

CHARM PHYSICS



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Charm Physics @ BaBar - Outline



Analyses results reviewed here:

- D^0 mixing with 2-body hadronic decays (wrong sign & CP final states)
- $C\bar{S}$ states spectroscopy [$D_{sJ}^*(2317), D_{sJ}(2458)$]



Other Studies in progress:

- D^0 mixing with semi-leptonic decays
- 3-body decays of D^0, D^+, D_s^+ (B. R., Light Meson Spectroscopy, ~~CP~~ , mixing)
- charmed baryons
- ISR processes

Charm Physics @ PEP-II B-factory

PEP-II (SLAC) : **asymmetric e^+e^- collider @ $Y(4S)$**
Integrated luminosity delivered : $\sim 178 fb^{-1}$

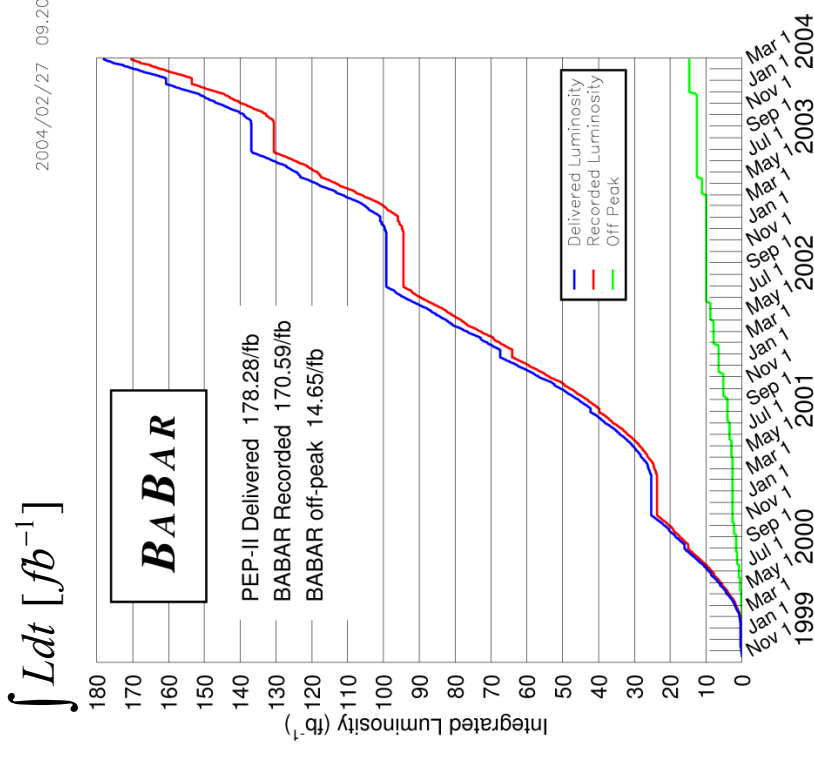
Effective $q\bar{q}$ cross sections
 at the energy of the $Y(4S)$

$e^+e^- \rightarrow$	σ (nb)
$b\bar{b}$	1.05
$c\bar{c}$	1.30
$s\bar{s}$	0.35
$u\bar{u}$	1.39
$d\bar{d}$	0.35
$\tau^+\tau^-$	0.94
$\mu^+\mu^-$	1.16
e^+e^-	≈ 40

**Powerful tool for
 charm physics**

$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+, D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

BABAR ($90 fb^{-1}$): $\sim 220K$
Focus : 120K
E791 : $\sim 36K$





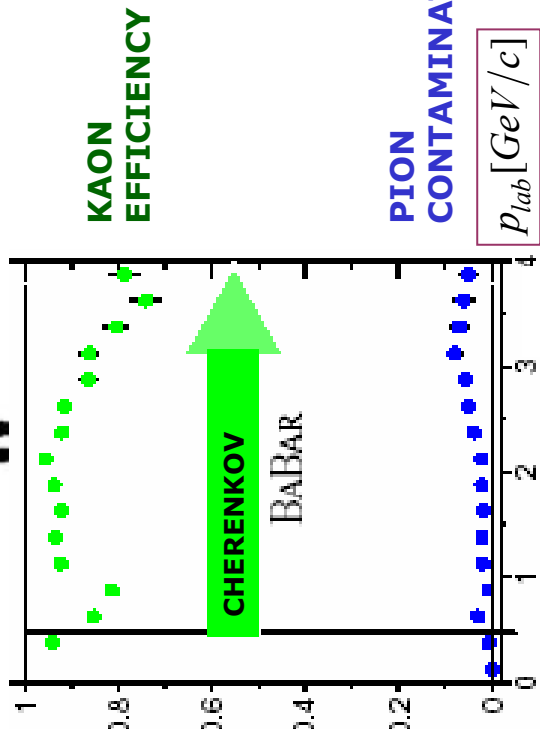
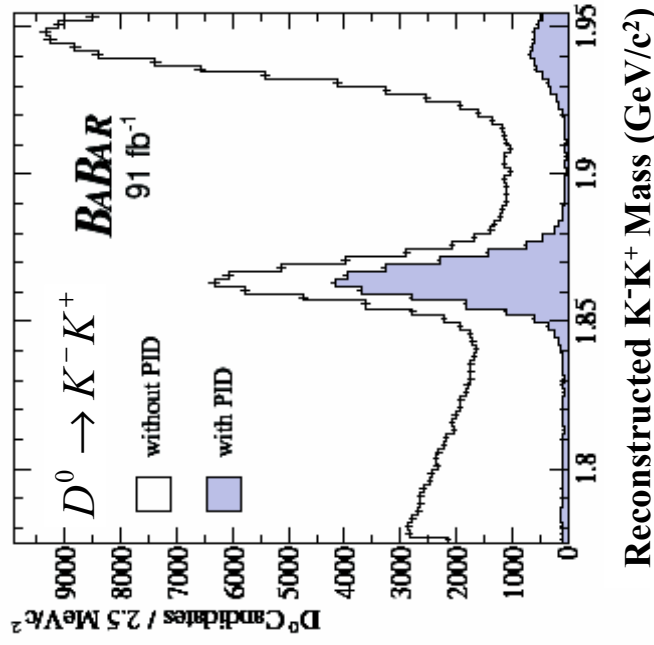
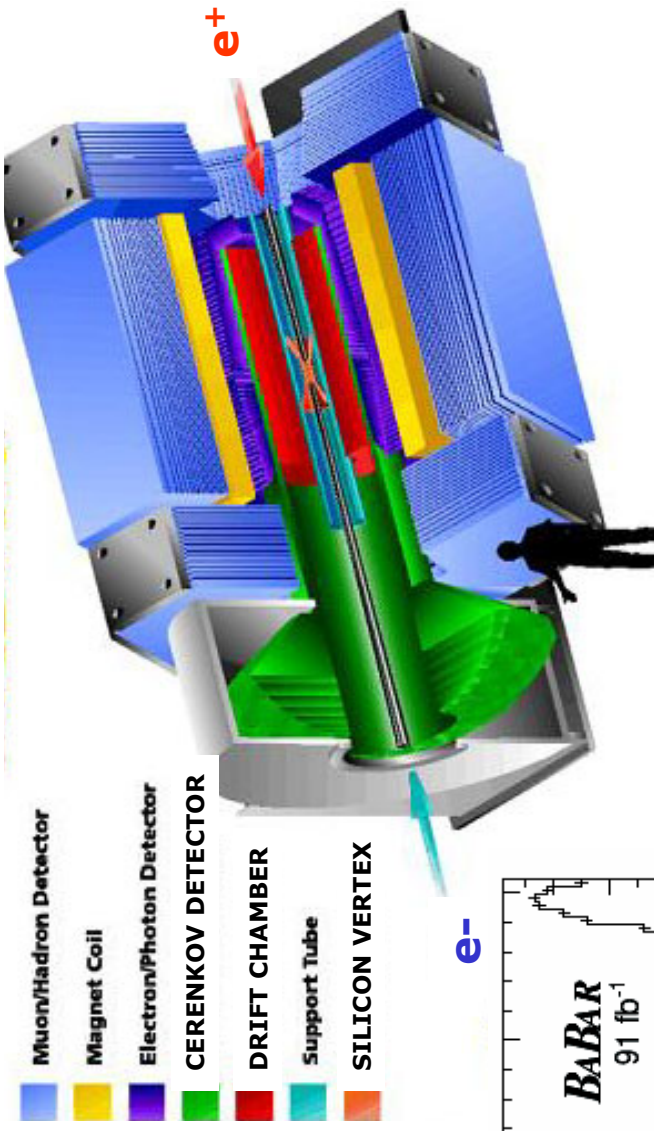
Crucial for charm physics

PID

TRACKING

VERTEXING

K-Id



Selecting charm decays from continuum

Kinematical selection: require cut on CMS momentum of charmed meson : $P_{D^{(*)}}^* > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

