

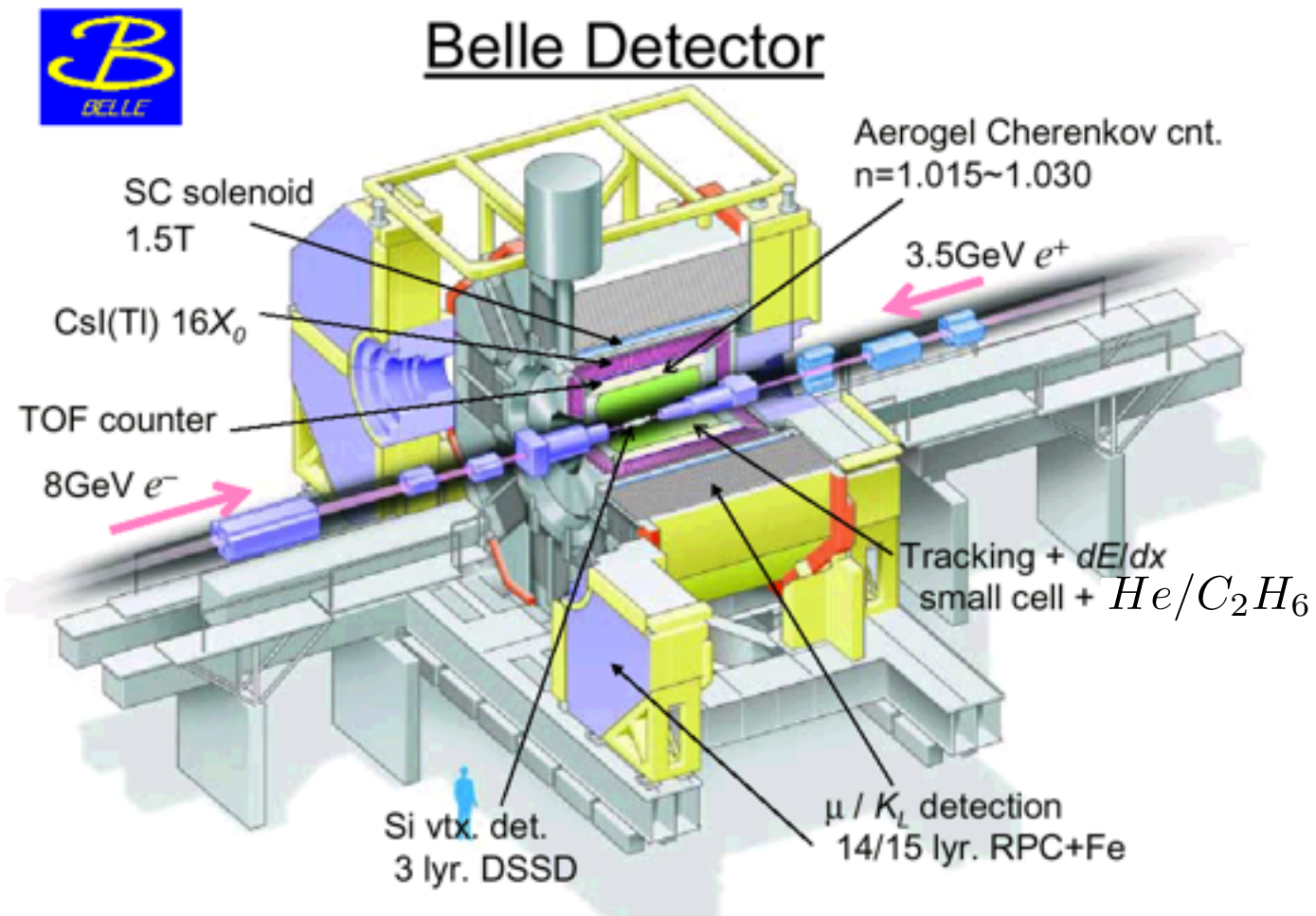


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Searches for the $B^0 \rightarrow \eta\pi^0$ at Belle

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Use Full Belle Data set

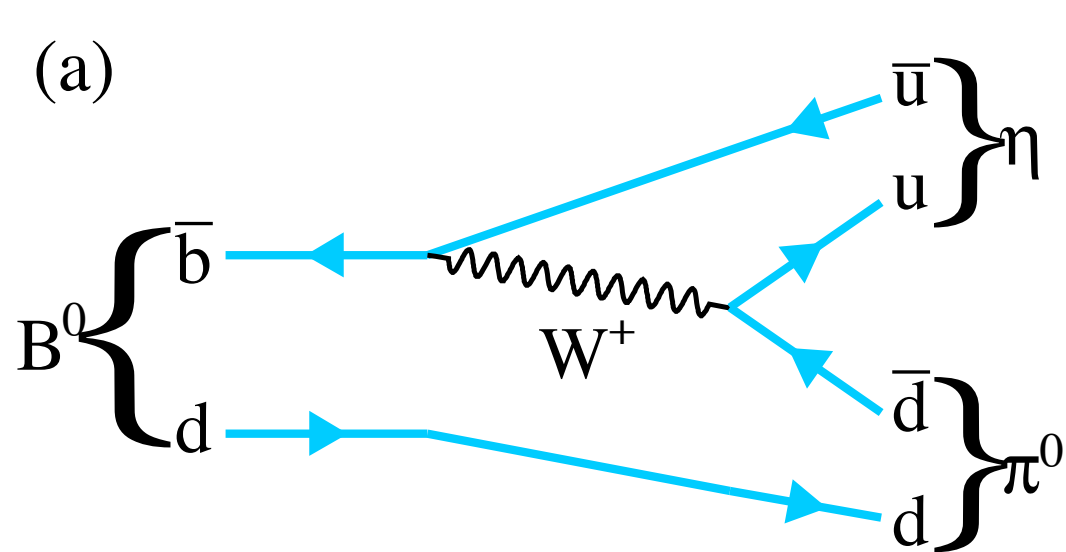


$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta \pi^0$$

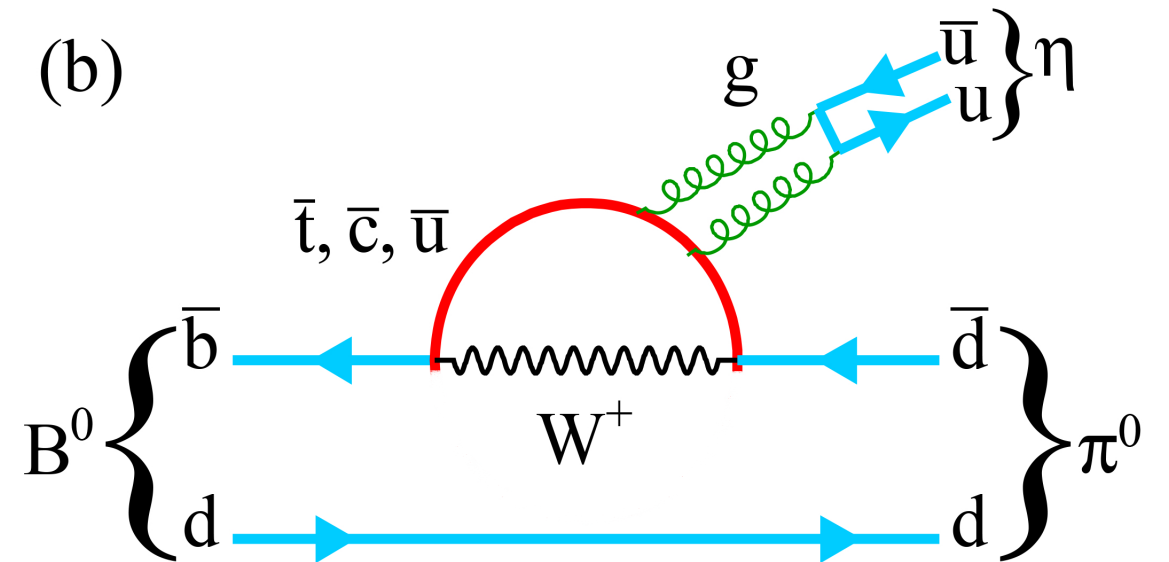
694 fb^{-1} at $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonances

753M $B\bar{B}$ pairs

Previous studies of $B^0 \rightarrow \eta \pi^0$



Tree Diagram



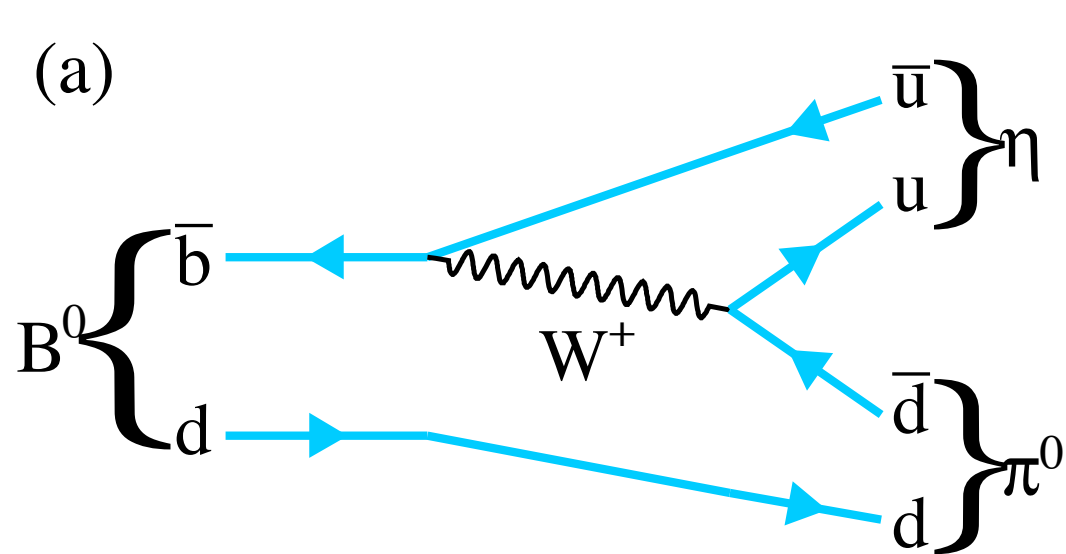
Penguin Diagram

QCD factorization (theory) expectation: $(2 - 12) \times 10^{-7}$

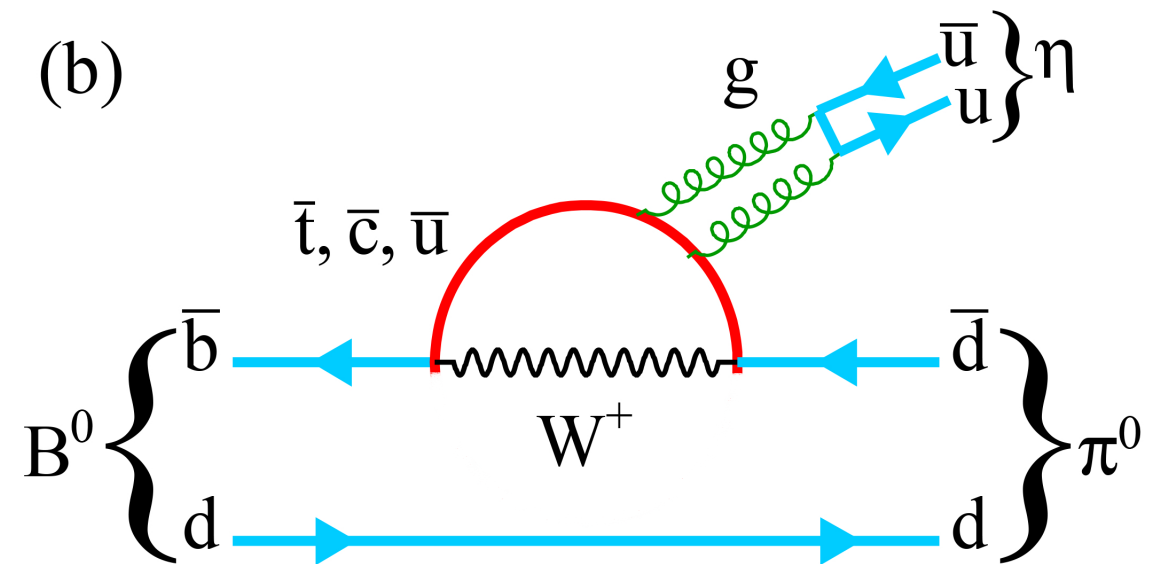
The best upper limit by BaBar: $< 1.5 \times 10^{-6}$,

by Belle: $< 2.5 \times 10^{-6}$

Implication of the results



Tree Diagram



Penguin Diagram

Constrain the contribution of isospin-breaking effects on the value of $\sin 2\alpha$ in $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ decays

Event selections

Use EVTGEN event generator to generate 1 Million MC events.

Charged Particles

Impact Parameters : $|dr| < 0.3$ cm, $|dz| < 3.0$ cm

KID < 0.4 for pion, eID < 0.95 , μ ID < 0.95

π^0

Mass – constraint Fit, $115 < m_{\pi^0} < 155$ MeV

$E_\gamma > 100$ MeV (> 50 MeV) in end cap (barrel) region

$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

π^0 veto, $E_\gamma > 50$ MeV, $\frac{|E_{\gamma 1} - E_{\gamma 2}|}{E_{\gamma 1} + E_{\gamma 2}} < 0.9$

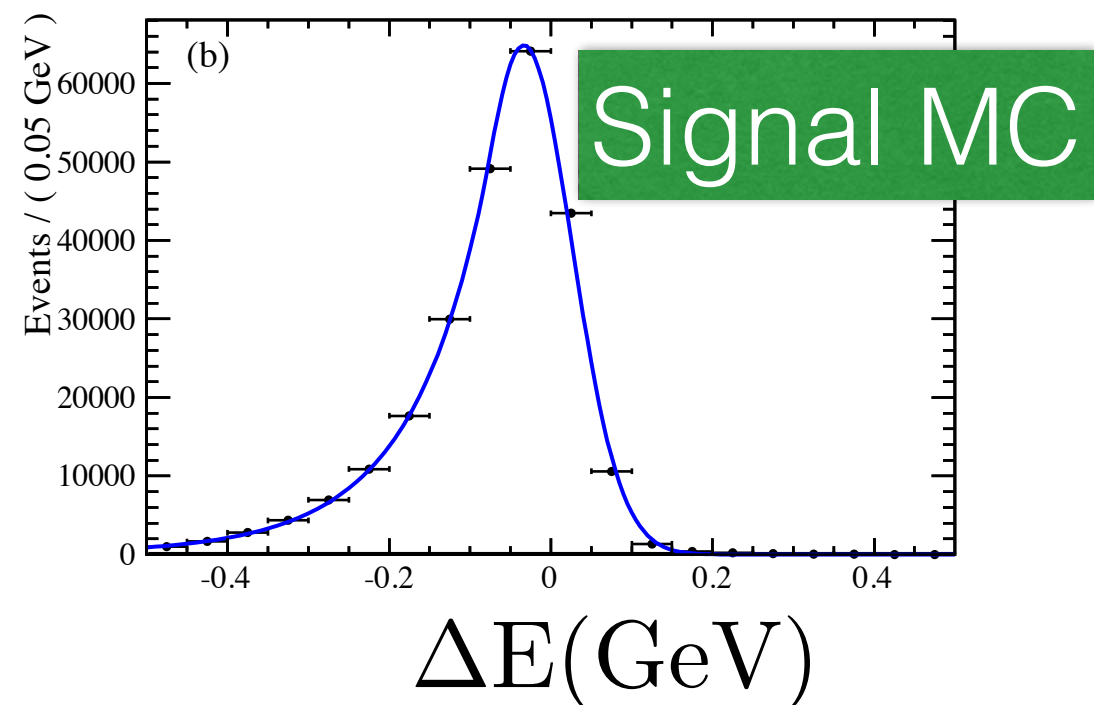
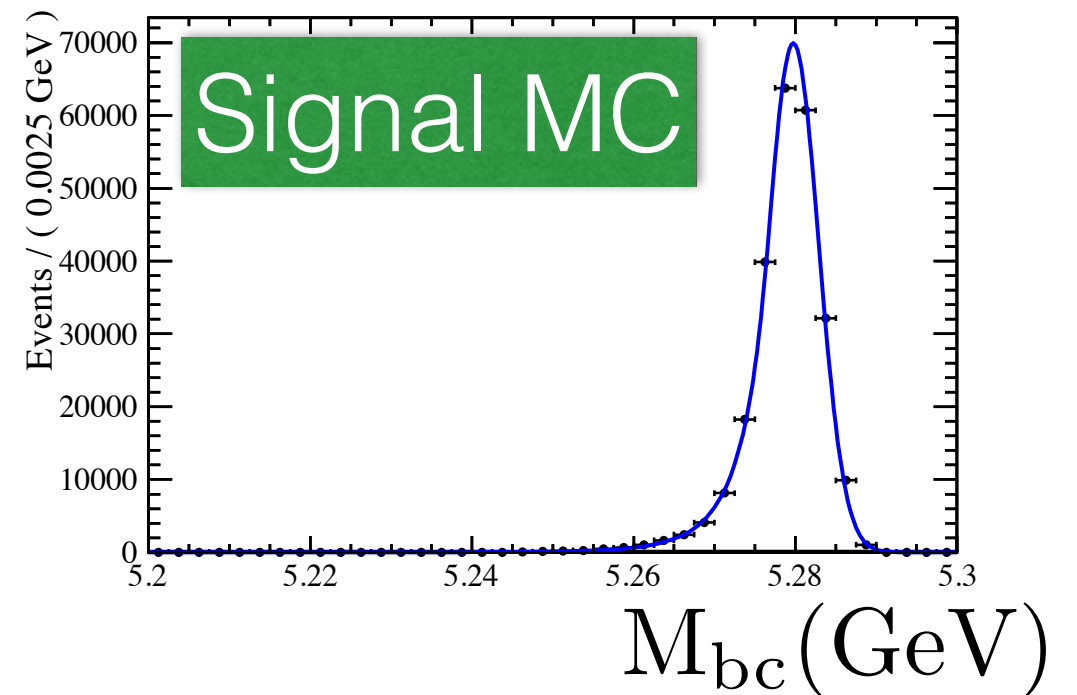
Mass – constraint Fit, $500 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 575$ MeV

$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$

Mass – constraint Fit, $538 < m_{\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0} < 557$ MeV

