

Semileptonic decays at the e^+e^- B factories

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Outline

1. CKM matrix elements $|V_{cb}|$ and $|V_{ub}|$

- Exclusive $|V_{cb}|$
 - $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$: New model-independent measurement (Belle 2018) **NEW**
- Inclusive $|V_{ub}|$
 - Updated electron endpoint analysis (BaBar 2017)
- Exclusive $|V_{ub}|$
 - First had.-tag measurement of $B \rightarrow \eta \ell \nu$, $B \rightarrow \eta' \ell \nu$ (Belle 2017)

2. Semileptonic B decays with τ leptons

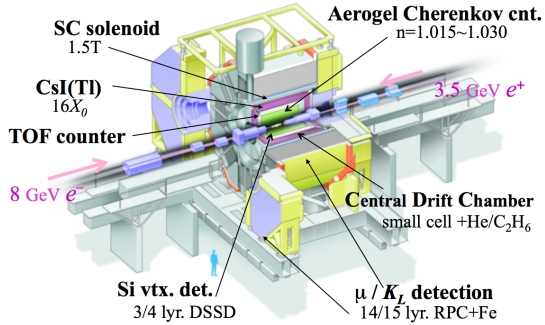
- $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$
 - τ polarization in $B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu$ (Belle 2017/18)

3. Higher charm resonances D^{**}

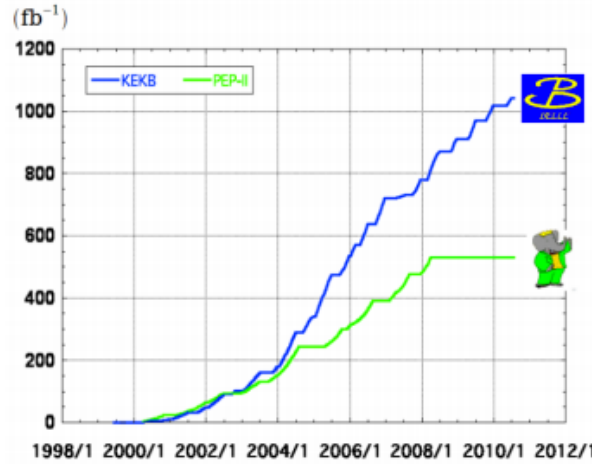
- New $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \pi \ell \nu$ measurements (Belle 2018) **NEW**

The e^+e^- B Factories

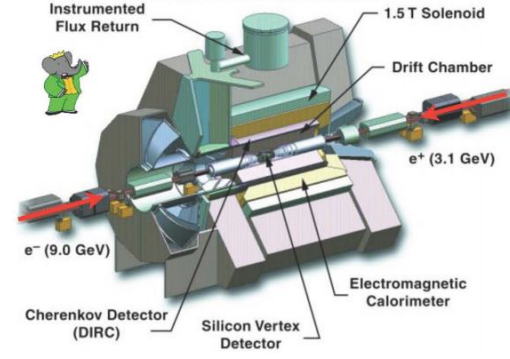
Belle Detector



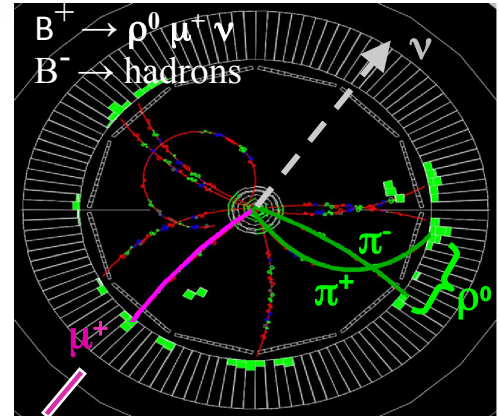
Integrated luminosity of B factories



BABAR Detector



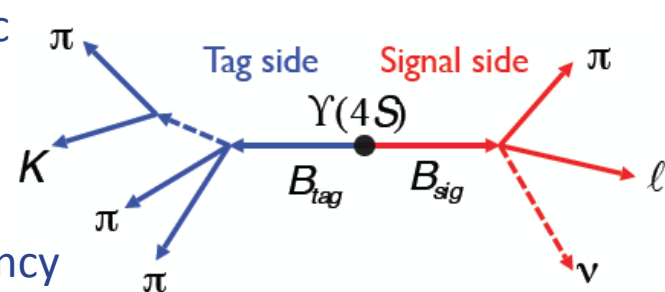
- Clean environment
 - efficient detection of **neutral particles** ($\gamma, \pi^0, \eta, \dots$)

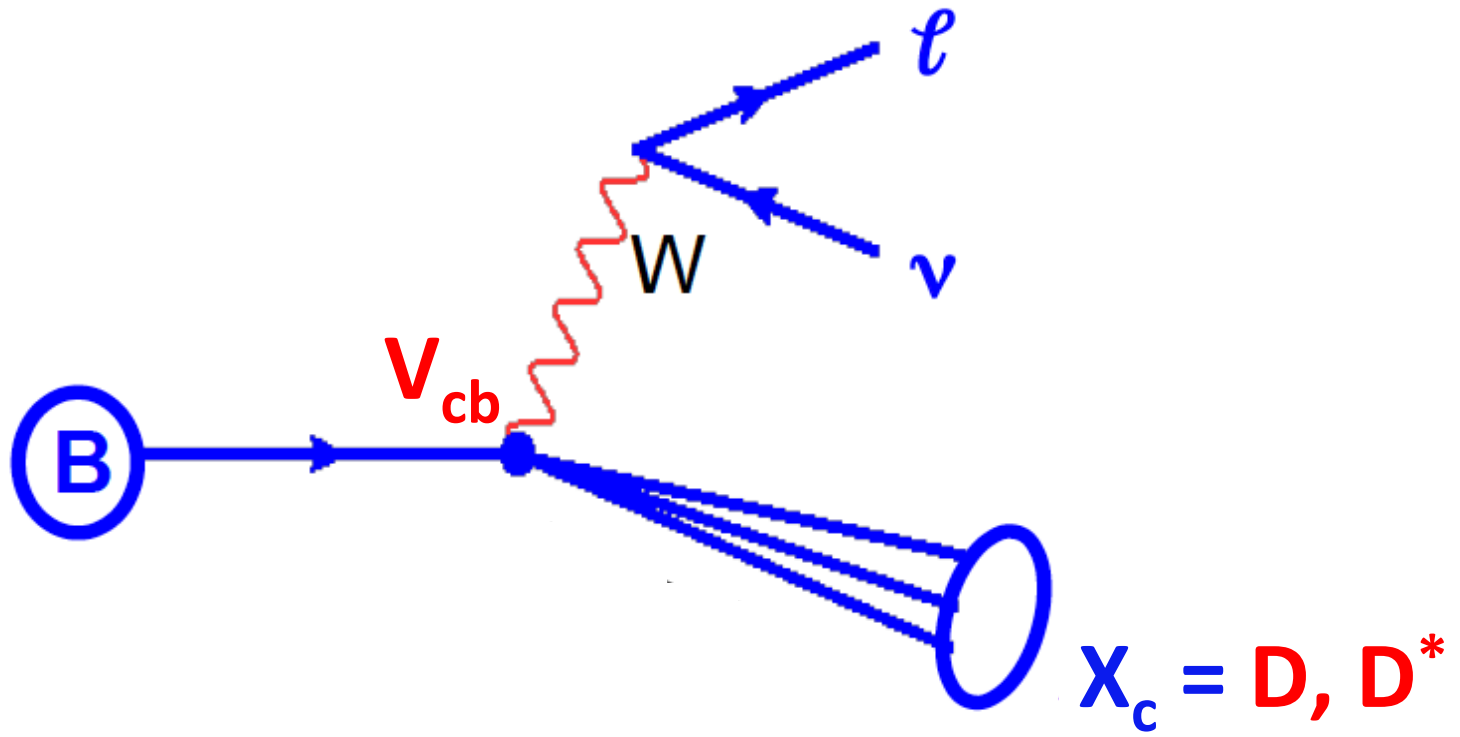


- Full-reconstruction B tagging
 - ⇒ Powerful tool to measure:
 - decays with **missing energy**
 - **inclusive** decays


~ 1000 hadronic decay modes


Tagging Efficiency ~ few %





B \rightarrow D^(*) ℓ ν : Rates and form factors

$B \rightarrow D \ell \nu$: $\frac{d\Gamma}{dw} = \frac{G_F^2}{48\pi^3} m_D^3 (m_B + m_D)^2 (w^2 - 1)^{3/2} |V_{cb}|^2 G^2(w)$

w=1

$B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$: $\frac{d\Gamma}{dw} = \frac{G_F^2}{48\pi^3} m_{D^*}^3 (m_B - m_{D^*})^2 (w^2 - 1)^{1/2} \chi(w) |V_{cb}|^2 F^2(w)$

w=1.5

Form factor parametrizations

- CLN: *Caprini, Lellouch, Neubert, Nucl.Phys.B530, 153 (1998)*

$$B \rightarrow D \ell \nu$$

$$B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$$

$$G(w) = G(1)(1 - 8\rho^2 z + (51\rho^2 - 10)z^2 - (252\rho^2 - 84)z^3) \quad h_{A_1}(w) = h_{A_1}(1)[1 - 8\rho^2 z + (53\rho^2 - 15)z^2 - (231\rho^2 - 91)z^3]$$

$$R_1(w) = R_1(1) - 0.12(w - 1) + 0.05(w - 1)^2$$

$$R_2(w) = R_2(1) + 0.11(w - 1) - 0.06(w - 1)^2$$

- BGL: *Boyd, Grindstein, Lebel, Phys.Rev.Lett. 74, 4603 (1995)*

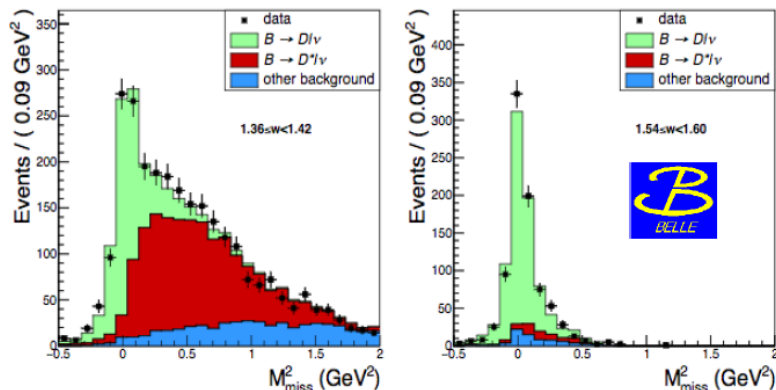
$$f_i(z) = \frac{1}{P_i(z)\phi_i(z)} \sum_{n=0}^N a_{i,n} z^n, \quad z(w) = \frac{\sqrt{w+1} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{w+1} + \sqrt{2}}$$

$B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\nu$

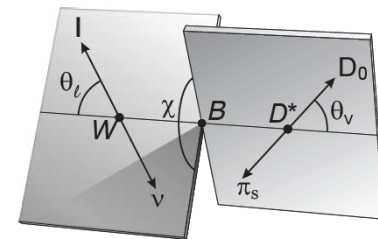
$B \rightarrow D\ell\nu$

- Hadronic tag \Rightarrow fit M_{miss}^2 in bins of w

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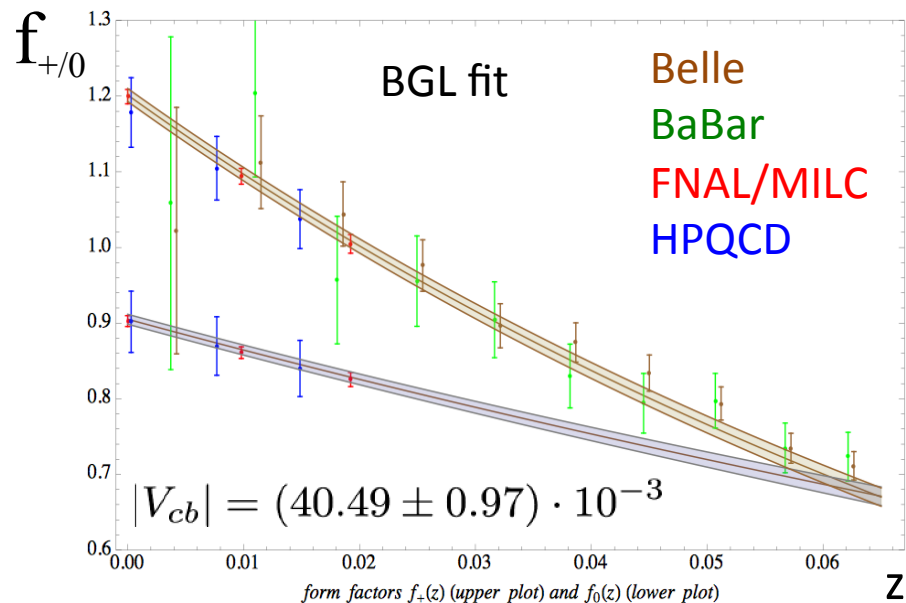
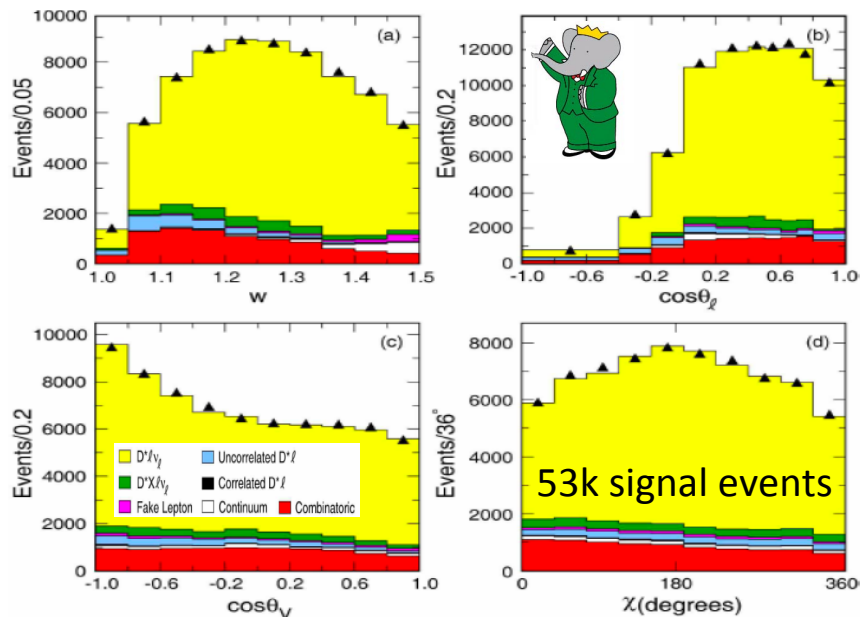


