

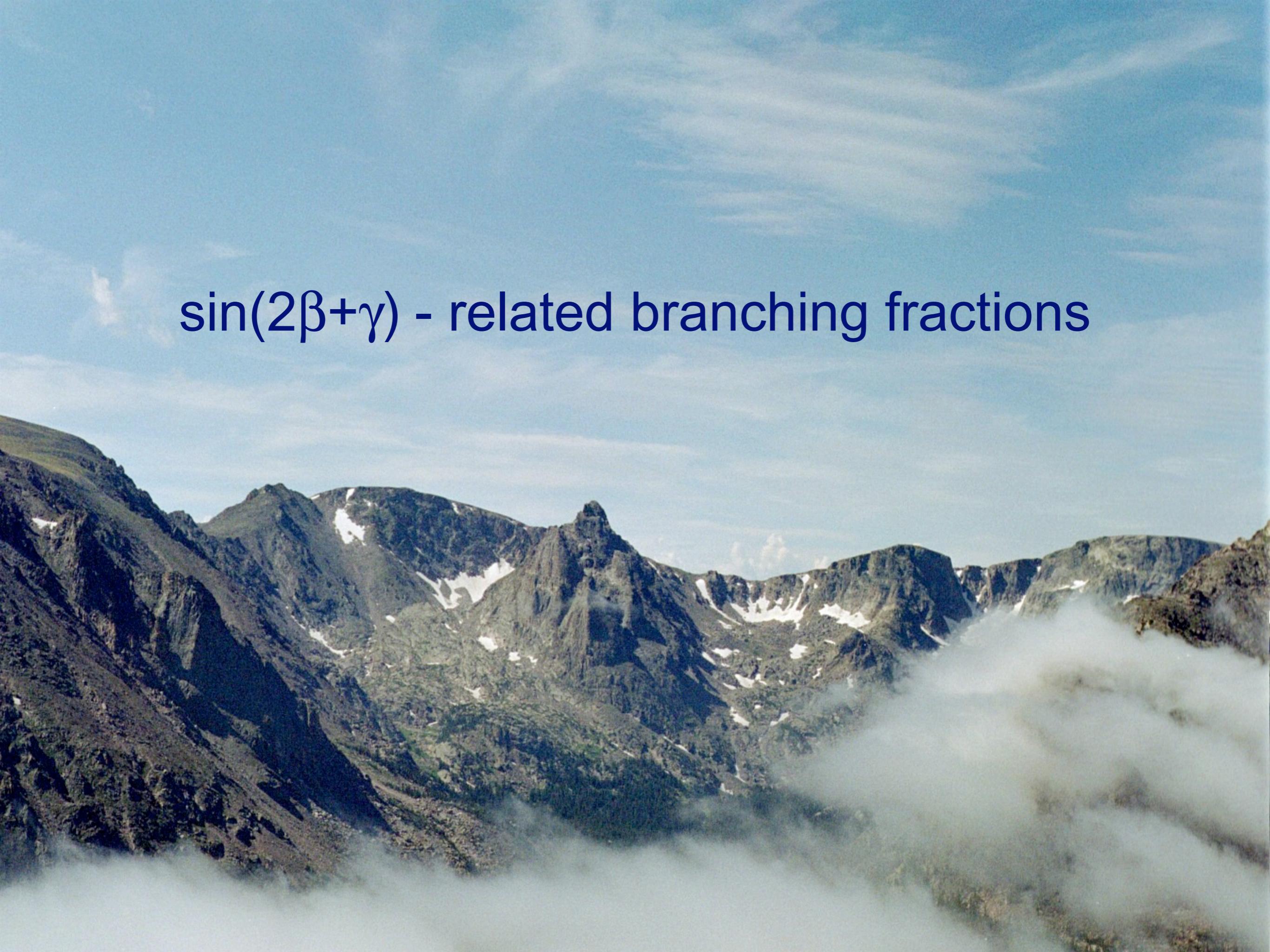


# Hadronic $B_u$ and $B_d$ decays

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# New and recent hadronic B decay measurements

- Some  $b \rightarrow c$  modes bearing on  $2\beta + \gamma / 2\phi_1 + \phi_3$
- Baryonic final states
- Charmless mesonic branching fractions and charge asymmetries
  - Modes with  $\eta, \eta'$ , other pseudoscalars (P-P)
  - Vector-P modes
  - Axial-vector - P modes
  - A look at A-V decays

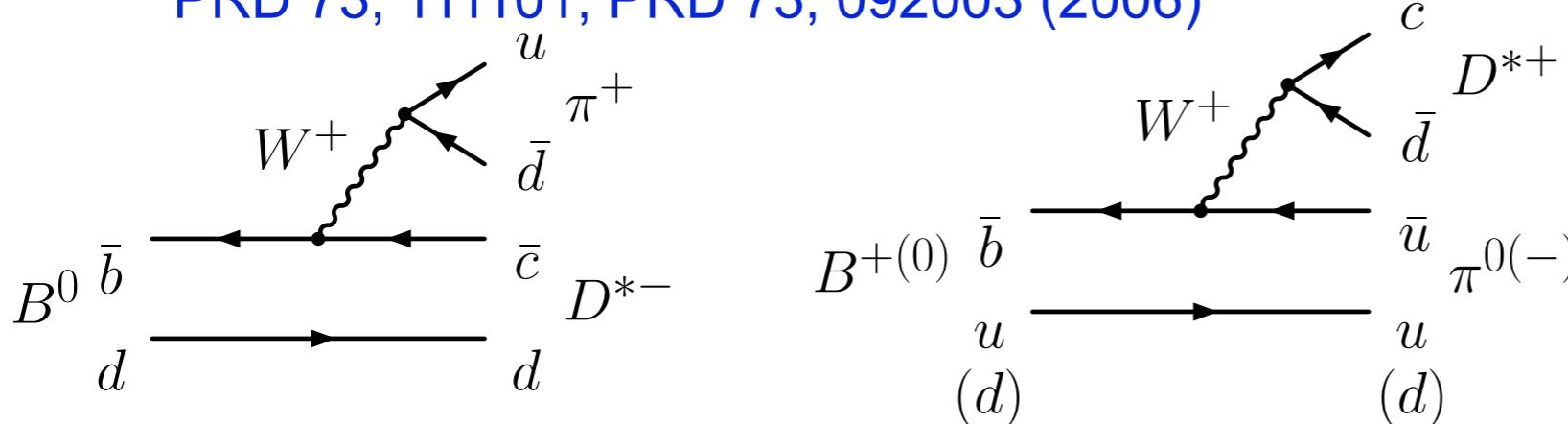
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$\sin(2\beta+\gamma)$  - related branching fractions

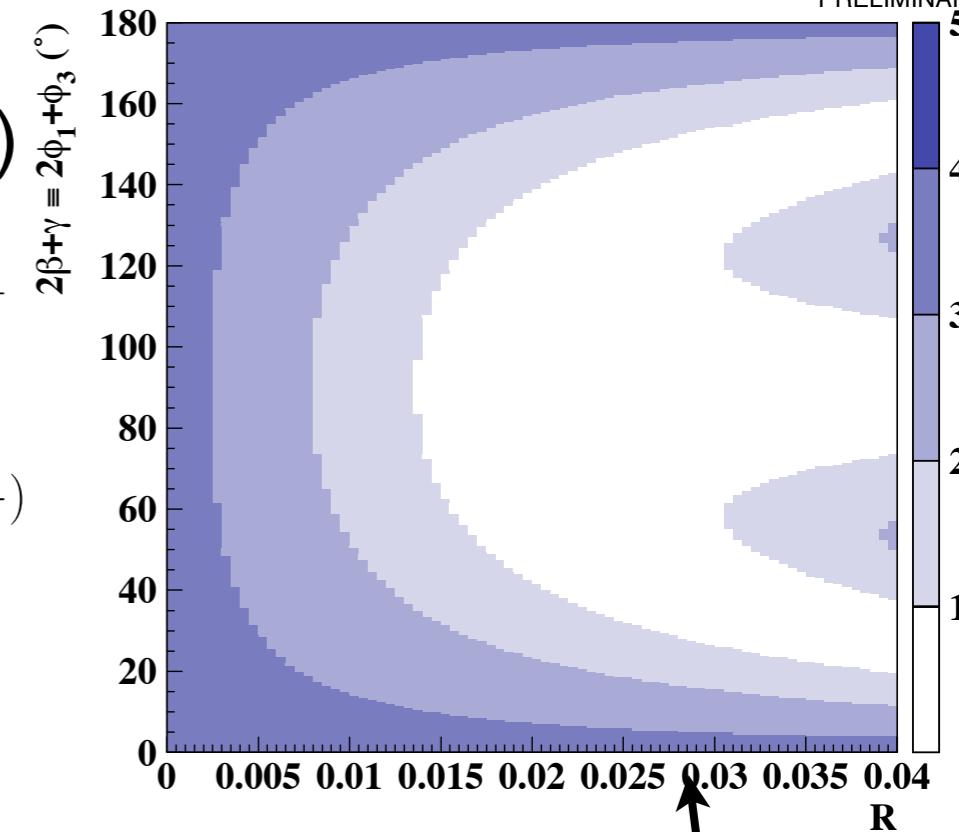
# $\sin(2\beta+\gamma) / 2\phi_1+\phi_3$

- Determine  $\sin(2\beta+\gamma)$  with decays  $B^0, \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+}\pi^-$  and  $B^0, \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+\rho^-$
- Interference between decays to the same final state:
  - Doubly Cabibbo-suppressed (DCS) ( $\gamma$ )
  - Mixing ( $2\beta$ ) followed by Cabibbo favored (CF)

PRD 73, 111101, PRD 73, 092003 (2006)



HFAG  
ICHEP 2006  
PRELIMINARY



- Measure time-dependent asymmetry

$$S^\pm = \frac{2(-1)^L r \sin(2\beta + \gamma \pm \delta)}{1 + r^2}$$

$$r(D^{(*)}\pi) = \left| \frac{A(B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+}\pi^-)}{A(B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-}\pi^+)} \right| \sim 0.02$$

- Need  $r$  from other modes:
  - $B \rightarrow D^+\pi^0$  assuming isospin
  - $B \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+}\pi^-$  and  $B \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+}\rho^-$  assuming SU(3) flavor symmetry