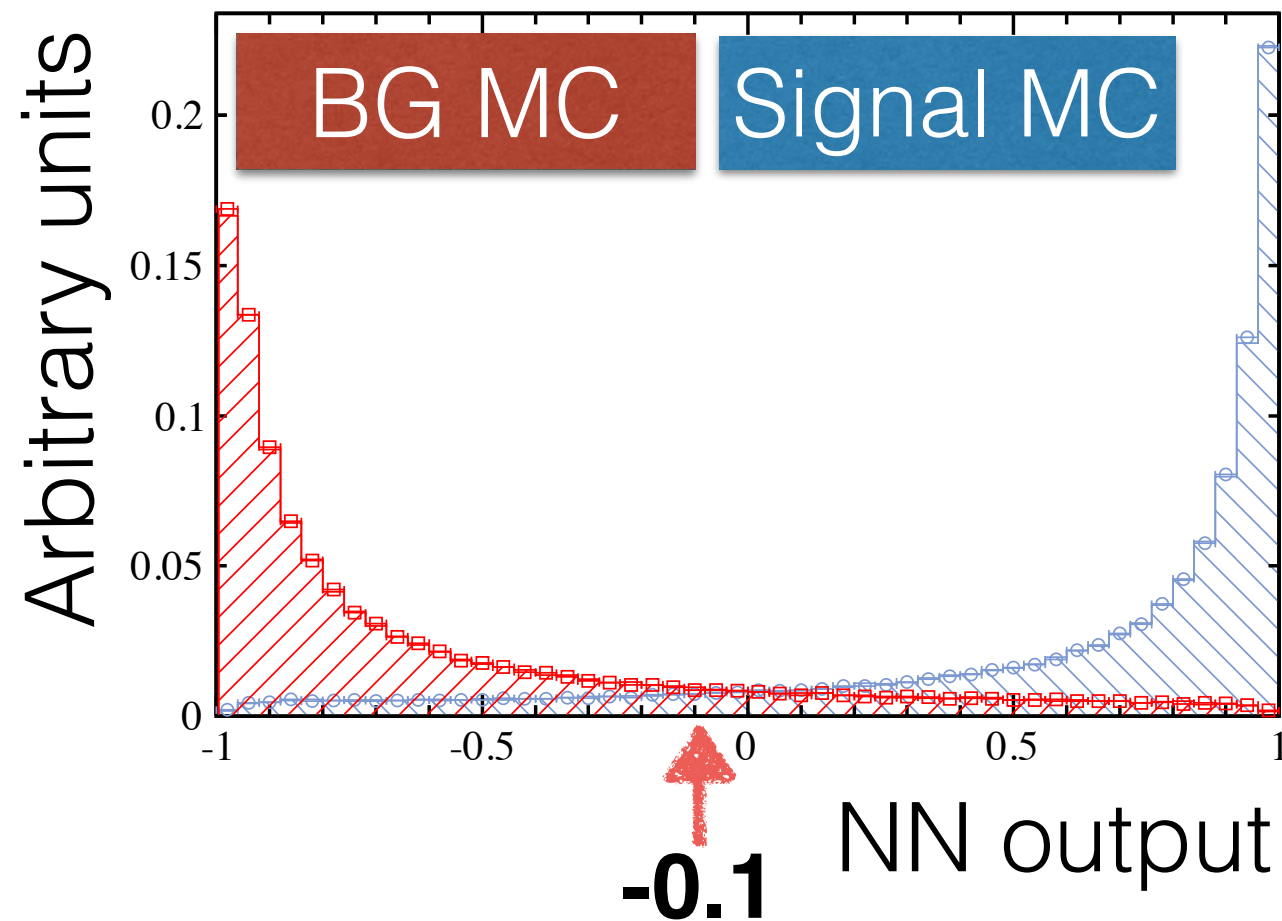
B^0

$M_{bc} > 5.2$ GeV, $|\Delta E| < 0.5$ GeV

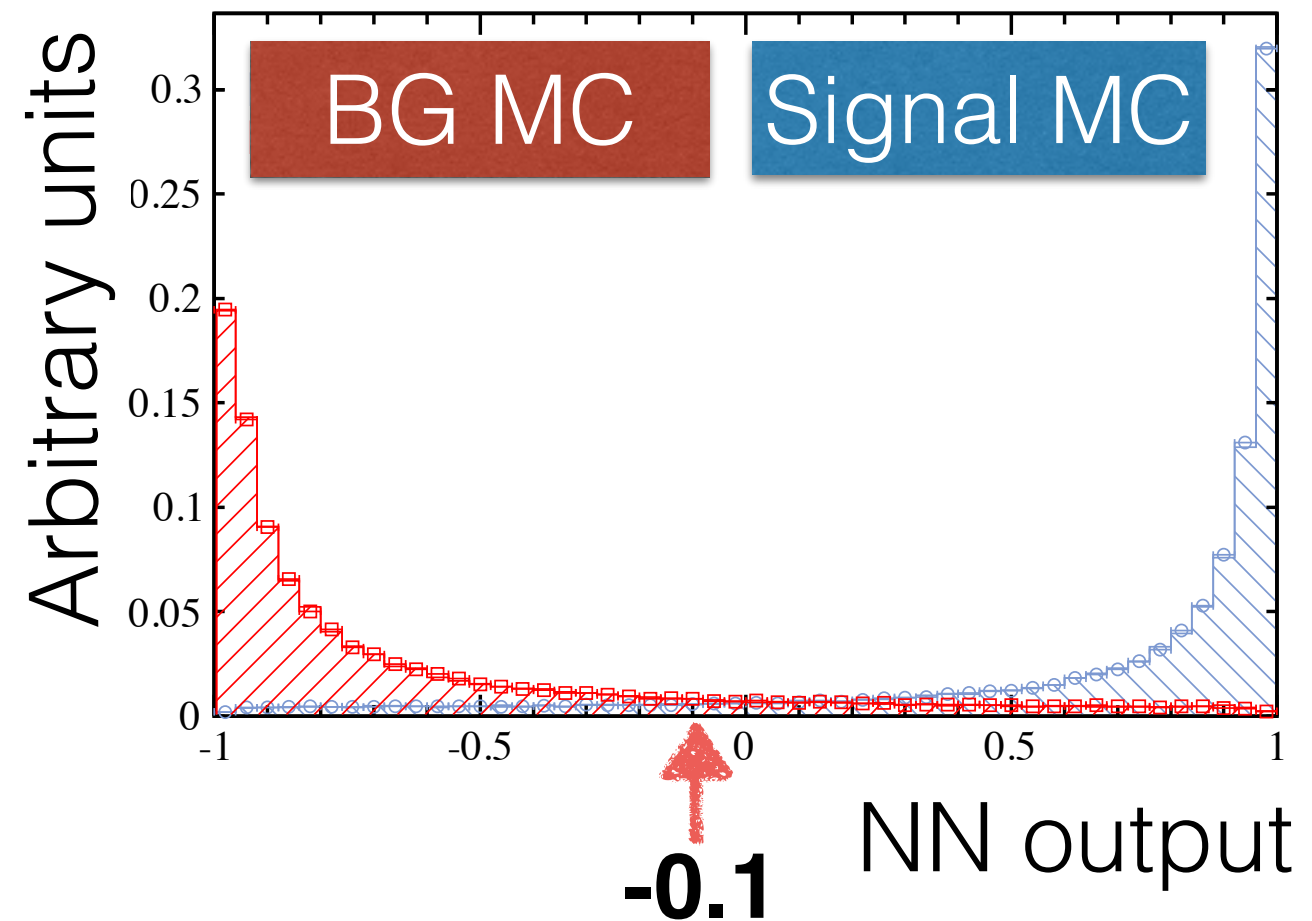


Background Suppression 1/2

$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{\gamma\gamma} \pi^0$$

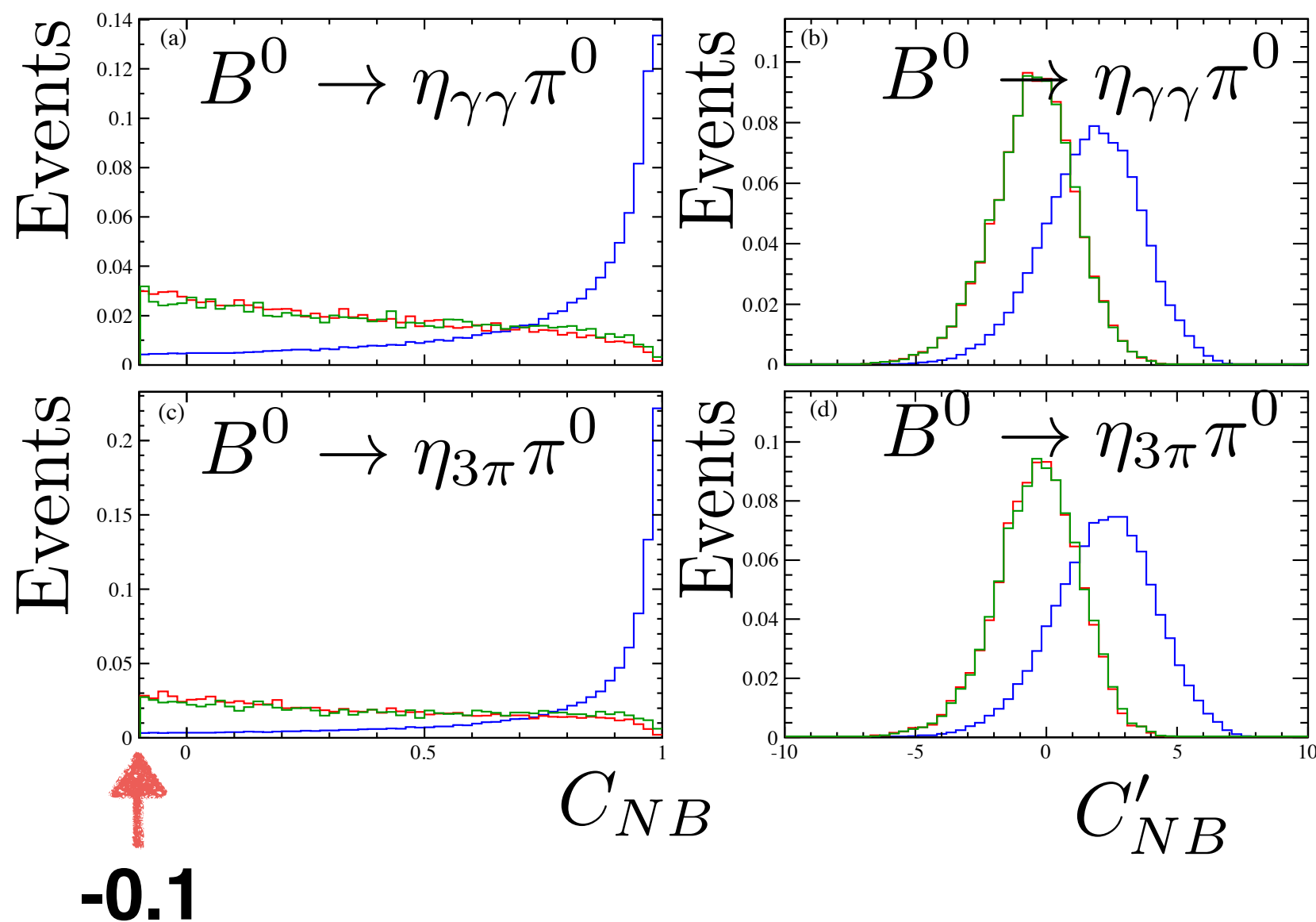


$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{3\pi} \pi^0$$



Using **neural networks (NN) technique** and choosing 19 useful variables, we distinguish signals from **continuum backgrounds**.