➔ combinatorial background strongly reduced

➔ $D^{(*)}$ from B-decays rejected

D^* -TAG with π_S

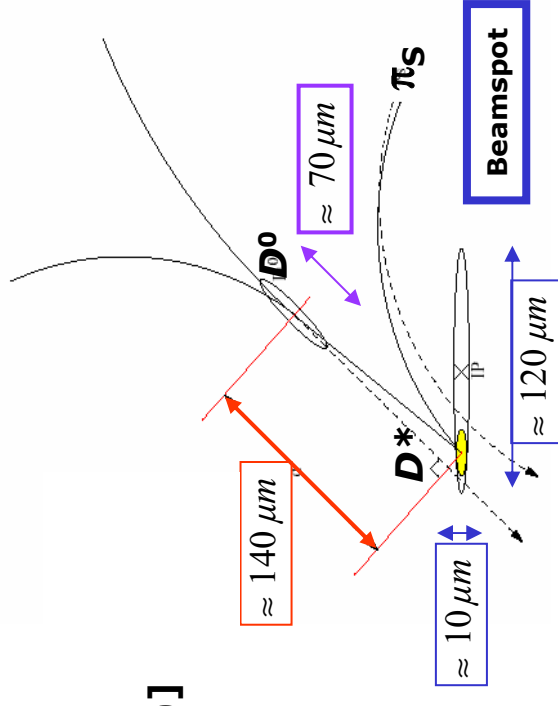
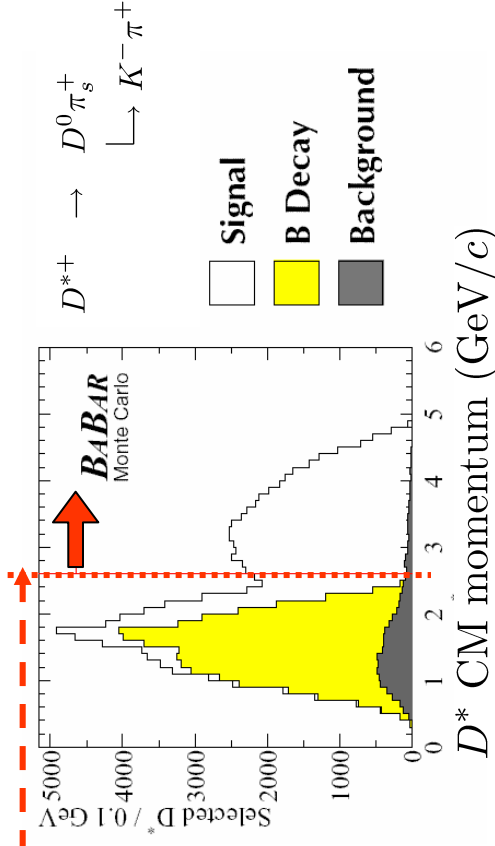
$e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c} \rightarrow D^{*\pm} X$; $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0(\pi_S^+)$; $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$

➔ allows flavor-tagging

➔ reduces BKGD through $\delta m = [m(K^-\pi^+\pi_S) - m(K^-\pi^+)]$

Refitting technique with beamspot - constraint

➔ improves δm resolution



D-mixing: parameters & search methods

➔ **Mass eigenstates:** $|D_{1,2}^0\rangle = p |D^0\rangle \pm q |\bar{D}^0\rangle$, $|p|^2 + |q|^2 = 1$ ($|D^0\rangle, |\bar{D}^0\rangle$ flavour eigenstates)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta\Gamma &= \Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2 \\ \Gamma &= (\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2)/2 \\ \Delta M &= M_1 - M_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

MIXING PARAMETERS: $x \equiv \frac{\Delta M}{\Gamma}$, $y \equiv \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{2\Gamma}$

masses: M_1, M_2
widths: Γ_1, Γ_2

beyond the reach of current experimental sensitivity

SM: $|x|, |y| \lesssim 10^{-3}$

...but **NEW PHYSICS** may enhance **x**
FSI & SU(3)-breaking can enhance **y**

➔ **Experimental goal:** to put limits on the transition $D^0-\bar{D}^0$

1) **LIFETIME DIFFERENCE** searches \rightarrow **y** [if CP conserved]

2) **WRONG-SIGN** searches in hadronic decays \rightarrow **x², y**; δ : unknown strong phase difference

➔ NP may **not** conserve CP \rightarrow consider ~~CP~~ when measuring mixing

$$r_m \equiv |q/p| > 0 \quad \bar{A}_f \equiv \langle f | H_D | \bar{D}^0 \rangle$$

$$\varphi \equiv \arg[(q/p) \cdot (\bar{A}_f/A_f)] \in [-\pi/2, +\pi/2]$$

$r_m \neq 1$ \rightarrow ~~CP~~ in mixing (**sure sign of NP**)

$\varphi \neq 0$ \rightarrow ~~CP~~ in interference mixing-decay

Lifetime difference searches

➤ Mixing would alter the decay-time distributions of D^0 and \bar{D}^0 that decay into CP eigenstates. They can be considered to a good approx. as pure exponential with effective lifetimes:

$$\tau_{\oplus}^{\pm} = \tau^0 \cdot [1 + r_m^{\pm 1} (y \cos \varphi \oplus x \sin \varphi)]^{-1}$$

for CSD of D^0 (\bar{D}^0) into CP -even final states (such as $K^+K^-, \pi^+\pi^-$)

for CFD $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ ($\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$)

➤ These effective lifetimes

can be combined into: $Y = \frac{\tau^0}{\langle \tau \rangle} - 1, \Delta Y = \frac{\tau^0}{\langle \tau \rangle} \cdot A_{\tau}$ where

$$A_{\tau} = \frac{\tau^+ - \tau^-}{\tau^+ + \tau^-}$$

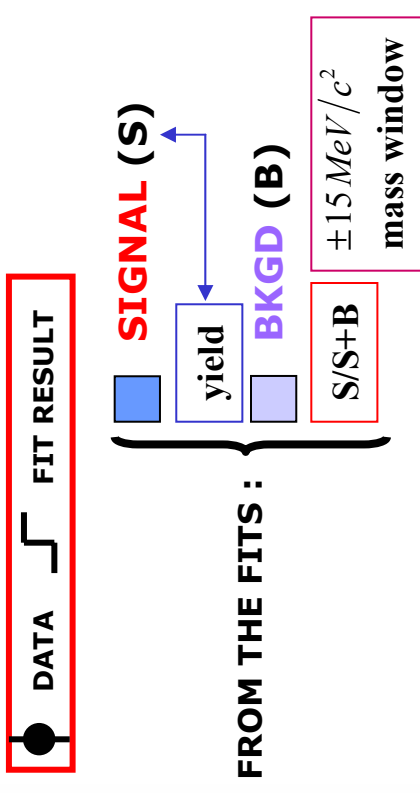
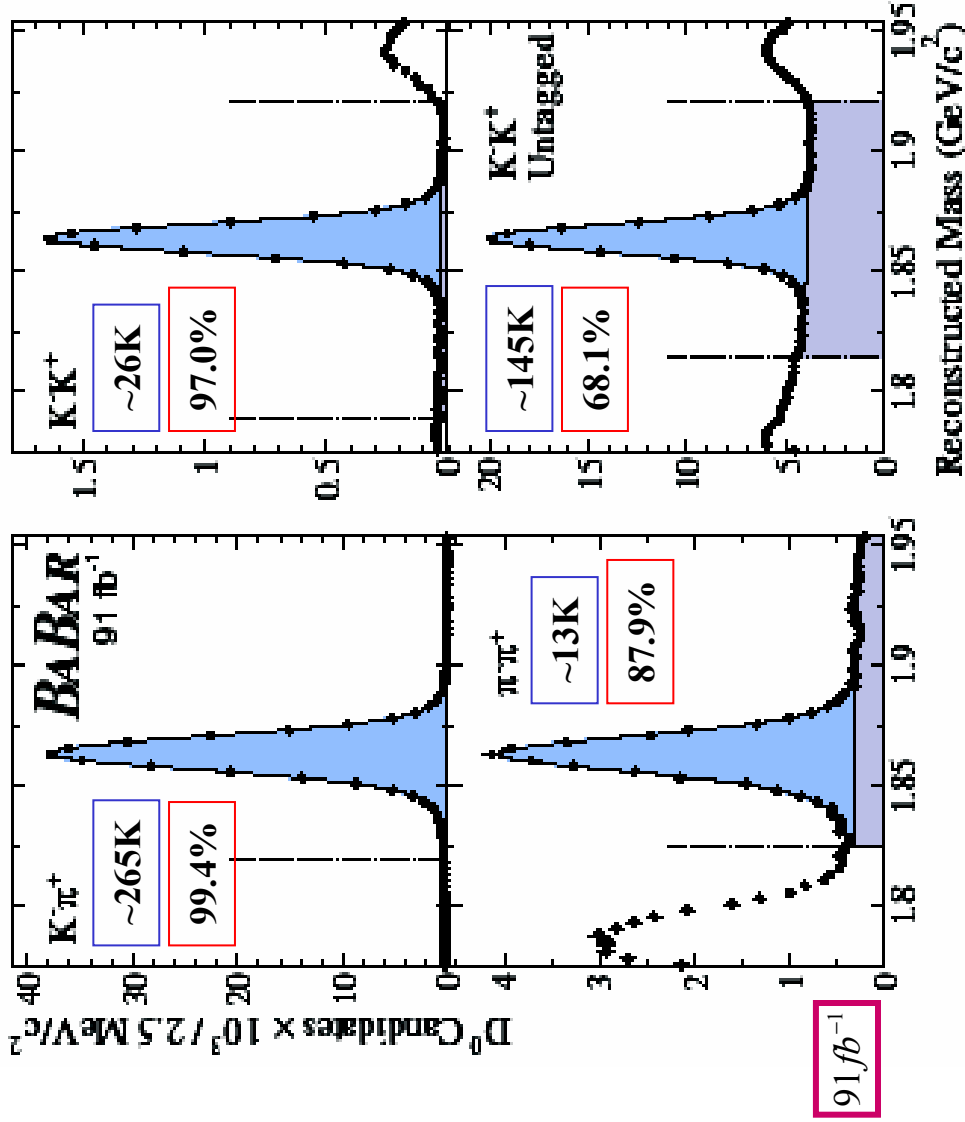
➤ IF NO MIXING : $x = y = 0$ ➡ $\tau^{\pm} = \tau^0$ ➡ $Y, \Delta Y = 0$

