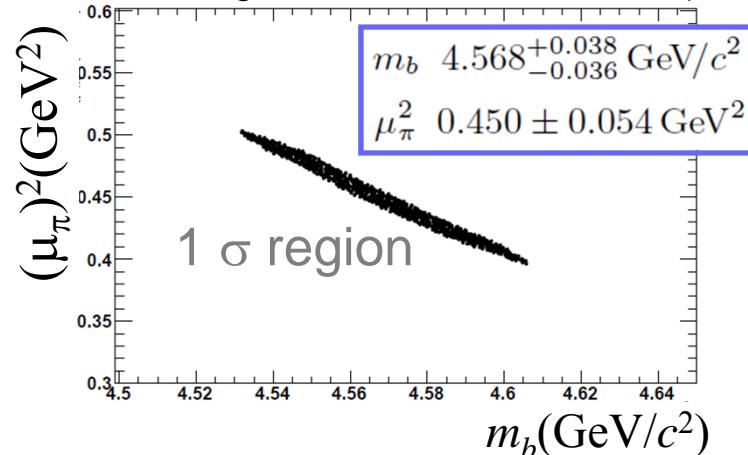
arXiv:1207.2520

13

# Spectrum Fits and Moments

## Kinetic model

Benson, Bigi, Uraltsev, NP B710, 271 (2005)



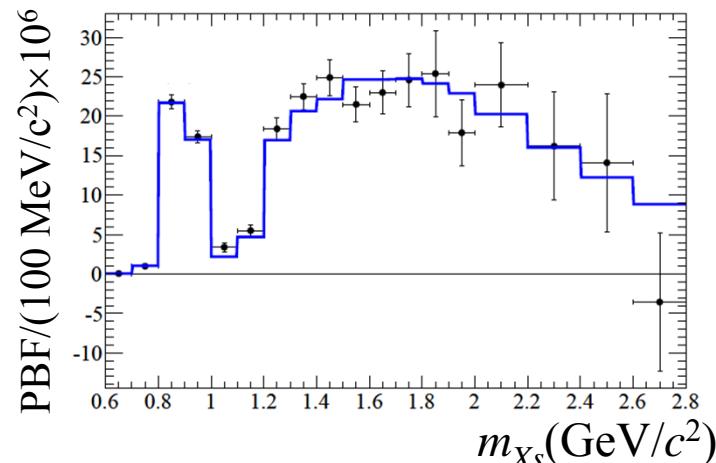
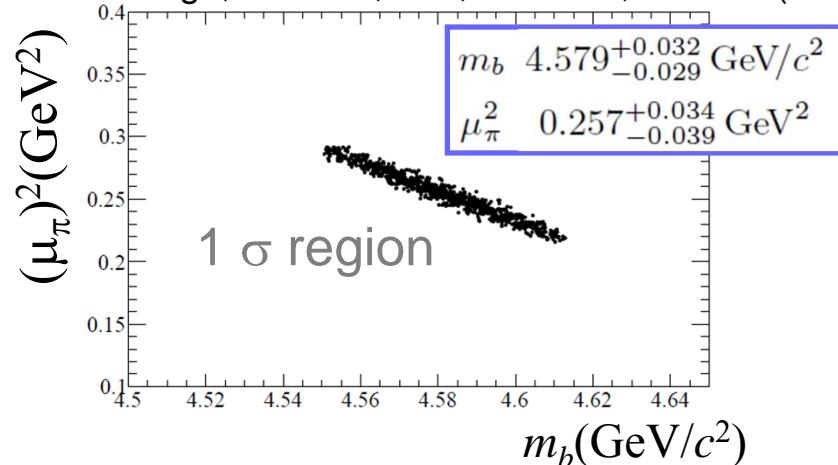
Moments of the spectrum are also measured for  $1.9 < E_\gamma < 2.6 \text{ GeV}$  and other low cutoff values of  $E_\gamma$ .