# $B \rightarrow D^{(*)+}\pi^-$ from $B \rightarrow D^{(*)+}\pi^0$ (Belle)

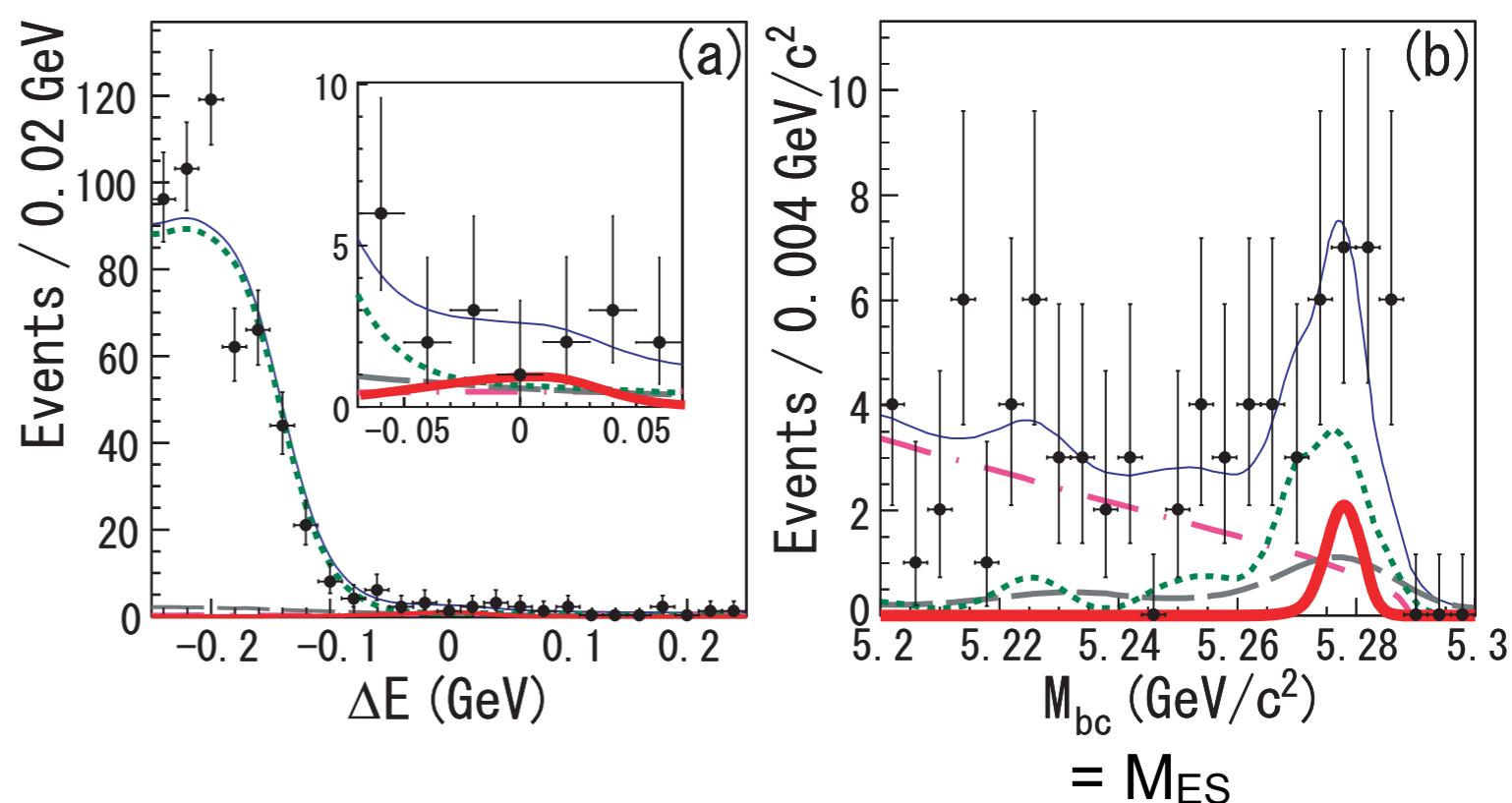
657M  $B\bar{B}$

- Obtain  $r$  from isospin:

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_{B^0}}{\tau_{B^+}} \frac{2\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^{*+}\pi^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-}\pi^+)}}$$

- No signal found:

$$\underline{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^{*+}\pi^0) < 3.6 \times 10^{-6}}$$



- Giving a limit on  $r$ :

$$r < 0.051 \quad (90\% \text{ CL})$$

# $r$ from $B \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} \pi^-$ and $B \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} \rho^-$ (BaBar)

381M  $B\bar{B}$

- Obtain  $r$  from flavor-SU(3):

$$r(D^{(*)}\pi) = \tan \theta_c \frac{f_{D^{(*)}}}{f_{D_s^{(*)}}} \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} \pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-} \pi^+)}}$$

- Measure branching fractions

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-) = [2.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2] \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \pi^-) = [2.6^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \pm 0.3] \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \rho^-) = [1.1^{+0.9}_{-0.8} \pm 0.3] \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \rho^-) < 2.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (90\% C.L.)}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \rho^-) = [4.4^{+1.3}_{-1.2} \pm 0.5] \times 10^{-5}$$

$$f_L(B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \rho^-) = 0.86^{+0.26}_{-0.28} \pm 0.15$$

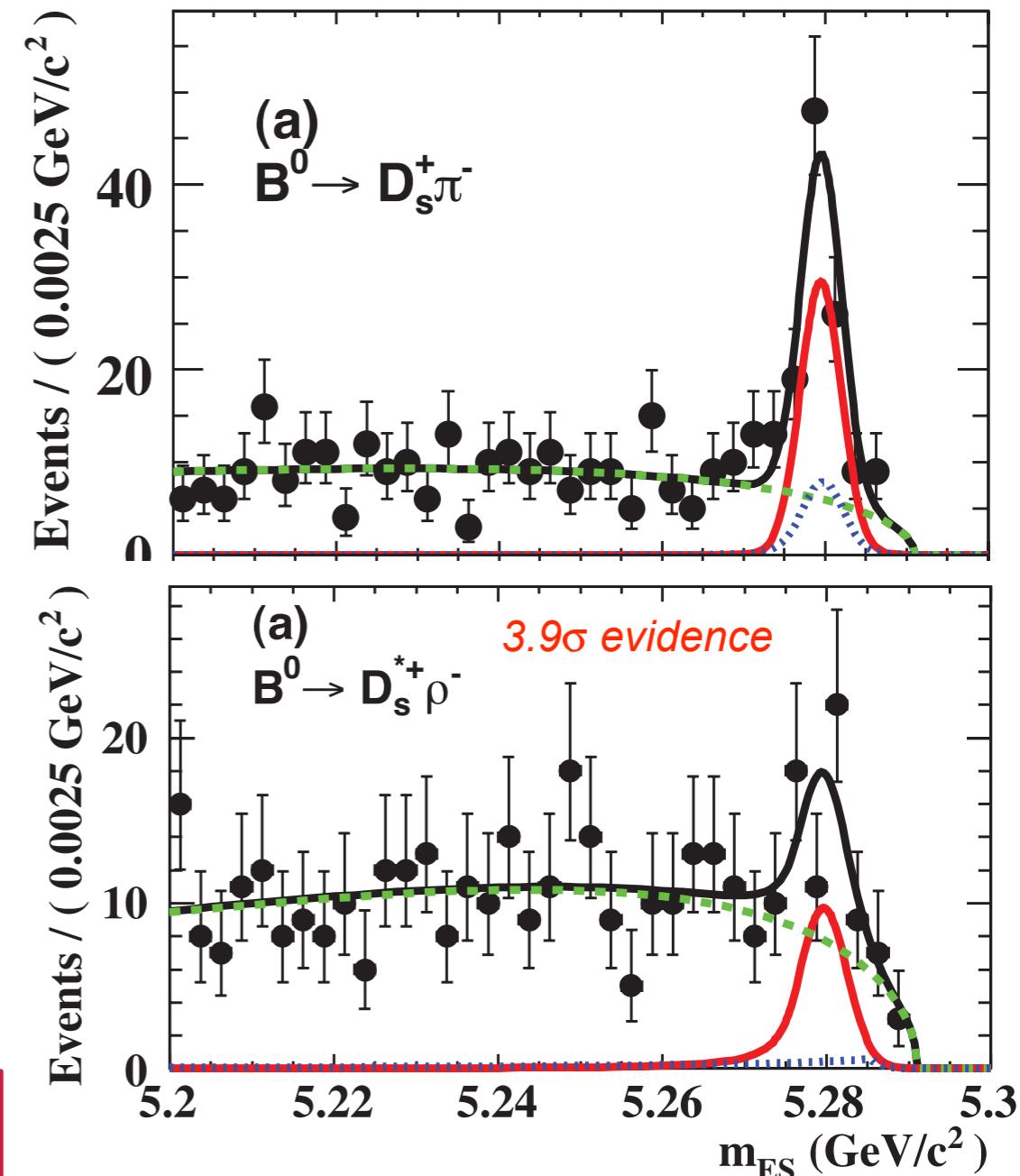
- With decay/constant ratio from lattice QCD, find

$$r(D\pi) = [1.75 \pm 0.14 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (th)}]\%$$

$$r(D^*\pi) = [1.81^{+0.17}_{-0.14} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.12 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (th)}]\%$$

$$r(D\rho) = [0.71^{+0.29}_{-0.26} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.11 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (th)}]\%$$

$$r(D^*\rho) = [1.50^{+0.22}_{-0.21} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.16 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.08 \text{ (th)}]\%$$



$\sin(2\beta + \gamma)$  is still a difficult measurement!

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Decays to baryons

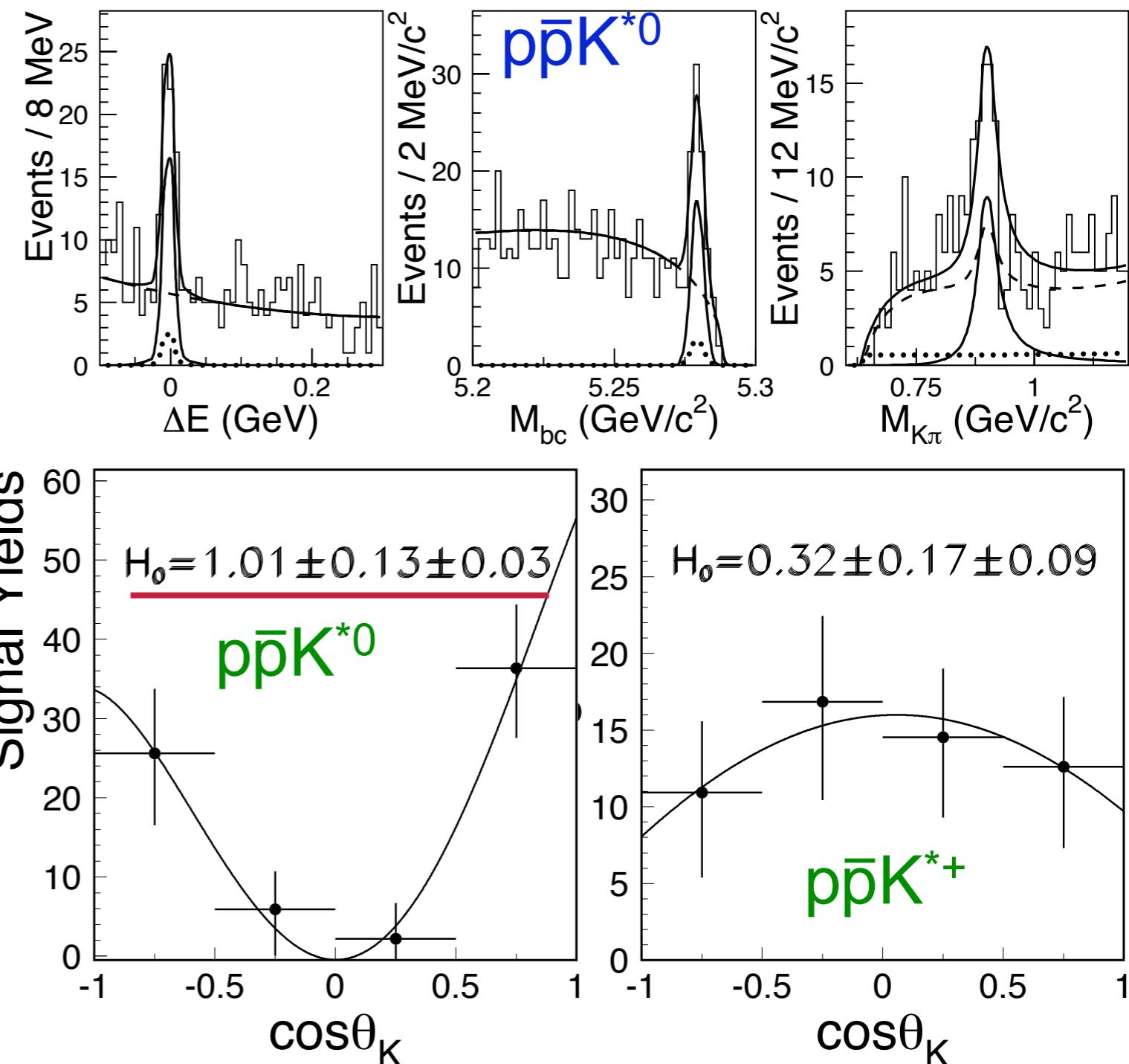
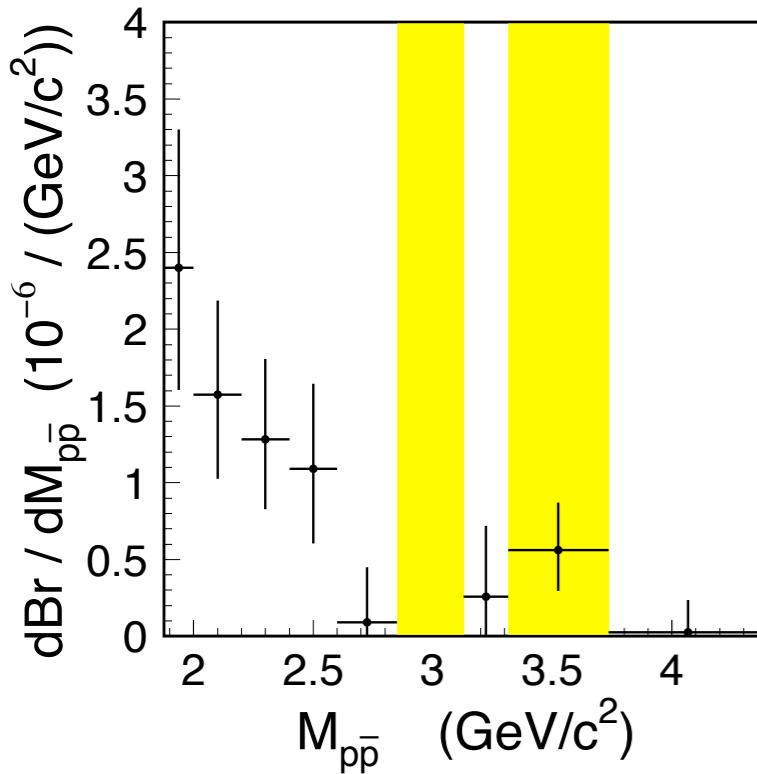
# $B \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^*$



