

$D^0-\bar{D}^0$ Mixing and CP Violation

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The oscillation in time of neutral D mesons into their antiparticles, and *vice versa*, commonly called $D^0-\bar{D}^0$ mixing, has been observed by several experiments in a variety of channels during the past two years. While $K^0-\bar{K}^0$ mixing and $B^0-\bar{B}^0$ mixing are (relatively) well understood in the Standard Model of particle physics, observations of $D^0-\bar{D}^0$ mixing indicate that the physical eigenstates have decay rate differences and/or mass differences greater than expected most naively. In this talk I will present $\Delta(\Gamma)$ results for two-body decays and the results of a time-dependent amplitude analysis of the decay $D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^0$ from the BaBar experiment at SLAC. I will also present related CP violation results.

Mixing Phenomenology

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, lifetime 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

$$\Delta M = M_1 - M_2$$

or lifetime difference

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

For convenience define, x and y

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

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

and define the mixing rate

$$R_M = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} (\lt 5 \times 10^{-4})$$

How Mixing is Calculated

$$\left(M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma\right)_{12} = \frac{1}{2m_D} \langle D^0 | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta C=2} | \bar{D}^0 \rangle + \frac{1}{2m_D} \sum_n \frac{\langle D^0 | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta C=1} | n \rangle \langle n | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta C=1} | \bar{D}^0 \rangle}{m_D - E_n + i\epsilon}$$

The first term is called the **short distance** contribution and the second the **long distance** contribution. Assuming the short distance contributions are small, and that CP is conserved, we can express y as the **absorptive** part of the second term

$$y = \frac{1}{\Gamma_D} \sum_n \rho_n \langle \bar{D}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta C=1} | n \rangle \langle n | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta C=1} | D^0 \rangle,$$

where ρ_n is the phase space factor corresponding to the charmless intermediate state $|n\rangle$.

Points of theoretical consensus

- Short distance contributions to x and y are $\ll 10^{-2}$;
- CP is not significantly violated in the Standard Model;
- Large long-distance contributions to y may originate in the different phase spaces available for CP-even and CP-odd final states (but not in SM matrix elements); $y \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$ cannot be excluded in the Standard Model; $x \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$ is less likely, although it cannot be excluded absolutely.
- New Physics may contribute to mixing at the $x, y \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$ level.

Standard Model Mixing Predictions

Box diagram SM charm mixing rate naively expected to be very low ($R_M \sim 10^{-10}$) (Datta & Kumbhakar)

Z.Phys. C27, 515 (1985)

CKM suppression $\rightarrow |V_{ub} V_{cb}^*|^2$

GIM suppression $\rightarrow (m_s^2 - m_d^2)/m_W^2$

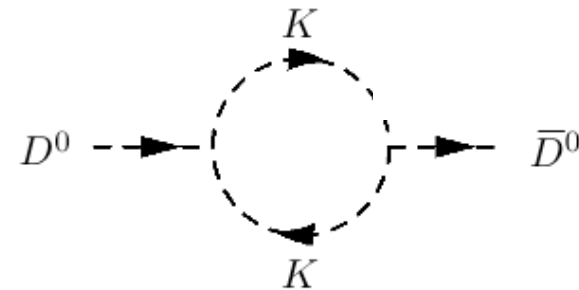
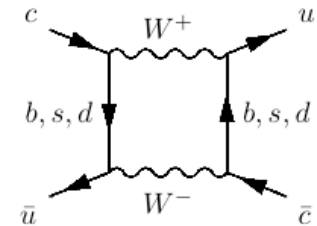
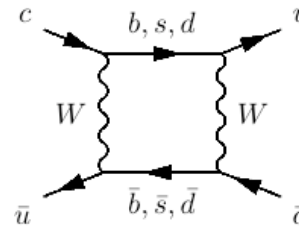
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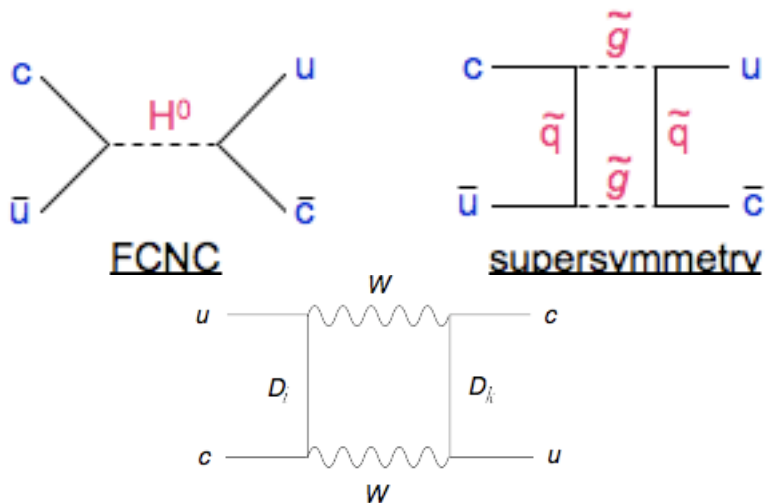
Partial History of Long-Distance Calculations

- Early SM calculations indicated long distance contributions produce $x \ll 10^{-2}$:
 - $x \sim 10^{-3}$ (dispersive sector)
 - PRD 33, 179 (1986)
 - $x \sim 10^{-5}$ (HQET)
 - Phys. Lett. B 297, 353 (1992)
 - Nucl. Phys. B403, 605 (1993)
- More recent SM predictions can accommodate $x, y \sim 1\%$ [of opposite sign] (Falk *et al.*)
 - $x, y \approx \sin^2 q_c x$ [SU(3) breaking]²
 - Phys.Rev. D 65, 054034 (2002)
 - Phys.Rev. D 69, 114021 (2004)
- For a discussion of local duality [Bigi & Uraltsev], see
 - Nucl. Phys. B592, 92-106 (2001)

New Physics 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 ([Phys. Rev. D76, 095009 \(2007\)](#), [arXiv:0705.3650](#)) 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

and more

Lifetime Ratio Observables

In the D^* tagged analysis, measure:

$\tau_{K\pi} \equiv \tau(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ + c.c.)$ CP-mixed right-sign Cabibbo-favored (CF) decay lifetime

$\tau_{hh}^{D^0} \equiv \tau(D^0 \rightarrow h^- h^+)$ CP-even singly Cabibbo-suppressed (SCS) decay lifetime

Construct mixing variable

$$y_{CP} \equiv \frac{\tau_{K\pi}}{\tau_{hh}} - 1$$

where $\tau_{hh} = \frac{\tau_{hh}^{D^0} + \tau_{hh}^{\bar{D}^0}}{2}$

and CPV asymmetry:

$$\Delta Y \equiv \frac{\tau_{K\pi}}{\tau_{hh}} A_\tau$$

where $A_\tau = \frac{\tau_{hh}^{D^0} - \tau_{hh}^{\bar{D}^0}}{\tau_{hh}^{D^0} + \tau_{hh}^{\bar{D}^0}} = -A_\Gamma$

In the untagged analysis, measure only:

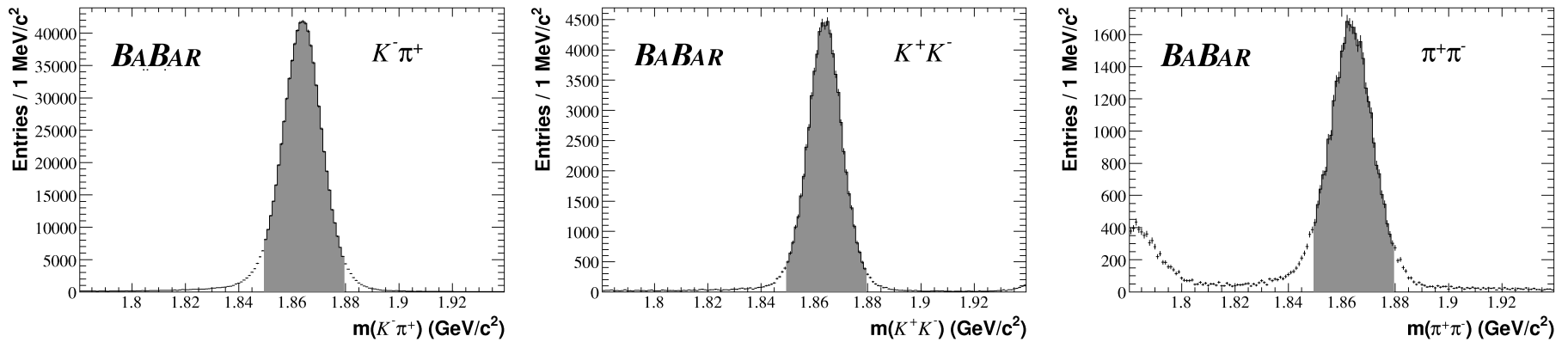
$$y_{CP} \equiv \frac{\tau_{K\pi}^{RS+WS}}{\tau_{hh}} - 1$$

where $\tau_{K\pi}^{RS+WS}$ is the lifetime of the right-sign decay, with a small admixture of wrong sign decays