➤ IF CP-CONSERVATION IN MIXING : $r_m = 1$ ➡ $\begin{cases} Y = y \cos \varphi \\ \Delta Y = x \sin \varphi \end{cases}$

➤ IF ALSO ... CP-CONSERVATION IN INTERFERENCE MIXING-DECAY : $\sin \varphi = 0$ ➡ $\begin{cases} Y = y \\ \Delta Y = 0 \end{cases}$

➤ Systematics effects on lifetime tend to cancel in the lifetime RATIO

Mass fits



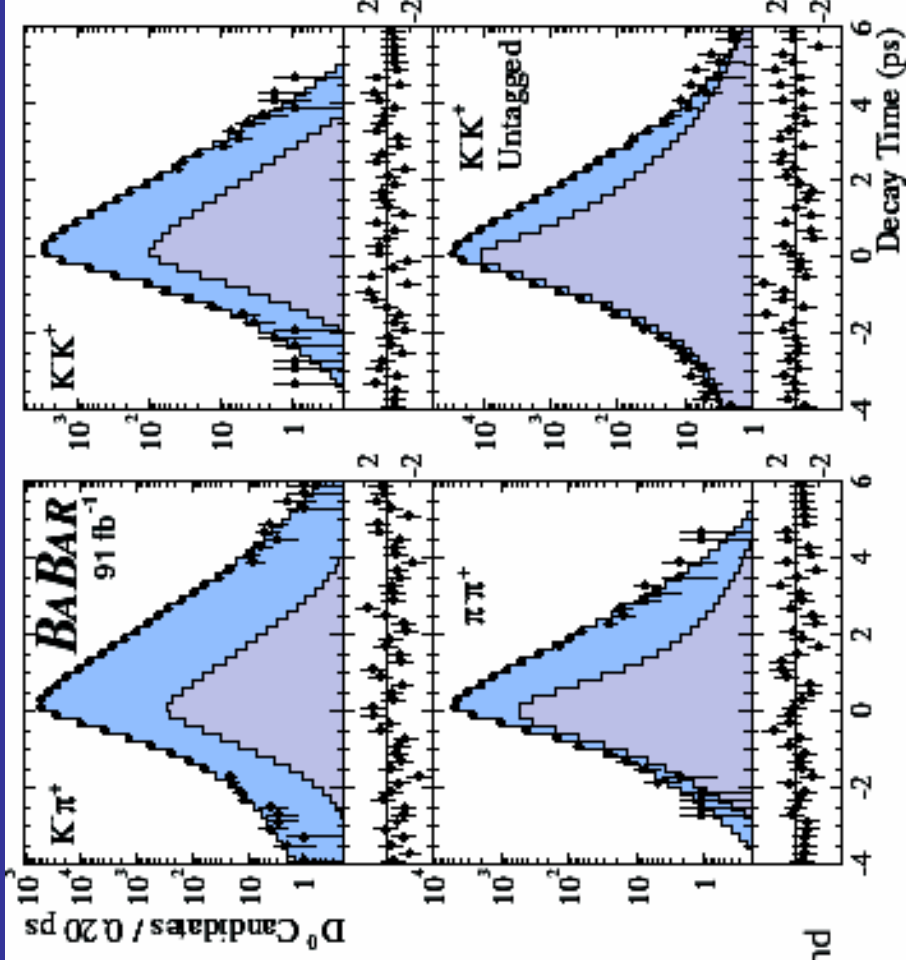
Mass fits determine event-by-event signal probability

BKGD constrained in data

“sidebands” candidates included as part of proper time fit



Decay-time distributions fit



within mass signal window: $\pm 15 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

FROM THE FITS :
■ **SIGNAL**
■ **BKGD**

DATA **UNBINNED MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD FIT RESULT**

τ^0, τ^\pm

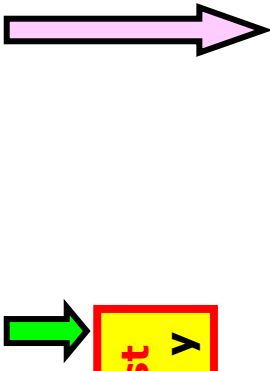
D ⁰ SAMPLES	MEASURED QUANTITY	MEASURED PARAMETER
$K^- K^+, \pi^- \pi^+$ [CSD - CP-even]	$\langle \tau \rangle, A_\tau$	$Y, \Delta Y$
$K^- \pi^+$ [CF - CP-mixed]	τ^0	-
D^{*-} -untagged $K^- K^+$	$\langle \tau \rangle$	Y

Summary of lifetime ratio results

[Phys.Rev.Lett.91,12(2003)]

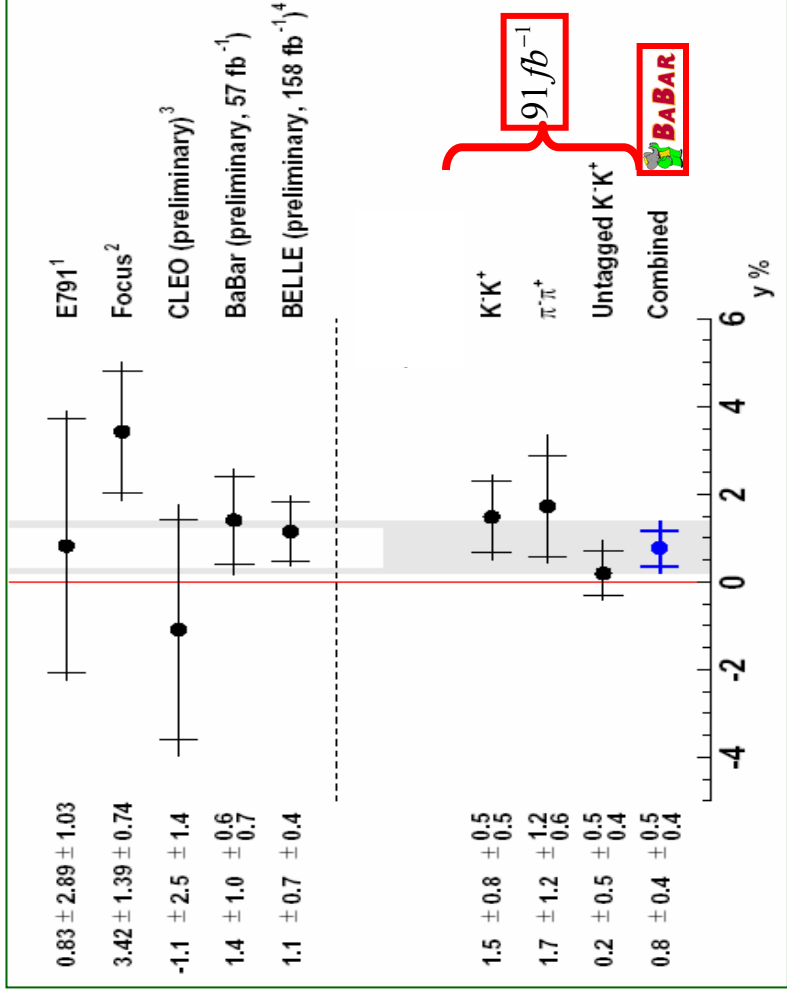
CS Sample	Y (%)	ΔY (%)
K^-K^+	$1.5 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.5$	$-1.3 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.2$
$\pi^-\pi^+$	$1.7 \pm 1.2^{+1.2}_{-0.6}$	$0.3 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.2$
D^* -untagged K^-K^+	$0.2 \pm 0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	-
Combined	$0.8 \pm 0.4^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	$-0.8 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.2$

1. E791 Collaboration, Phys.Rev.Lett. 83 (1999)
2. Focus Collaboration, Phys.Lett. B485 (2000)
3. CLEO CONF-01.
4. BELLE Collaboration, hep-ex/0308034



BaBar has the most stringent limits on γ

BaBar has the first measurement of a $C\bar{P}$ parameter with the method of lifetime ratio



Wrong-sign searches in hadronic decays

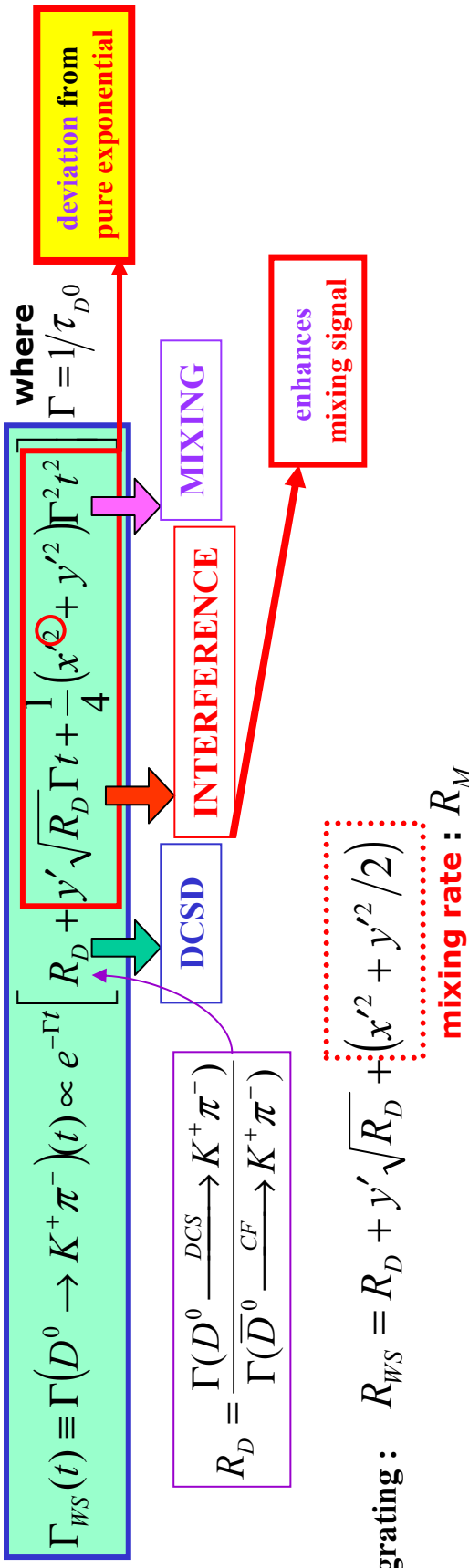
Study time-evolution of $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ looking for a signal $D^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$