535M  $B\bar{B}$

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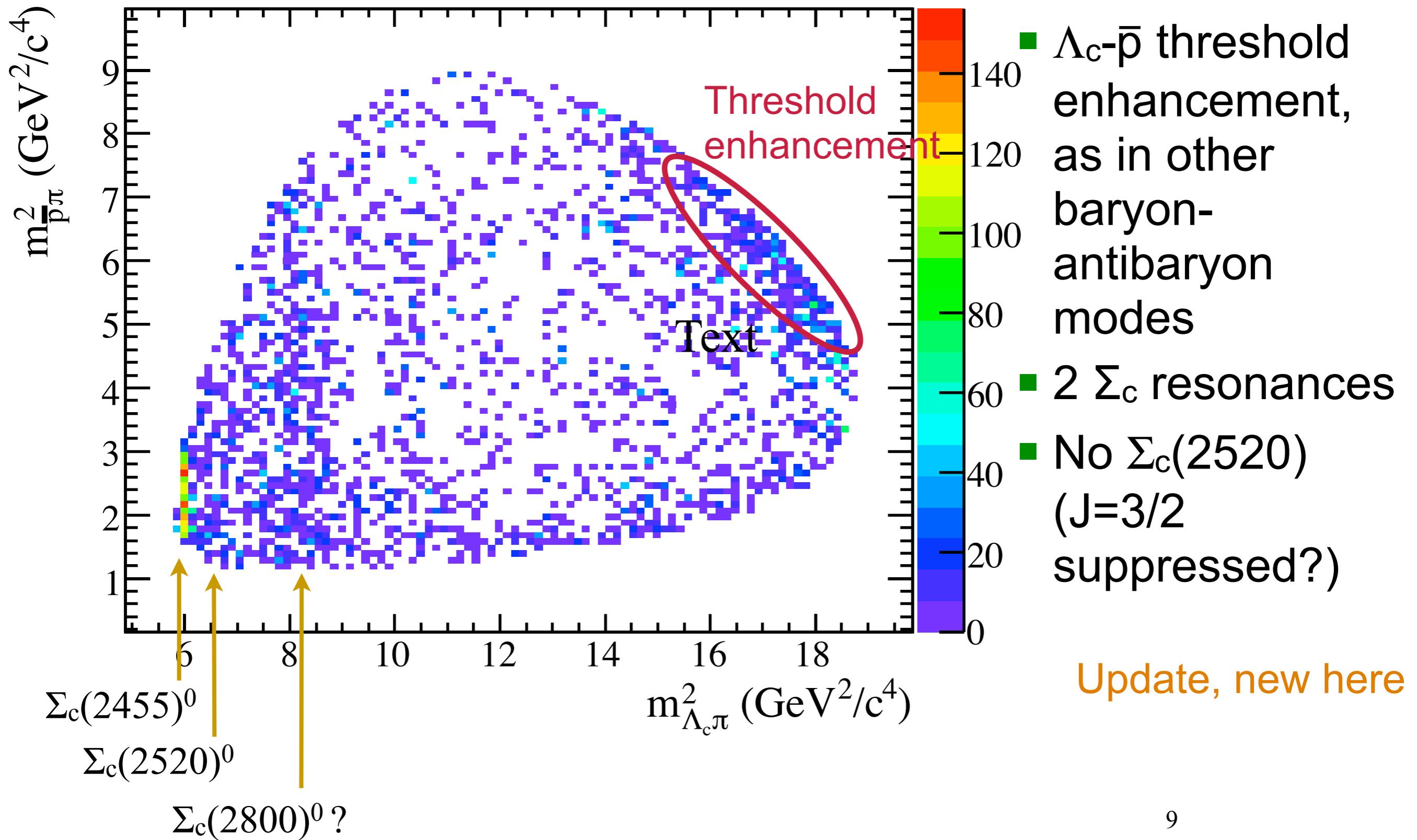
- Now observe all charge states of  $p\bar{p}K^{(*)}$ , most recently  $K^{*0}$ .
- $BF \sim 10^{-6}$ 
  - Two-body  $p\bar{p} < 10^{-7}$
  - $M(p\bar{p})$  in 3-body modes peaks at low values.



$K^{*0}$  has  $\sim 100\%$  longitudinal polarization, consistent with  $b \rightarrow s$  penguin dominance.

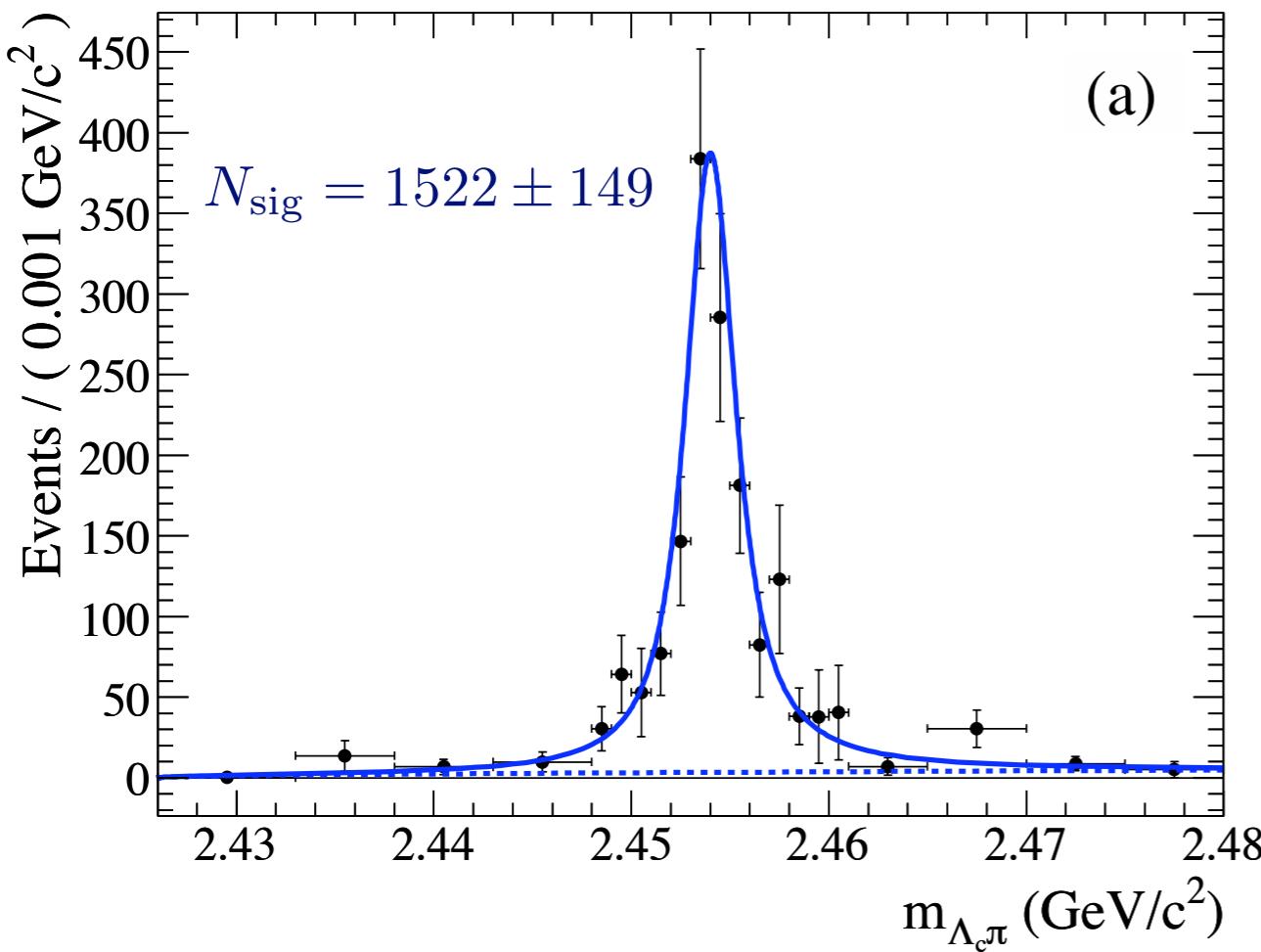
# Study of $B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} \pi^-$