In the limit of CP conservation, $y_{CP} = y$ and $\Delta Y = 0$

D^* -tagged D^0 mass projections

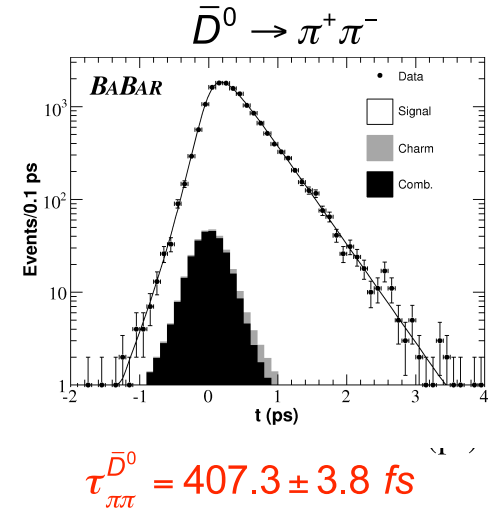
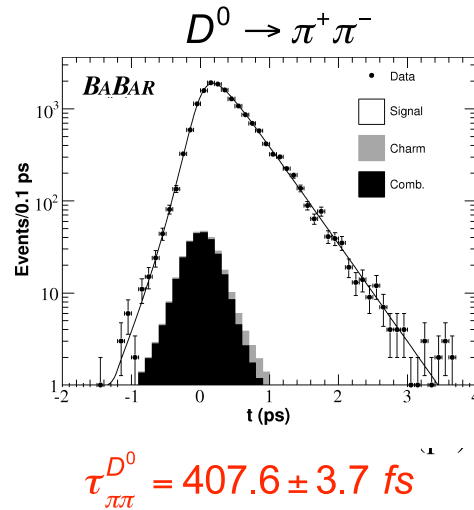
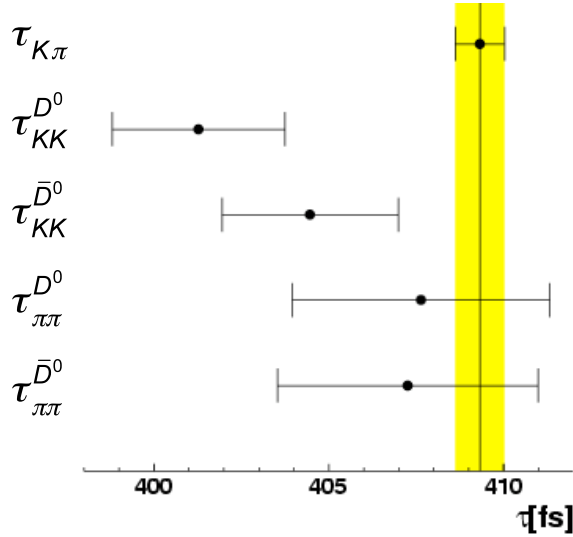
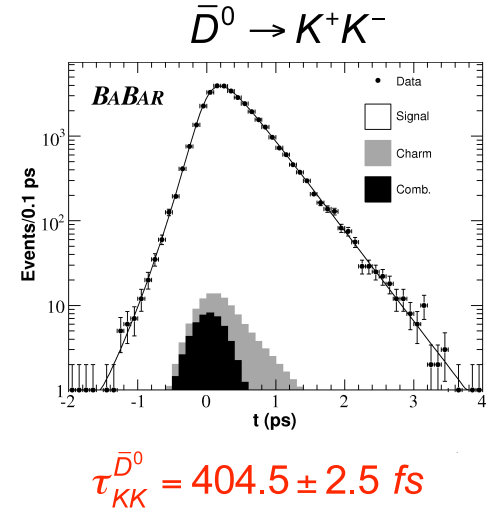
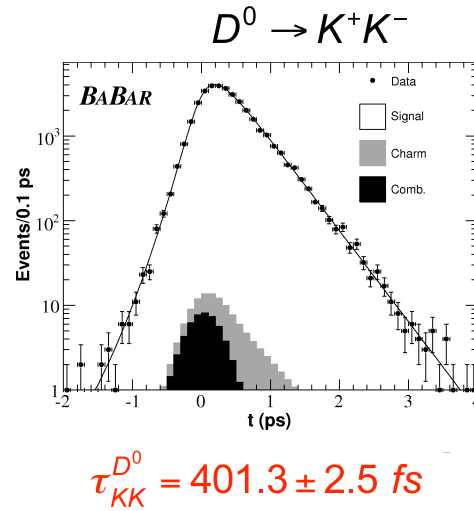
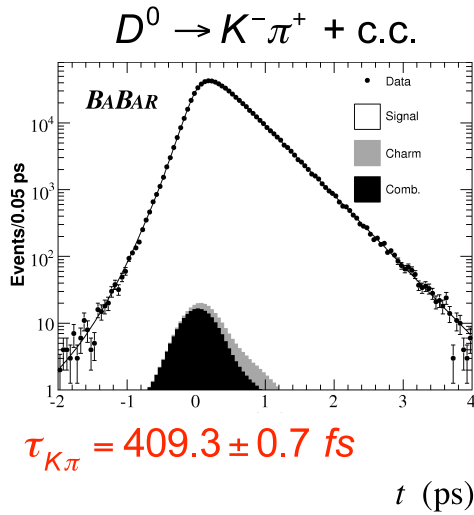
- Mass projections ($0.1447 < \Delta m < 0.1463 \text{ GeV}/c^2$):



- Signal Purities ($1.8495 < m < 1.8795 \text{ GeV}/c^2$):

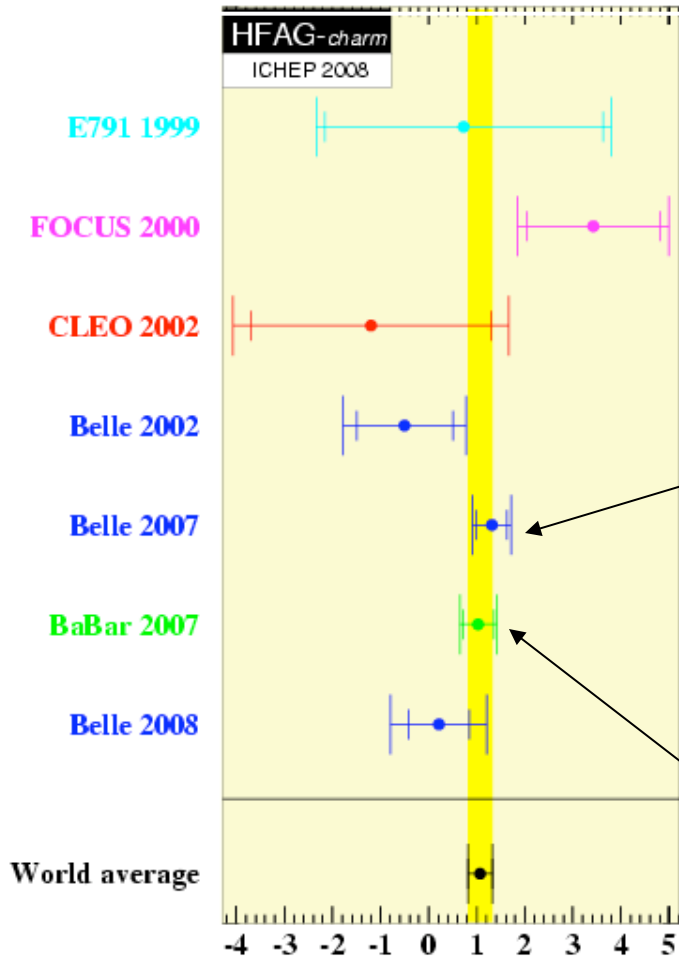
Sample	Size	Purity (%)
$K^- \pi^+$	730,880	99.9
$K^- K^+$	69,696	99.6
$\pi^- \pi^+$	30,679	98.0

D^* -tagged D^0 Lifetimes



$K\pi$ and KK lifetimes differ!