Background Suppression 2/2



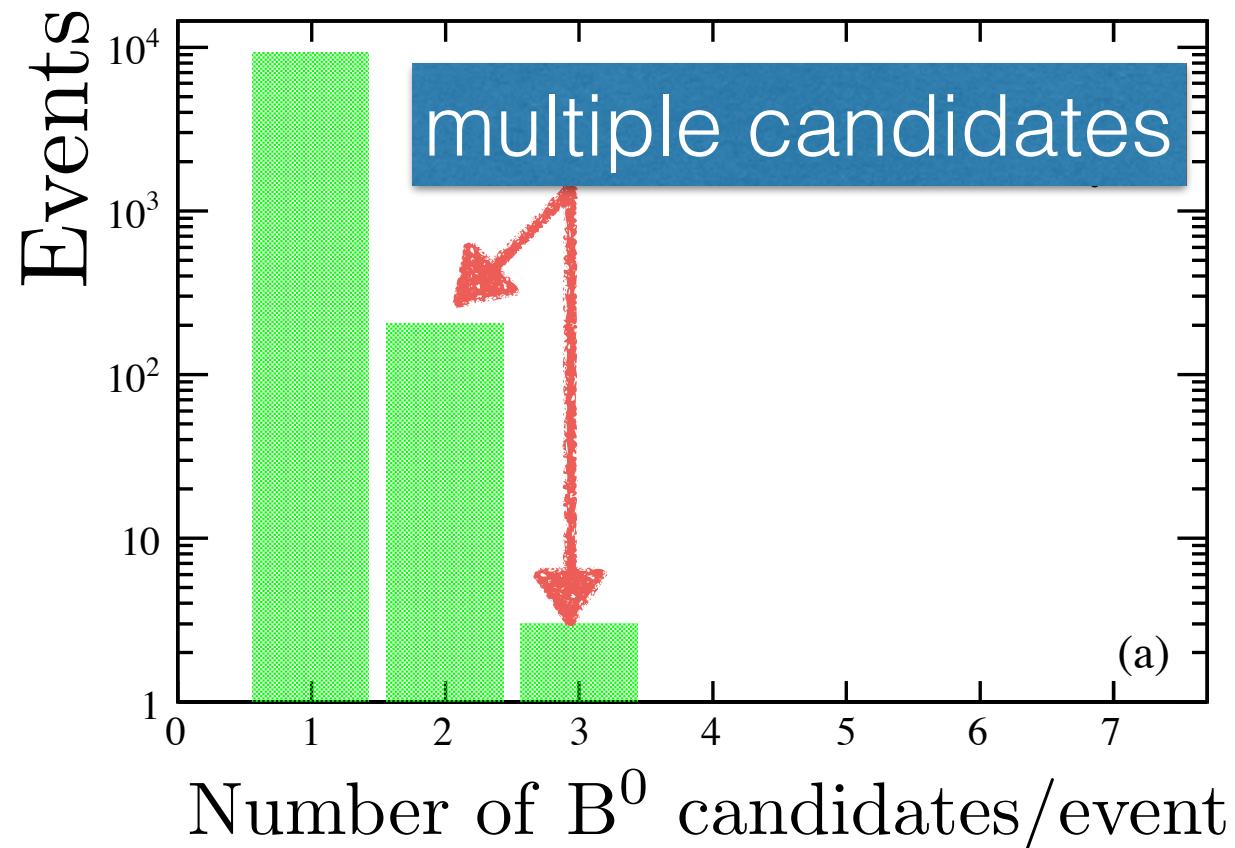
blue: signal MC,
red: continuum MC,
green: data side band

The **NN output = C_{NB}** ,
 $C_{NB} > -0.1$, rejects
85% continuum
backgrounds and
contains 90% signal
events.

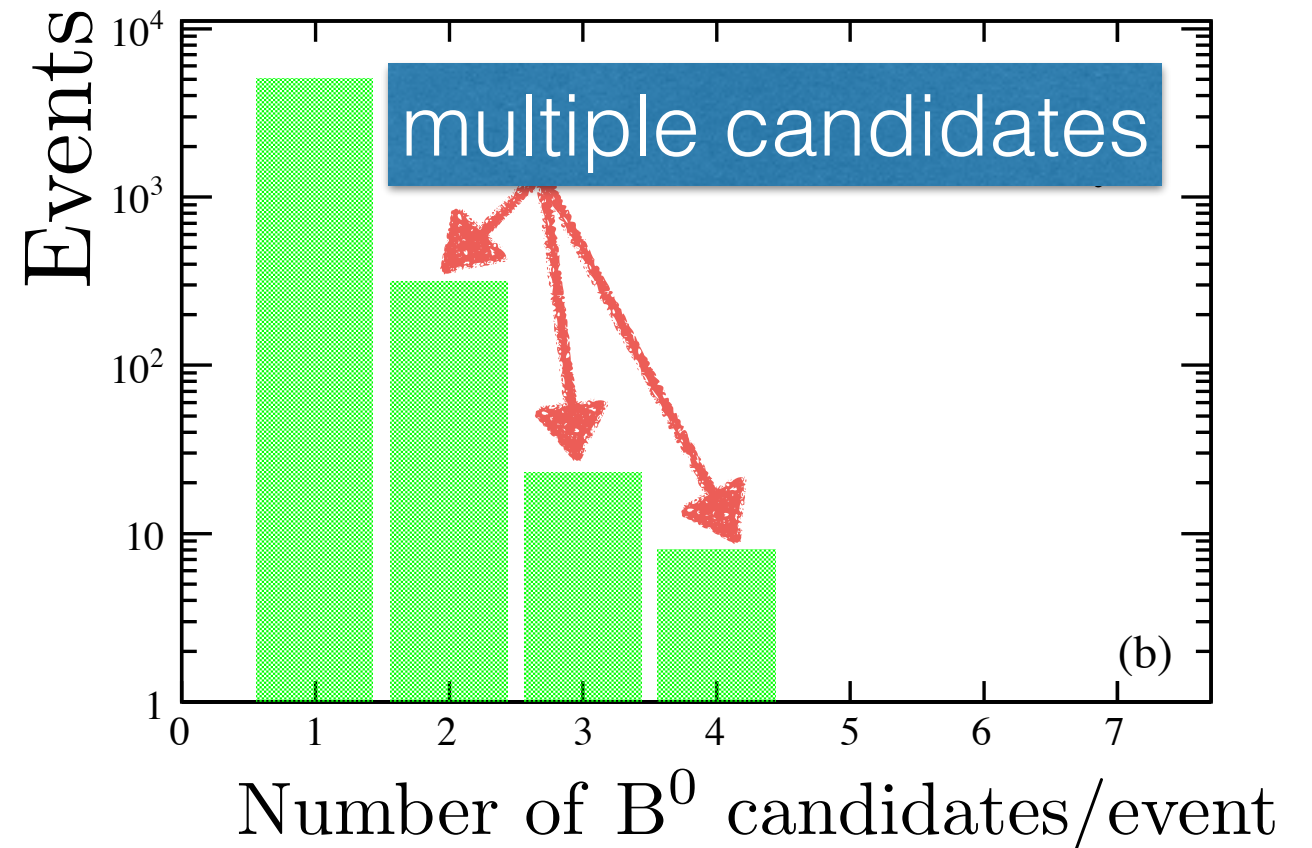
$$C'_{NB} = \ln \left(\frac{C_{NB} - C_{NB}^{\min}}{C_{NB}^{\max} - C_{NB}} \right)$$