**BABAR** preliminary 383M  $B\bar{B}$

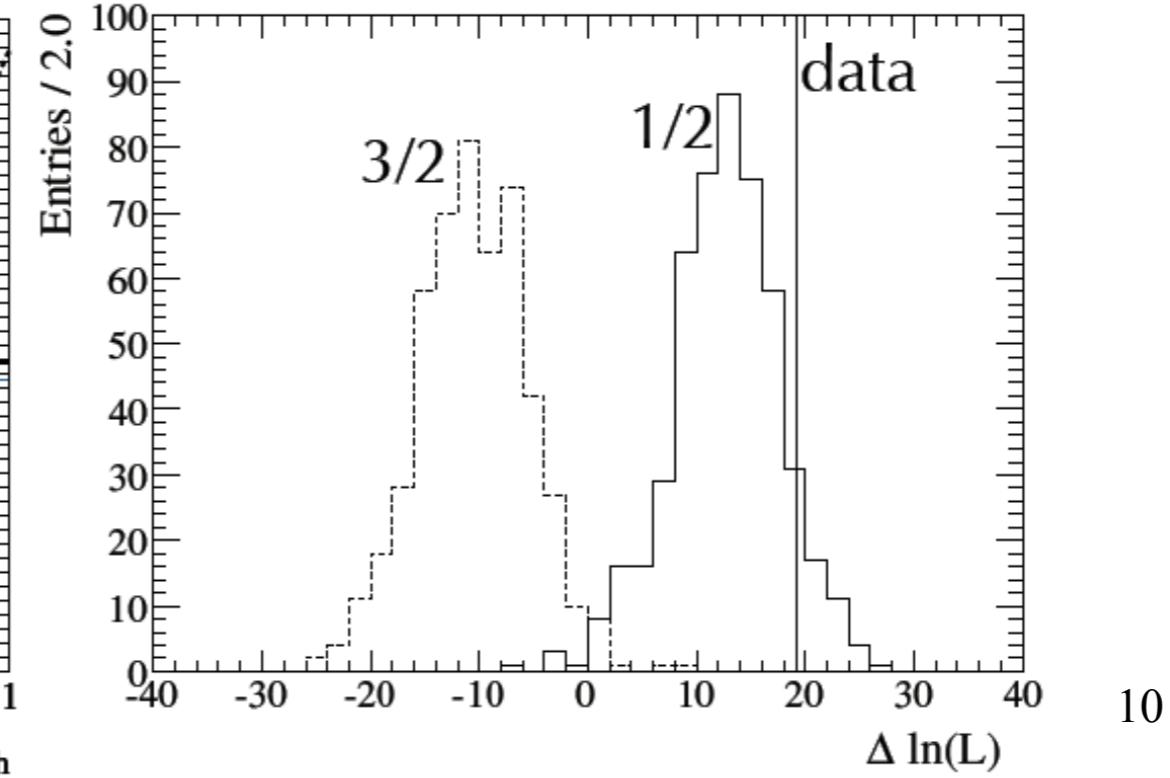
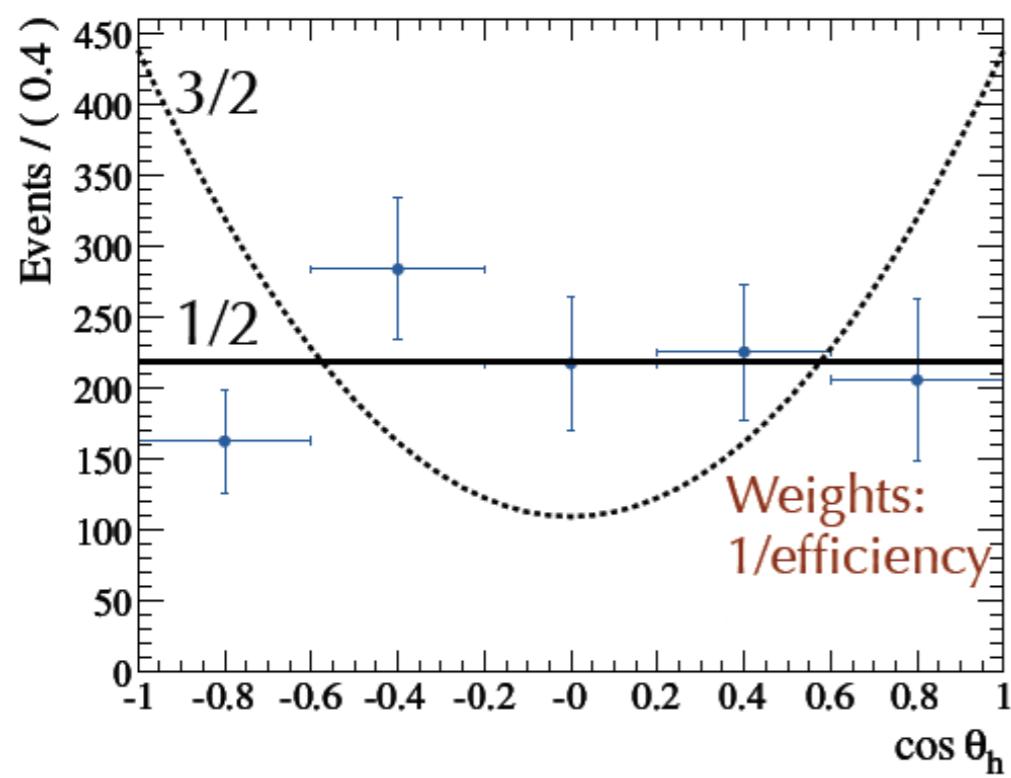


$B^- \rightarrow \Sigma_c(2455)^0 \bar{p}$ 

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preliminary



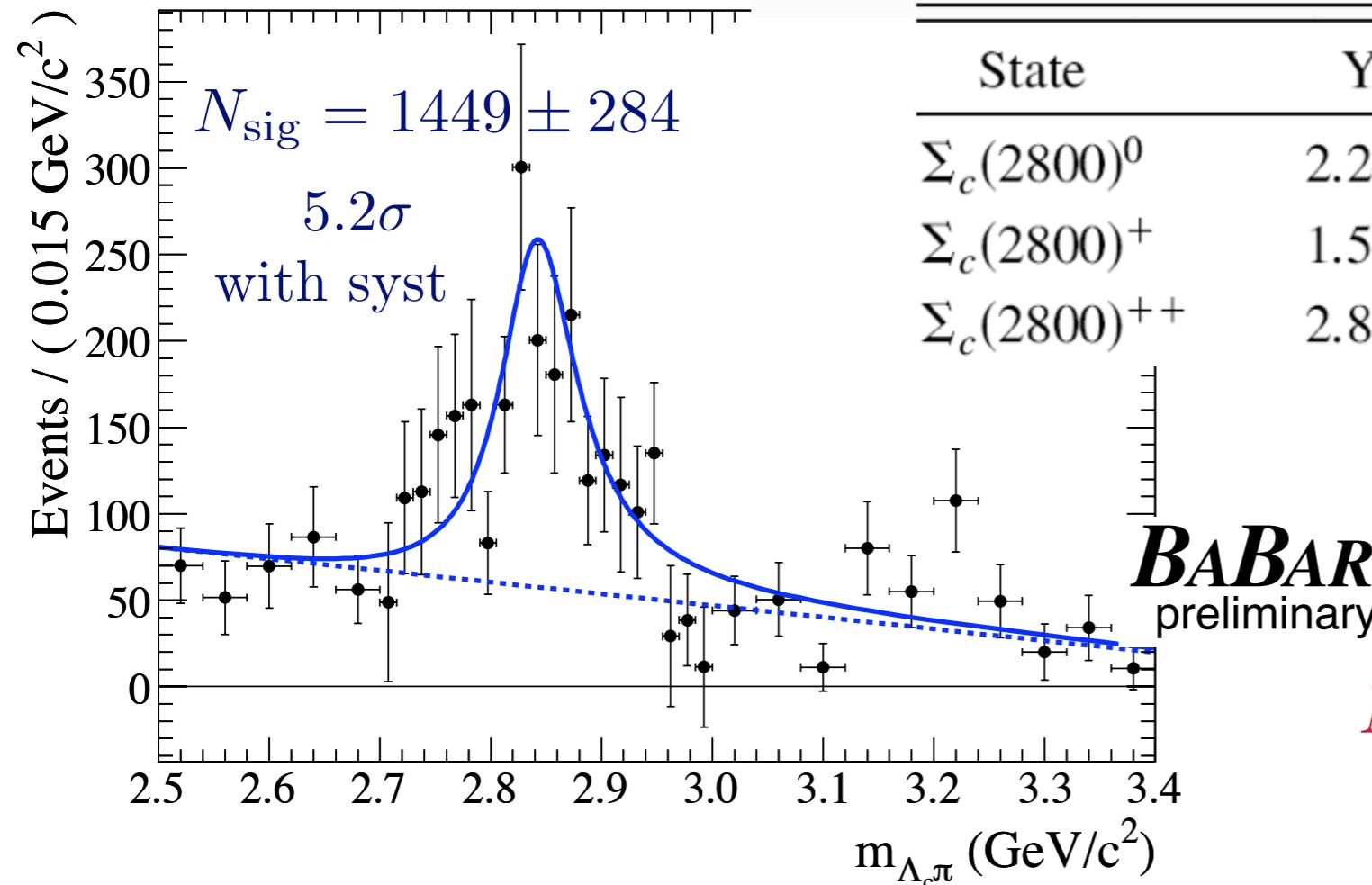
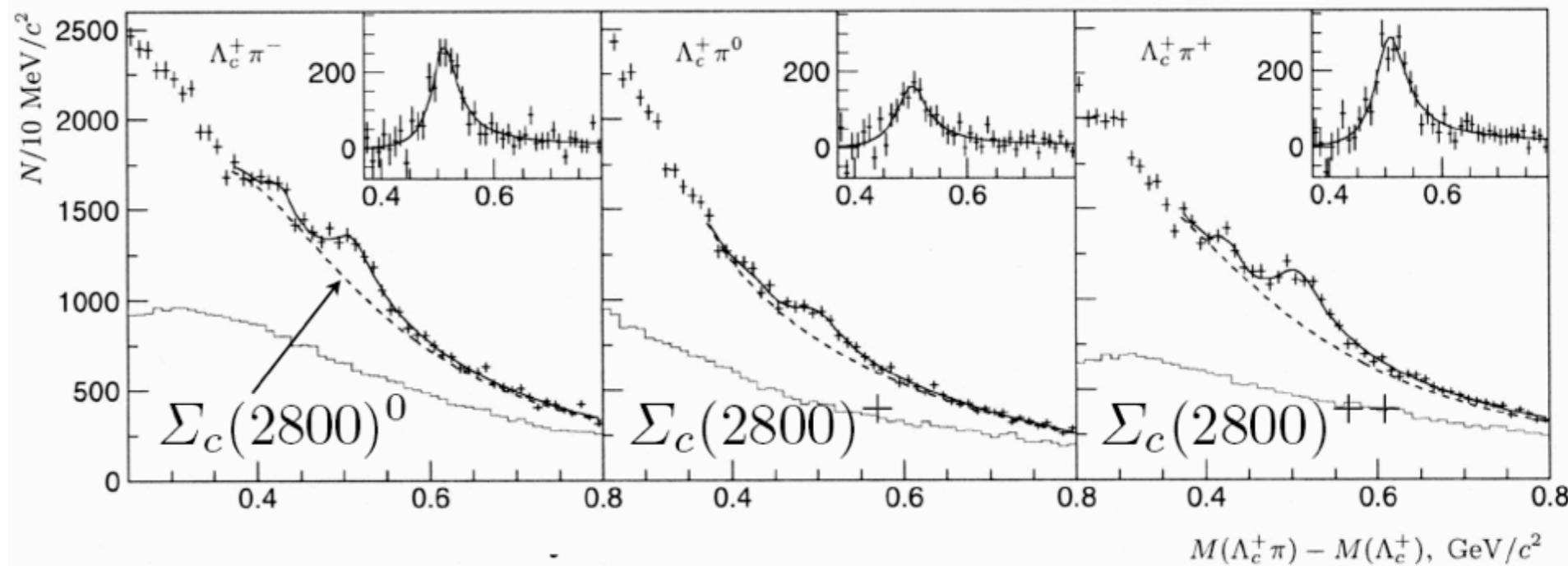
- Branching fraction
- Spin of  $\Sigma_c$
- J=1/2, in agreement with quark model (assumes J ( $\Lambda_c$ ) = 1/2)



# Observation of $\Sigma_c(2800)^0$ in B decay (BaBar)

evidence from Belle in continuum  $\Lambda_c\pi$

- Is this Belle's state?
- Mass is  $3\sigma$  higher
- New  $J = 1/2$  state?