$\delta_{K\pi}$: unknown relative strong phase (not measurable in a mixing analysis): rotation of $\delta_{K\pi}$ in the x-y plane :

$$\begin{cases} x' = x \cos \delta_{K\pi} + y \sin \delta_{K\pi} \\ y' = -x \sin \delta_{K\pi} + y \cos \delta_{K\pi} \end{cases}$$

DCSD & CFD may have different FSI

Assuming $x', y' \ll 1$ and CP conservation ($r_m = 1, \varphi = 0$) :



Additional CP effects are included by measuring this distribution for D^0 and \bar{D}^0 separately:

$$A_D = \frac{R_D^+ - R_D^-}{R_D^+ + R_D^-}; A_M = \frac{R_M^+ - R_M^-}{R_M^+ + R_M^-}, \varphi (\rightarrow \text{rotation of } x', y')$$

CP in DCSD

CP in MIXING

CP in their INTERFERENCE

Mass-mass difference Fit

➔ Assign each candidate to one of 4 categories: $D^0(\text{RS}, \text{WS}), \bar{D}^0(\text{RS}, \text{WS})$

➔ Unbinned extended max-likelihood fit to **RS** and **WS** samples **simultaneously** in 4D variable space $[m(K\pi), \delta m = [m(K\pi_S) - m(K\pi)], t, \sigma_t]$ performed in steps :

proper time error

1st step fit

Number of SIGNAL and BKGD candidates from a fit to m - δm plane (both RS and WS) by modelling BKGD categories:

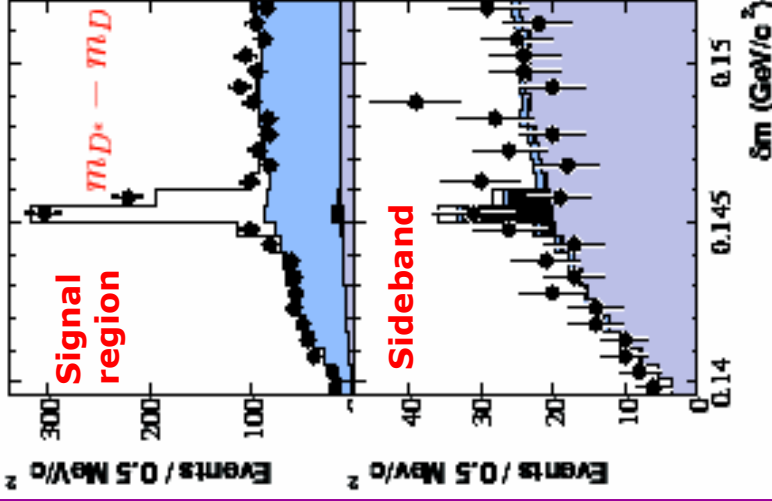
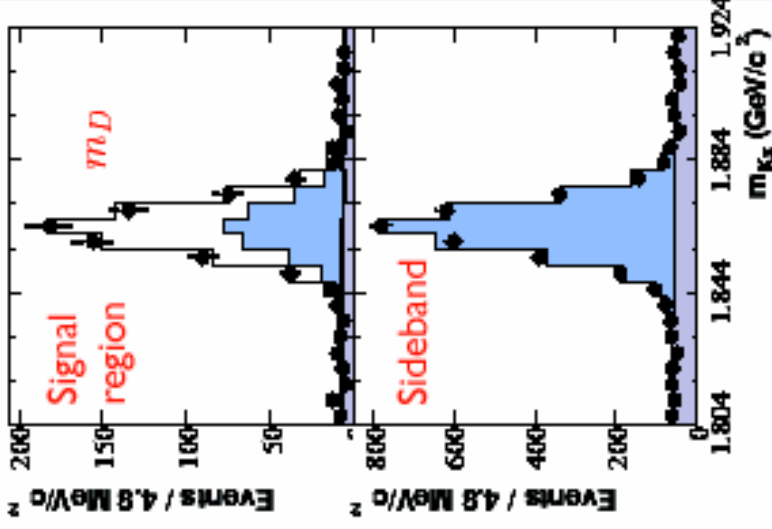
- Signal
- Wrong slow pion
- Combinatorial
- Double mis-id

WS

With 57fb^{-1} : $\sim 120,000$ RS
 ~ 440 WS

$m(K\pi)$

δm



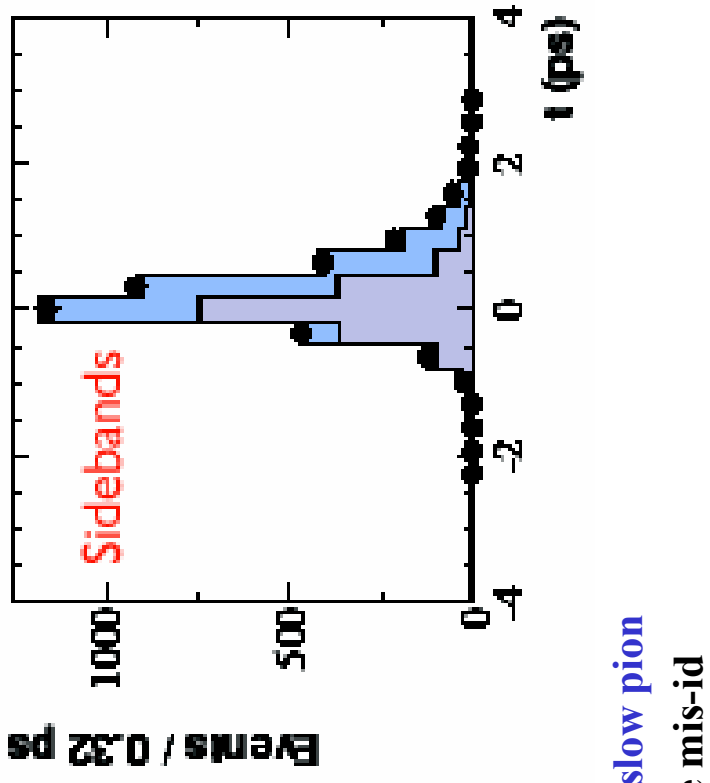
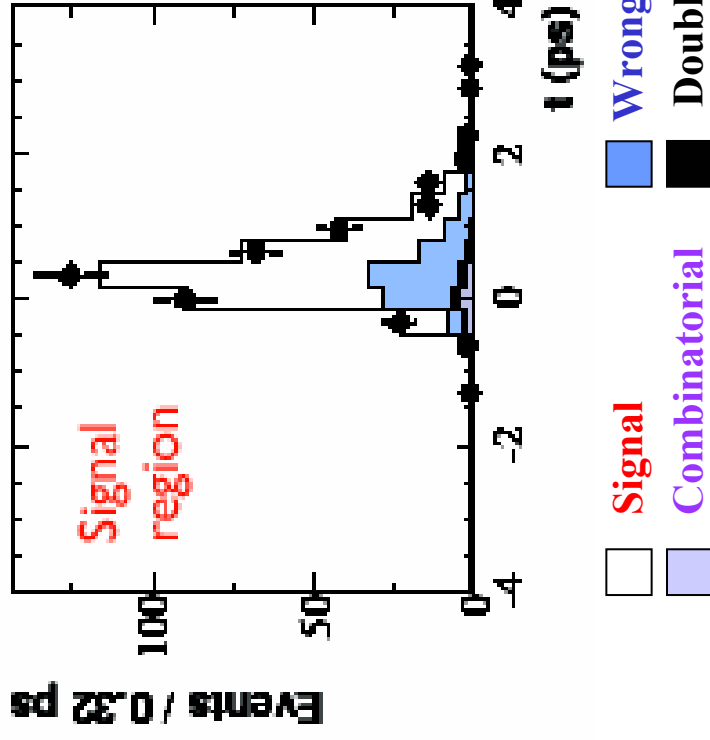
Decay time Fit

2nd step fit

Simultaneous fit time-distribution to RS and WS (include mixing parameters).

The larger/clean RS sample fixes D^0 lifetime and resolution model parameters for unmixed decays. BKGD time distributions determined from $m, \delta m$ sidebands in data.