$B \rightarrow D^*\ell\nu$



- Untagged
- Fit 1D projections of w , $\cos\theta_\ell$, $\cos\theta_\nu$, χ to extract ρ^2 , $R_1(w)$, $R_2(w)$ and $F(1)|V_{cb}|$
- Account for bin-by-bin correlations

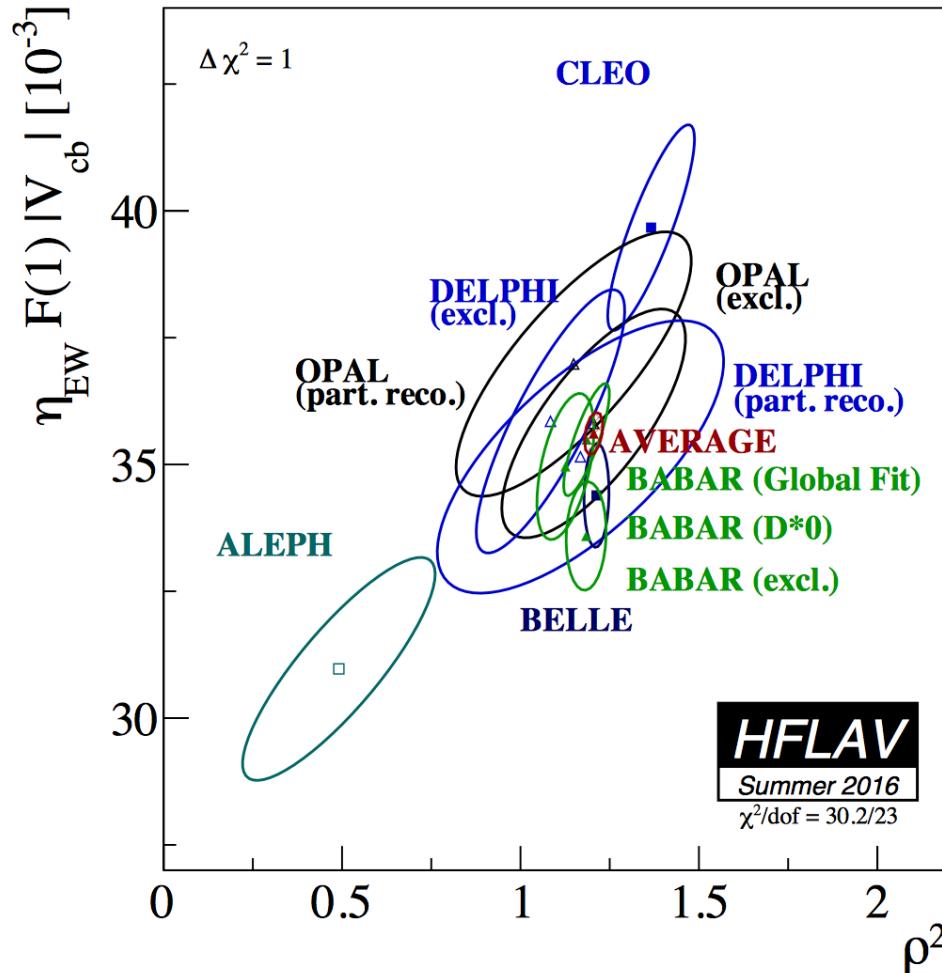
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Bigi, Gambino Phys.Rev.D 94,094008(2016)

B \rightarrow D* $\ell \nu$: Status 2016

Status Summer 2016



- As of summer 2016, all B \rightarrow D* $\ell \nu$ analyses based on CLN parametrization

- HFLAV average using CLN:

$$\eta_{EW} \mathcal{F}(1) |V_{cb}| = (35.61 \pm 0.43) \times 10^{-3},$$

$$\rho^2 = 1.205 \pm 0.026,$$

$$R_1(1) = 1.404 \pm 0.032,$$

$$R_2(1) = 0.854 \pm 0.020,$$

- With unquenched LQCD calculation of F(w) at w=1 from FNAL/MILC:

Bailey et al., Phys.Rev.D89,114504(2014)

$$|V_{cb}| = (38.71 \pm 0.47_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.59_{\text{th}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

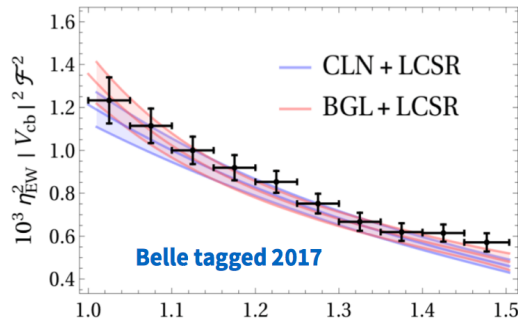
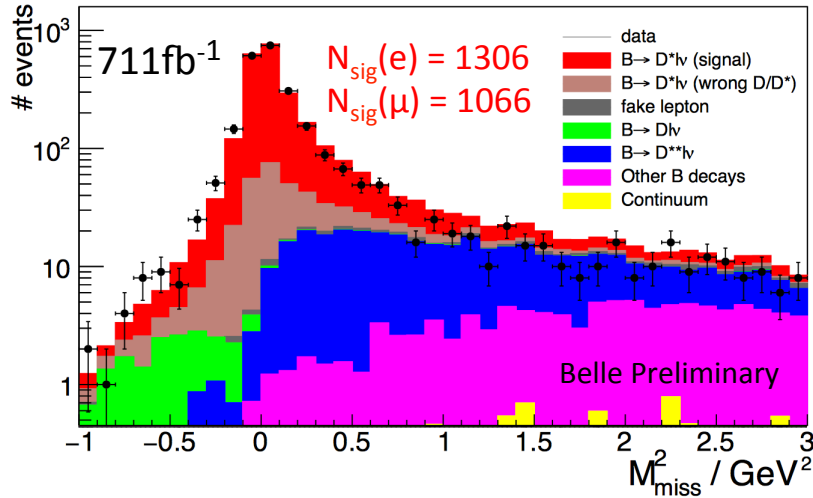
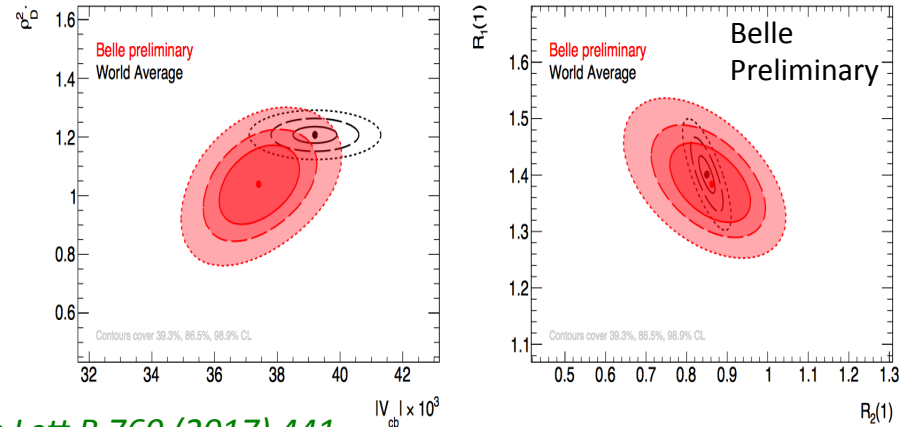
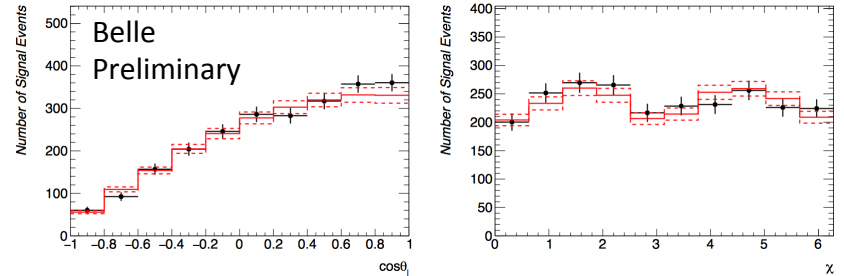
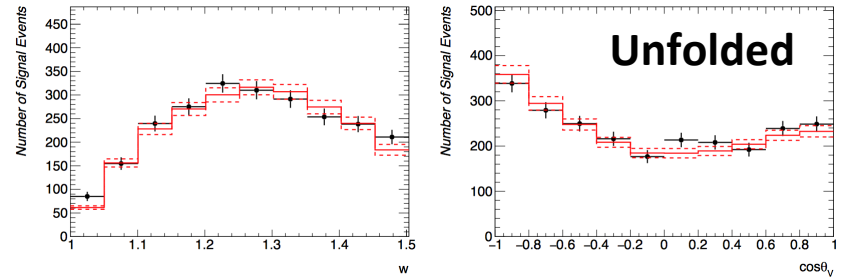
Old data cannot easily be re-analyzed with different parametrizations

\Rightarrow new “model-independent” analyses using BGL

Model-independent analysis: Tagged $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$

- Hadronic B tags
- Signal extracted from unbinned max-LH fit to M_{miss}^2 in 4×10 bins of w , 3 angles
- **Unfolding** of kinematic distributions

Belle Prelim. Results, arXiv:1702.01521 [hep-ex]



Bigi, Gambino, Schacht Phys.Lett B 769 (2017) 441

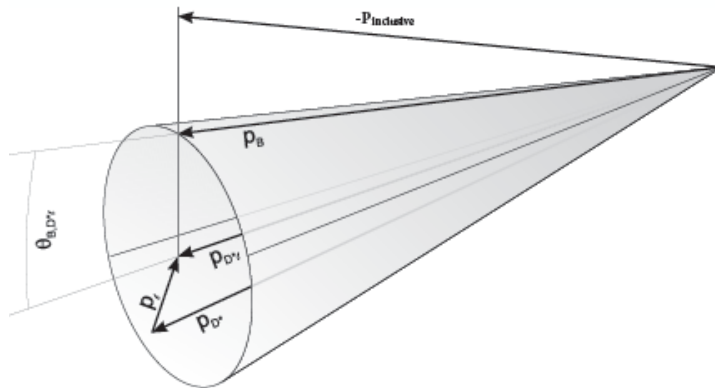
	CLN Fit:	Data + lattice	Data + lattice + LCSR	BGL Fit:	Data + lattice	Data + lattice + LCSR
χ^2/dof		34.3/36	34.8/39		27.9/32	31.4/35
$ V_{cb} $		0.0382 (15)	0.0382 (14)		0.0417 $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} +20 \\ -21 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$	0.0404 $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} +16 \\ -17 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$

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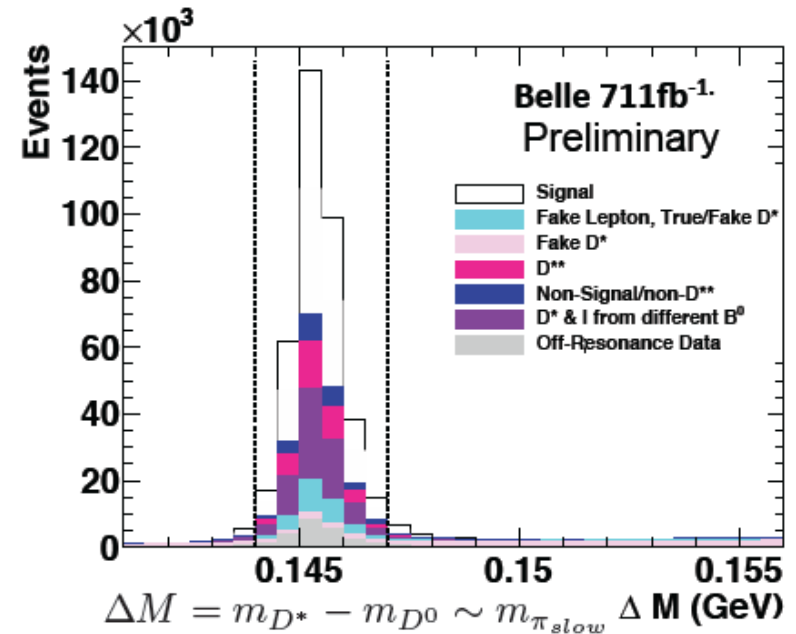
NEW! Prelim. results presented at ICHEP 2018