D*-tagged Lifetimes Ratio Results



Mode	y_{CP} (%)	$A_{\Gamma} = -A_{\tau}$ (%)
K^+K^-	$1.25 \pm 0.39 \pm 0.28$	$0.15 \pm 0.34 \pm 0.16$
$\pi^+\pi^-$	$1.44 \pm 0.57 \pm 0.42$	$-0.28 \pm 0.52 \pm 0.30$
Combined	$1.31 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.25$	$0.01 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.15$



3.2 σ evidence - no CPV (540 fb⁻¹)

PRL 98 211803 (2007)

Mode	y_{CP} (%)	$\Delta Y = (1 - y_{CP}) A_{\tau}$ (%)
K^+K^-	$1.60 \pm 0.46 \pm 0.17$	$0.15 \pm 0.64 \pm 0.32$
$\pi^+\pi^-$	$0.46 \pm 0.65 \pm 0.25$	$0.15 \pm 0.64 \pm 0.32$
Combined	$1.24 \pm 0.39 \pm 0.13$	$-0.26 \pm 0.36 \pm 0.08$



3.0 σ evidence - no CPV (384 fb⁻¹)

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Combining 384 fb⁻¹ tagged and 91 fb⁻¹ untagged (BaBar):
 $y_{CP} = [1.03 \pm 0.33(\text{stat}) \pm 0.19(\text{syst})] \%$

HFAG World Average:
 $y_{CP} = [1.072 \pm 0.257] \%$
 arXiv 0808:1297 (2008)

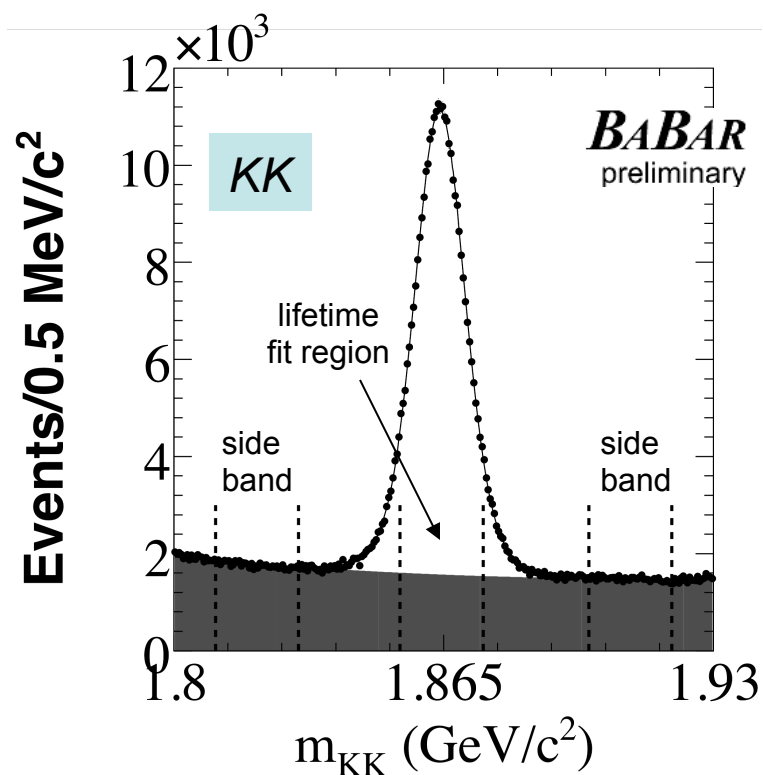
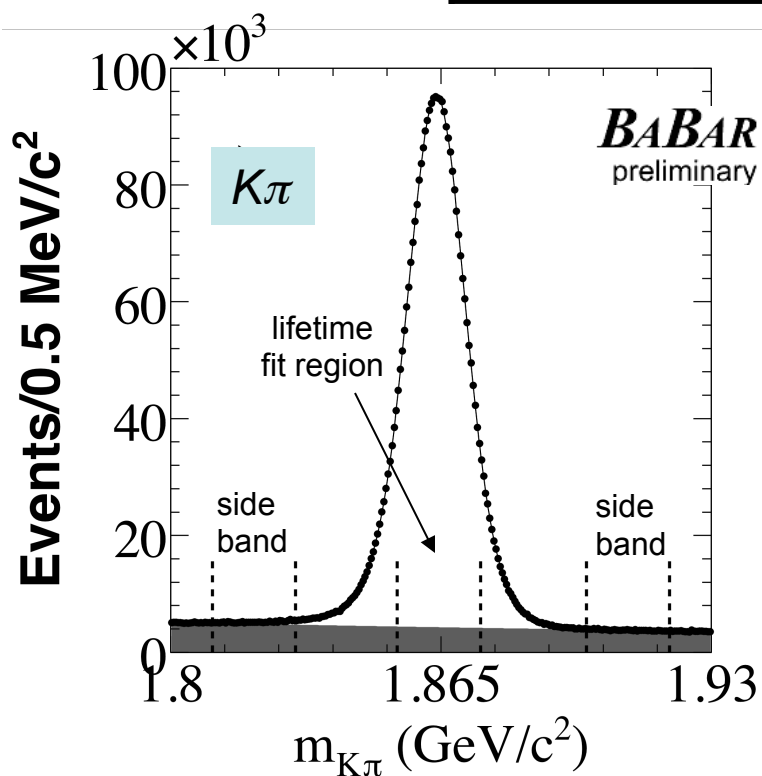
Untagged Lifetimes Ratio Analysis

- Samples:
 - Untagged $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
 - Untagged $D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+$
- Independent tagged and untagged samples
- Untagged sample size 4x tagged sample but higher backgrounds
- Systematics considerations:
 - Signal systematics mostly cancel in γ_{CP}
 - Background systematics don't cancel between modes
 - To minimize backgrounds, restrict sample to narrow D^0 mass region *symmetric* about nominal D^0 mass:
 - $1.8545 < m < 1.8745 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Backgrounds:
 - Mainly combinatoric, small admixture of misreconstructed charm decays
 - Estimate combinatoric background decay time shape from sideband regions:
 - $1.81 < m < 1.83 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ and $1.90 < m < 1.92 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
 - Estimate charm backgrounds from MC events ($c\bar{c} + uds + b\bar{b} + \tau^+\tau^-$)