Best Candidate per event selection

$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{\gamma\gamma} \pi^0$$



$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{3\pi} \pi^0$$



choose smallest χ^2 among the multiple candidates

$$\chi^2 = \chi_{\eta}^2 + \chi_{\pi^0}^2, \text{ mass - constraint fits}$$

Signal Efficiency

$$\epsilon = \frac{N_{fit}}{N_{gen}}$$

$$\epsilon(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{\gamma\gamma}\pi^0) = (18.43 \pm 0.04)\%$$

$$\epsilon(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{3\pi}\pi^0) = (14.21 \pm 0.04)\%$$

Calculate the expected number of signal yields

$$N_s(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{\gamma\gamma}\pi^0) = 54.6(\text{Fit Region}) = 49.2(\text{Signal Region})$$

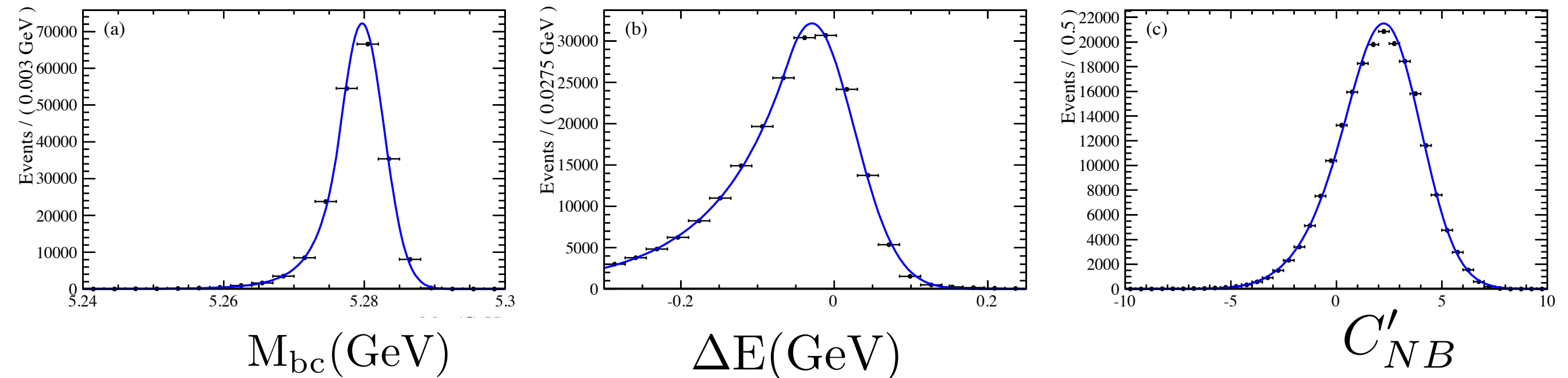
$$N_s(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{3\pi}\pi^0) = 22.8(\text{Fit Region}) = 21.1(\text{Signal Region})$$

Fitting Procedure 1/2

3D Unbinned maximum likelihood fit

$$\mathcal{L} = e^{-\sum_j Y_j} \cdot \prod_i^N \left(\sum_j Y_j \mathcal{P}_j(M_{bc}^i, \Delta E^i, C_{NB}'^i) \right)$$

Signal PDF

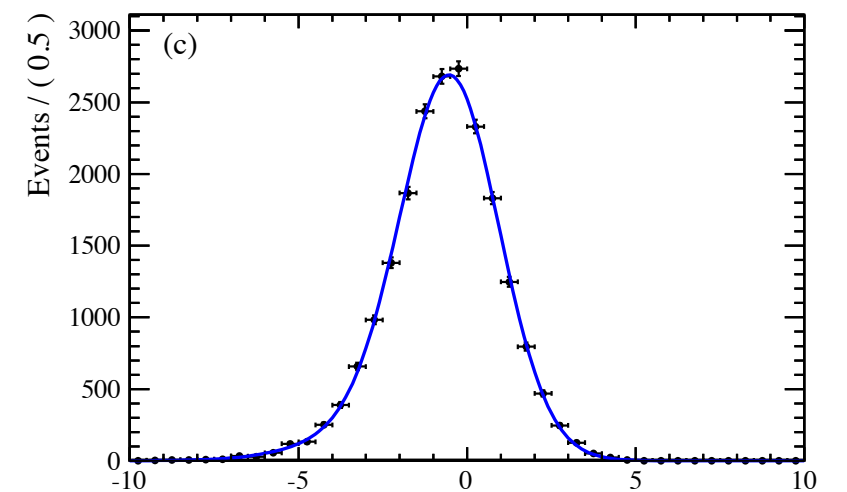
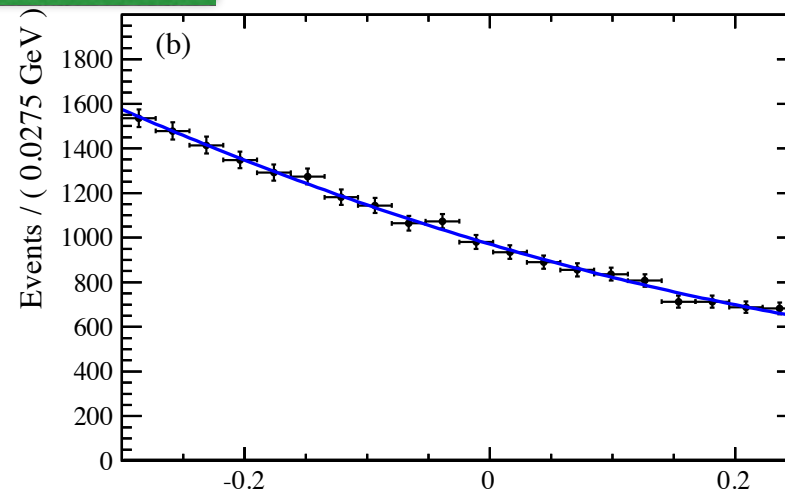
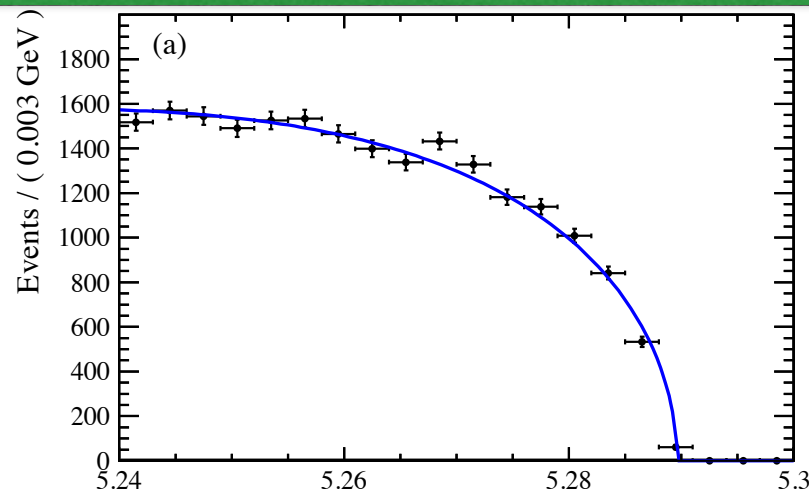


$$\mathcal{P}_j(M_{bc}, \Delta E, C'_{NB}) = \mathcal{P}_j(M_{bc}) \cdot \mathcal{P}_j(\Delta E) \cdot \mathcal{P}_j(C'_{NB})$$