WS

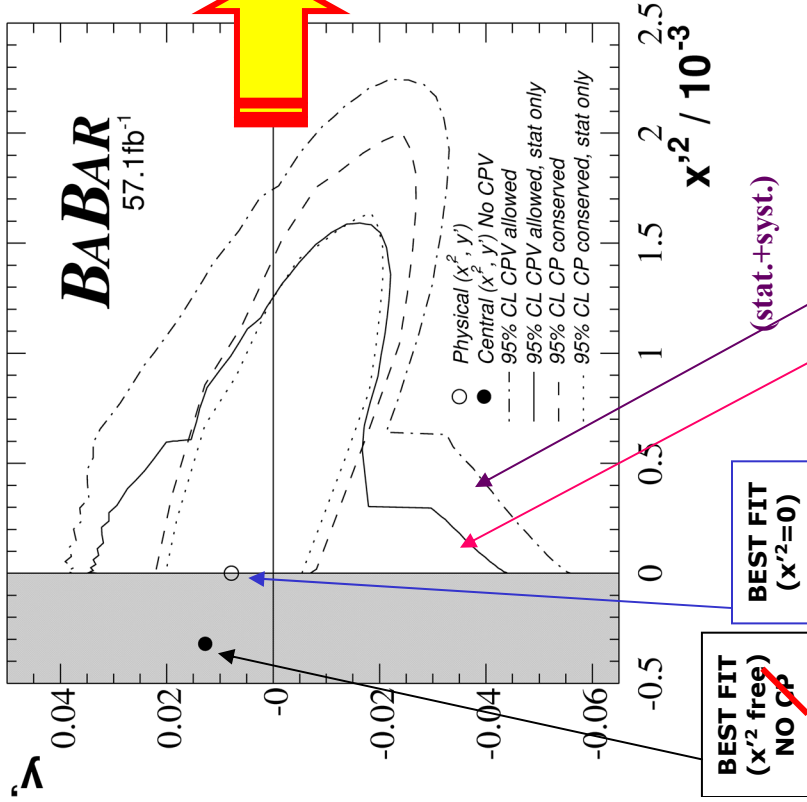


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Summary of wrong-sign results

[Phys.Rev.Lett.91,17(2003)]

95% C.L. contours by a frequentistic approach
(based on toy Monte Carlo experiments) :

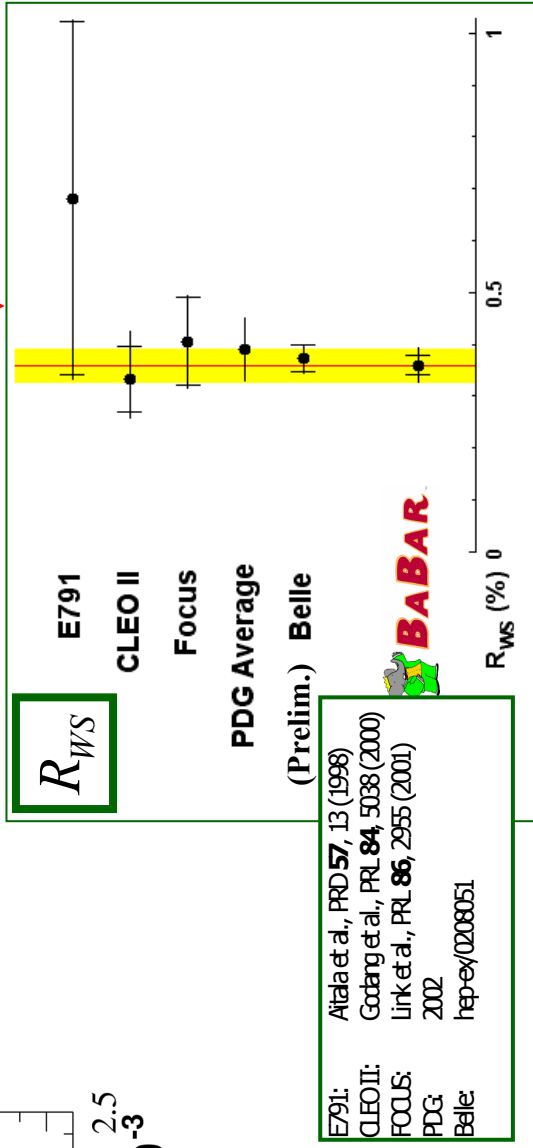


Results presented in 4 cases :

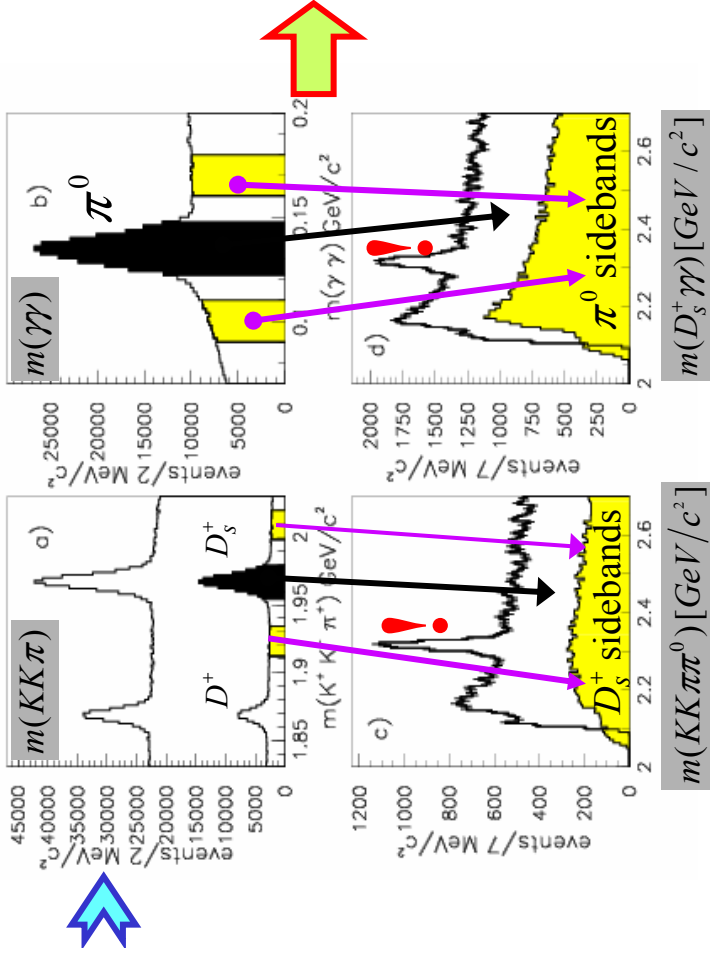
Parameter	95% CL range or value (all $\times 10^{-3}$)	
	CPV allowed	No CPV
R_D	2.3 to 5.2	2.4 to 4.9
A_D	-2.8 to 4.9	-
α^2	< 2.2	< 2.0
γ'	-56 to 39	-27 to 22
R_M	< 1.6	< 1.3

CPV allowed	No mixing	No CPV nor mixing
2.3 to 5.2	3.57 \pm .22 \pm .27	3.59 \pm .20 \pm .27
-2.8 to 4.9	95 \pm 61 \pm 83	-
< 2.2	-	-
-56 to 39	-	-
< 1.6	< 1.3	-

$R_D \equiv R_{WS}$

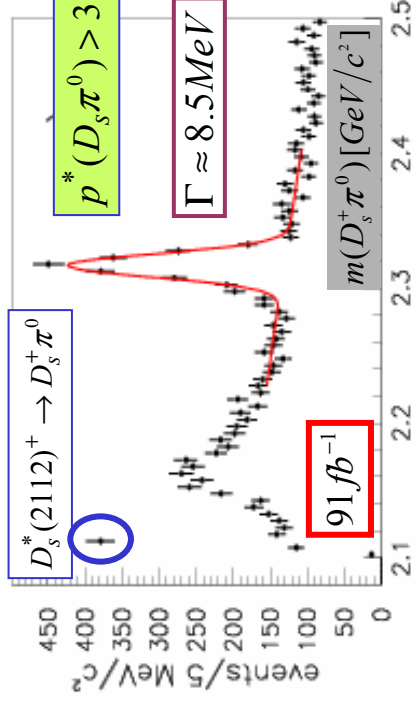


Two surprising new Charmed Mesons : $D_{sJ}^*(2317)^+$ & $D_{sJ}(2458)^+$



[Phys.Rev.Lett. 90,24(2003)]

BaBar discovered a **new narrow** state in the $D_s^+\pi^0$ invariant mass distribution near 2.32GeV/c²

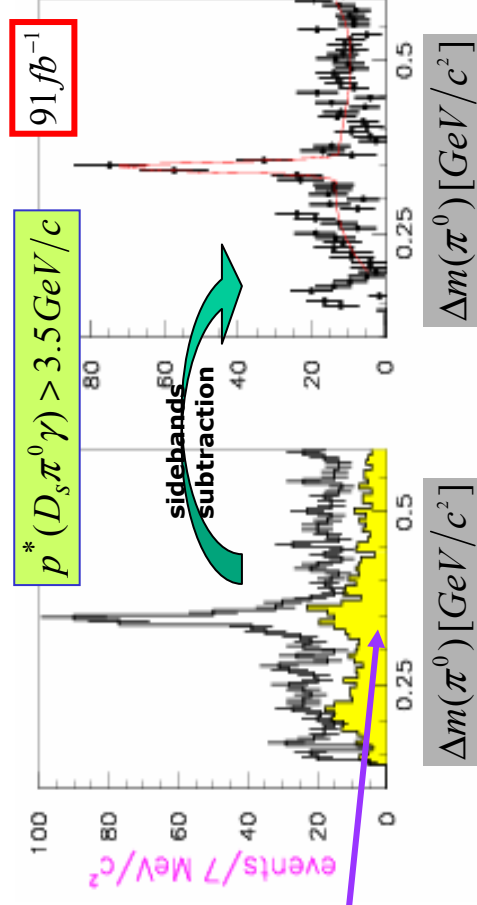


[Accepted by P.R.L. ; hep/ex-0310050]

BaBar observed a second **new narrow** state in the $D_s^{*+}\pi^0$ invariant mass distribution near 2.46GeV/c²