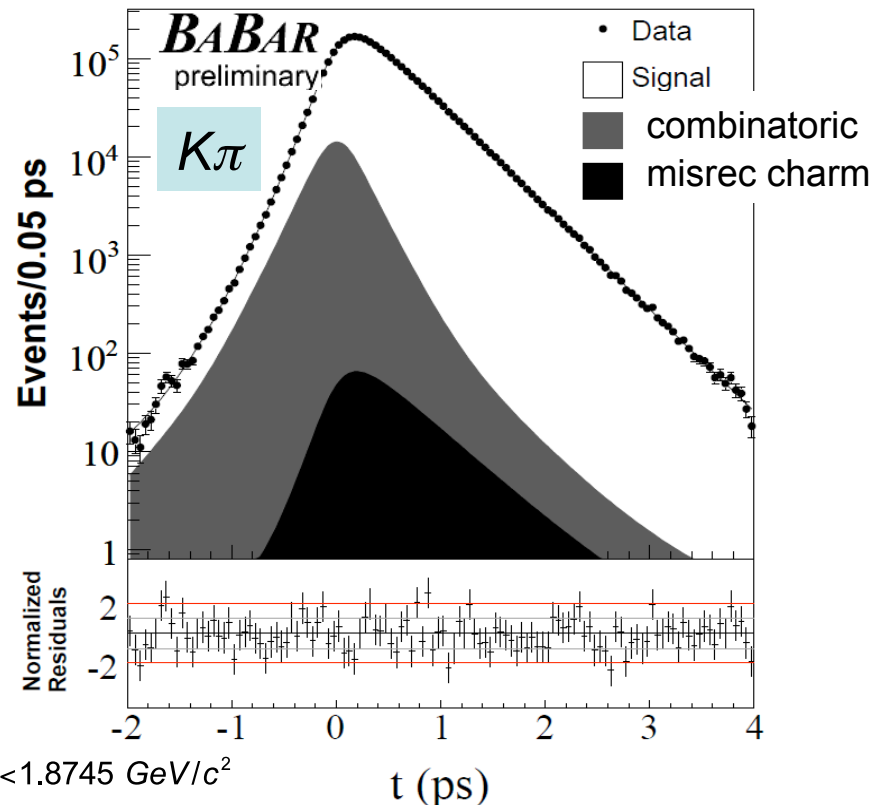
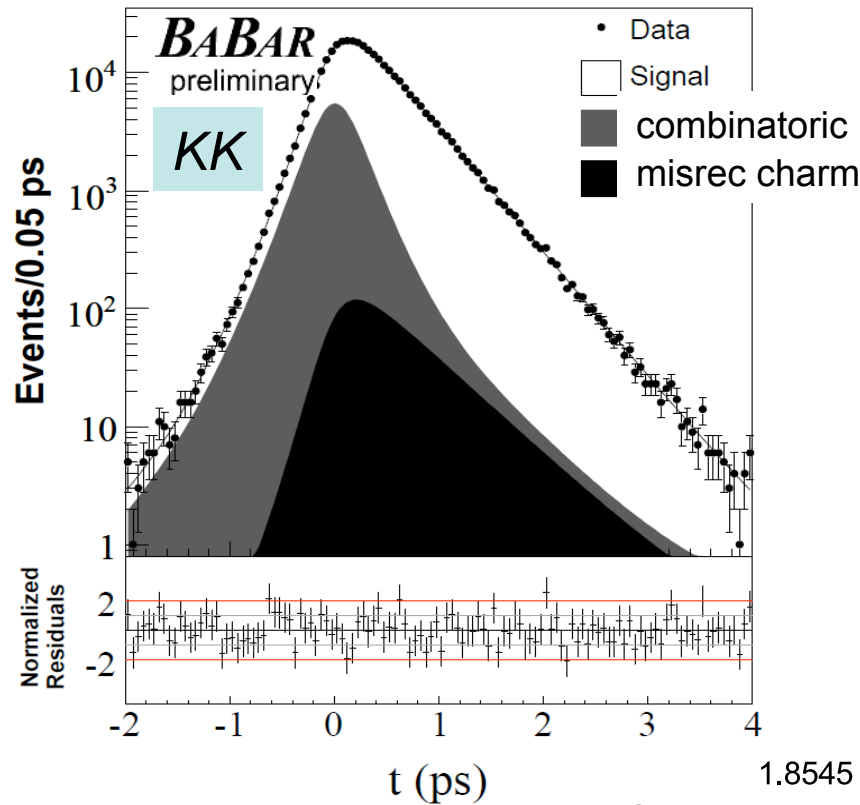
Untagged Sample Mass Fit to Data

Data and purity yields in $1.8545 < m < 1.8745 \text{ GeV}/c^2$:

<i>channel:</i>	$K\pi$	KK
signal events in signal box:	2 710 235	263 639
purity in signal box:	94.2%	80.9%



Untagged D^0 Decay Time Fit to Data



$1.8545 < m_{D^0} < 1.8745 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
Combined fit to KK and $K\pi$ data

$$\tau_{KK} \text{ (fs)} = 405.85 \pm 1.00 \text{ (stat.)}$$

$$\tau_{K\pi} \text{ (fs)} = 410.39 \pm 0.38 \text{ (stat.)}$$

$K\pi$ and KK lifetimes differ!

$$y_{CP} \text{ (%) } = 1.12 \pm 0.26 \text{ (stat.)}$$

Systematic Uncertainties on Y_{CP}

Systematic variations:

- **Signal:**
 - Different resolution function models
 - Vary signal box size and position
- **Combinatorial Background:**
 - Vary parameters in a correlated manner using covariance matrices
- **Charm Background:**
 - Vary charm yields
 - Vary charm lifetimes
- **Selection:**
 - Vary decay time error selection
 - Vary multiple overlapping candidate selection
- **Detector:**
 - Apply different Silicon Vertex Tracker misalignments and beam spot positions in MC

Summary:

$$\Delta y_{CP} = y_{CP}(\text{variation}) - y_{CP}(\text{standard})$$

Source of systematic error:	$ \Delta y_{CP} $ (%)
Signal:	± 0.111
Combinatorial:	± 0.115
Charm:	± 0.086
Selection:	± 0.071
Detector:	± 0.093

Y_{CP} systematic error: $\pm 0.22\%$

Y_{CP} statistical error: $\pm 0.26\%$

Combined γ_{CP} Results

- We obtain the untagged result (384 fb^{-1} data set):

$$y_{CP}(\text{untagged}) = [1.12 \pm 0.26 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.22 (\text{syst})]\%$$

Excludes the no-mixing hypothesis

with a significance of (incl. syst.) : 3.3σ

- Our previously published D^* tagged D^0 result from the 384 fb^{-1} data set is

$$y_{CP}(\text{tagged}) = [1.24 \pm 0.39 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.13 (\text{syst})]\%$$

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- The tagged and untagged datasets share no events in common and are thus statistically uncorrelated. Conservatively assuming a 100% correlation in the systematics between the two analyses, we obtain

$$y_{CP}(\text{correlated}) = [1.16 \pm 0.22 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.18 (\text{syst})]\%$$

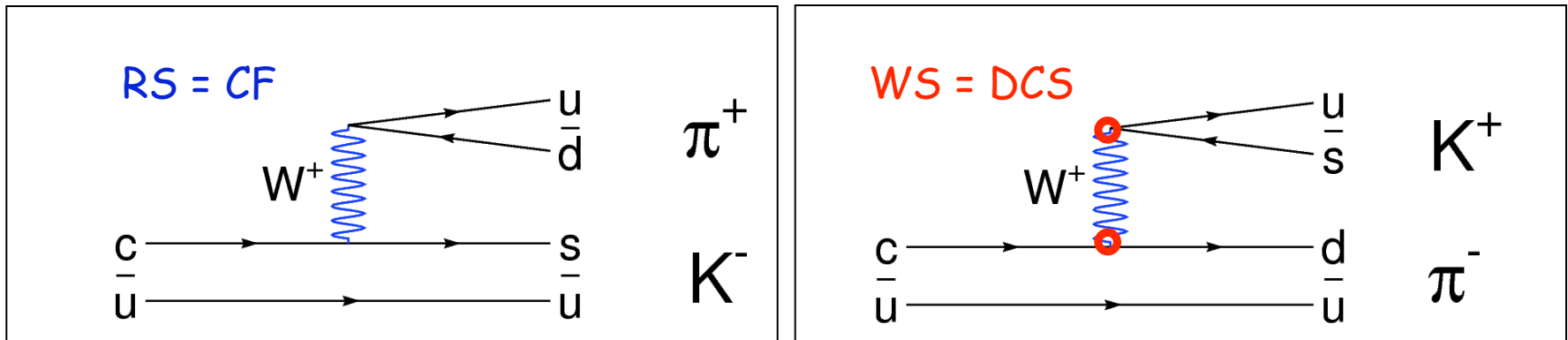
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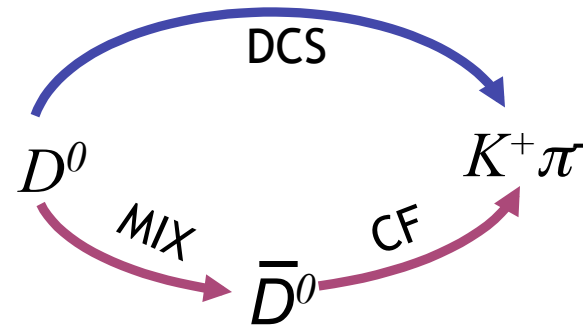
- Assuming the systematics to be uncorrelated, we find

$$y_{CP}(\text{uncorrelated}) = [1.17 \pm 0.22 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.14 (\text{syst})]\%$$