- $p_{\ell}^* > 0.85 \text{ GeV}$ ($\ell = e, \mu$)
- $144 < m_{D^*} - m_D < 147 \text{ MeV}$
- $|\cos\theta_{B-D^*\ell}| < 1.0$

$$\cos\theta_{B,D^*\ell} = \frac{2E_B E_{D^*\ell} - m_B^2 - m_{D^*\ell}^2}{2|\vec{p}_B||\vec{p}_{D^*\ell}|}$$



$$\vec{p}_{inclusive} = \vec{p}_{beam} - \sum \vec{p}_i$$



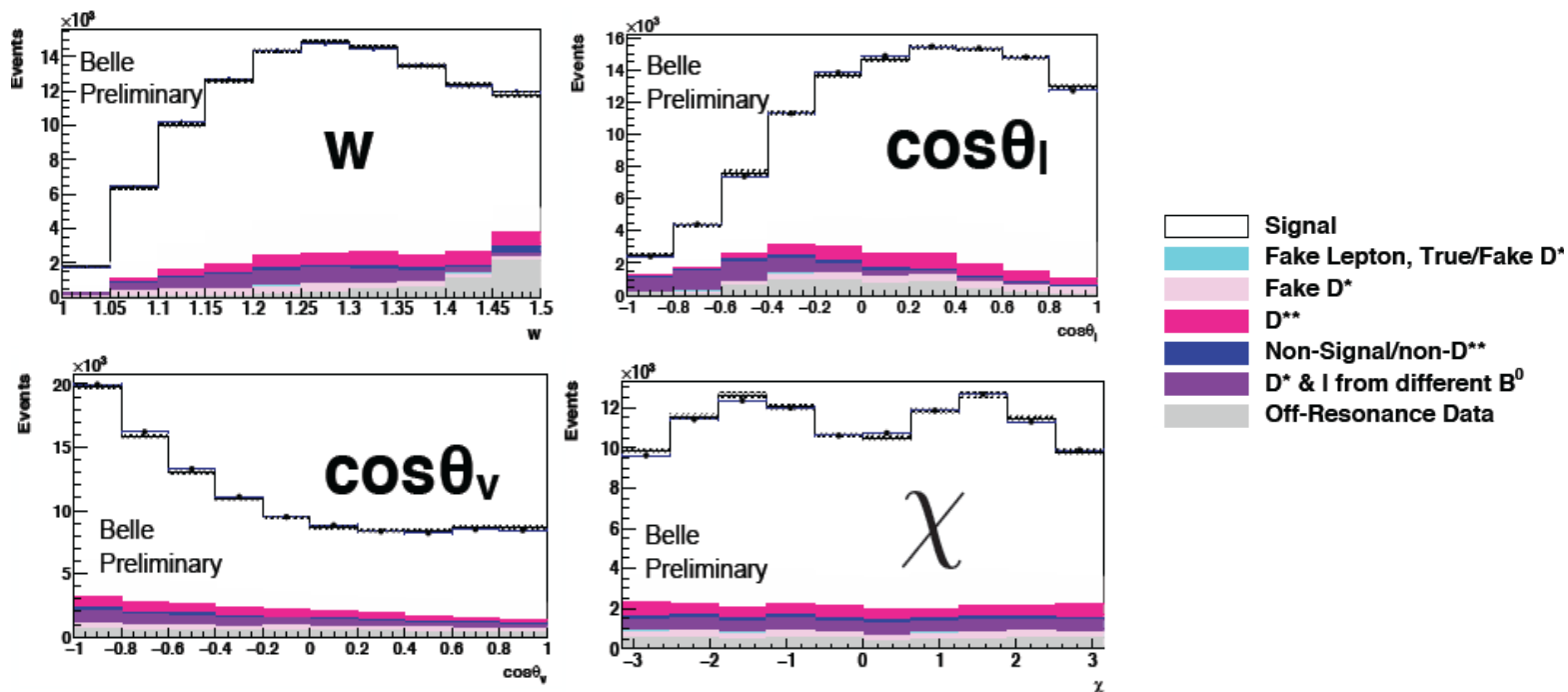
$$N(B \rightarrow D^* e \nu) = 91381$$

$$N(B \rightarrow D^* \mu \nu) = 89965$$

- Simultaneous fit of **1D projections** of w , $\cos\theta_l$, $\cos\theta_\nu$, χ to extract form-factor parameters and $F(1)|V_{cb}|$ using both CLN and BGL ($n=3$) param.

Model-independent analysis: Untagged $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$

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	Belle untagged	Belle had. tag	HFLAV average
CLN			
ρ_{D^*}	1.106 ± 0.032	1.17 ± 0.15	1.21 ± 0.03
$R_1(1)$	1.229 ± 0.029	1.39 ± 0.09	1.40 ± 0.03
$R_2(1)$	0.852 ± 0.022	0.91 ± 0.08	0.85 ± 0.02
$ V_{cb} \times 10^3$	38.4 ± 0.87	38.2 ± 1.5	39.2 ± 0.7
BGL			
$ V_{cb} \times 10^3$	42.5 ± 0.97	41.7 ± 2.0	—

“New $|V_{cb}|$ status”

$$|V_{cb}| = (42.2 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$$

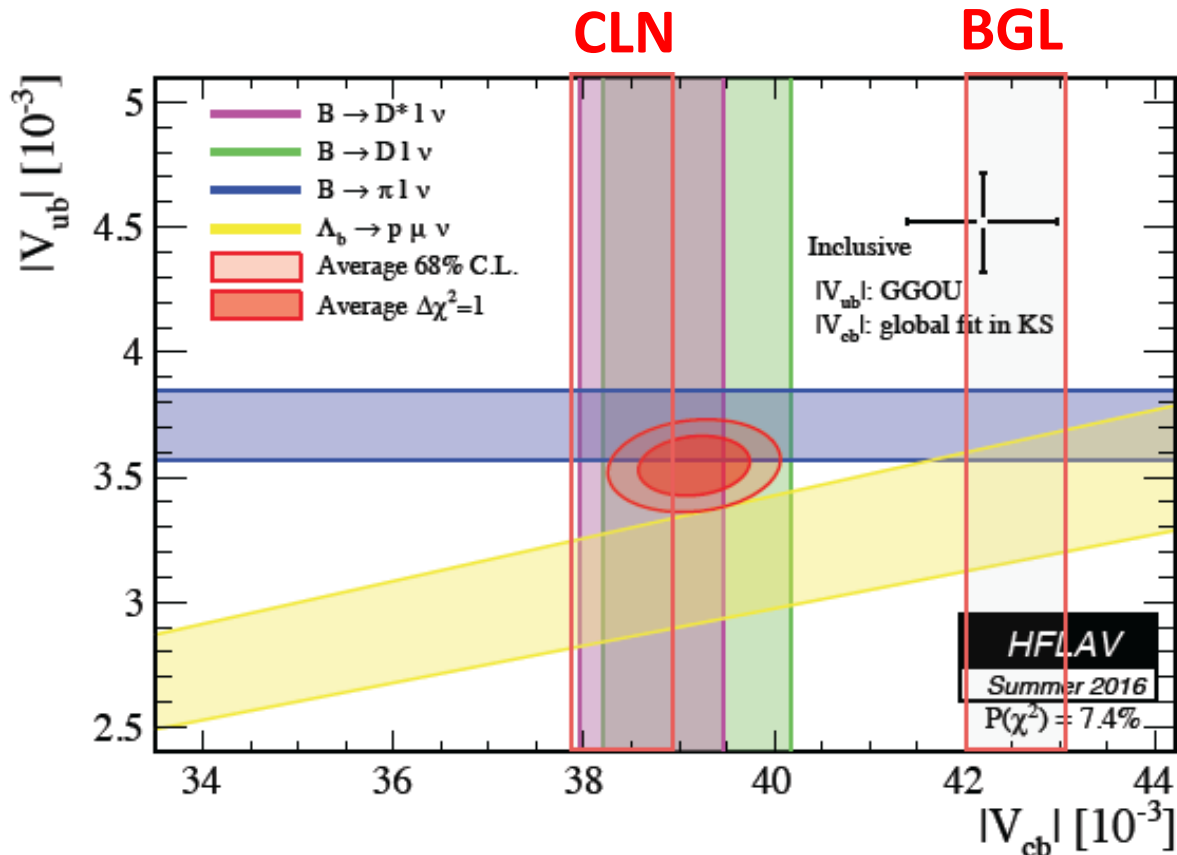
Inclusive $|V_{cb}|$

$$|V_{cb}| = (42.5 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3}$$

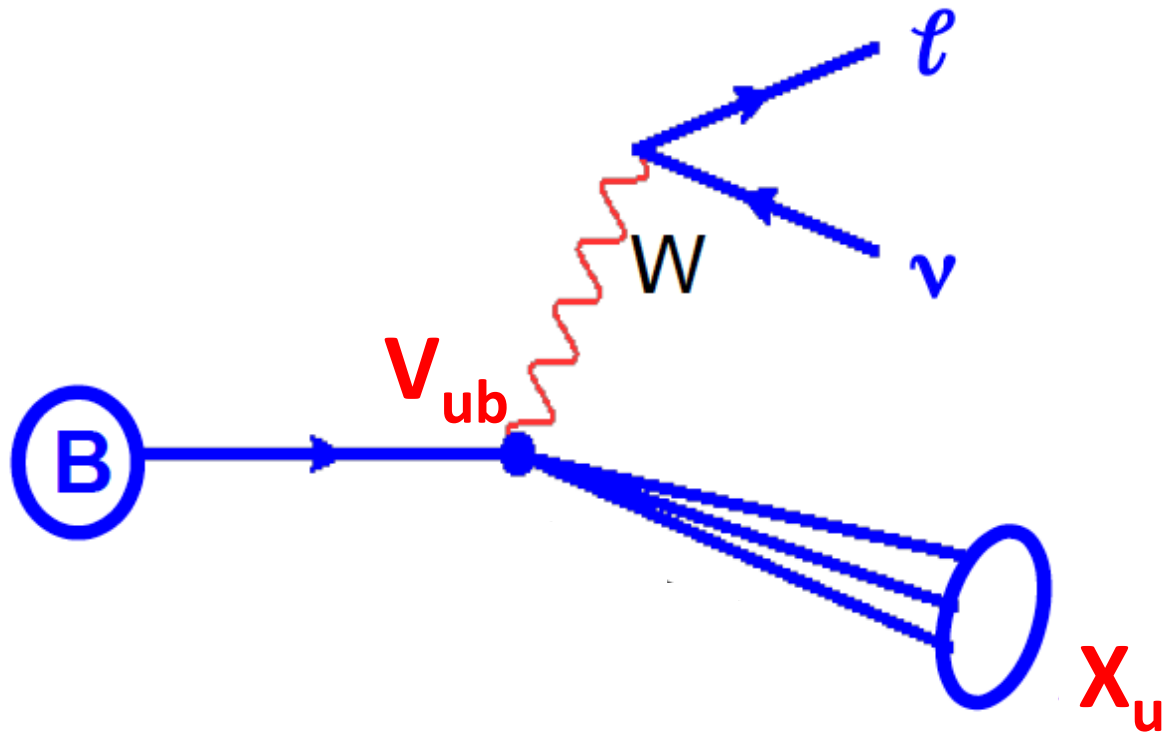
Exclusive $|V_{cb}|$ (BGL)

$$|V_{cb}| = (38.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3}$$

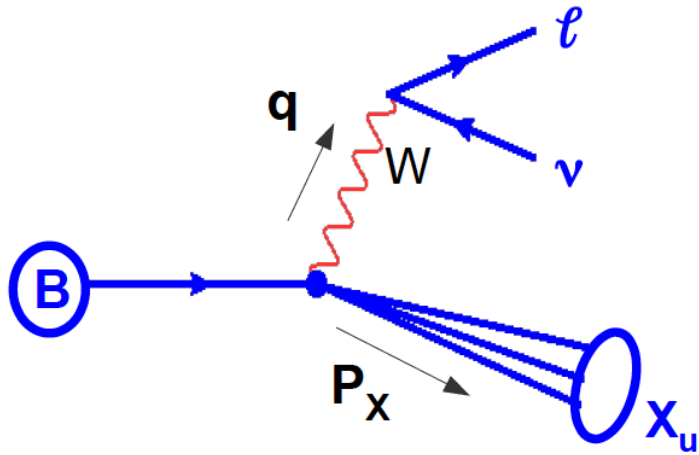
Exclusive $|V_{cb}|$ (CLN)



BGL fit for $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$ in good agreement with inclusive result!