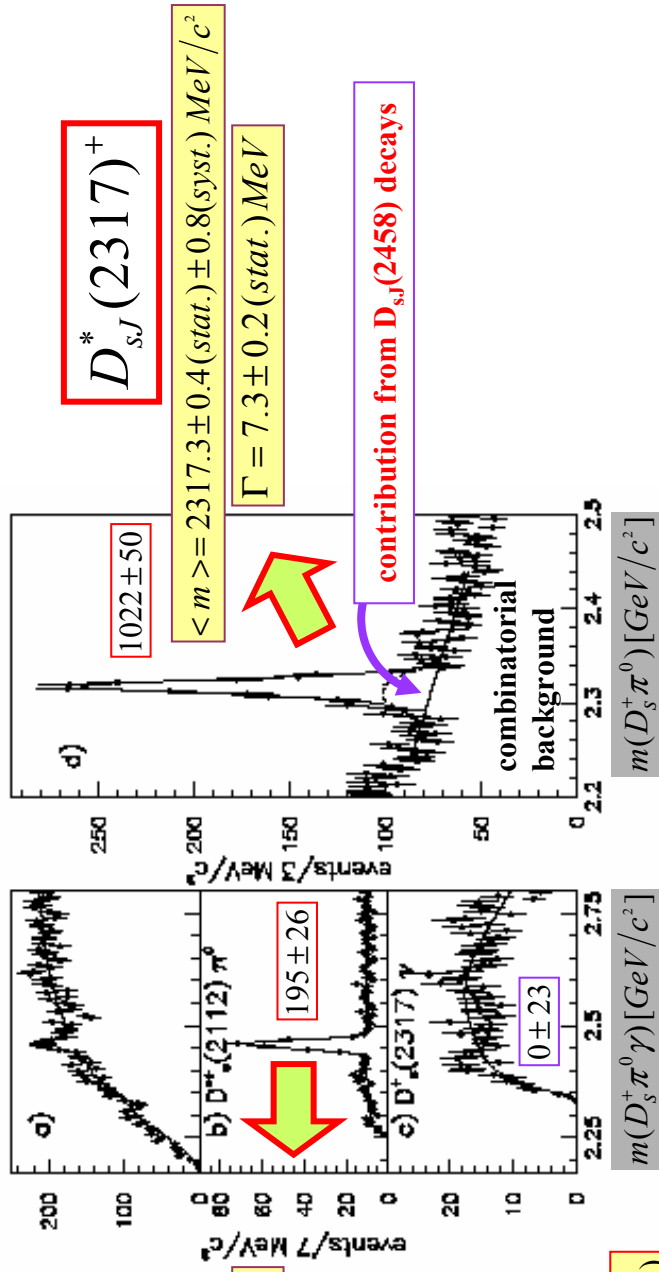
$$\Delta m(\pi^0) = m(D_s^+\pi^0\gamma) - m(D_s^+\gamma)$$

This state may decay to $D_s^+\pi^0\gamma$ through $D_s^{*+}\pi^0$ or $D_{sJ}^{*+}(2317)\gamma$



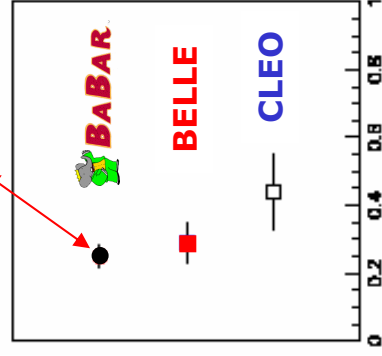
Channel Likelihood Fit

To disentangle these 2 possible $D_{sJ}(2458)$ decay modes & extract signal parameters: unbinned maximum likelihood fit using the **channel likelihood method**

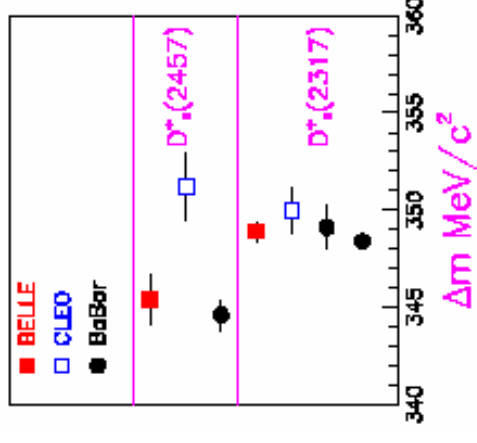


$D_{sJ}(2458)^+$
 $\langle m \rangle = 2458.0 \pm 1.0 (stat.) \pm 1.0 (syst.) MeV/c^2$
 $\Gamma = 8.5 \pm 1.0 (stat.) MeV$

$\frac{R[D_{sJ}(2458)]}{R[D_{sJ}^*(2317)]} = 0.25 \pm 0.03 (stat.) \pm 0.03 (syst.)$



CLEO observed them in continuum and...
 Belle **both** in continuum and in $B \rightarrow \bar{D} D_{sJ}^*$



SPIN-PARITY

$D_{sJ}^*(2317)^+$

- Decay to $J^P=0^-$ mesons → only **natural** spin-parity allowed [$0^+, 1^-, 2^+, \dots$]
- **$J^P=0^+$** suggested by: 1) low mass compared to $D_{s1}(2535)$ & $D_{sJ}^*(2573)$
2) absence of decay to $D_s^+\gamma$ (not allowed if $J^P=0^+$)
3) absence of decay to $D_s^+\pi^+\pi^-$ (not allowed if $J^P=0^+$)

$D_{sJ}(2458)^+$

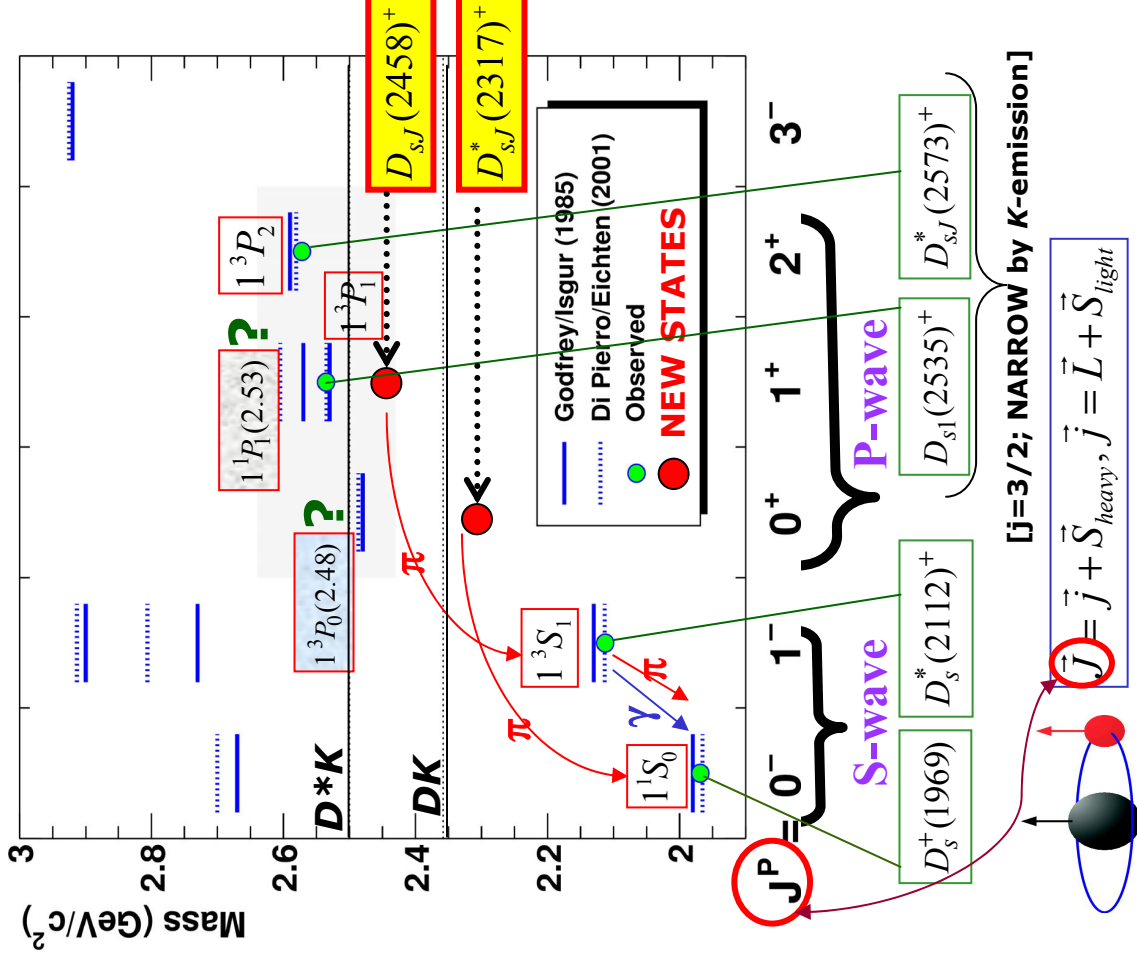
- **Un-natural** spin-parity more likely (lack of decays to DK)
- $D_{sJ}(2458)^+ \rightarrow D_s^+\mathcal{N}$ [by Belle] $\Rightarrow J \neq 0$
- Belle helicity analysis from B -decays favours $J=1$
- Decay to $D_s\pi^+\pi^-$ (by Belle) allowed by $J^P=1^+$

**EXPERIMENTAL
SUMMARY**

Two narrow states observed, in the inclusive $D_s\pi^0$ & $D_s^*\pi^0$ invariant mass distributions, near $2.317\text{GeV}/c^2$ & $2.458\text{GeV}/c^2$. The widths [$\Gamma < 10\text{MeV}$] are consistent with experimental resolution. The most likely assignment for their spin-parity is 0^+ & 1^+ .