Time-Evolution of $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ Decays



DCS and mixing amplitudes interfere to give a "quadratic" WS decay rate ($x, y \ll 1$):



$$\frac{\Gamma_{WS}(t)}{e^{-t/\tau}} \propto R_D + \sqrt{R_D} y' \left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) + \left(\frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4}\right) \left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^2$$

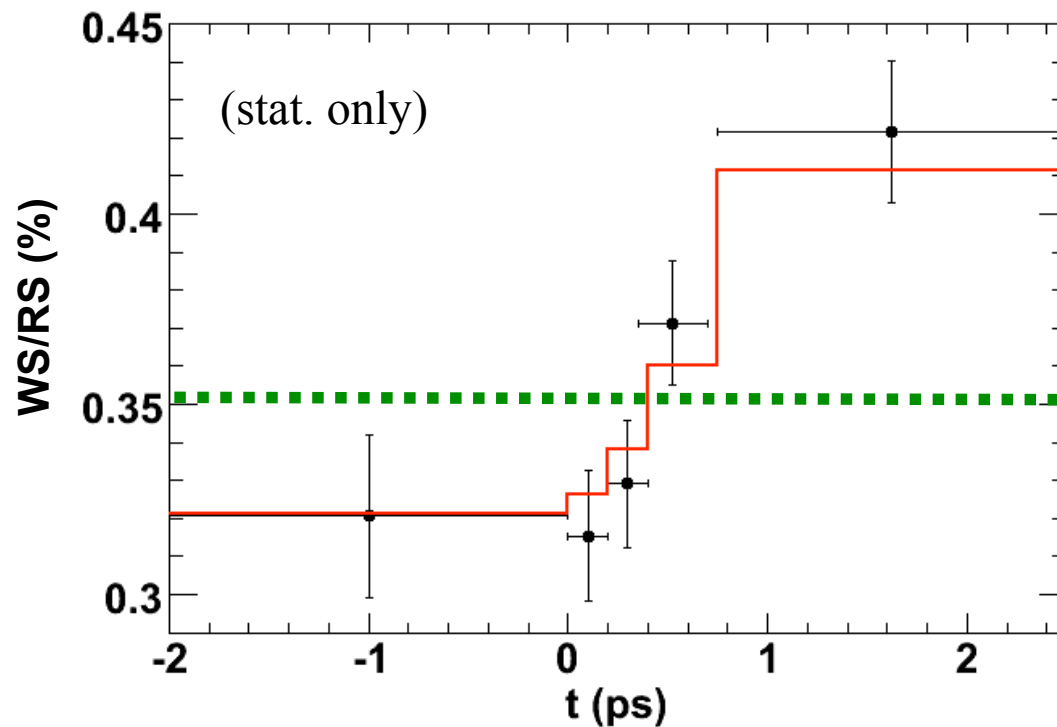
where $x' = x \cos \delta + y \sin \delta$ $y' = y \cos \delta - x \sin \delta$

and δ is the phase difference between DCS and CF decays.

Simplified Fit Strategy & Validation

Rate of WS events clearly increases with time:

$$\frac{\Gamma_{WS}(t)}{e^{-t/\tau}} \propto R_D + \sqrt{R_D y'} \left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) + \left(\frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4}\right) \left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^2$$



Consistent with prediction from full likelihood fit

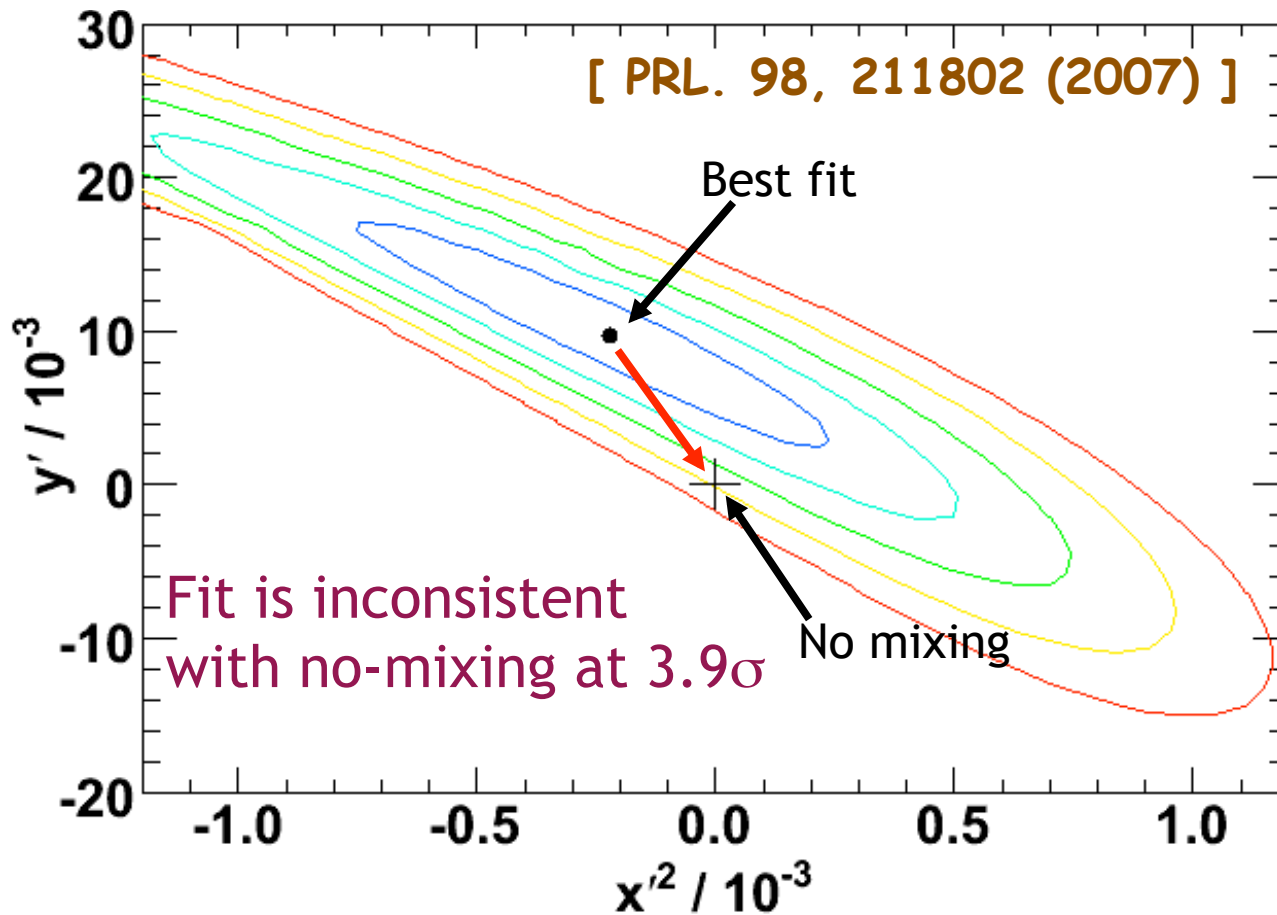
$$\chi^2=1.5$$

Inconsistent with no-mixing hypothesis:

$$\chi^2=24$$

Signal Significance with Systematics

Including systematics ($\sim 0.7 \times \text{stat}$)
decreases signal significance



Mixing in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^0$

"Wrong-sign" decay rate varies across the Dalitz plot:

$$\mathcal{A}(m_{K^-\pi^+}, m_{K^-\pi^0}, t) = e^{-\Gamma t} \left[\frac{|\bar{A}_D|^2 + |A_D|^2 (y'' \cos \delta_D - x'' \sin \delta_D) \Gamma t}{|A_D|^2 (x''^2 + y''^2) (\Gamma t)^2} \right]$$