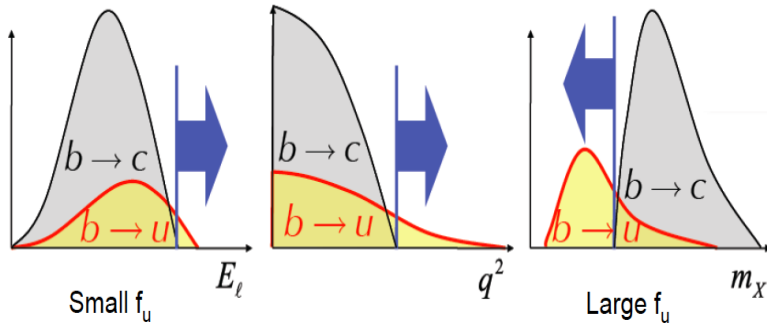
Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$



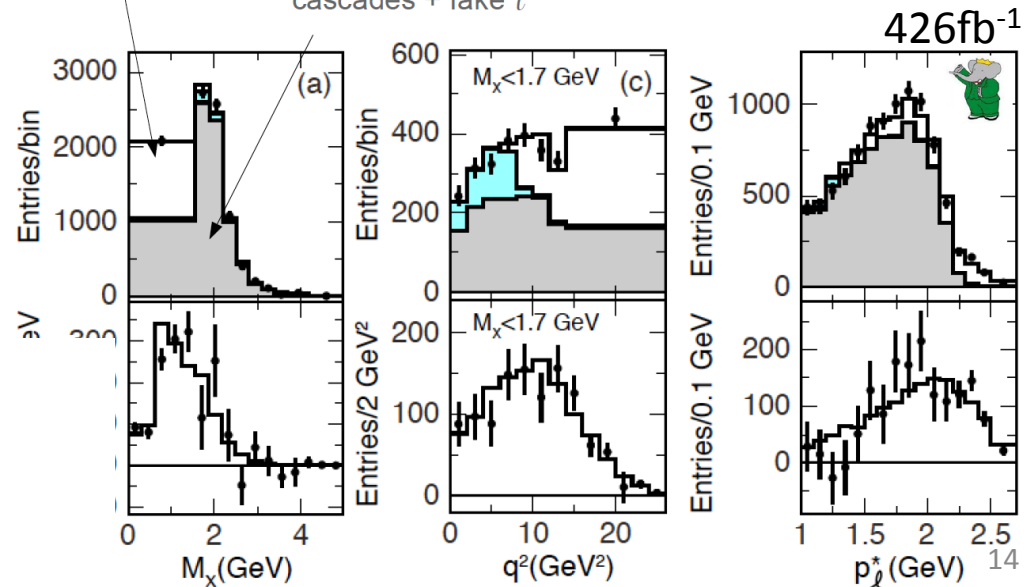
- Large background from $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$
- Extract signal in **kinematic variables** ($m_u < m_c$)
- Restricted phase space region (fraction f_u) problematic for partial rate calculation
 - Non-perturbative shape function needed
 - Universal only at leading order in Λ/m_b

$$\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu) = \frac{G_F^2}{192\pi^3} m_b^5 |V_{ub}|^2 A_{ew} A_{pert} A_{non-pert}$$

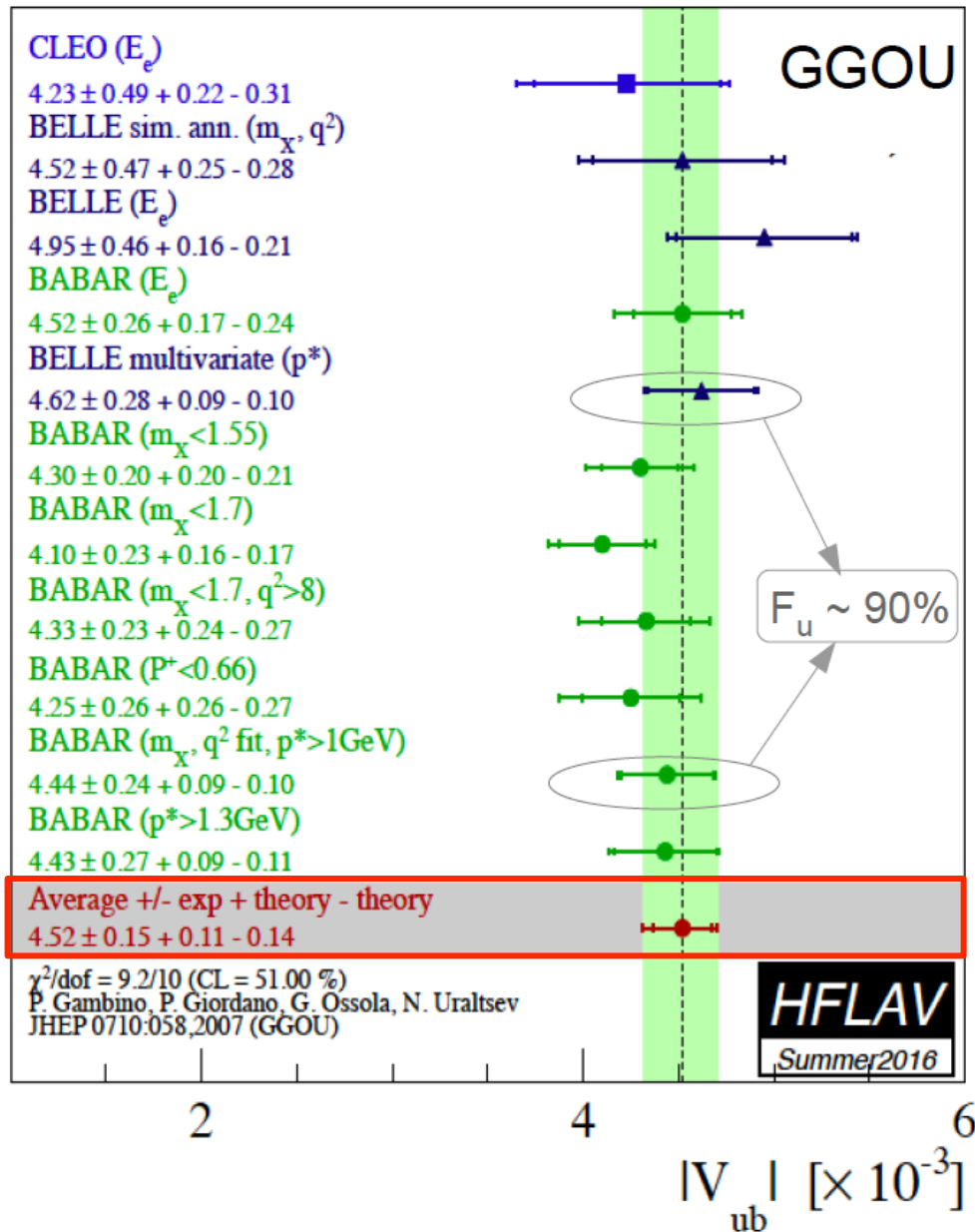
$$|V_{ub}| = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu)}{\tau_B \Delta\Gamma_{theory}}}$$



$B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu +$ cascades + fake ℓ *Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 032004*



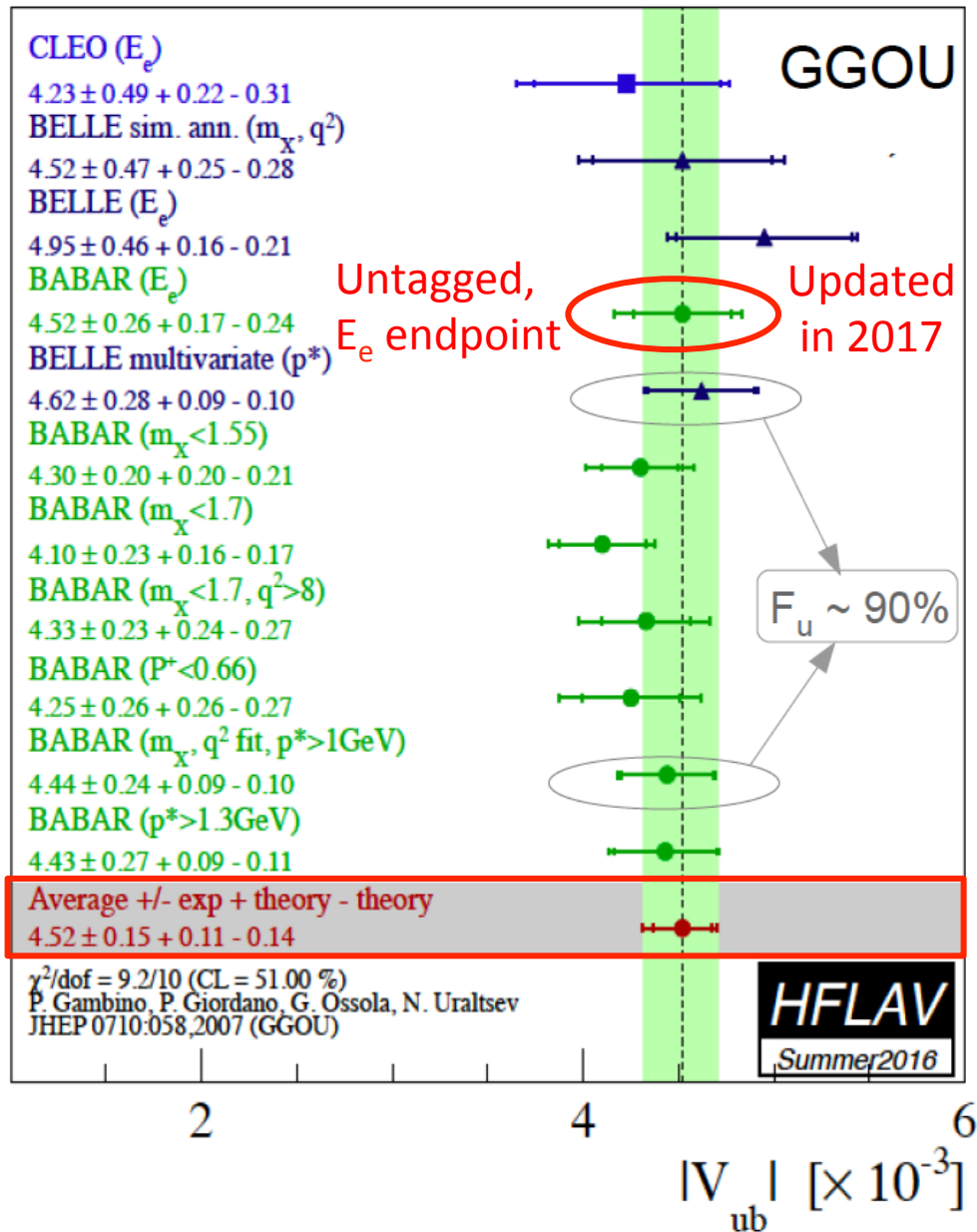
$|V_{ub}|$ from inclusive decays



- Consistent $|V_{ub}|$ results for
 - Belle and BaBar
 - Different kinematic regions
 - Different theory calculations

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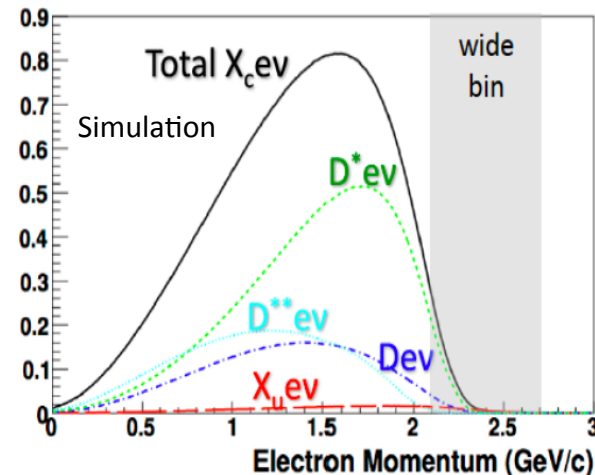
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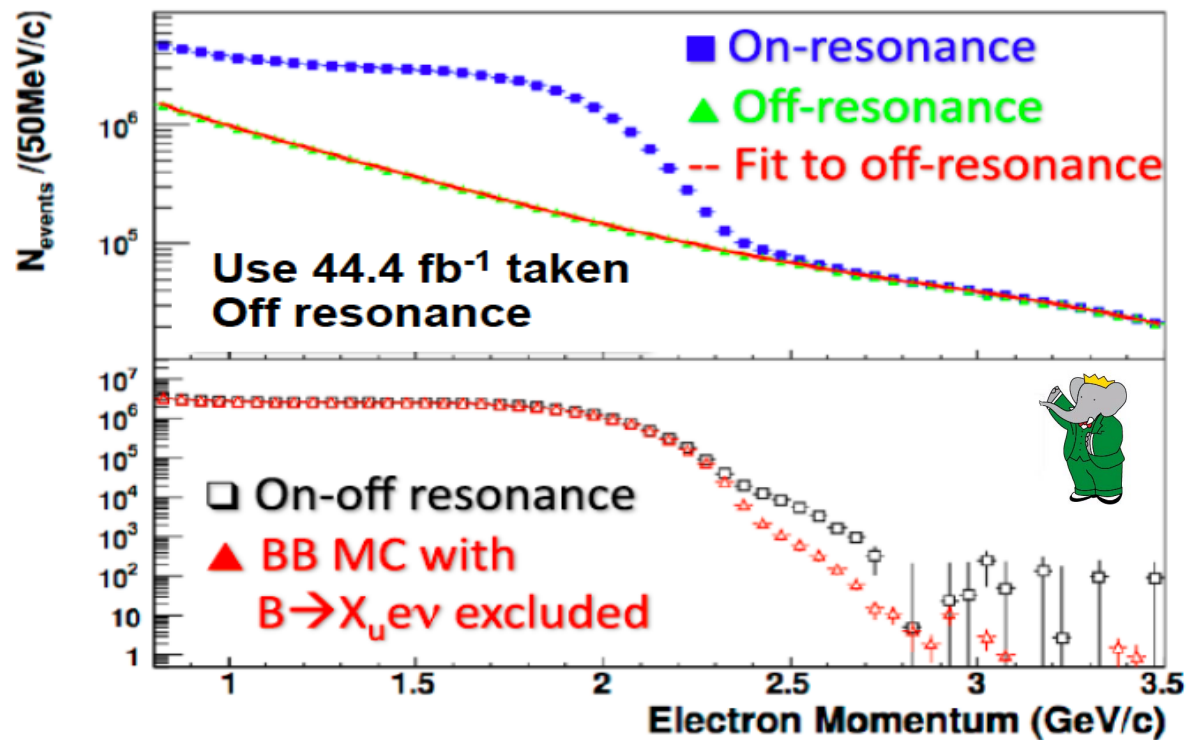
Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$: Updated E_e endpoint analysis

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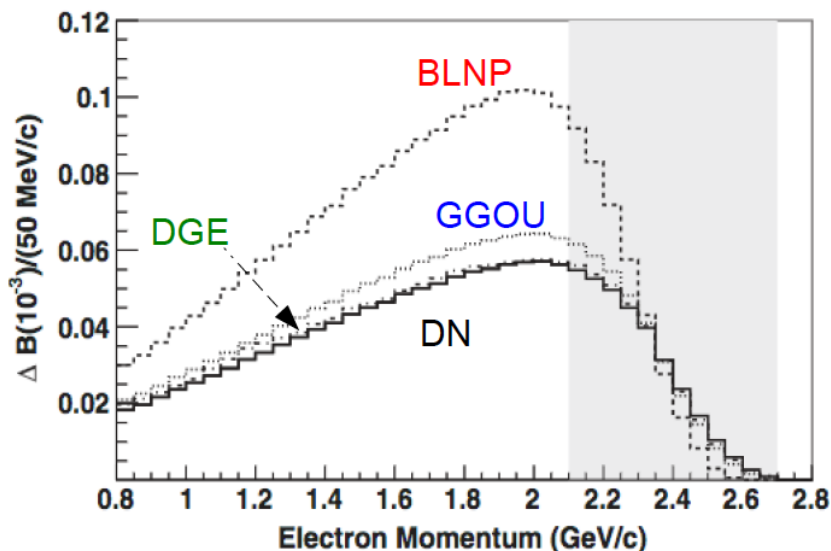
- Untagged inclusive measurement of E_e spectrum by BaBar
- Signal extracted in simul. fit to **Y(4S) and off-res. data**
 - Continuum (exponential form with 5 par.)
 - $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ signal
 - $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$ components ($X_c = D, D^*, D^{**}, D^{(*)}\pi, D'^{(*)}$)
 - Secondary leptons $b \rightarrow c \rightarrow \ell$