State	Yield/ $10^3$	$\Delta M, \text{MeV}/c^2$	$\Gamma, \text{MeV}$
$\Sigma_c(2800)^0$	$2.24^{+0.79+1.03}_{-0.55-0.50}$	$515.4^{+3.2+2.1}_{-3.1-6.0}$	$61^{+18+22}_{-13-13}$
$\Sigma_c(2800)^+$	$1.54^{+1.05+1.40}_{-0.57-0.88}$	$505.4^{+5.8+12.4}_{-4.6-2.0}$	$62^{+37+52}_{-23-38}$
$\Sigma_c(2800)^{++}$	$2.81^{+0.82+0.71}_{-0.60-0.49}$ 26	$514.5^{+3.4+2.8}_{-3.1-4.9}$	$75^{+18+12}_{-13-11}$

PRL 94, 122002 (2005)

$M = 2846 \pm 8 \pm 10 \text{ MeV}$

# $B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p}(\pi^-)$ branching fractions

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p}) = (1.89 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.49) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} \pi^-) = (3.38 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.88) \times 10^{-4}$$

- $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)$  is the dominant uncertainty;

- Cancels in the ratio:

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} \pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p})} = 15.4 \pm 1.8 \pm 0.3$$

- For the resonances

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Sigma_c(2455)^0 \bar{p})}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} \pi^-)} = (12.3 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.8)^{\text{stat}} \pm 0.8^{\text{syst}} \%$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Sigma_c(2520)^0 \bar{p})}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} \pi^-)} < 0.9\%$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Sigma_c(2800)^0 \bar{p})}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} \pi^-)} = (11.7 \pm 2.3 \pm 2.4)\%$$

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The two resonances account for about 1/4 of this final state

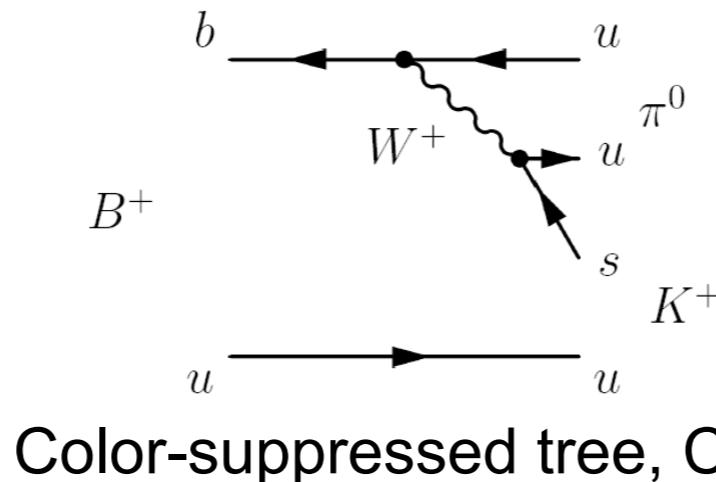
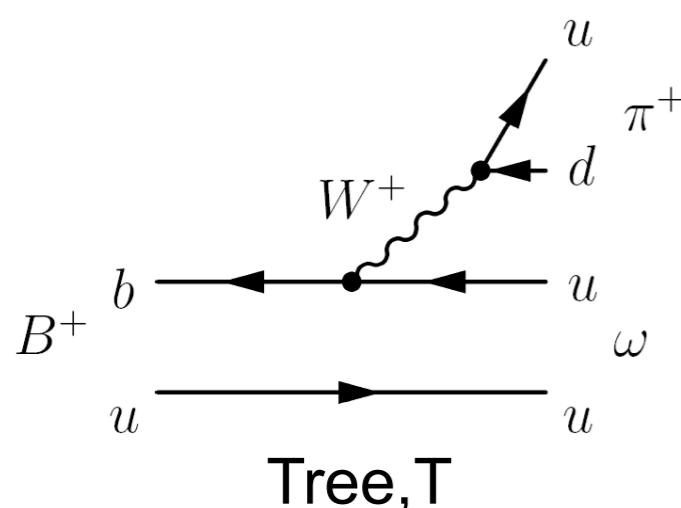
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Charmless mesonic decays

# Charmless hadronic B decays

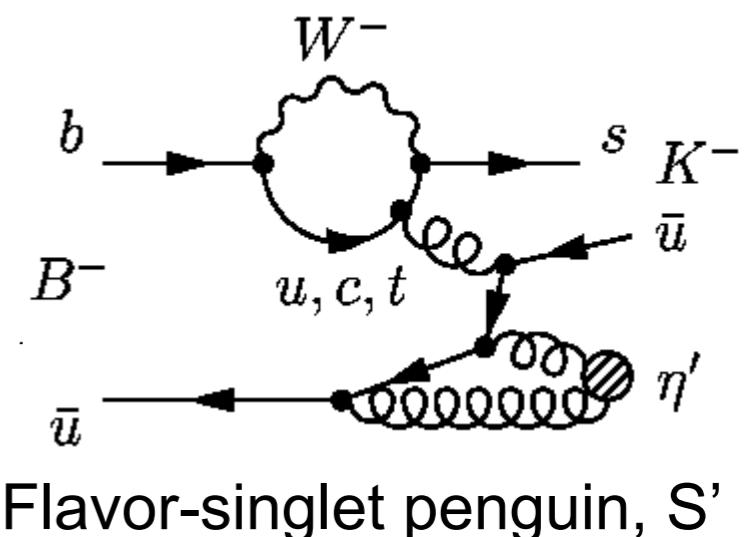
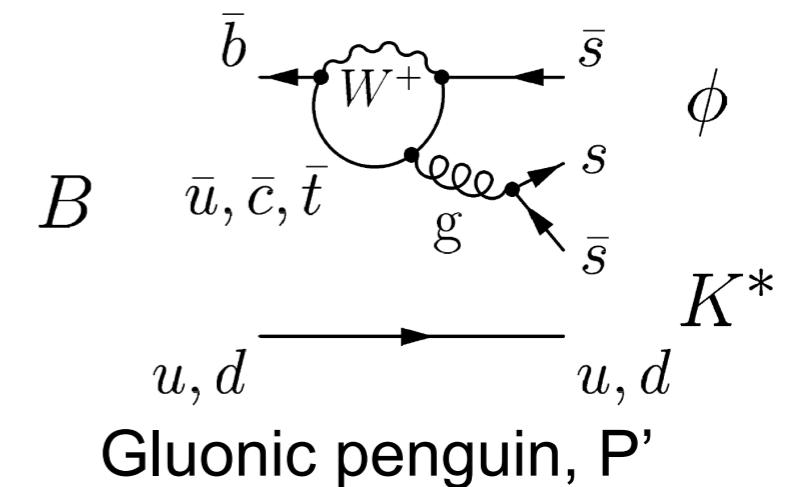
- Rich variety of interfering Standard Model amplitudes

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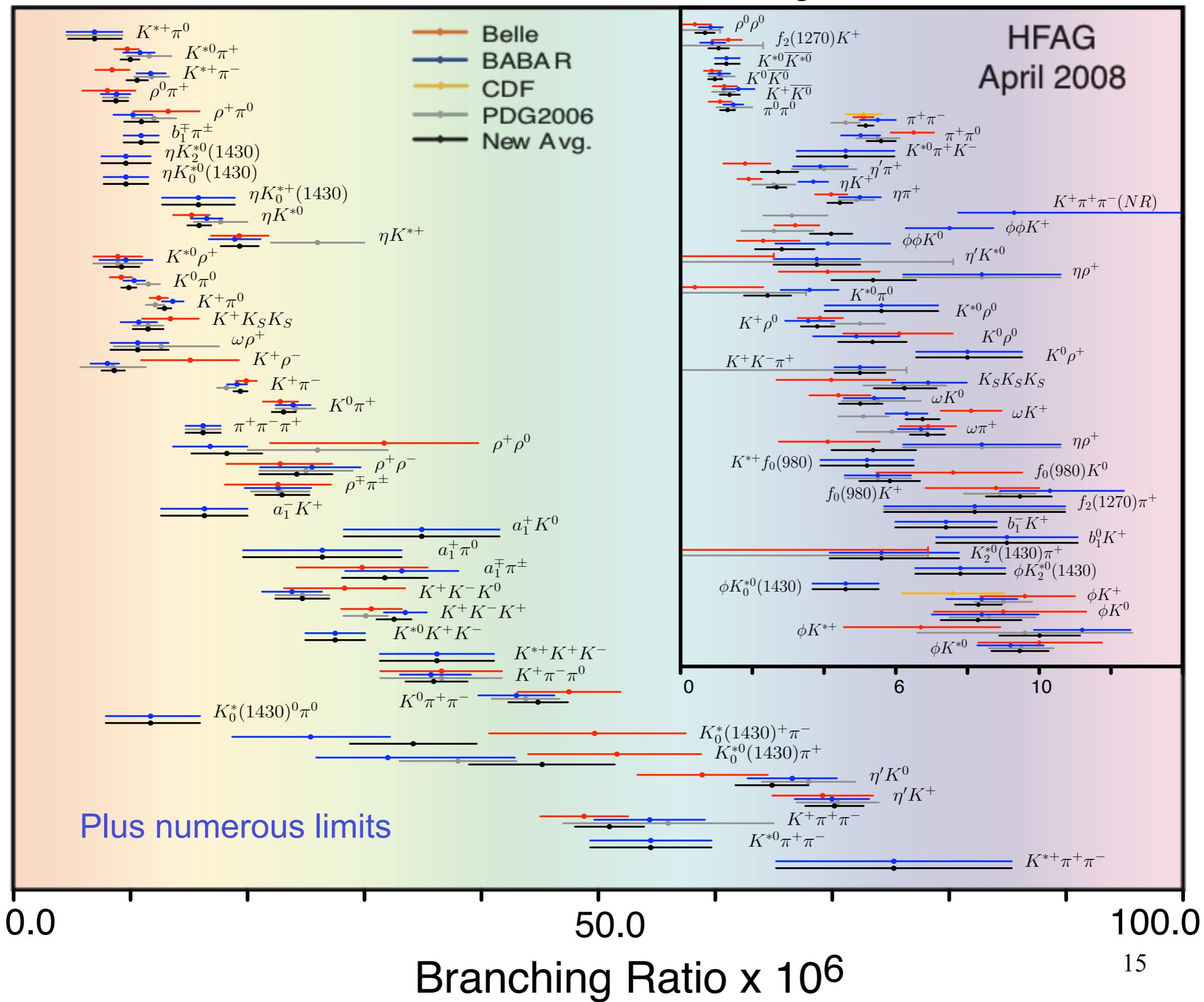


(prime denotes  $\Delta S=1$ )

- Some not yet well known:
  - feed back to theory
- Where known, measure
  - CKM magnitudes and angles
  - New physics from contributions in loops (window on higher energy scales)