DCS term
Resonance phase

Interference term
CF (mixed) term

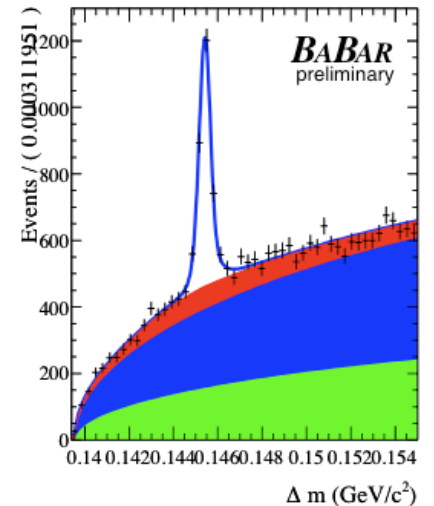
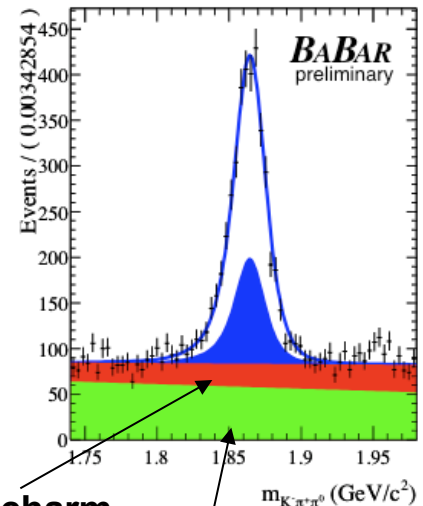
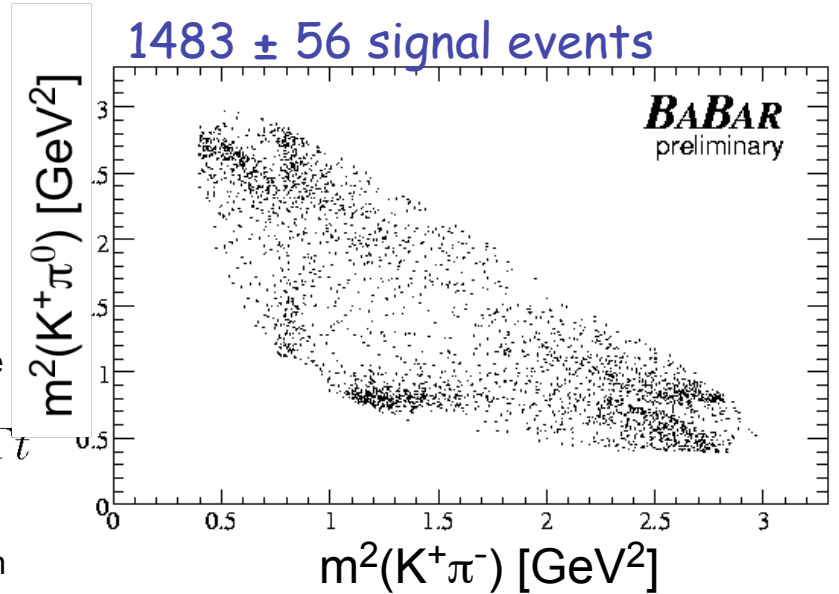
$$x'' = x \cos \delta_{K\pi\pi^0} + y \sin \delta_{K\pi\pi^0}$$

$$y'' = y \cos \delta_{K\pi\pi^0} - x \sin \delta_{K\pi\pi^0}$$

Phase between RS and WS

Subscript D indicates dependence on position in the Dalitz plot.

Yields from 384 fb^{-1}



Bad charm

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Combinatorics

$D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^0$: Results

$$x'' : (2.61 \begin{matrix} +0.57 \\ -0.68 \end{matrix} \pm 0.39) \%$$

$$y'' : (-0.05 \begin{matrix} +0.55 \\ -0.64 \end{matrix} \pm 0.34) \%$$

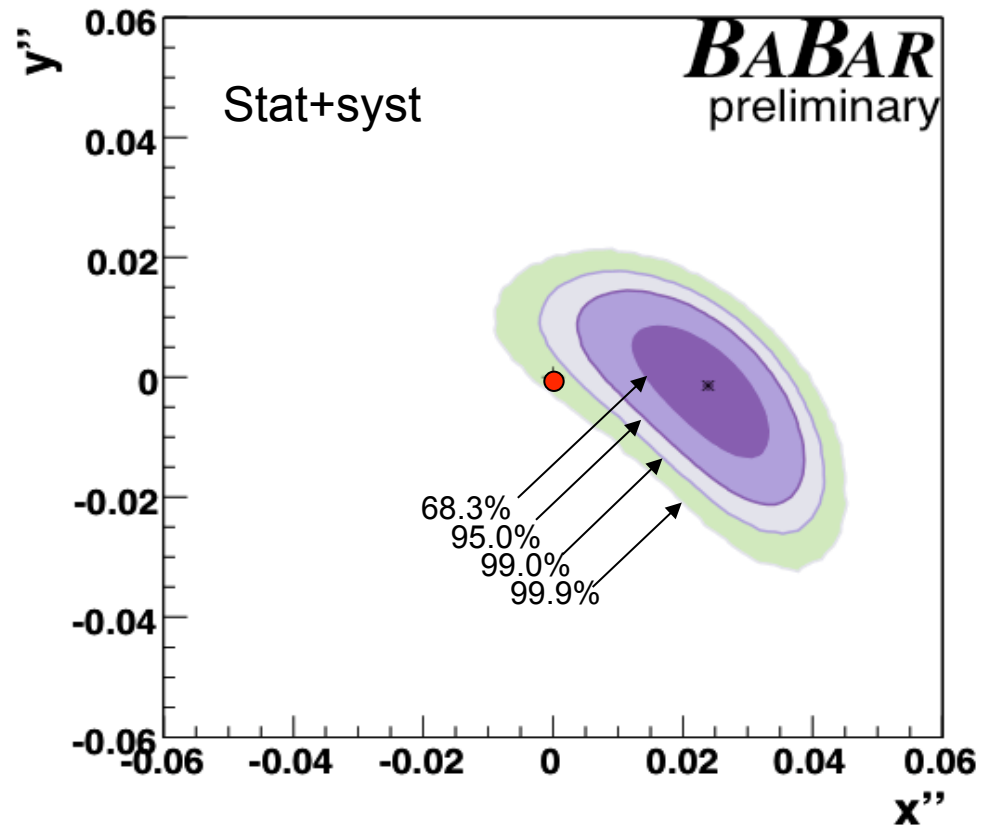
$$R_M : (2.9 \pm 1.6) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$x''^+ : (2.53 \begin{matrix} +0.54 \\ -0.63 \end{matrix} \pm 0.39) \%$$