Fitting Procedure 2/2

3D Unbinned maximum likelihood fit

Continuum BG PDF

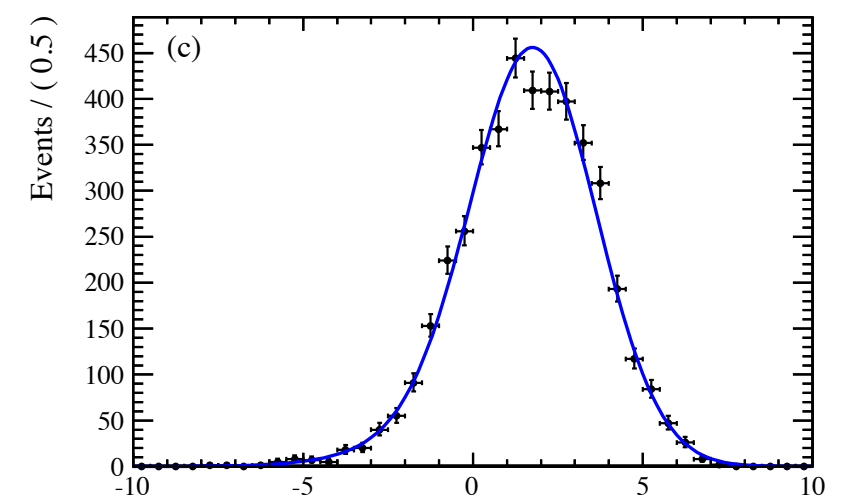
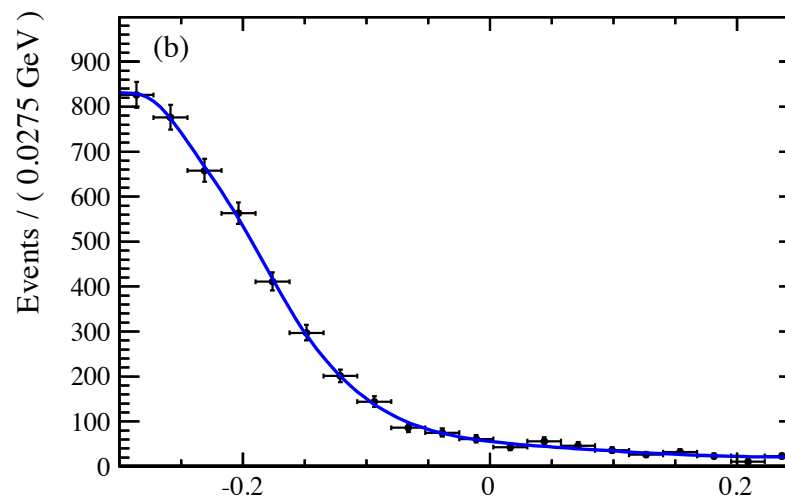
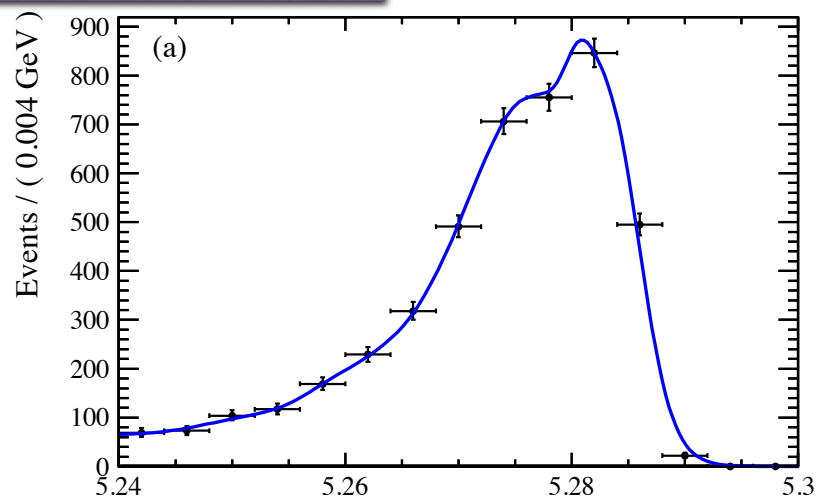


Rare B PDF

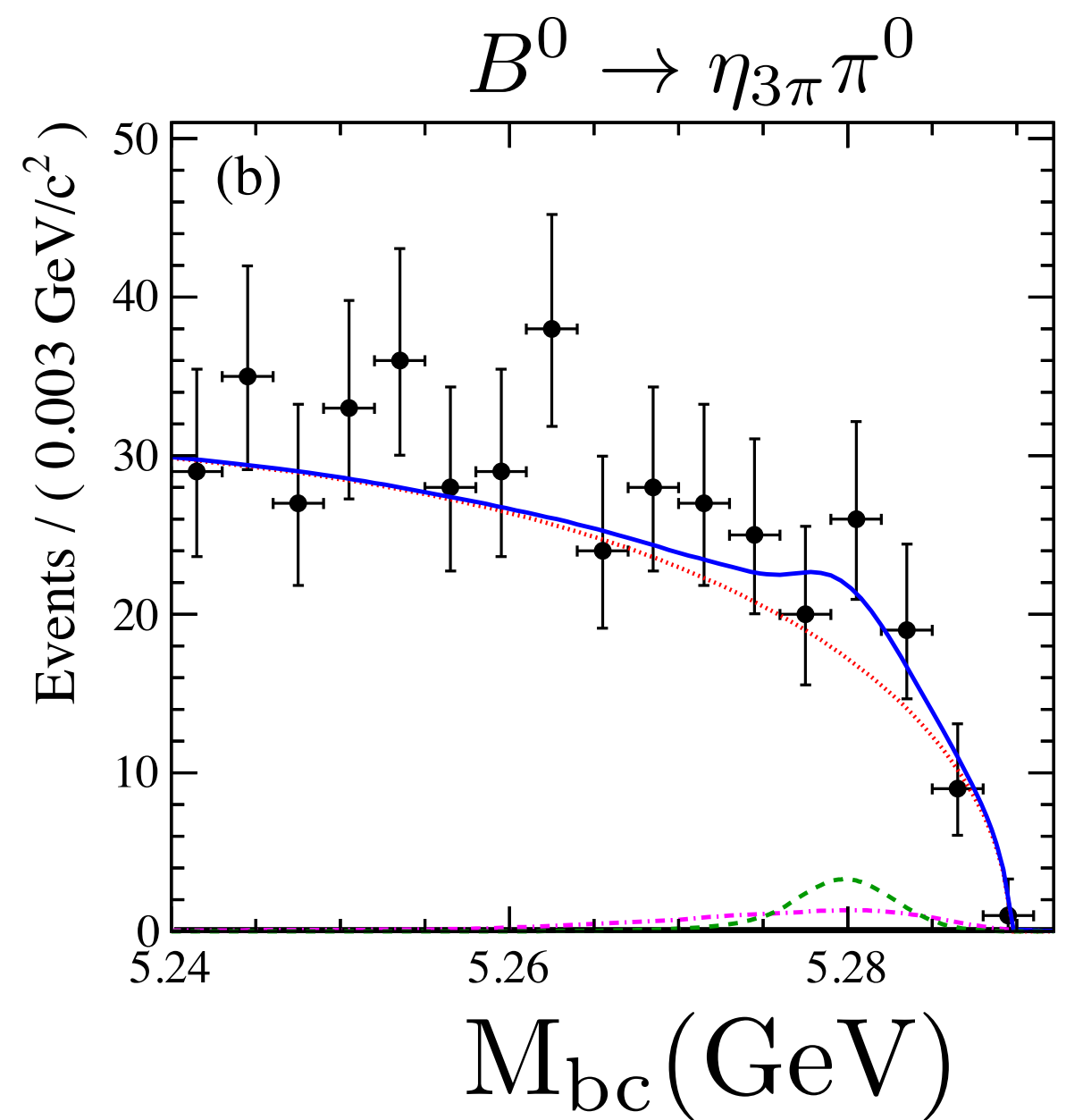
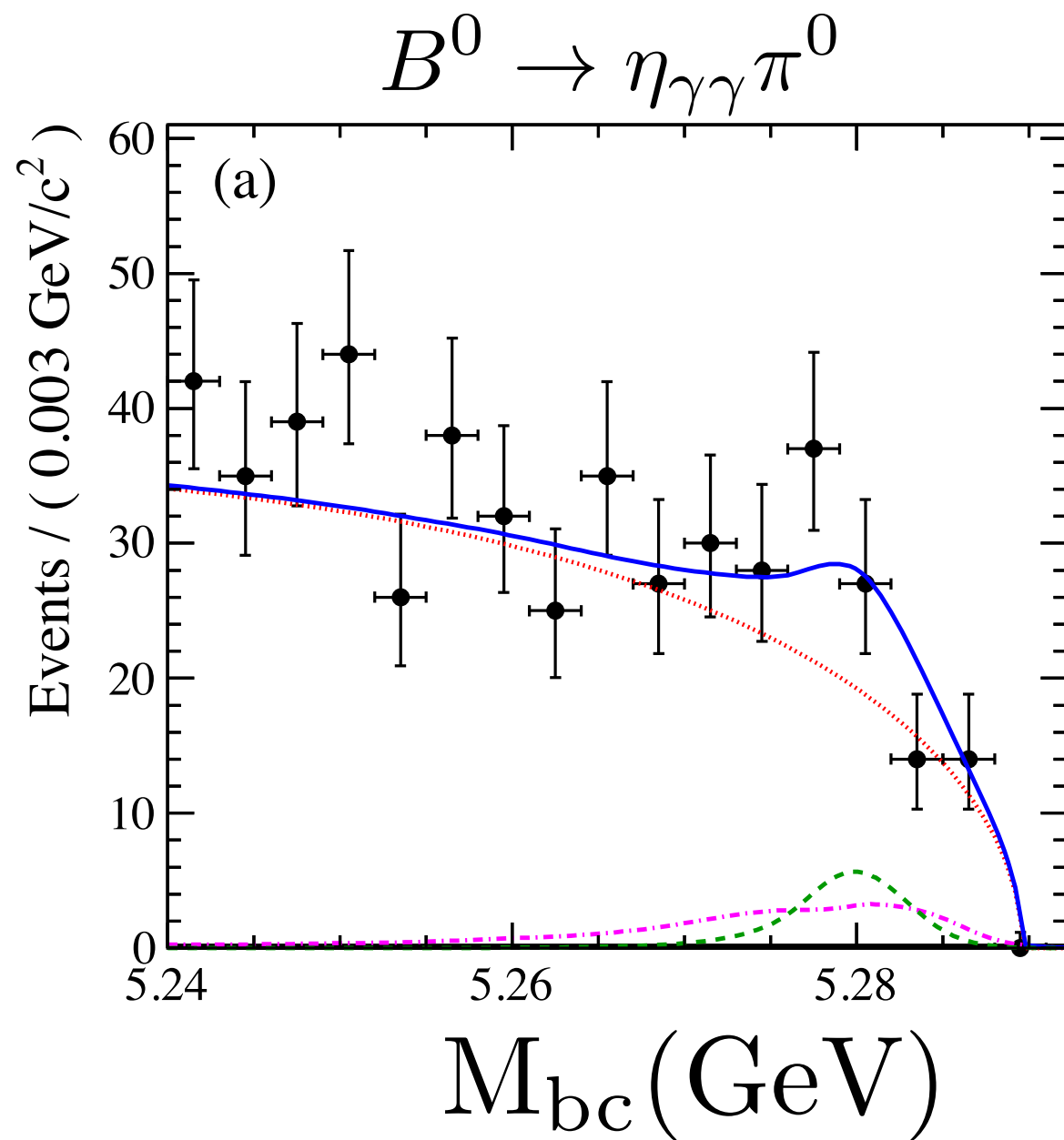
M_{bc} (GeV)