# Charmless Mesonic B Branching Fractions

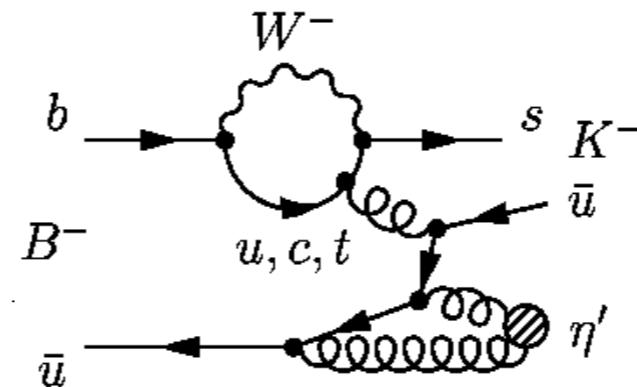


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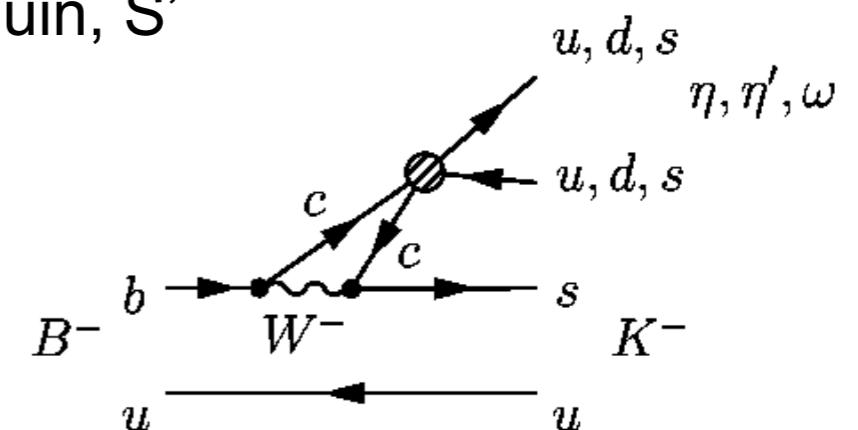
$\Delta S = 1$  decays

# Large BF for $B \rightarrow \eta' K$

- $\eta'$  strongly coupled to glue



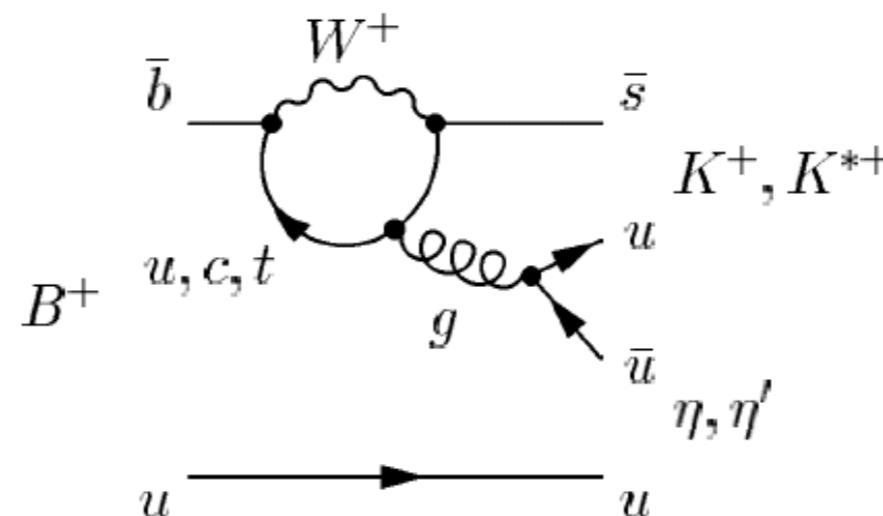
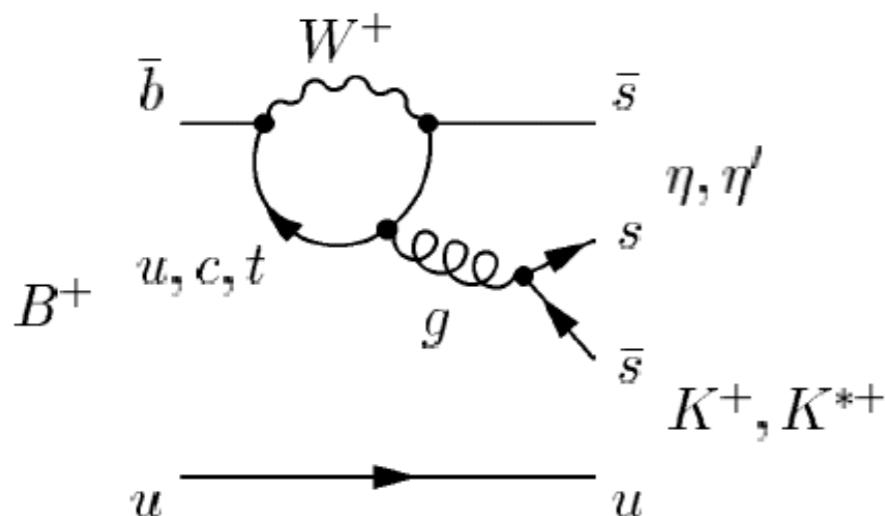
Flavor-singlet penguin, S'



“Charming penguin”

- $\eta'$  strongly coupled to  $c\bar{c}$

- Constructive interference of  $gs\bar{s}$ ,  $gq\bar{q}$  :



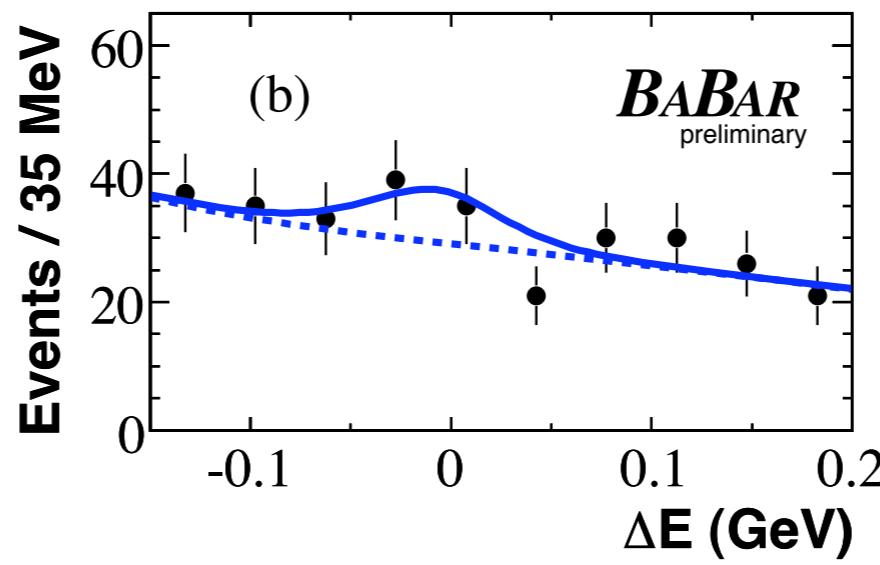
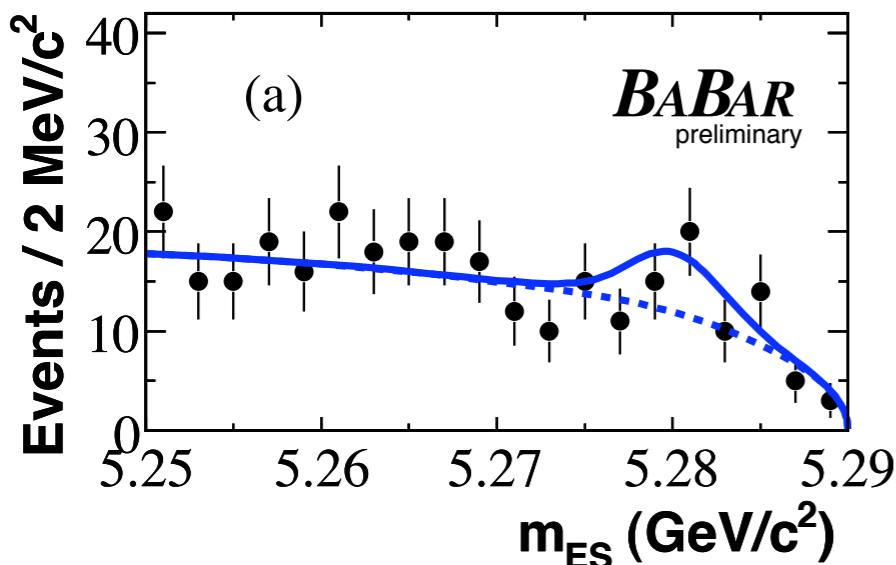
$$\eta' \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\eta_q + \eta_s)$$

$$\eta \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\eta_q - \eta_s)$$

# New search for $B^0 \rightarrow \eta K^0$

- No clear signal seen

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preliminary 465M  $B\bar{B}$