- E_e range: 0.8 – 2.7 GeV
 - Lower limit varied from 0.8 up to 2.1 GeV for ΔB and $|V_{ub}|$ extraction

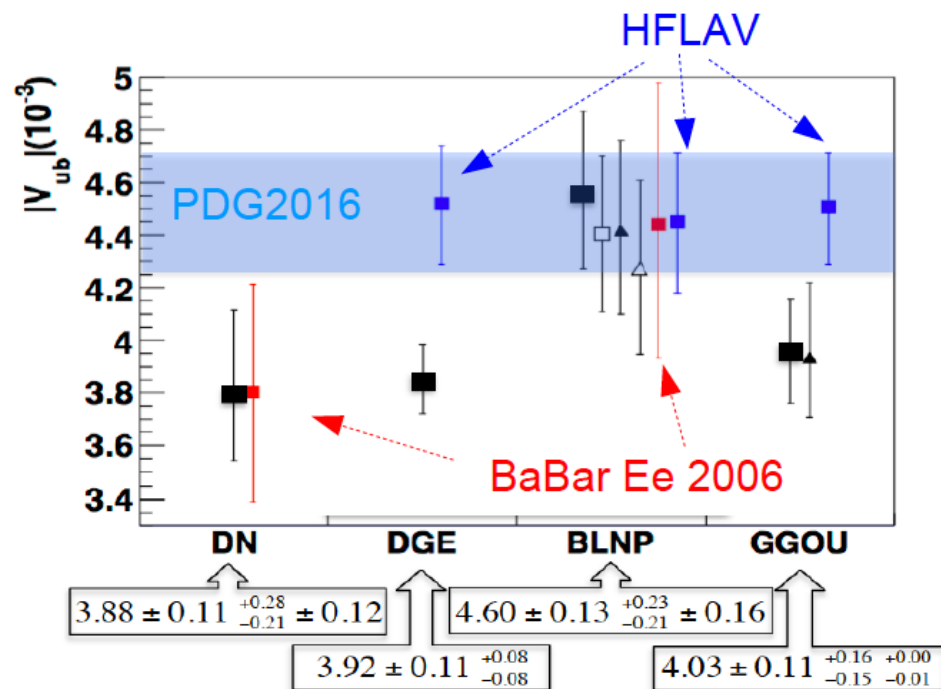


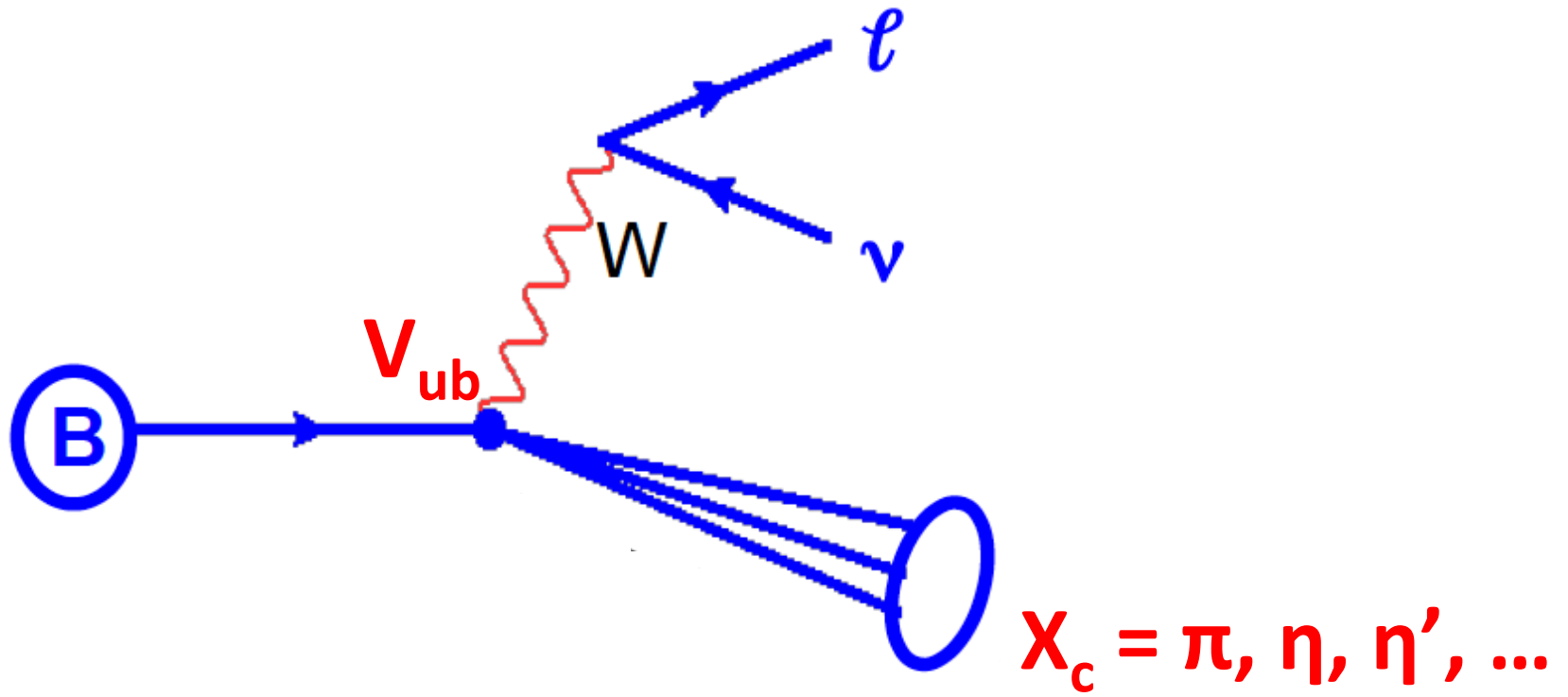
Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$: Updated E_e endpoint analysis



- Highest signal sensitivity in bin 2.1-2.7 GeV
- 4 theory calculations used as signal model
 \Rightarrow different partial rate predictions in 2.1-2.7 GeV bin

- Results for DN, DGE, GGOU agree with each other, BLNP higher
- Lower $|V_{ub}|$ than in previous measurements (except for BLNP)
- $|V_{ub}|$ results obtained from $[0.8;2.7]$ \sim 1% higher than from $[2.1;2.7]$

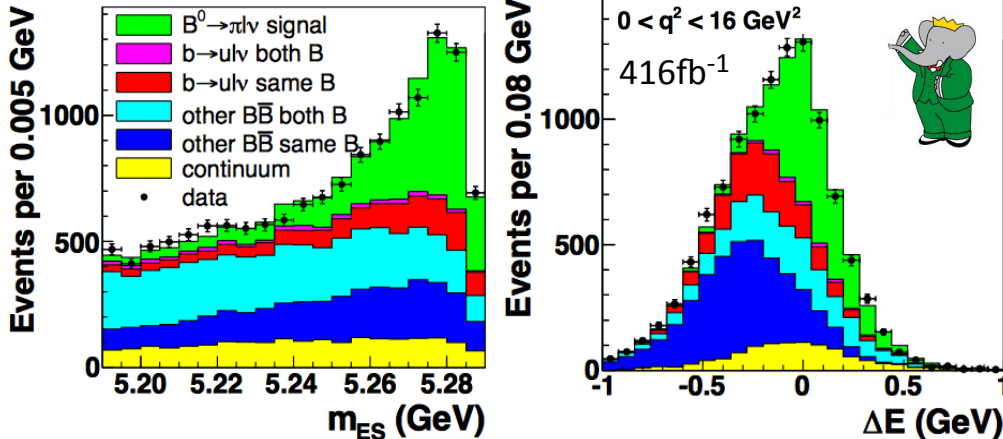




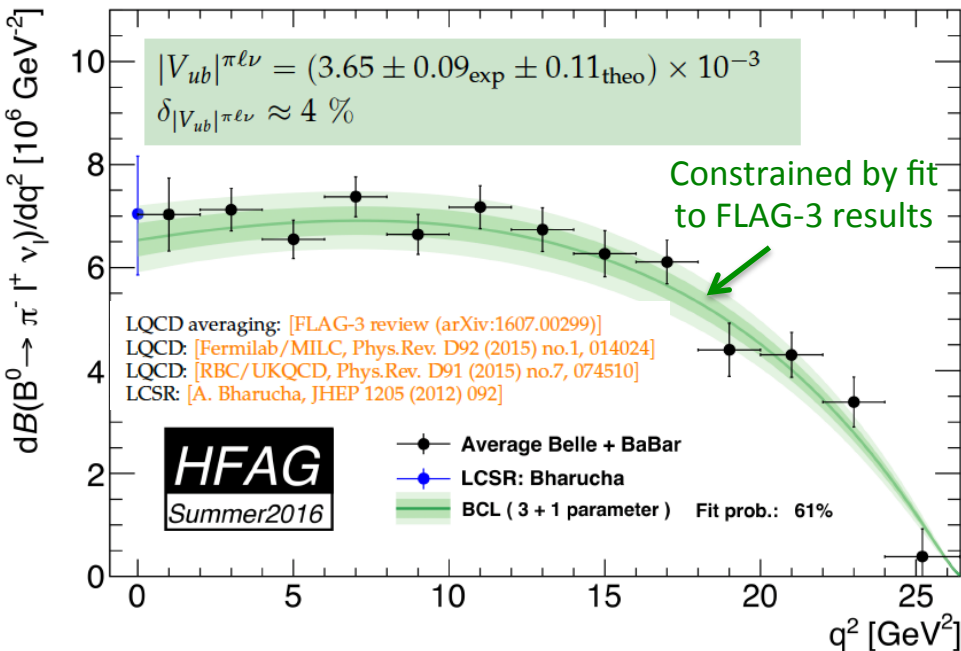
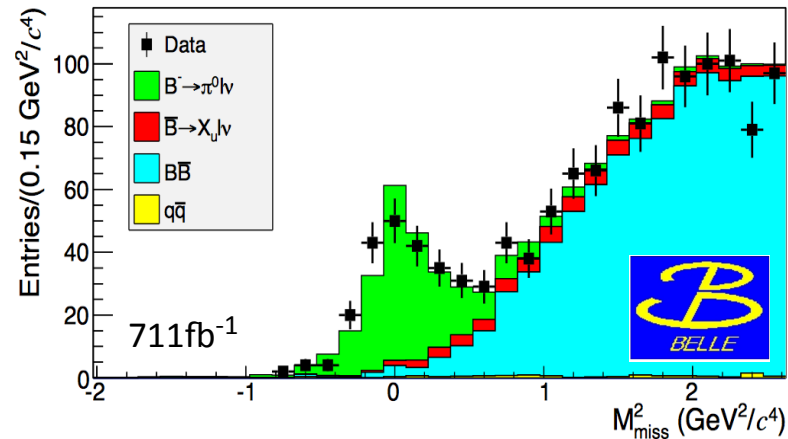
$|V_{ub}|$ from $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu) = \frac{G_F^2}{24\pi^3} p_\pi^3 |V_{ub}|^2 |f_+(q^2)|^2$$

Untagged



Had. B tags



Form factor parametrization: BCL

Bourrely, Caprini, Lellouch, PRD79, 013008 (2009)