Jack Ritchie  
U.Texas-Austin

CKM2012  
University of Cincinnati

## Shape function model

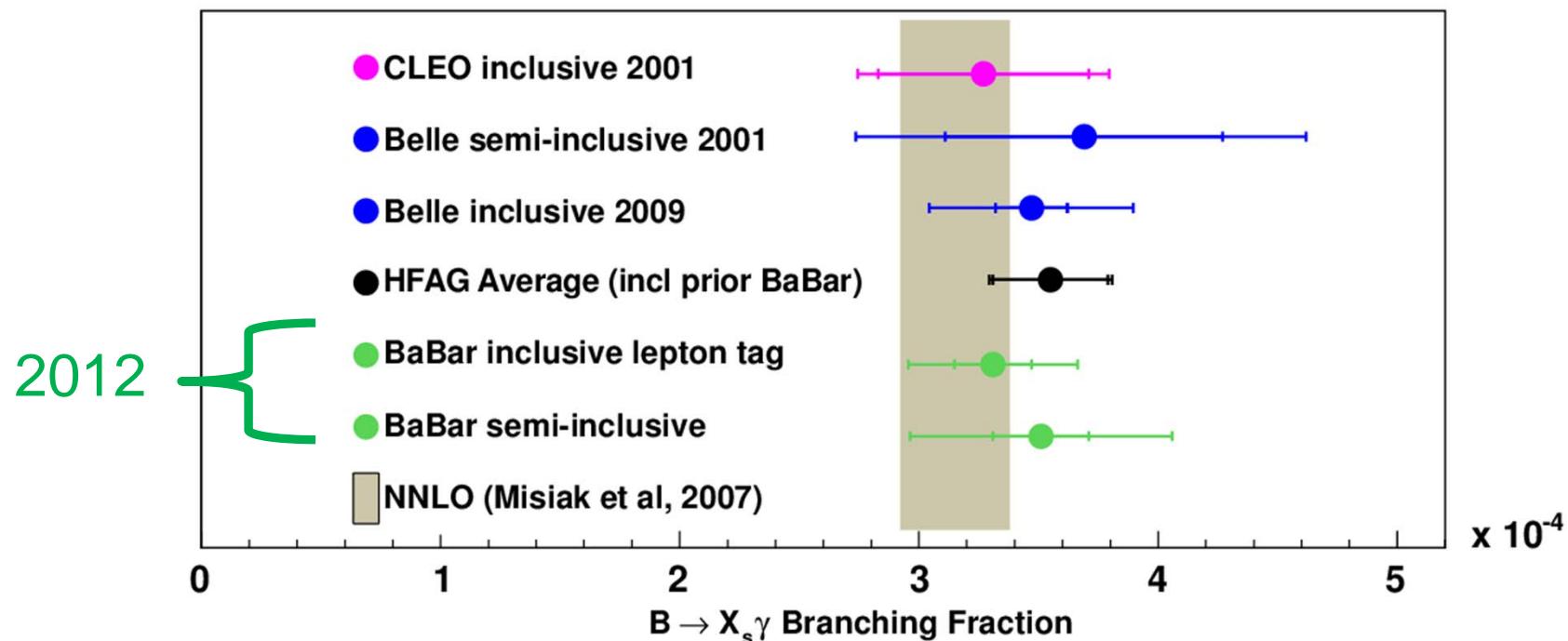
Lange, Neubert, Paz, PR D 72, 073006 (2005)