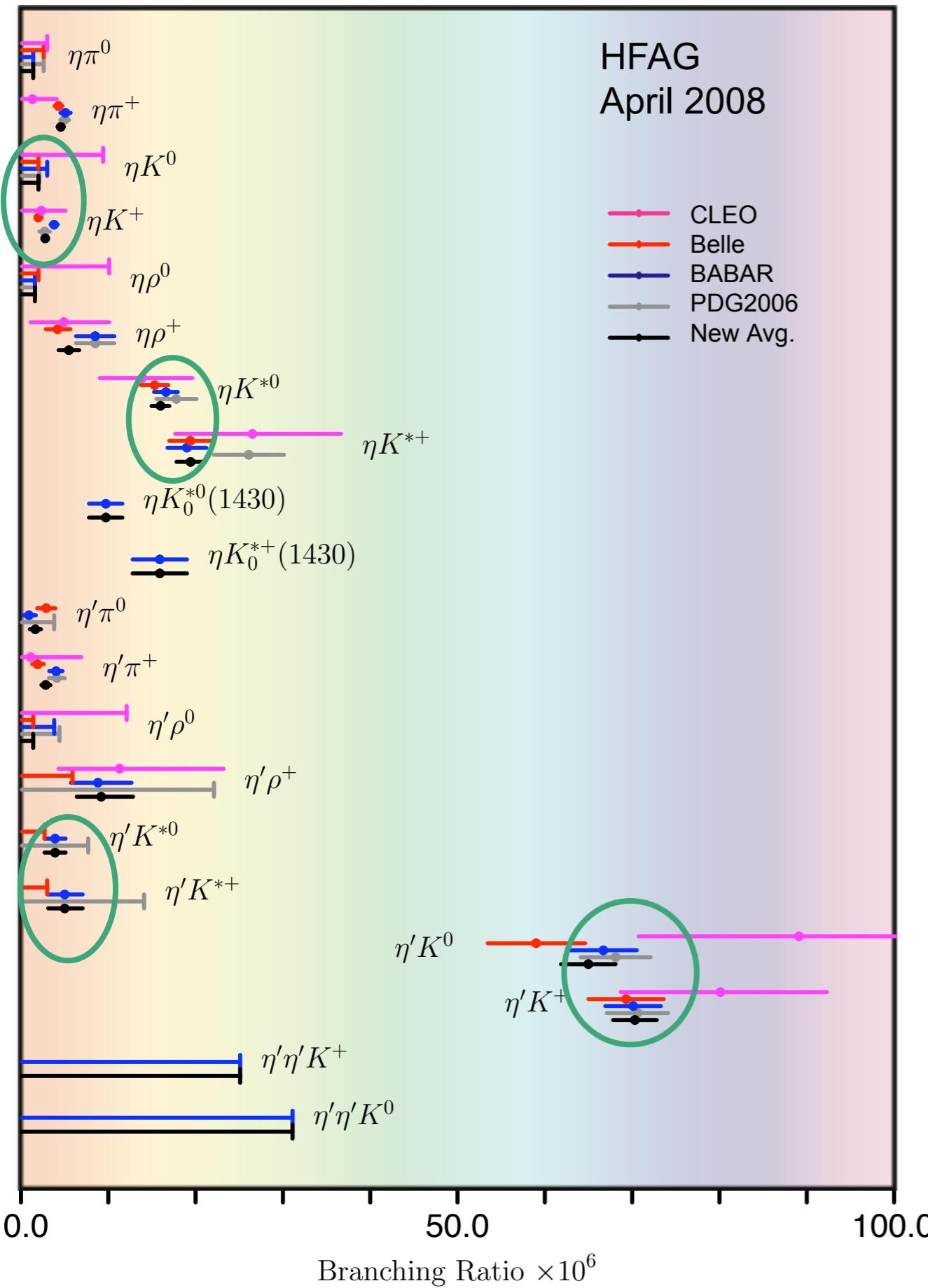


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Decay Mode	<i>BABAR</i>	Belle	Average
$\eta K^0$	$0.9^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \pm 0.1 (< 1.6)$	$1.1 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1 (< 1.9)$	$1.0 \pm 0.3 (< 1.6)$
$\eta K^+$	$\neq 3.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	$1.9 \pm 0.3^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$	$2.7 \pm 0.3$
$\eta' K^0$	$66.6 \pm 2.6 \pm 2.8$	$58.9^{+3.6}_{-3.5} \pm 4.3$	$64.9 \pm 3.1$
$\eta' K^+$	$70.0 \pm 1.5 \pm 2.8$	$69.2 \pm 2.2 \pm 3.7$	$70.2 \pm 2.5$

- Difference between isospin states not expected for penguin-dominated decays.
- Some tension between BaBar and Belle values for  $\eta K^+$

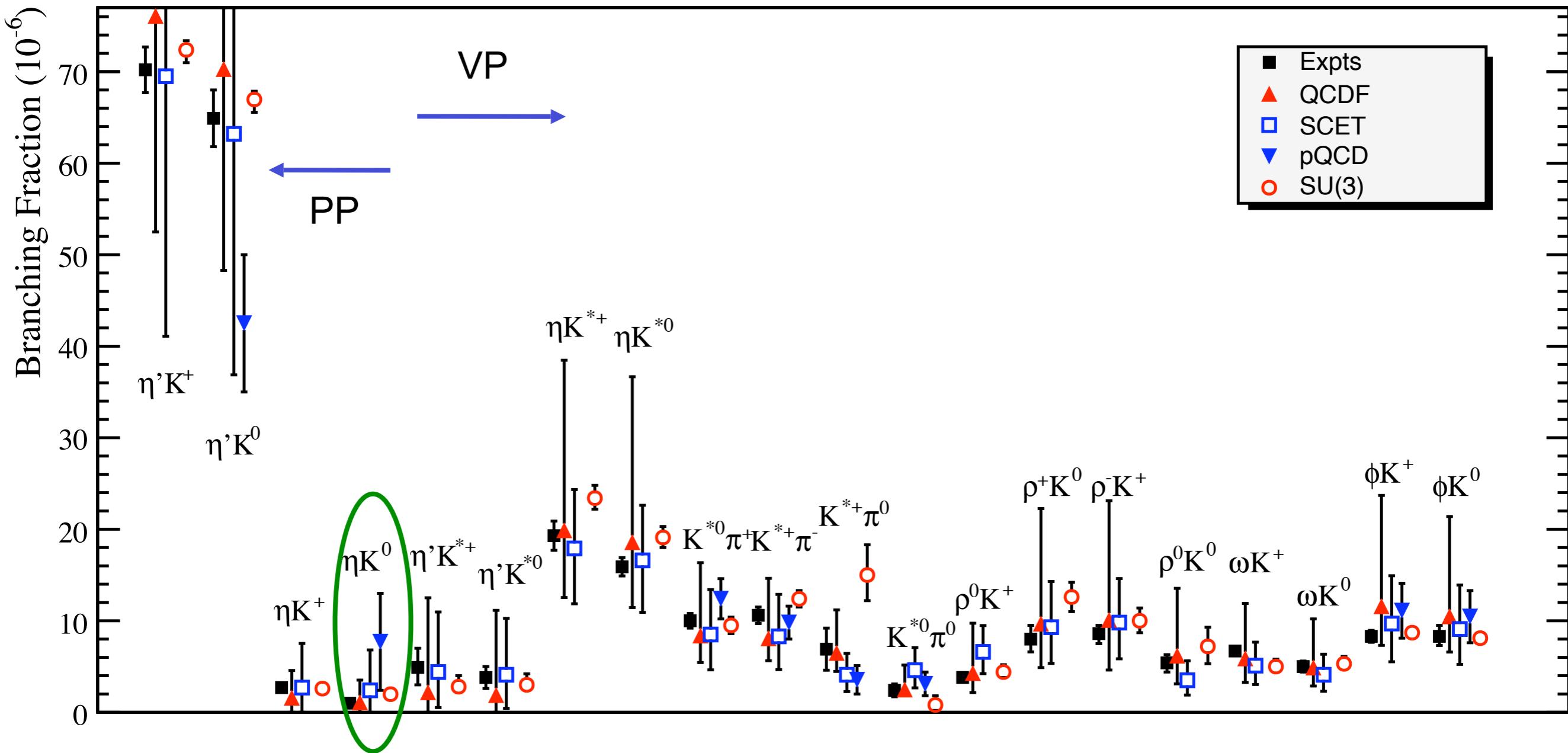
$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow (\eta, \eta') (K^{(*)}, \pi, \rho))$$



## $B \rightarrow (\eta, \eta') (K, K^*)$ picture

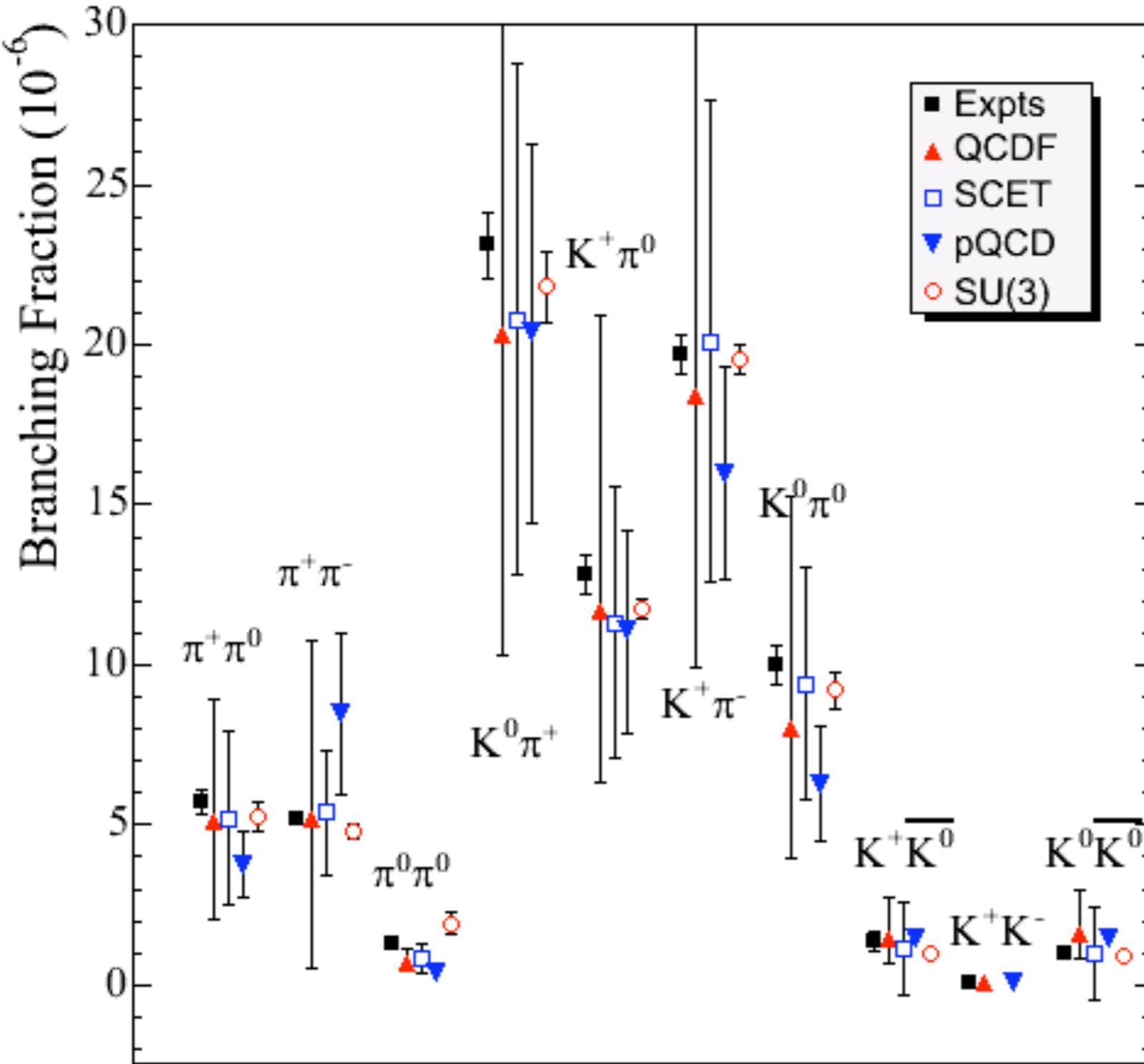
- $\eta K \ll \eta' K$ 
  - consistent w interference of  $gS\bar{S}$ ,  $gq\bar{q}$
  - some  $S'$  needed, else  $\eta K$  even smaller
- $\eta K^* \gg \eta' K^*$ 
  - consistent w  $gS\bar{S}$ ,  $gq\bar{q}$  interference plus a sign flip for P-V decay (but that argument is in doubt)
- $\eta' K > \pi K$  needs charming penguins
- So, all of above contribute in detailed estimates from QCDF, SCET, SU(3)
  - All of which require fits to data for poorly known parameters