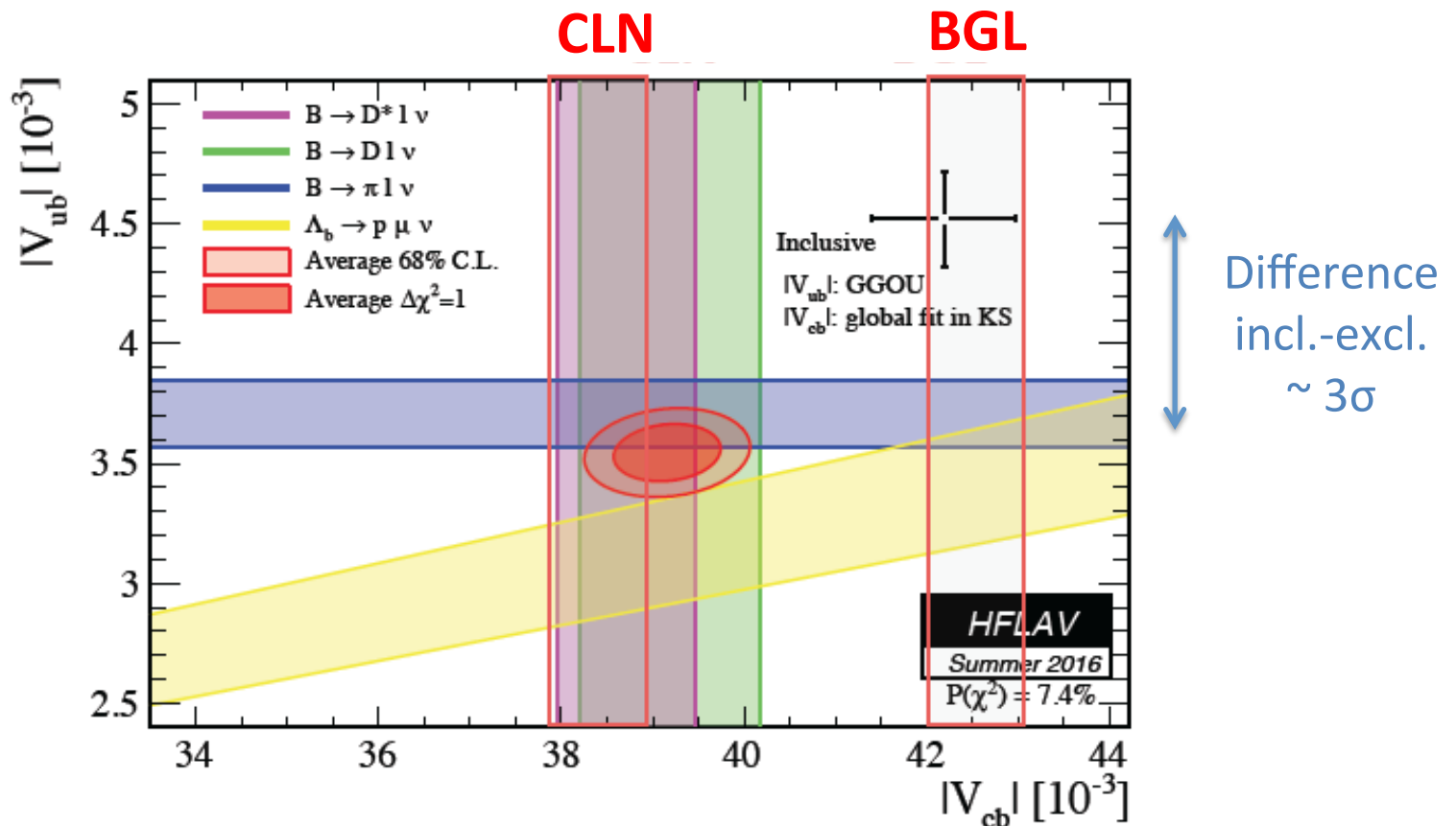
$$f_+(q^2, \vec{b}) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2/m_{B^*}^2} \sum_{k=0}^K b_k(t_0) z(q^2)^k$$

Parameter	Value
$ V_{ub} $	$(3.65 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-3}$
b_1^+	0.421 ± 0.017
b_2^+	-0.390 ± 0.033
b_3^+	-0.650 ± 0.126

Status of $|V_{ub}|$

$|V_{ub}| = (4.52 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.22) \times 10^{-3}$ inclusive average (GGOU)

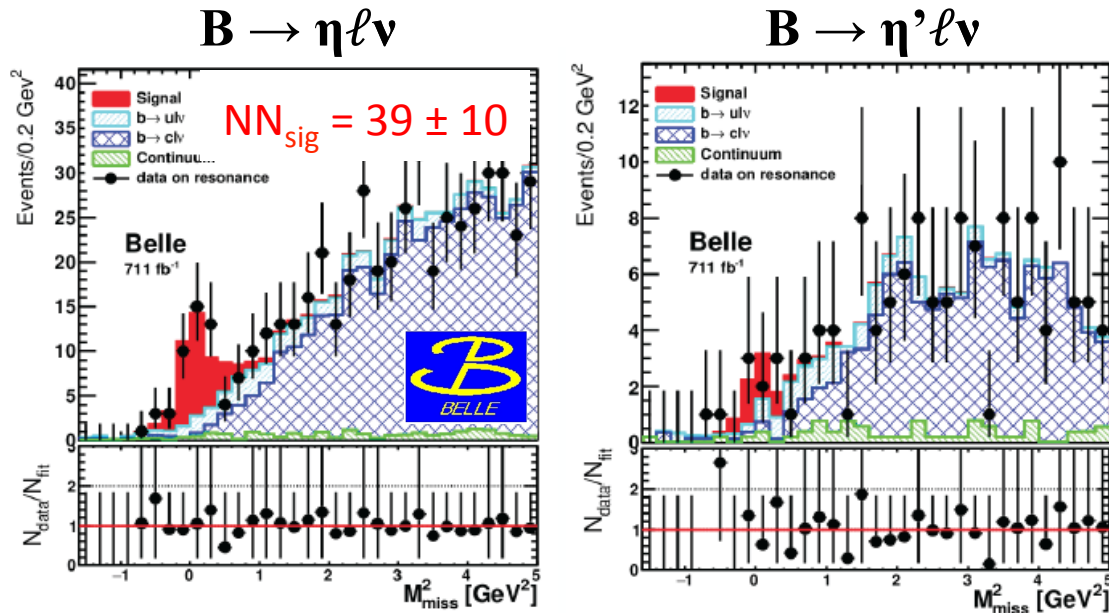
$|V_{ub}| = (3.65 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ average (FLAG + LCSR)



Persistent exclusive-inclusive discrepancy for $|V_{ub}|$ at $\sim 3\sigma$ level!

Decays to heavier charmless resonances: η, η'

- Measure decays to **higher-mass charmless resonances**
 \Rightarrow better understand **composition of inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ rate**
- New measurement of $B \rightarrow \eta/\eta' \ell \nu$ with hadronic tags *Phys.Rev.D96, 091102(R) (2017)*



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

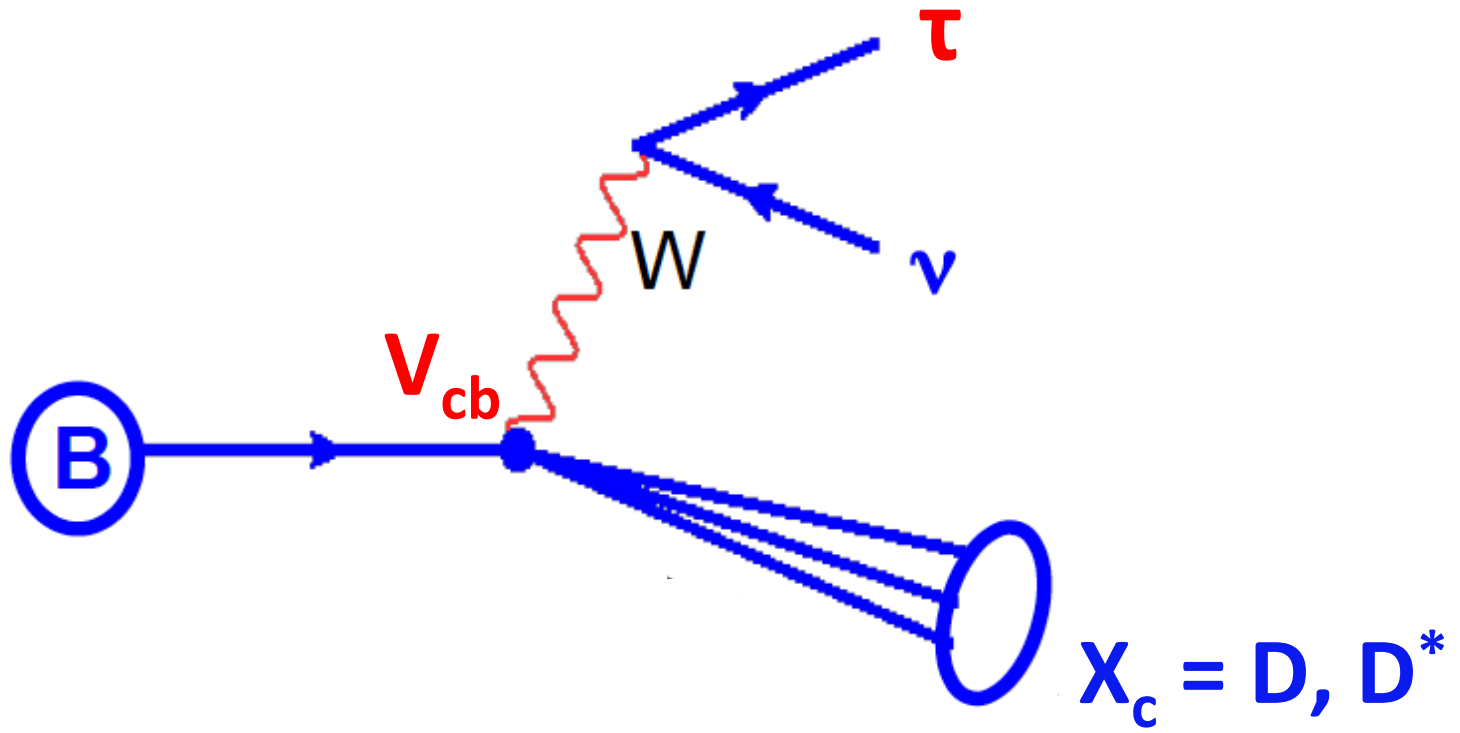
$\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\eta, \eta\gamma$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \eta \ell^+ \nu) &= (4.2 \pm 1.1_{stat} \pm 0.3_{syst}) \times 10^{-5} \\
 \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \eta' \ell^+ \nu) &< 0.72 \times 10^{-4} \quad 90\% \text{ C.L.} \\
 |V_{ub}| &= (3.59 \pm 0.58_{stat} \pm 0.13_{syst} \pm 0.29_{theo}) \times 10^{-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

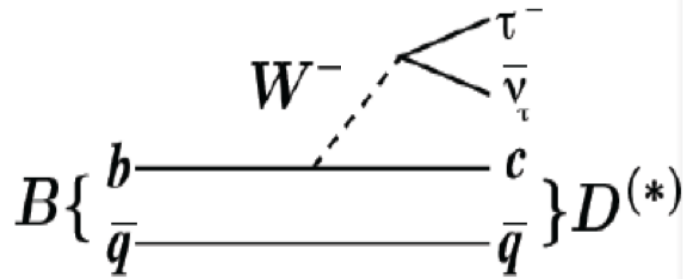
Significance: 3.7σ

$|V_{ub}|$ from LCSR

*P. Ball, G. Jones,
 JHEP 08 (2007) 025*



Semileptonic decays with τ lepton: $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\nu$



Measure BF ratio:

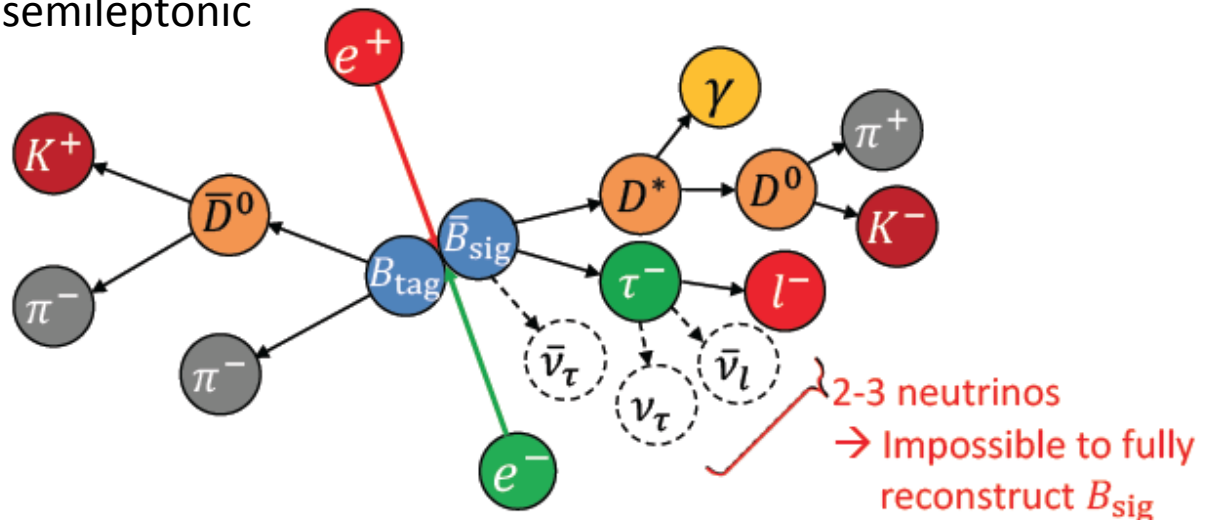
$$R(D^{(*)}) \equiv \frac{BF(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau^- \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{BF(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}l^- \bar{\nu}_l)}$$

Tag side:

- Inclusive
- hadronic
- semileptonic

Signal side:

- $\tau \rightarrow \ell \nu \nu$
- $\tau \rightarrow \pi \nu, \rho \nu$

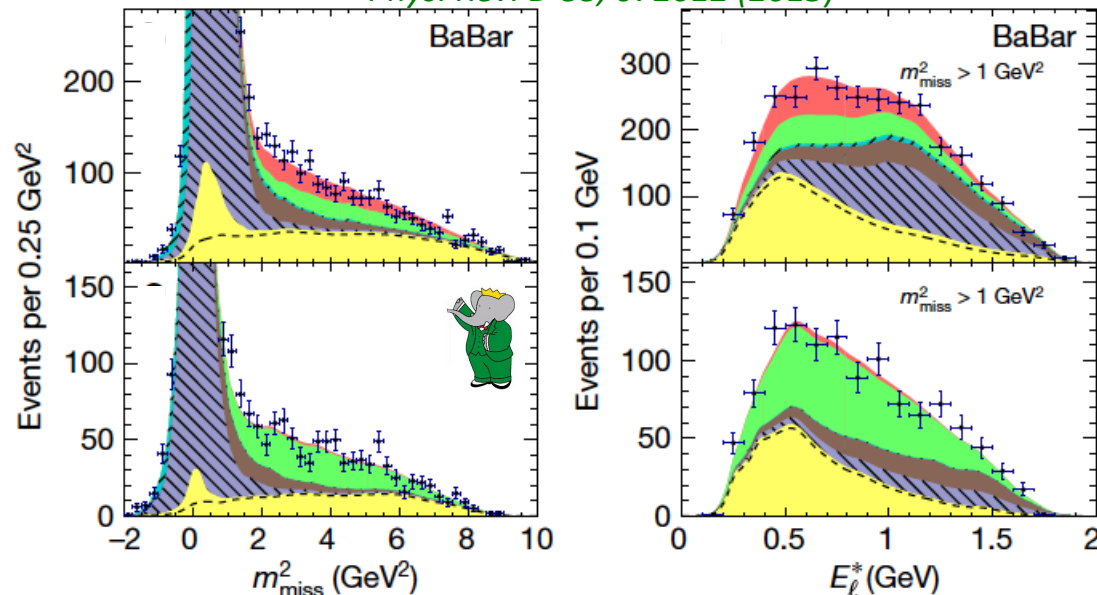


Semileptonic decays with τ lepton: $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\nu$