$$y''^+ : (-0.05 \begin{matrix} +0.63 \\ -0.67 \end{matrix} \pm 0.50) \%$$

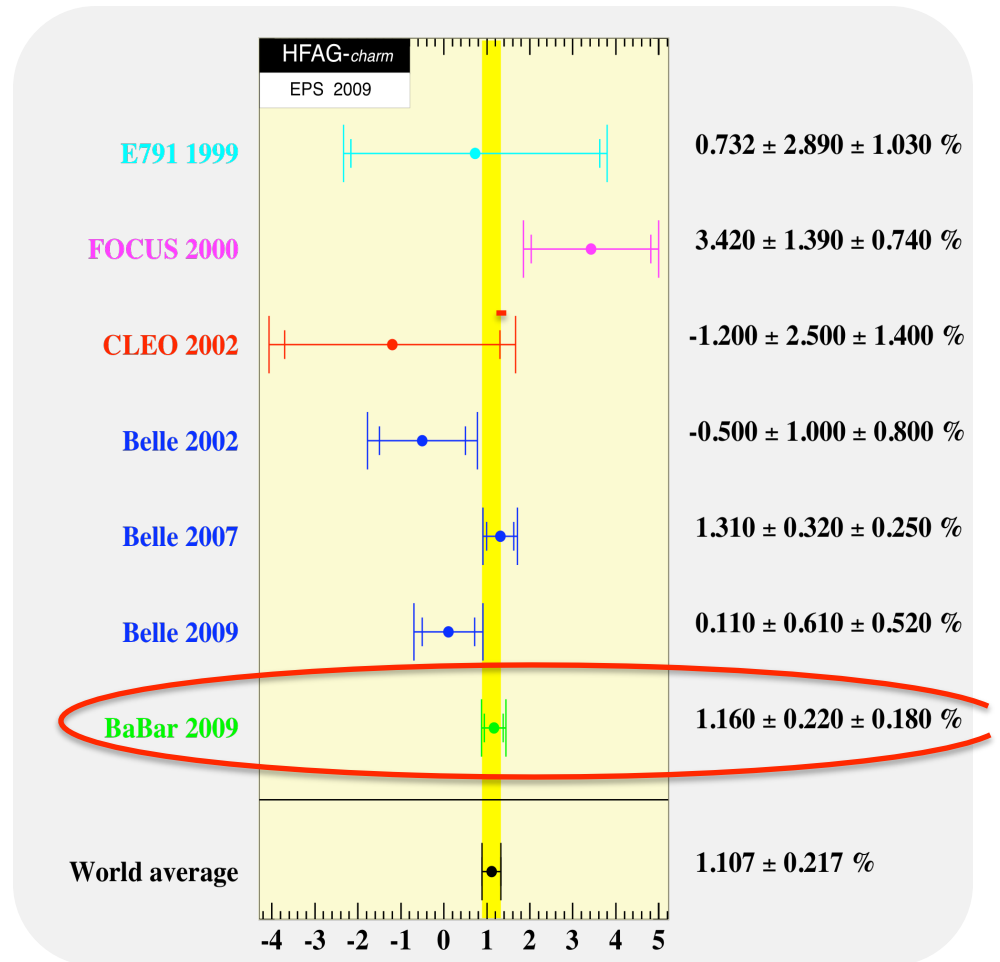
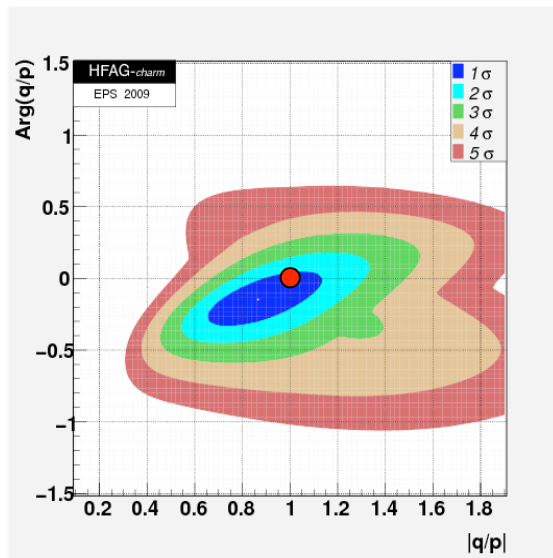
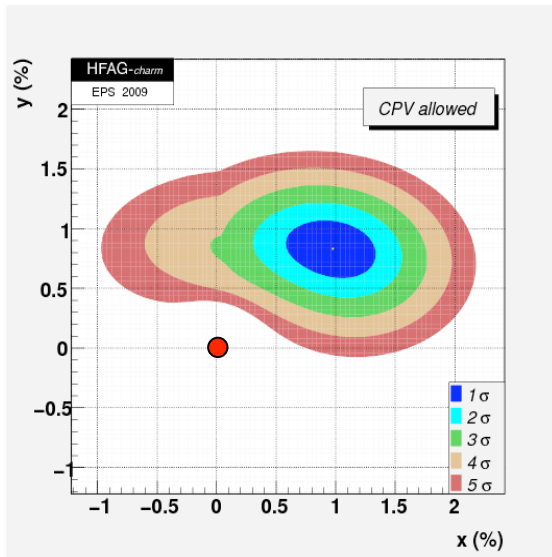
$$x''^- : (3.55 \begin{matrix} +0.73 \\ -0.83 \end{matrix} \pm 0.65) \%$$

$$y''^- : (-0.54 \begin{matrix} +0.40 \\ -1.16 \end{matrix} \pm 0.41) \%$$

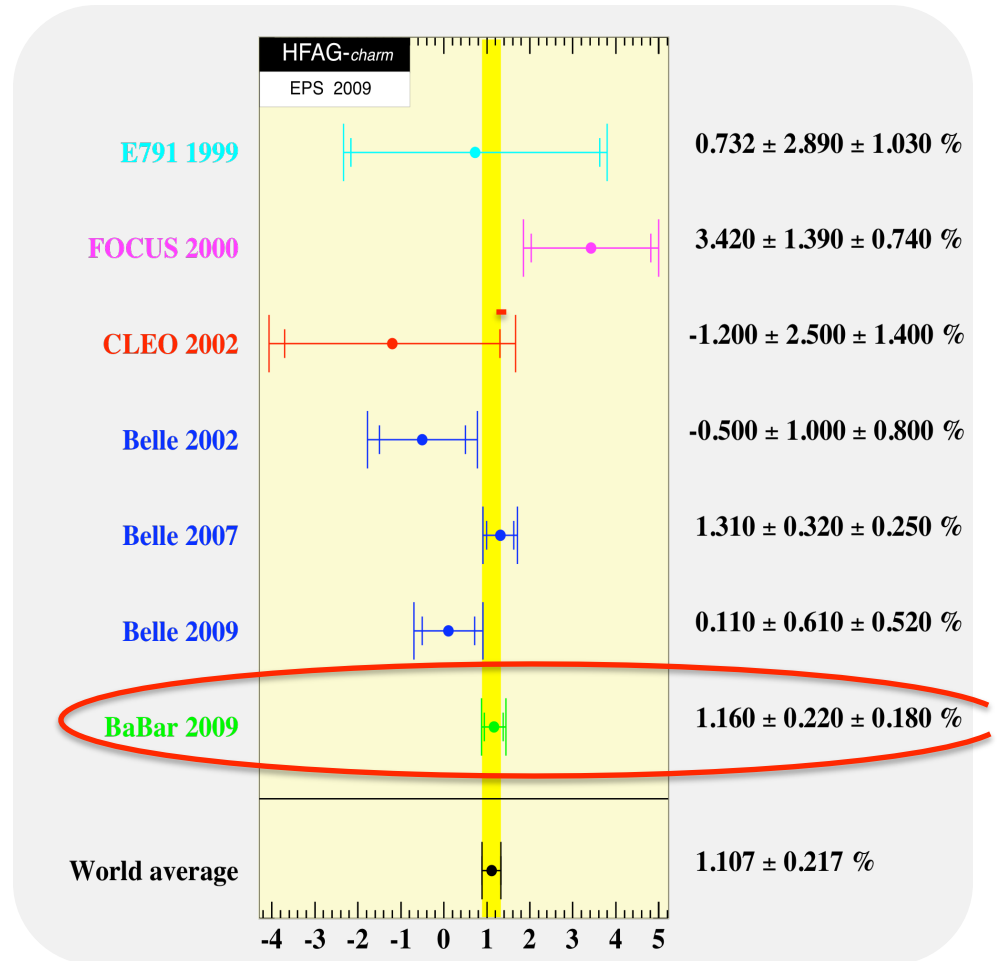
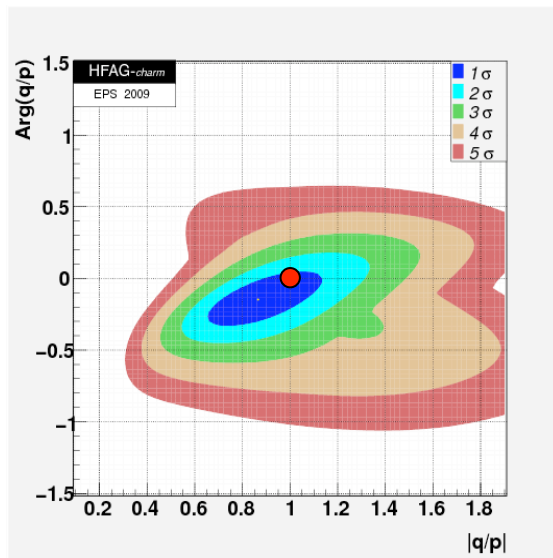
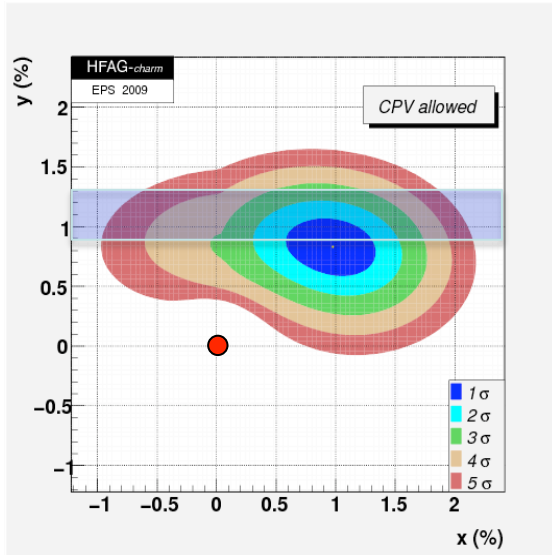


No mixing is excluded at the 99% confidence level.