Spectroscopy of $C\bar{S}$ states (before & after)

Potential models of [heavy-quark | light-quark] mesons: so far reasonable success for spectroscopy of D, D_s, B, B_s systems



New states **do not fit well**: masses **below the $DK[D^*K]$ threshold**.

IF interpreted as ordinary $C\bar{S}$ states, they decay mainly by **isospin-violating π -emission** thus having widths quite narrow.

A possible decay mechanism is through a **virtual η followed by η - π^0 mixing** [Cho-Wise, PRD49].

$$m[D_{sJ}^*(2317)] - m[D_s(1969)] \cong m[D_{sJ}(2458)] - m[D_s^*(2112)]$$

...as predicted by models based on HQET & chiral symmetry [Bardeen et al.,...] **if new states are 0^+ & 1^+**

40(!) papers by theorists: Exotic (4-quark, molecule, ...)

VS

Ordinary explanations (HQET+chiral symmetry, ...)

Crucial to measure radiative decays & di-pion emission

SUMMARY

➡ Competitive D^0 mixing results obtained with 2 different experimental methods are consistent with no mixing and no CP .



wrong-sign D^0 mixing limits
(95% CL, 57fb^{-1} ; CP -allowed):

$$\chi'^2 < 0.0022, -0.056 < y' < 0.039, R_M < 0.0016$$



D^0 lifetime ratio (91fb^{-1}):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Y = [0.8 \pm 0.4(\text{stat.})_{-0.4}^{\pm 0.5}(\text{syst.})]\% \equiv y \quad (\text{if CP conserved}) \\ \Delta Y = [-0.8 \pm 0.6(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.2(\text{syst.})]\% \quad (\cancel{CP} \text{ parameter}) \end{array} \right.$$



Wrong-sign D^0 mixing limits from semileptonic decays coming soon



Charmed mesons are a rich laboratory for Heavy Quark studies.

After the discovery of $D_{sJ}^*(2317)$ and the observation of $D_{sJ}(2458)$...
... further D_s mesons (spectroscopic) studies are ongoing.

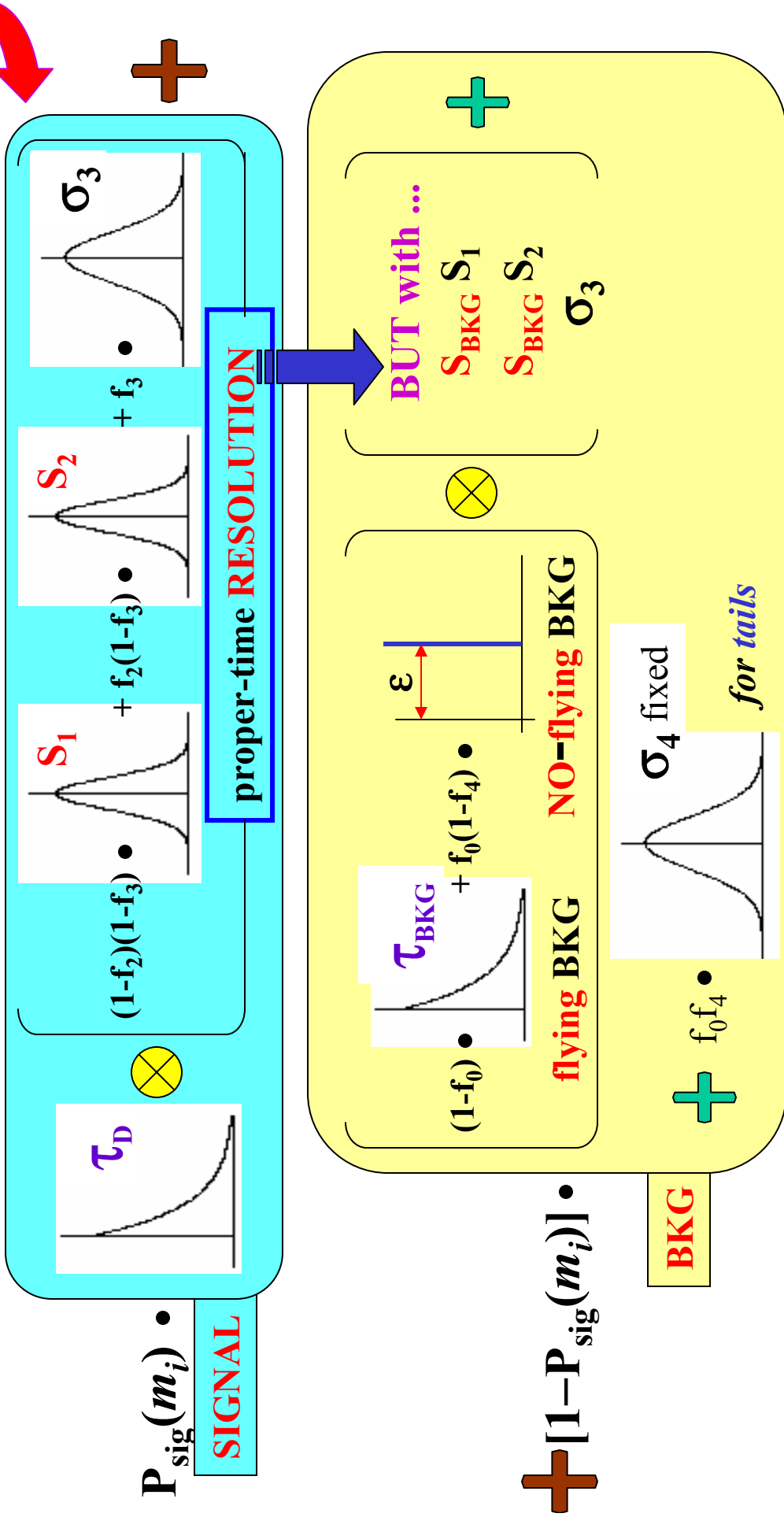


BaBar is a promising place to study charm physics ... studies have just began !

Backup Slides

Unbinned maximum likelihood fit

$$L = \prod_i P_i \text{ where } P_i(m_i, t, \delta t; 11 \text{ parameters}) =$$



Statistical error on lifetime extracted from the fit

Sample	σ_τ (fs)
$K^-\pi^+$	0.9
K^-K^+	3.1
$\pi^-\pi^+$	4.5
K^-K^+ Untagged	1.8

Compare to PDG:

$$\tau = 411.7 \pm 2.7 \text{ (fs)}$$

Category	Change in Y (%)		ΔY (%)
	Tagged K^-K^+	Un-tagged $\pi^-\pi^+$ K^-K^+	
Tracking	± 0.1	± 0.3	± 0.1
Background	$^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	± 0.5	± 0.2
Alignment	± 0.1	± 0.1	± 0.1
MC Statistics	$^{+0.4}_{-0.1}$	$^{+1.0}_{-0.1}$	$^{+0.0}_{-0.1}$
Quadrature Sum	± 0.5	$^{+1.2}_{-0.6}$	± 0.2

Fit allowed $\chi^2 < 0$.
Central values for fits of both
separate samples gave $\chi^2 < 0$.



Due to allowing $\chi^2 < 0$ in the fits it is not clear how to apply a Bayesian ansatz to derive an error estimate from the 2D likelihood distributions. Moreover these ones depend strongly on the most likely fitted values of x^2 and y .



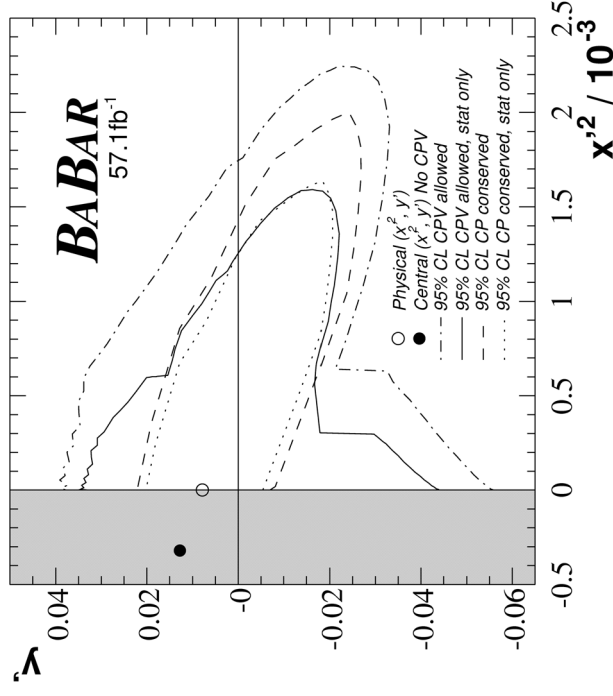
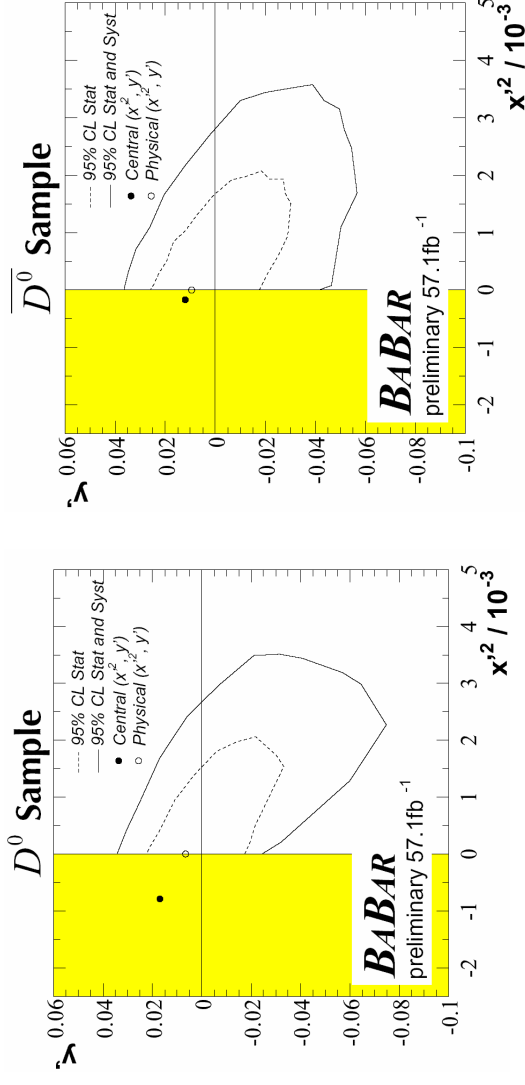
95% C.L. limits are determined using toy Monte Carlo samples at each point on the contour (frequentistic approach).