Experiment	Tag method	τ mode	R_D	R_{D^*}
Belle 07*	Inclusive	$e\nu\nu, \pi\nu$	0.38±0.11	0.34±0.08
Belle 10*	Inclusive	$l\nu\nu, \pi\nu$		
Babar 12	Hadronic	$l\nu\nu$	0.440±0.058±0.042	0.332±0.024±0.018
Belle 15	Hadronic	$l\nu\nu$	0.375±0.064±0.026	0.293±0.038±0.015
Belle 16	Semileptonic	$l\nu\nu$	IN PROGRESS	0.302±0.030±0.011
Belle 17	Hadronic	$\pi\nu, \rho\nu$	-	0.270±0.035±0.027
LHCb 16	-	$l\nu\nu$	-	0.336±0.027±0.030
LHCb 17	-	$3\pi\nu$	-	0.286±0.019±0.033
Belle ave.	SL+Had	-	0.374±0.061	0.292±0.020±0.012

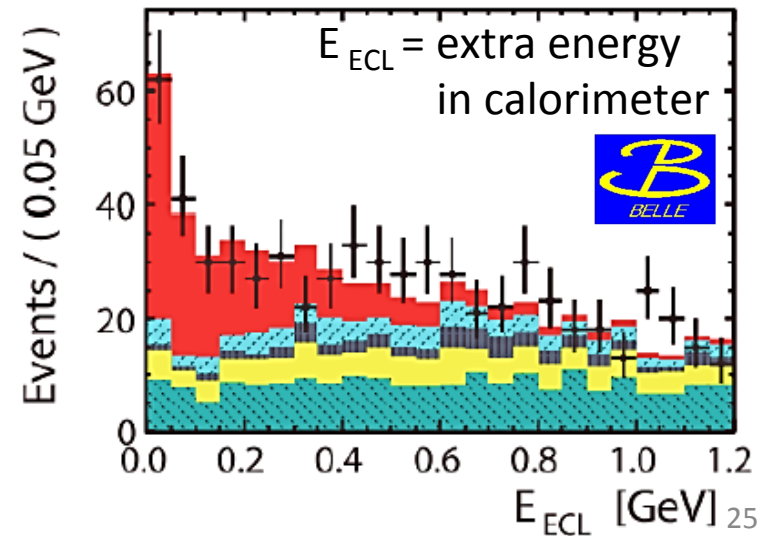
Hadronic B tag

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Semileptonic B tag

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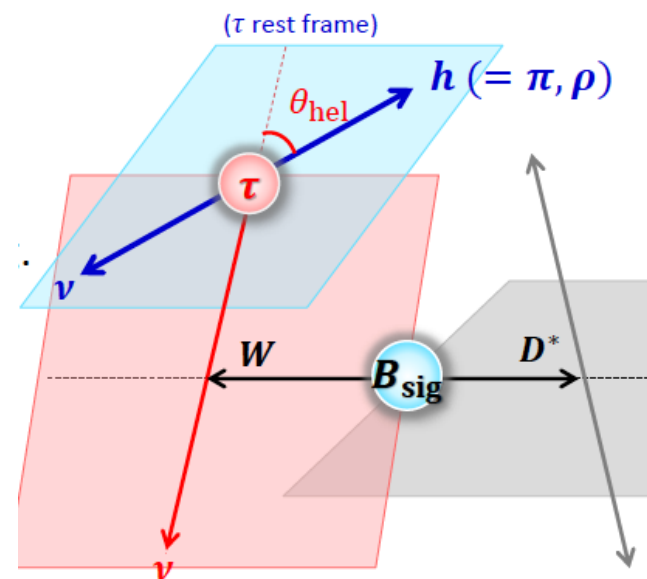
τ polarization in $B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu$ with $\tau \rightarrow \pi/\rho \nu$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_{\text{hel}}} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \alpha \cdot \mathcal{P}_\tau \cos \theta_{\text{hel}})$$

- Tau helicity angle ($\cos \theta_{\text{hel}}$) sensitive to \mathcal{P}_τ
- 4-momentum of signal B can be determined with hadronic B tagging
 \Rightarrow reco. of 4-momentum transfer \mathbf{q}
 \Rightarrow allows for boost into W rest frame
- Use 1-Prong **hadronic tau decays**:

$$\tau \rightarrow h \nu, \quad h = \pi^-, \rho^- (\rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0)$$

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } \tau \rightarrow \pi^- \\ 0.45 & \text{for } \tau \rightarrow \rho^- \end{cases}$$



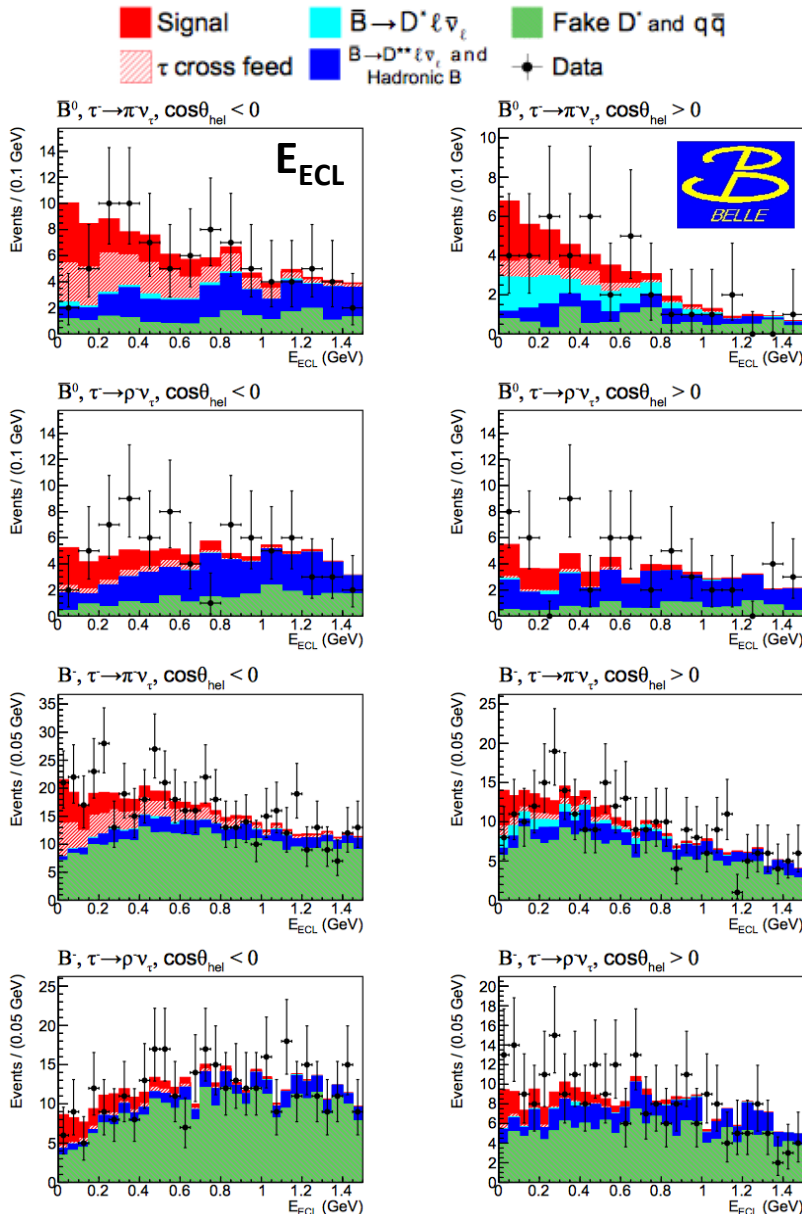
Integration over “fwd/bwd region” yields:

$$P_\tau(D^*) = \frac{2 N_{\text{sig}}(\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0) - N_{\text{sig}}(\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0)}{\alpha N_{\text{sig}}(\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} > 0) + N_{\text{sig}}(\cos \theta_{\text{hel}} < 0)}$$

τ polarization in $B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu$ with $\tau \rightarrow \pi/\rho \nu$

- Belle performed **first measurement** of τ polarization in semileptonic B

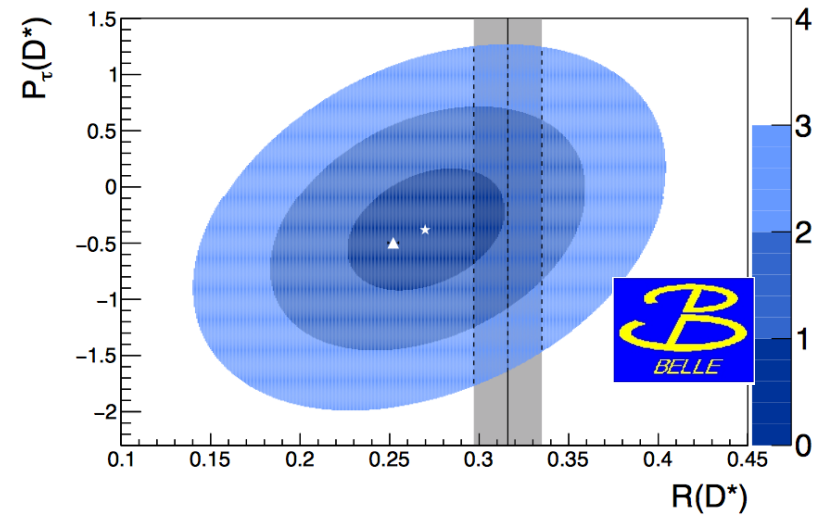
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$$R(D^*) = 0.270 \pm 0.035(\text{stat.}) \begin{matrix} +0.028 \\ -0.025 \end{matrix}(\text{syst.})$$

$$P_\tau(D^*) = -0.38 \pm 0.51(\text{stat.}) \begin{matrix} +0.21 \\ -0.16 \end{matrix}(\text{syst.})$$

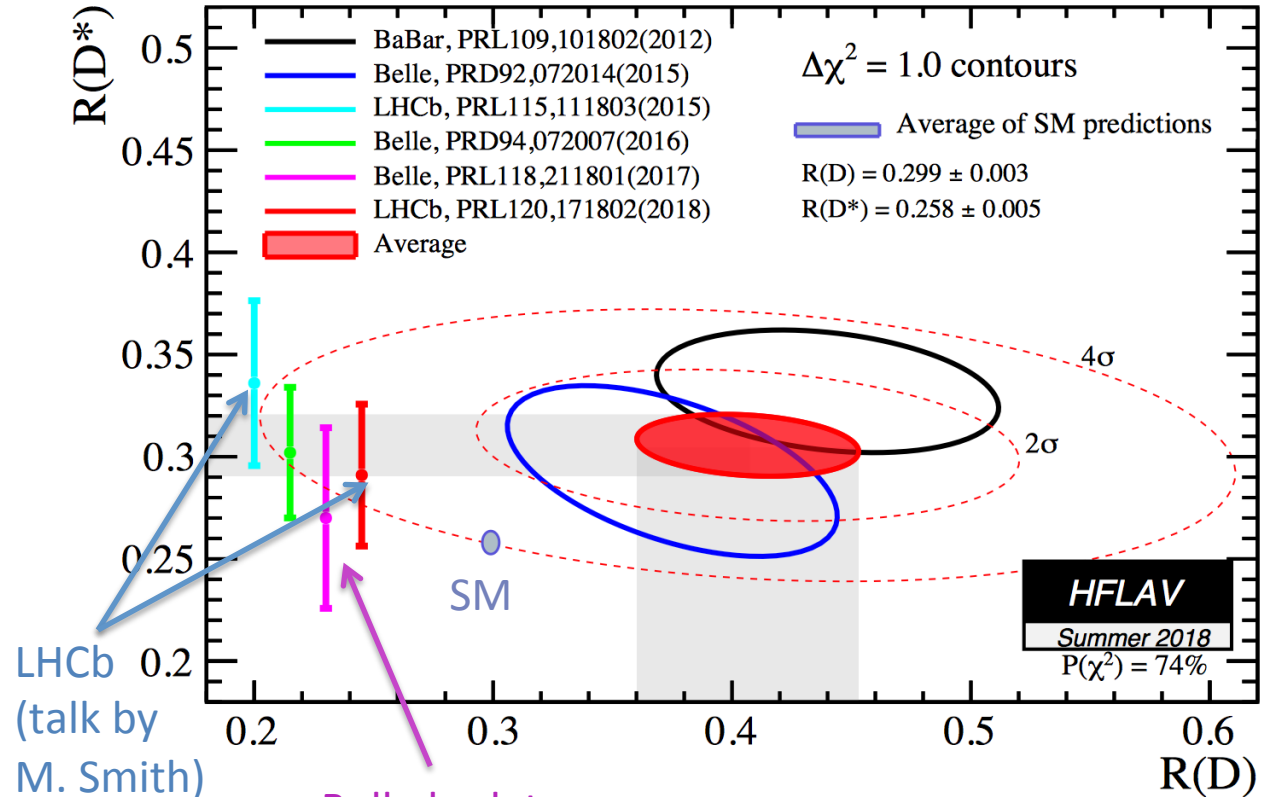
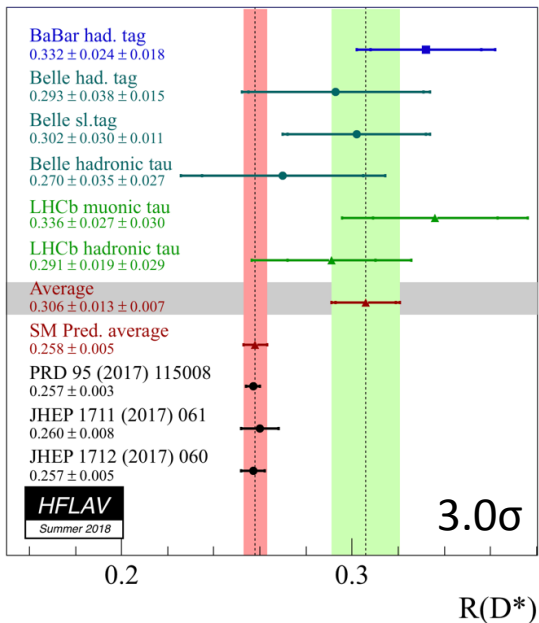
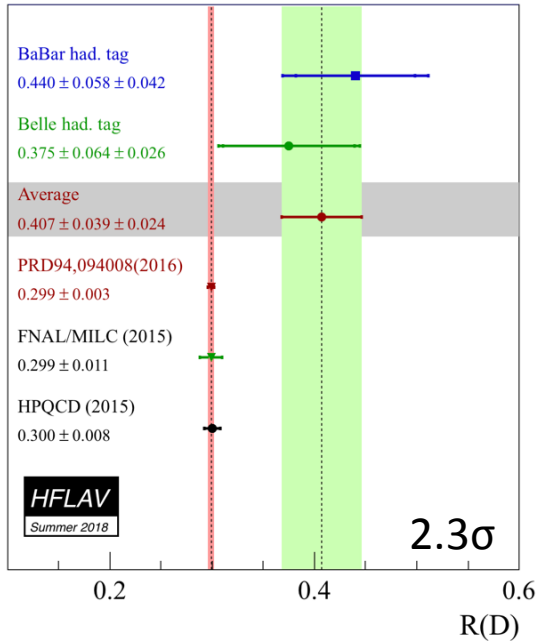
$P_\tau(D^*) > 0.5$ excluded at 90% CL