ΔE (GeV)

C'_{NB}



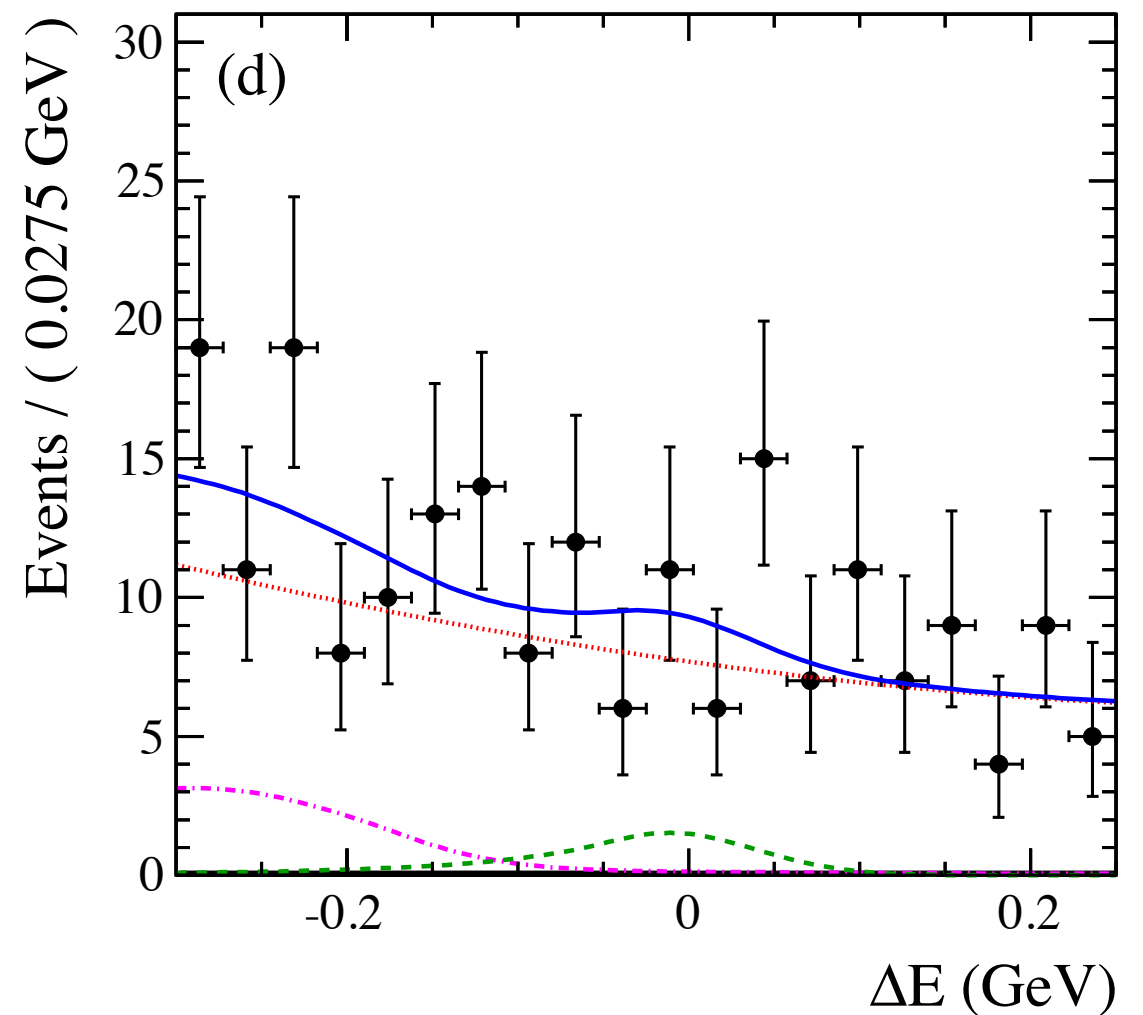
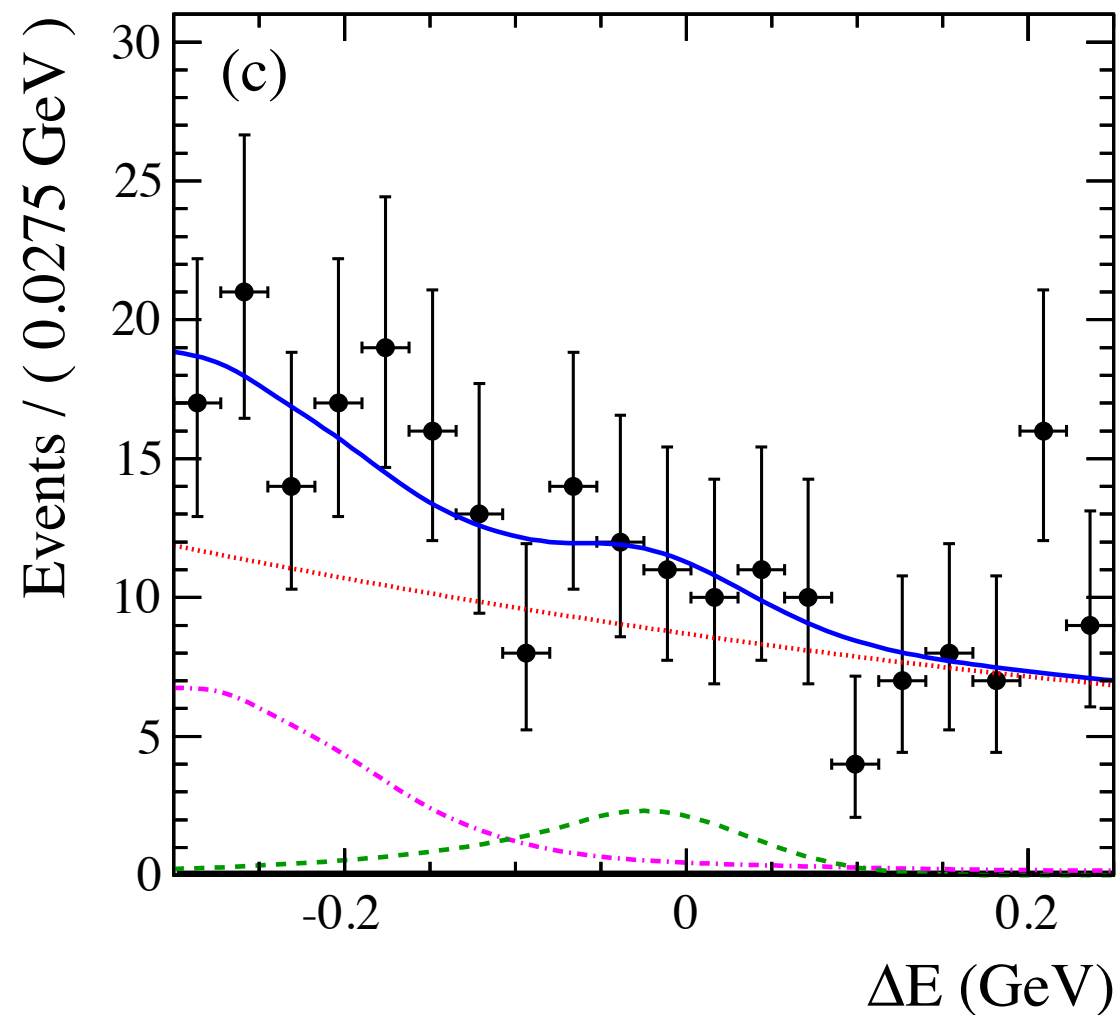
Simultaneous Fit Results 1/3