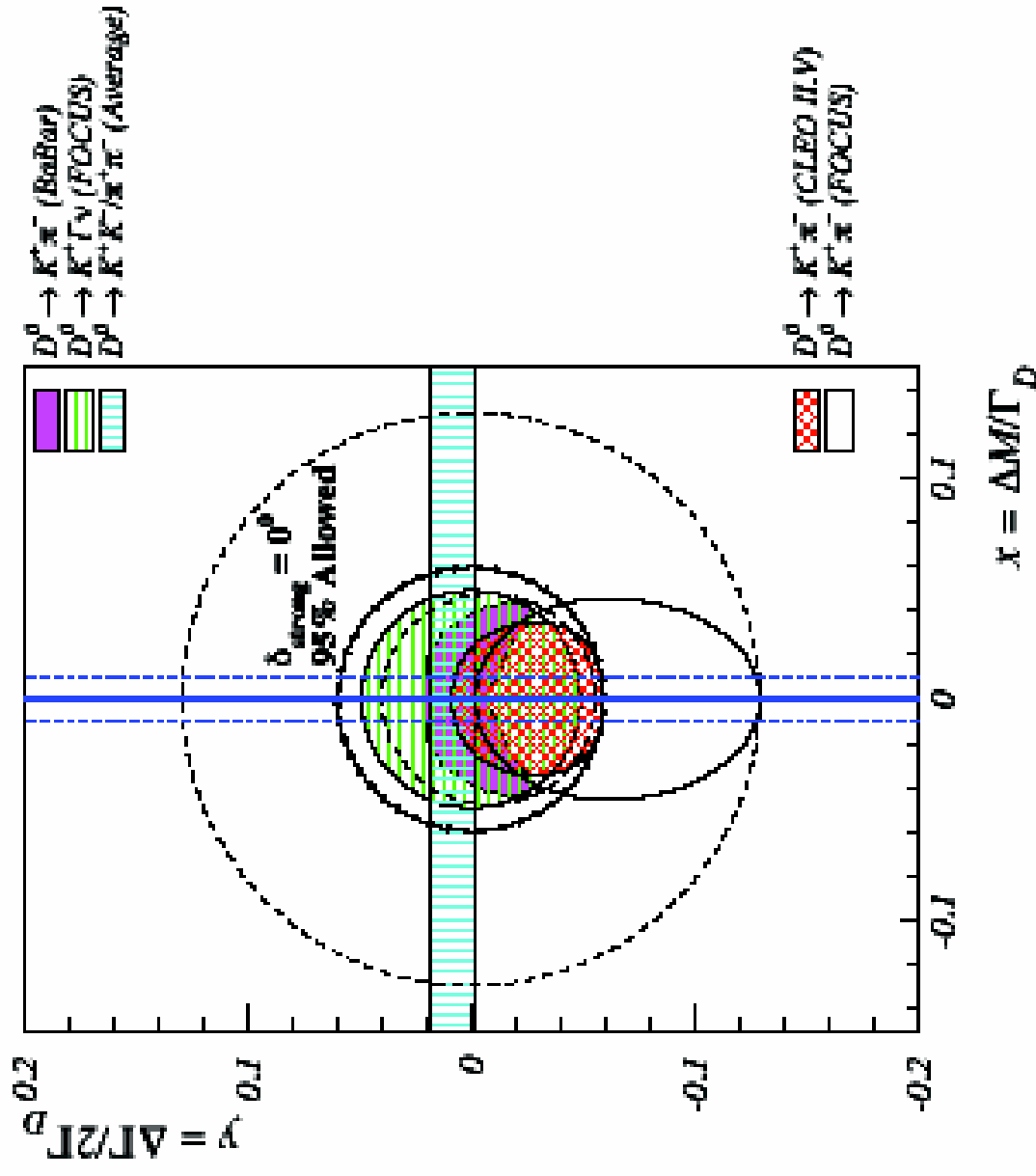


(x^2, y) points on separate contours are combined in pairs to determine (x^2, y) on 95% ~~C.L.~~ contours.



Systematic uncertainties included by calculating equivalent statistical deviation for each systematic check and expanding the 95% C.L. contour appropriately.





G. Burdman and I. Shipsey, *Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci.* **53**, 431 (2003)
 [arXiv:hep-ph/0310076]

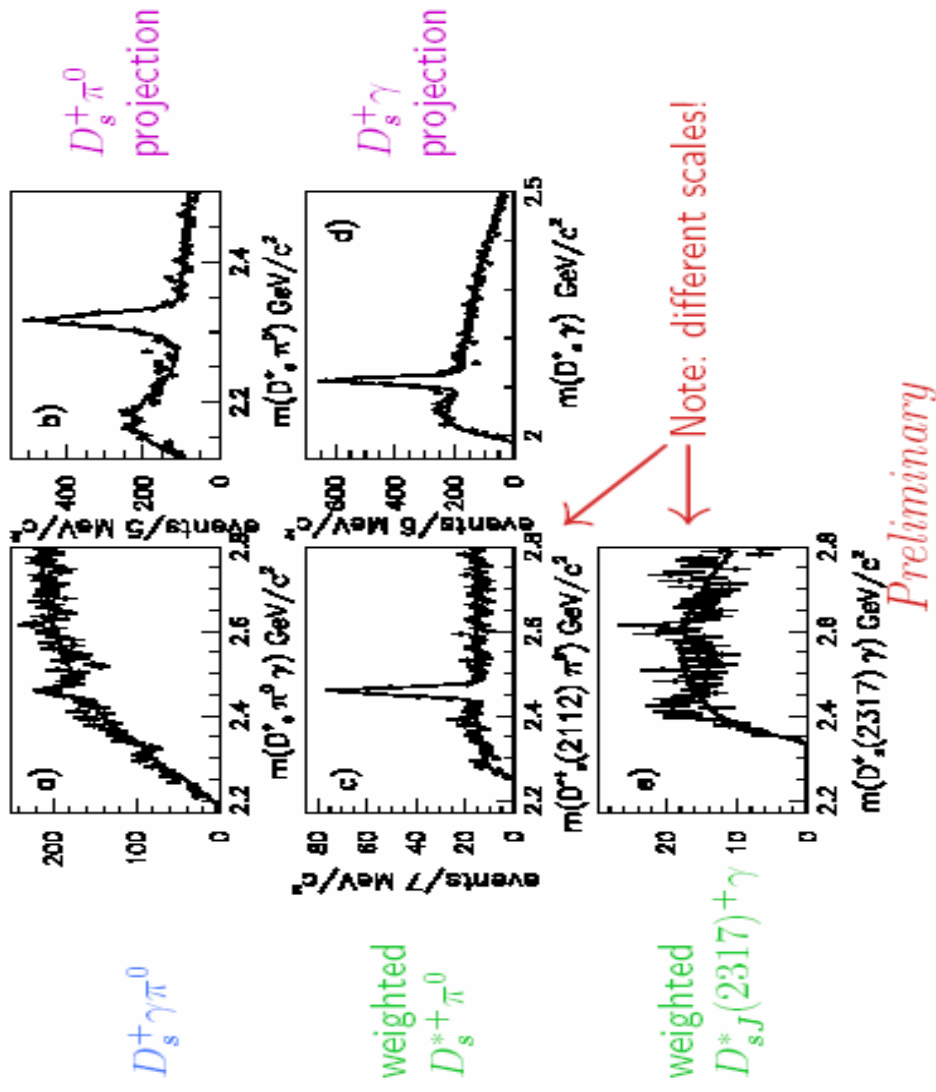
Unbinned maximum likelihood fit

Assign likelihood to each event for:

- $D_{sJ}(2458)^+ \rightarrow D_s^*(2112)^+ \pi^0$
- $D_{sJ}(2458)^+ \rightarrow D_{sJ}^*(2317)^+ \gamma$
- Combinatorial $D_s^+ \pi^0 \gamma$ bkgd
- $D_s^*(2112)^+ + \text{random } \pi^0$
- $D_{sJ}^*(2317)^+ + \text{random } \gamma$
- $D_{sJ}(2458)^+ \rightarrow D_s^*(2112)^+ \pi^0$

... using wrong γ

Channel Likelihood Fit Results



The $D_{sJ}(2458)$ signal for a particular decay mode can be isolated by calculating a **weight** for each $D_s \pi^0 \gamma$ combination **proportional to the relative likelihood contributed by the decay mode of interest**