SM prediction:
 $R(D^*) = 0.252 \pm 0.003$ Fajfer, Kamenik, Nisandzic, Phys.Rev. D85, 094025 (2012)
 $P_\tau(D^*) = -0.497 \pm 0.013$ Tanaka and Watanabe, Phys.Rev. D87, 034028 (2013)

Results are in good agreement with SM prediction (within 0.6σ)

Status of $R(D^{(*)})$ results

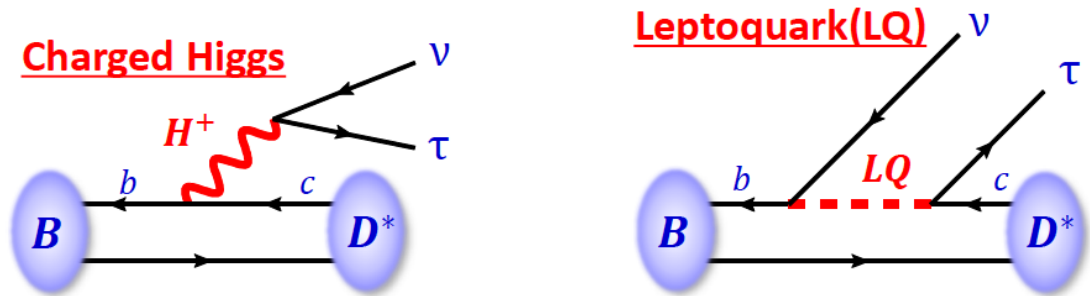


LHCb
(talk by M. Smith)

Belle had. tag
(τ polarization)

Deviation from SM prediction: 3.9σ

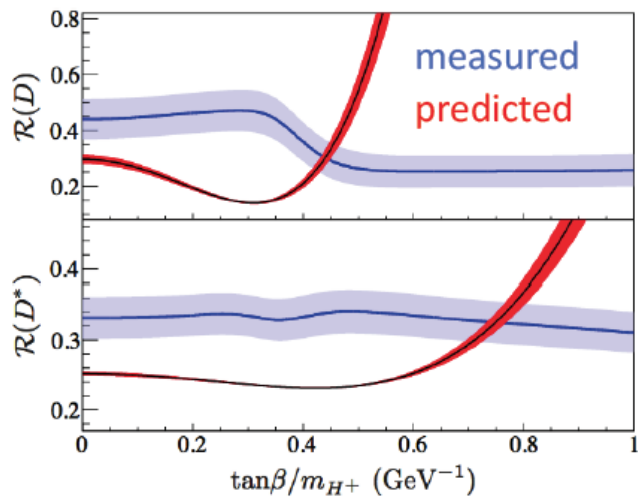
New-physics interpretations: Some examples



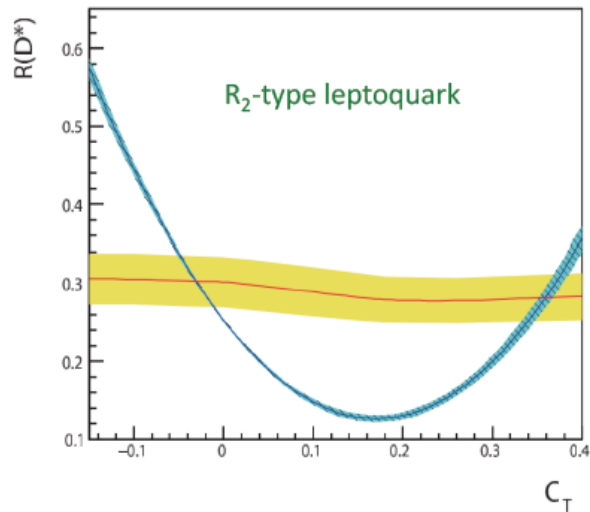
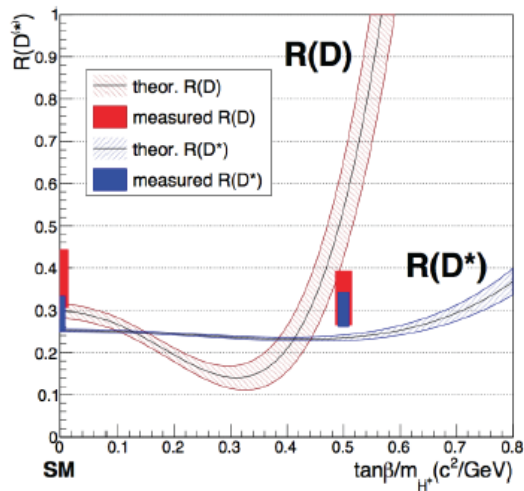
Examples:

Belle studied two types of leptoquark models. Results allow additional contribution from scalar and vector operators

BaBar disfavours 2HDM type II



Belle more compatible



$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$: Systematic uncertainties

	Experiment	SL tag R_{D^*}	Had tag R_{D^*} , $\tau \rightarrow h \nu$	Had tag R_{D^*} , $\tau \rightarrow l \nu \nu$	Had tag R_D , $\tau \rightarrow l \nu \nu$
1	MC statistics	2.2	3.5	-	-
2	$B \rightarrow D^{**} l \nu$ modelling	+1, -1.7	2.4	1.5	4.2
3	$B \rightarrow D^* l \nu$	+1.3, -0.2	2.3	-	-
4	D^{**} decay modes	(in 2)	(in 2)	1.3	3.0
5	Hadronic B decays	1.1	7.3	-	-
6	$B \rightarrow D^{**} \tau \nu$	(in 2)	(in 2)	-	-
7	Fake $D^{(*)}$	1.4	0.2	0.3	0.5
8	Fake lepton	-	-	0.6	0.5
9	Lepton ID	1.2	1.8	0.5	0.5
10	τ Br	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
11	Other	-	2.3	-	-
	Total	3.5	9.9	5.2	7.1

Better knowledge of semileptonic B decays to D^{**} would be helpful!

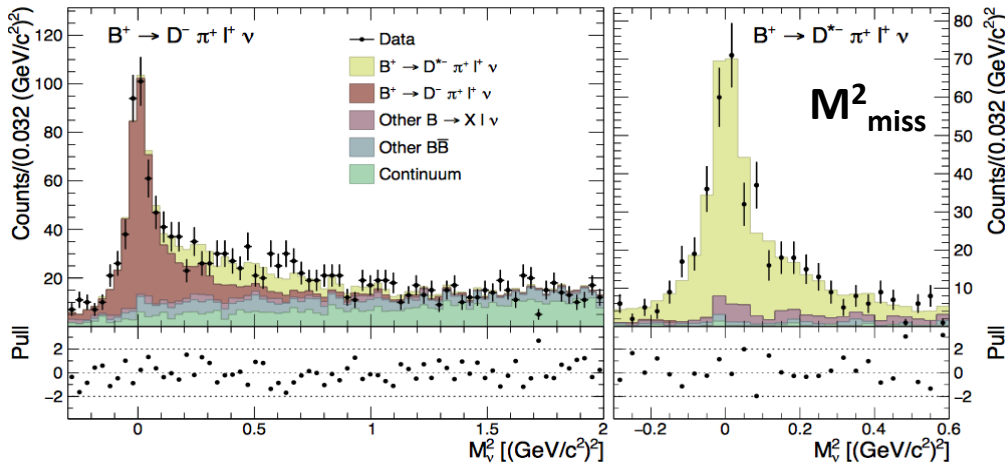
Higher charm resonances D^{**} : $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\pi\ell\nu$

- New hadronic-tag analysis of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\pi\ell\nu$ by Belle
 - Dominated by D^{**}
 - $B \rightarrow D\pi\ell\nu$ and $B \rightarrow D^*\pi\ell\nu$ fitted simultaneously

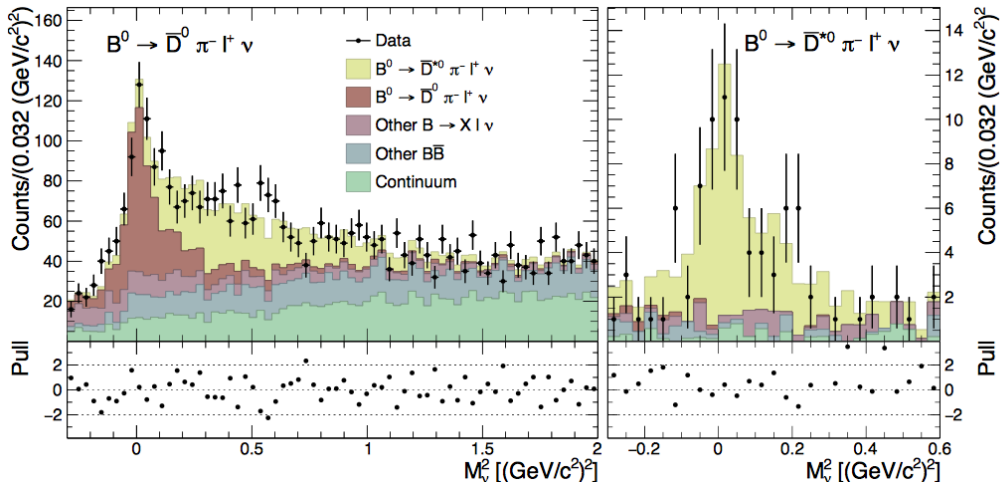
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$D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0\pi^0, D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+\pi^0, D^0\pi^+$
6 D^0 , 4 D^+ decay modes

Yield $B^+ \rightarrow D^- \pi^+ \ell^+ \nu$: 515 ± 31 ; $D^{*-} \pi^+ \ell^+ \nu$: 571 ± 40



Yield: $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$: $537 + 48$; $\bar{D}^{*0} \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$: $878 + 72$



Higher charm resonances D^{**} : $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\pi\ell\nu$

Results [arXiv:1803.06444 \[hep-ex\], accepted by PRD](https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.06444)

Comparison with HFLAV 2016

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^- \pi^+ \ell^+ \nu) \\ = [4.55 \pm 0.27 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.39 \text{ (syst.)}] \times 10^{-3},$$

$$[4.1 \pm 0.5] \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \pi^- \ell^+ \nu) \\ = [4.05 \pm 0.36 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.41 \text{ (syst.)}] \times 10^{-3},$$

$$[4.2 \pm 0.6] \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+ \ell^+ \nu) \\ = [6.03 \pm 0.43 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.38 \text{ (syst.)}] \times 10^{-3},$$

$$[6.0 \pm 0.6] \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \pi^- \ell^+ \nu) \\ = [6.46 \pm 0.53 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.52 \text{ (syst.)}] \times 10^{-3}.$$

$$[4.7 \pm 0.8] \times 10^{-3}$$

Compatible with world average, with comparable/somewhat improved precision

- Useful input to understand incl.- sum of excl. gap for $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$
- Potential future improvement: Include $D^{(*)}\pi\pi$, as done by BaBar [PRL 116, 041801](https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.04180)

Conclusions

- **Inclusive-exclusive difference for $|V_{cb}|$** maybe solved
 - BGL fit in new **high-statistics $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$ analysis** from Belle compatible with inclusive $|V_{cb}|$
- **Inclusive-exclusive difference for $|V_{ub}|$** persistent ($\sim 3\sigma$)
 - Interesting results from **electron endpoint studies** by BaBar
- First measurement of **$B \rightarrow \eta \ell \nu$, $B \rightarrow \eta' \ell \nu$** with had. tags by Belle
- **$R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$ measurements** one of the **highlights at the B factories**
 - New dimension to search for NP in sl. B decays with taus
 - **τ polarization**
- New **$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \pi \ell \nu$ branching fraction** measurement from Belle
 - Critical input to background modeling in $R(D^*)$ measurement