Phys. Rev. D 86, 052012 (2012)  
arXiv:1207.2520

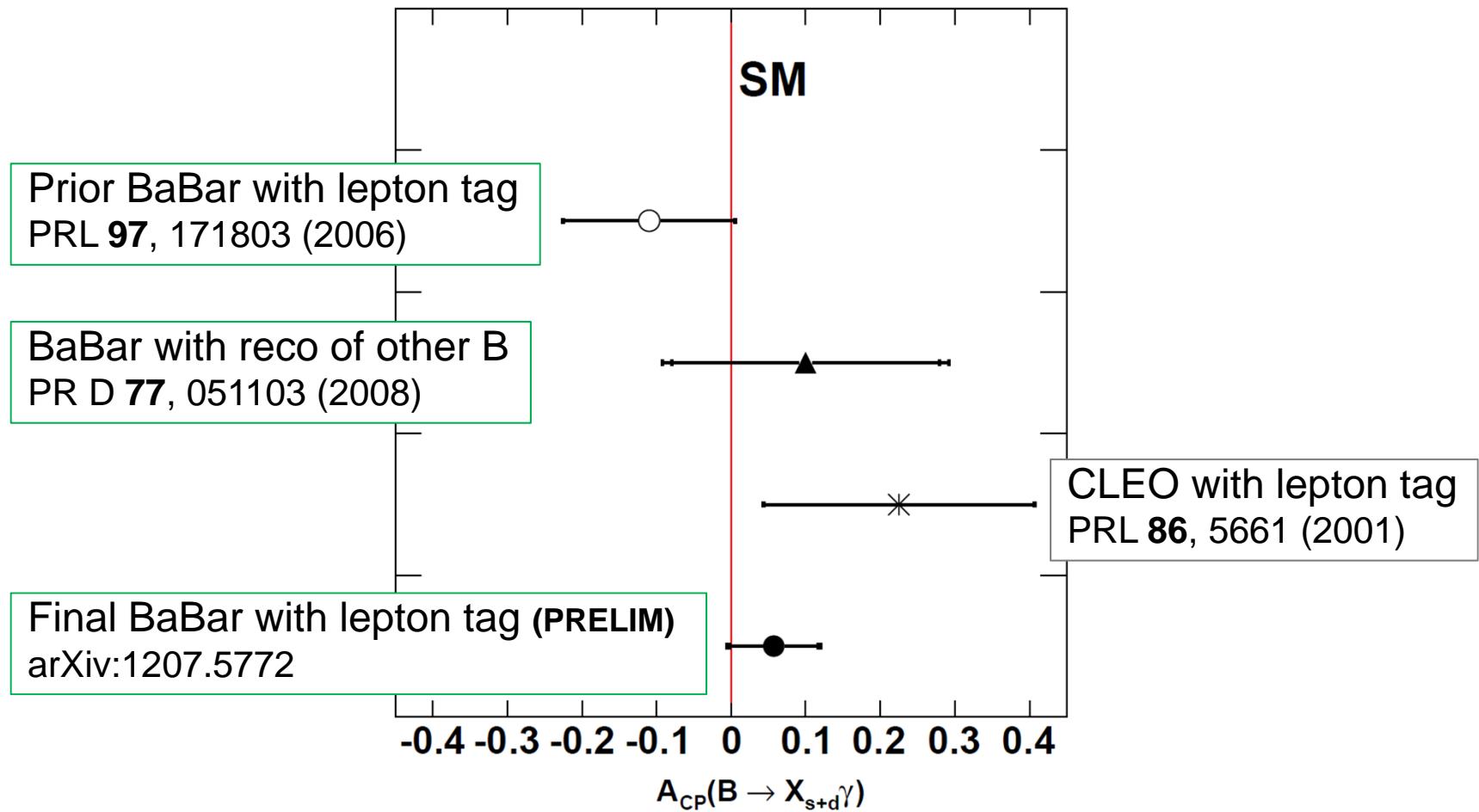
# $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ Branching Fraction Summary

Comparison of measurements extrapolated to  $E_\gamma > 1.6$  GeV  
by the Heavy Flavor Averaging Group.



# Direct CP Violation in $B \rightarrow X_{s+d}\gamma$

## Summary of Measurements



# Summary/Conclusions

- $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  is one of the theoretically cleanest FCNC modes.
  - Precision measurements provide important constraints on New Physics.
  - Spectrum provides heavy quark parameters
- *BABAR* results on  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ 
  - Inclusive (lepton tag) (preliminary until published)  
 $B(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.21 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-4}$  ( $E_\gamma > 1.8$  GeV)  
 $A_{CP} = 0.057 \pm 0.060 \pm 0.018$
  - Semi-inclusive (38 modes)  
 $B(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.29 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-4}$  ( $E_\gamma > 1.9$  GeV)
- Results in good agreement with SM