HFAG Preliminary Results



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Conclusions

- From lifetime ratio, BABAR measures (384 fb⁻¹):

$$Y_{CP}(\text{untagged}) = [1.12 \pm 0.26 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.22 (\text{syst.})]\% \quad \text{Preliminary}$$

$$Y_{CP}(\text{tagged}) = [1.24 \pm 0.39 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.13 (\text{syst.})]\% \quad \text{PRD 78 011105(R) (2008)}$$

- Combining tagged and untagged results, BABAR measures:

$$Y_{CP}(\text{combined}) = [1.16 \pm 0.22 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.18 (\text{syst.})]\%$$

- with a significance of 4.1 σ (including 100% correlated systematics)

- Time-dependent amplitude analysis of $D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^0$ Dalitz plot yields

$$x'' = (2.39 \pm 0.61 \pm 0.32) \%; \quad y'' = (-0.14 \pm 0.60 \pm 0.40)$$

- Collective **evidence for D^0 - \bar{D}^0 mixing** is compelling

- The no-mixing point is excluded at $>10\sigma$, including systematic uncertainties. Results **may** be consistent with SM expectations.

- No single measurement exceeds 5σ

- No evidence of CP violation

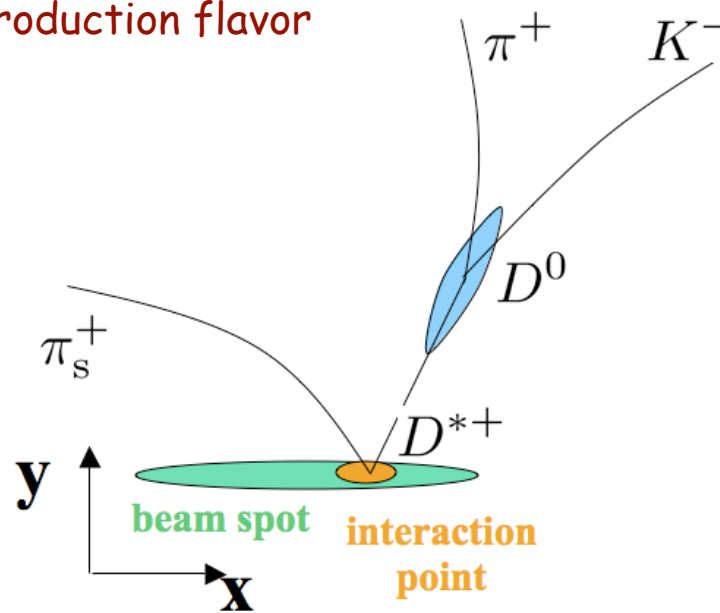
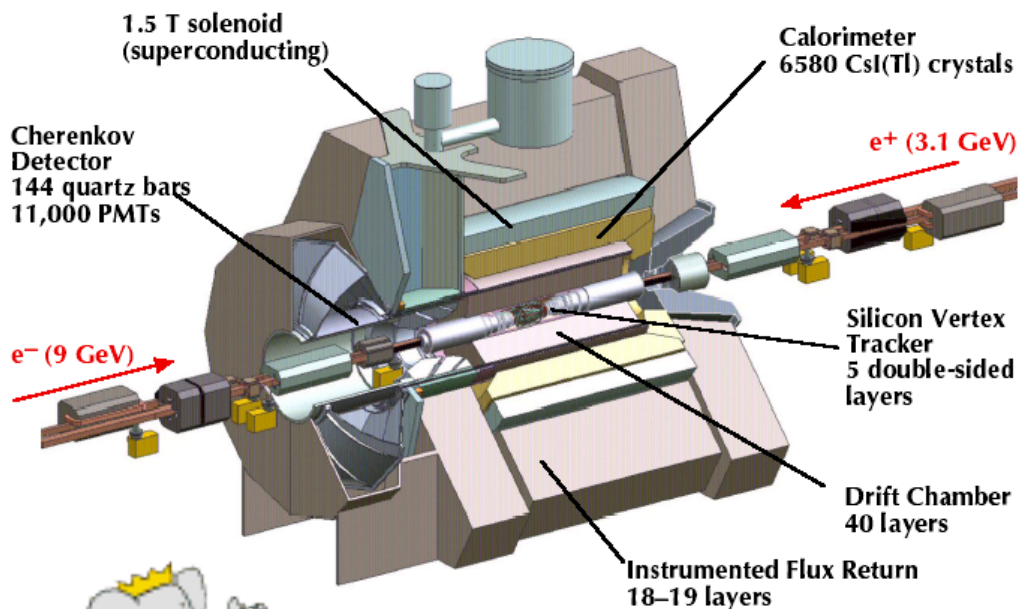
Backup Slides

$D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ Reconstruction

$384 \text{ fb}^{-1} e^+e^- \rightarrow c, \bar{c}$

$D^{*\pm} \rightarrow \boxed{\pi_s^\pm} D^0, D^0 \rightarrow K^\mp \pi^\pm$
 Slow pion charge tags neutral
 D production flavor

The BaBar Detector



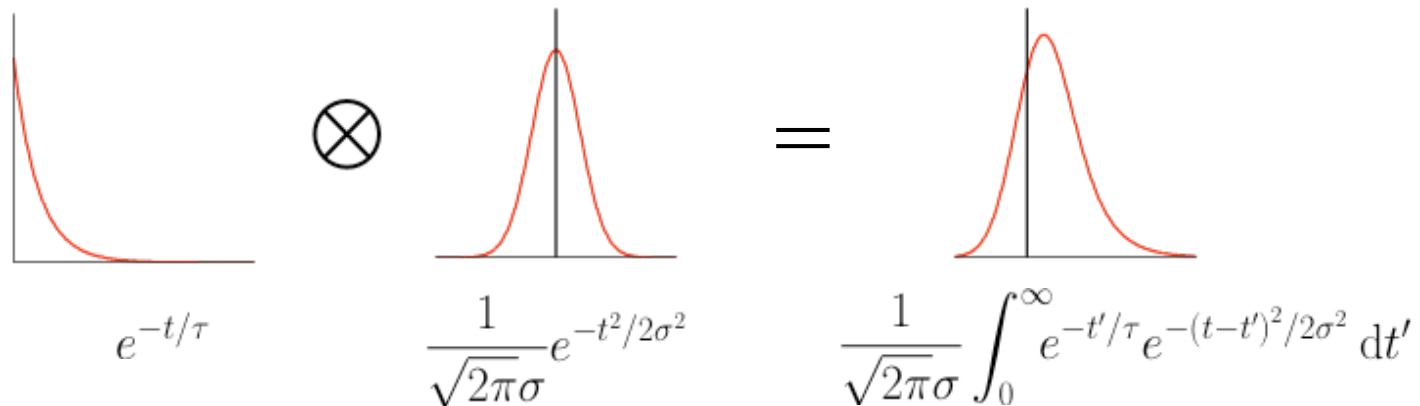
Typical D^0 flight length $d \sim 240 \mu\text{m}$
 Average resolution $\sigma_d \sim 95 \mu\text{m}$

Beam spot:
 $\sigma_x \approx 100 \mu\text{m}$
 $\sigma_y \approx 7 \mu\text{m}$

Decay Time Resolution

Average D^0 flight length is twice average resolution

- ❖ Resolution function described by sum of 3 Gaussians
- ❖ Resolution widths scales with δt
- ❖ Mean of core Gaussian allowed to be non-zero
 - Observed core Gaussian shifted 3.6 ± 0.6 fs



The diagram illustrates the convolution of an exponential decay function and a Gaussian function. On the left, a graph shows the exponential decay function $e^{-t/\tau}$. This is followed by a convolution symbol \otimes and a graph of a Gaussian function $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-t^2/2\sigma^2}$. An equals sign follows, leading to a graph of the resulting function $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \int_0^\infty e^{-t'/\tau} e^{-(t-t')^2/2\sigma^2} dt'$.

For combinatorial background, use Gaussians and power-law "tail" for small long-lived component