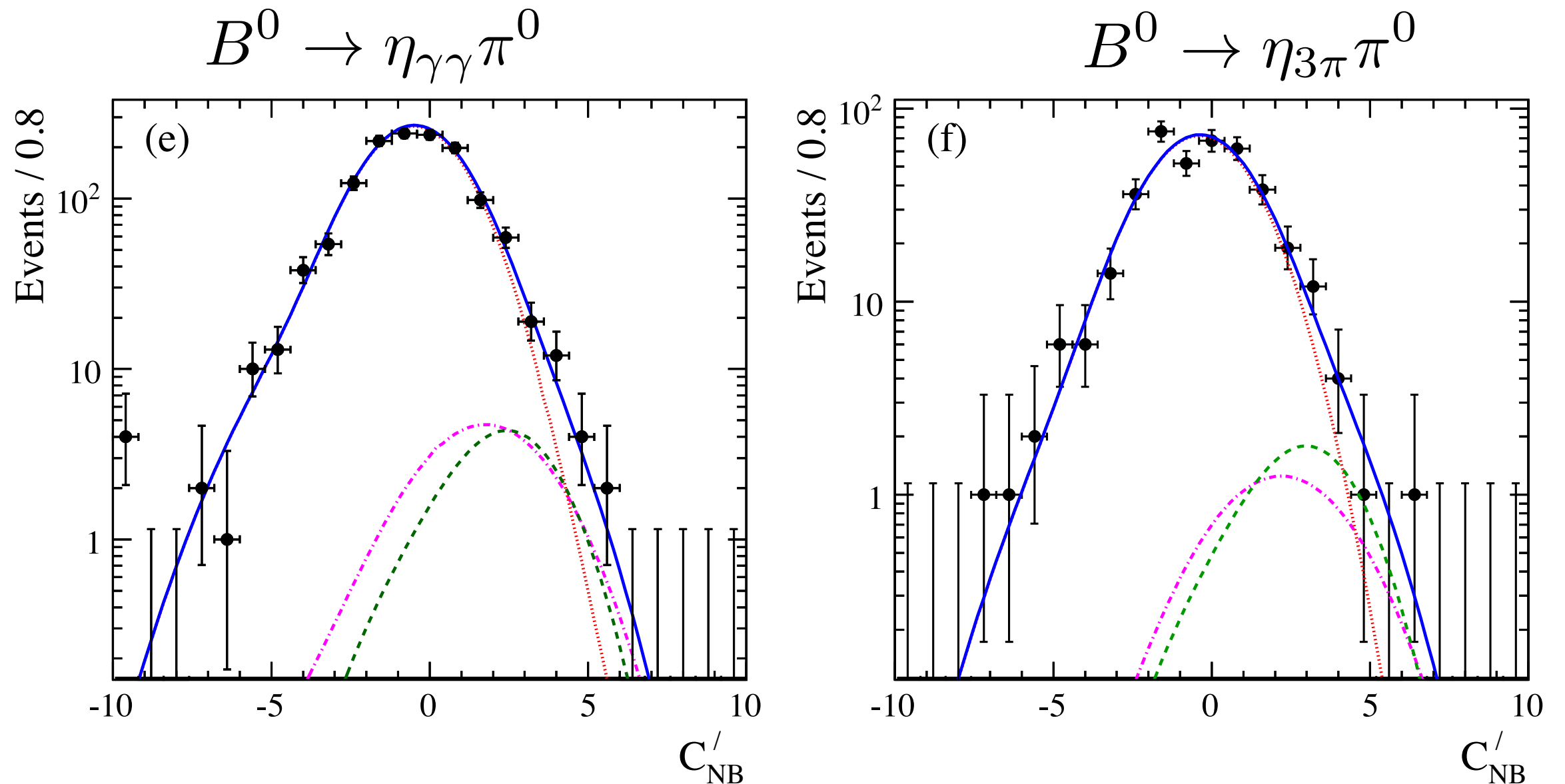
Simultaneous Fit Results 2/3

$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{\gamma\gamma} \pi^0$$

$$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{3\pi} \pi^0$$



Simultaneous Fit Results 3/3



Branching Fractions

Mode	Y_{sig}	$\epsilon(\%)$	$\mathcal{B}_\eta(\%)$	Significance	$\mathcal{B}(10^{-7})$
$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{\gamma\gamma}\pi^0$	$30.6^{+12.2}_{-10.8}$	18.4	39.41	3.1	$5.6^{+2.2}_{-2.0}$
$B^0 \rightarrow \eta_{3\pi}\pi^0$	$0.5^{+6.6}_{-5.4}$	14.2	22.92	0.1	$0.2^{+2.8}_{-2.3}$
Combined				3.0	$4.1^{+1.7}_{-1.5}$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \eta\pi^0) = \frac{Y_{\text{sig}}}{N_{B\bar{B}} \times \epsilon \times \mathcal{B}_\eta}$$

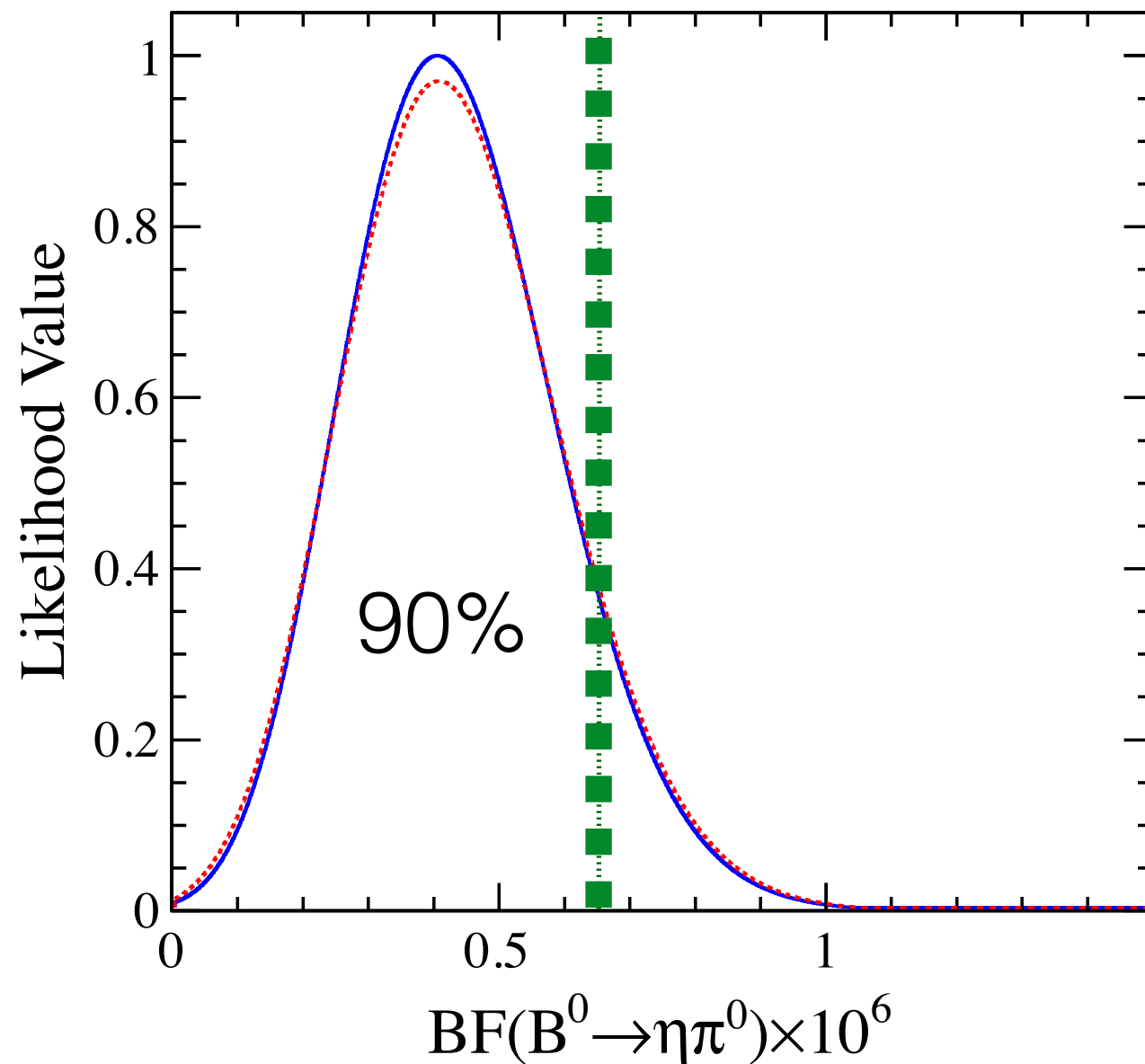
Systematic Uncertainties

Source	Uncertainty (%)
PDF parametrization	+10.2 − 9.2
Fit bias	+0.0 −2.6
$\pi^0/\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ reconstruction	6.0
Tracking efficiency	0.3
PID efficiency	0.6
C_{NB} selection efficiency	+2.1 −2.2
MC statistics	0.4
Nonresonant contributions	+ 0.0 −10.8
$\mathcal{B}(\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$	0.5
$\mathcal{B}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$	1.2
Number of $B\bar{B}$ pairs	1.3
Total	+12.2 −15.9

$$Br(B^0 \rightarrow \eta\pi^0) = (4.1 \pm_{1.5}^{1.7} \pm_{0.7}^{0.5}) \times 10^{-7}$$

Upper Limits

$$Br(B^0 \rightarrow \eta\pi^0) < 6.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ @ } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$



Integrate the likelihood function from zero to infinity; take the value corresponding to 90% of the total area as the 90% C.L. upper limit.

Summary 1/2

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Good agreement with QCD factorization (theory) expectation:

$$(2 - 12) \times 10^{-7}$$

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Constrain the contribution of isospin-breaking effects on the value of $\sin 2\alpha$ in $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays
Inserting our measured Br value into a theory paper*,
 $\pi^0 - \eta - \eta'$ mixing is less than 0.97° at 90% C.L.

* M. Gronau and J. Zupan, Phys. Rev. D **71**, 074017 (2005).