# Expt vs theory, $\Delta S = 1$ BFs (non- $K, \pi$ )

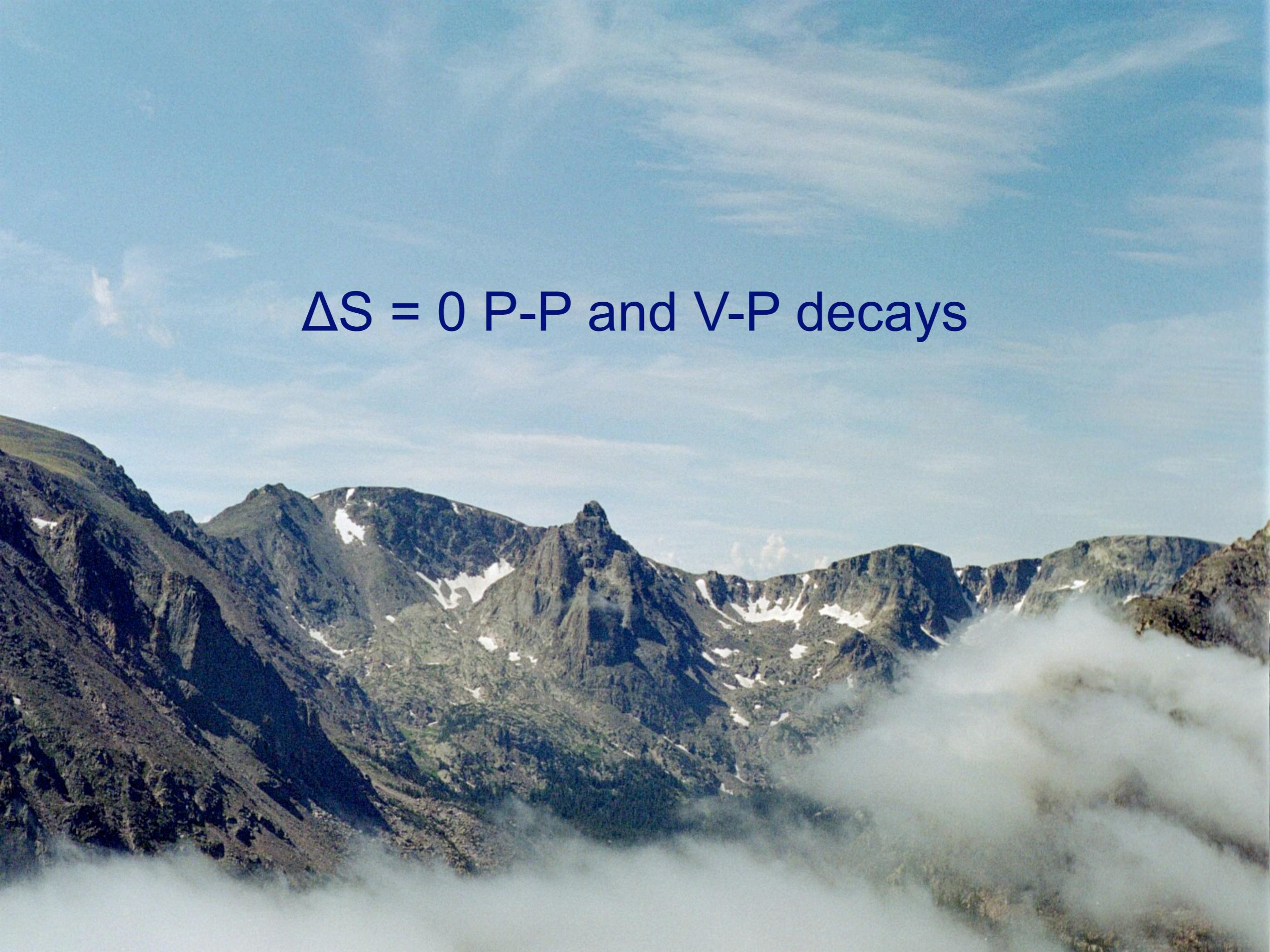


- QCDF, SCET accommodate  $\eta^{(*)} K^{(*)}$  BFs, but with large uncertainties
- Biggest uncertainties for QCDF (SCET): renormalization scale, quark masses, decay constants and form factors,  $\eta^{(*)}$  mixing

# Expt vs theory, $K\pi$ branching fractions



- Data world averages from HFAG
- QCDF from Beneke, Neubert, NP B 675, 333 (2003) (“scenario 4”)
- SCET from Williamson, Zupan, PRD74 (2006) 014003, 03901; Wang, Wang, Yang, Lu arXiv: 0801.3123
- pQCD from Keum, Pramana 63 (2004) 1151
- SU(3) from Chiang, Gronau, Rosner, Suprun, PRD 70 (2004) 034020

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$\Delta S = 0$  P-P and V-P decays

# Flavor nonet center-state modes, P-P

Mode	$\mathcal{S} (\sigma)$	$\mathcal{B} (10^{-6})$		
$\eta\eta$	2.4	$0.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.4$ )	[2]
$\eta'\eta$	1.4	$0.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.2$ )	[1]
$\eta'\eta'$	1.3	$0.9^{+0.8}_{-0.7} \pm 0.1$	( $< 2.1$ )	[2]
$\eta\pi^0$	2.2	$0.9 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.5$ )	[1]
$\eta'\pi^0$	3.1	$0.9 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.5$ )	[1]

**BABAR** 459-465M  $B\bar{B}$   
preliminary  
 1. arXiv:0804.2422  
 2. new here  
 ~canceling color-suppressed  
 tree amplitudes

- “Model-independent” constraint on tree pollution of time-dependent CP in  $B^0 \rightarrow \eta' K^0$

□ **GLNQ:**  $|\xi_{\eta' K_S}| < \left| \frac{V_{us}}{V_{ud}} \right| \left( 0.59 \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(\eta'\pi^0)}{\mathcal{B}(\eta'K^0)}} + 0.33 \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(\eta\pi^0)}{\mathcal{B}(\eta'K^0)}} + 0.14 \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(\pi^0\pi^0)}{\mathcal{B}(\eta'K^0)}} \right.$

- SU(3) relations  $+ 0.53 \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(\eta'\eta')}{\mathcal{B}(\eta'K^0)}} + 0.38 \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(\eta\eta)}{\mathcal{B}(\eta'K^0)}} + 0.96 \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(\eta\eta')}{\mathcal{B}(\eta'K^0)}} \right)$

□ **GRZ** extract a somewhat tighter limit, neglecting exchange & penguin-annihilation terms Gronau, Rosner, Zupan PRD 74, 093003 (2006)

- But the BF limits aren’t getting much tighter: hints of signals!

# Flavor nonet center-state modes, V-P

Mode	$\mathcal{S} (\sigma)$	$\mathcal{B}(10^{-6})$	$B_{\text{BABAR}}$ preliminary	459-465M $B\bar{B}$
$\eta\phi$	1.7	$0.22^{+0.19}_{-0.15} \pm 0.01$	( $< 0.52$ ) [2]	
$\eta\omega$	<u>3.5</u>	$1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.6$ ) [2]	1. arXiv:0804.2422
$\eta'\phi$	<u>1.3</u>	$0.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.2$ ) [2]	2. new here
$\eta'\omega$	<u>3.1</u>	$1.0^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \pm 0.1$	( $< 1.7$ ) [2]	
$\pi^0\omega$	<u>0.3</u>	$0.07 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.02$	( $< 0.5$ ) [1]	

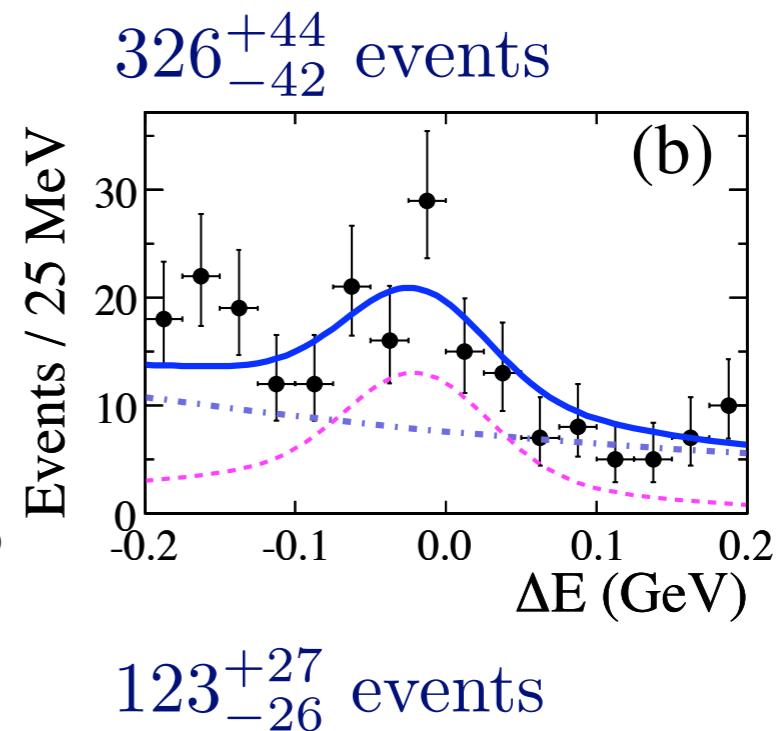
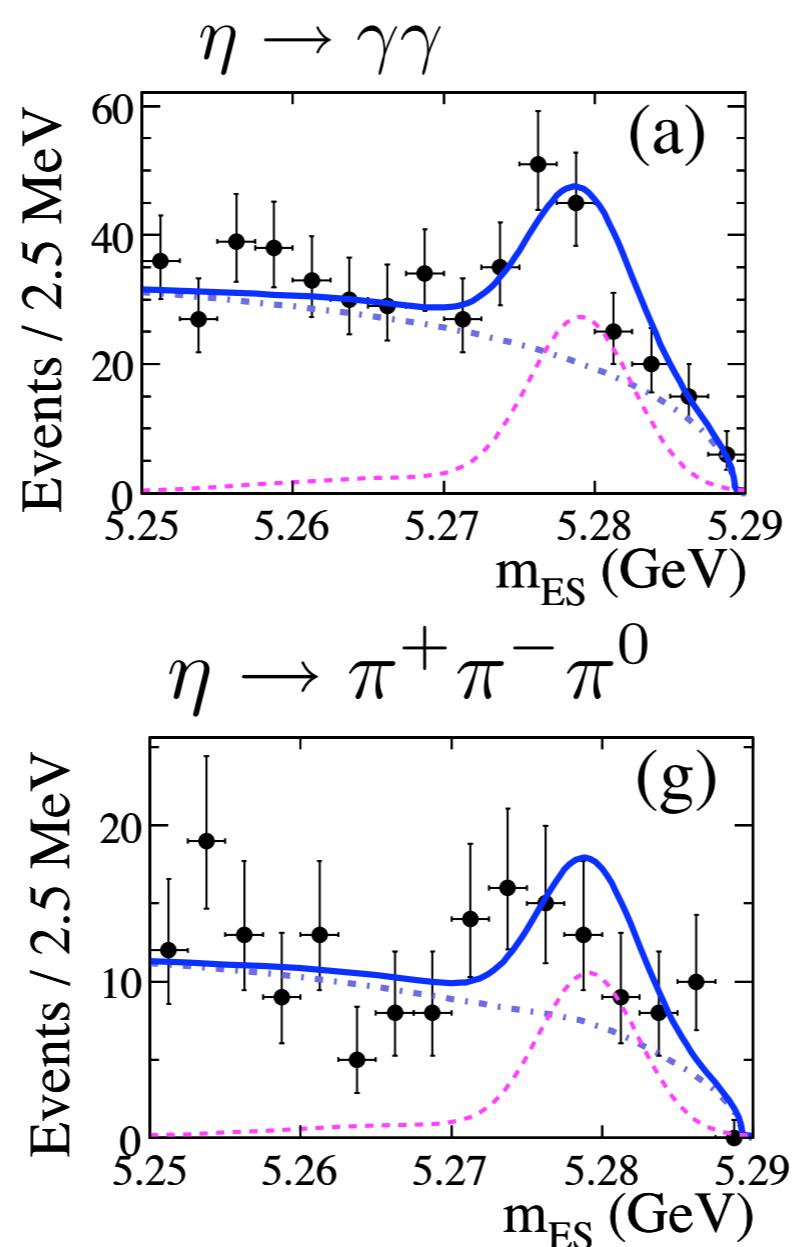
- Tree pollution in  $B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^0$  is related to V-P modes (**GLNQ**)
- Limits not very restrictive
- Some evidence for  $\omega\eta^{(')}$  at the limit of experimental sensitivity.

# Observation of $B^+ \rightarrow \eta\rho^+$

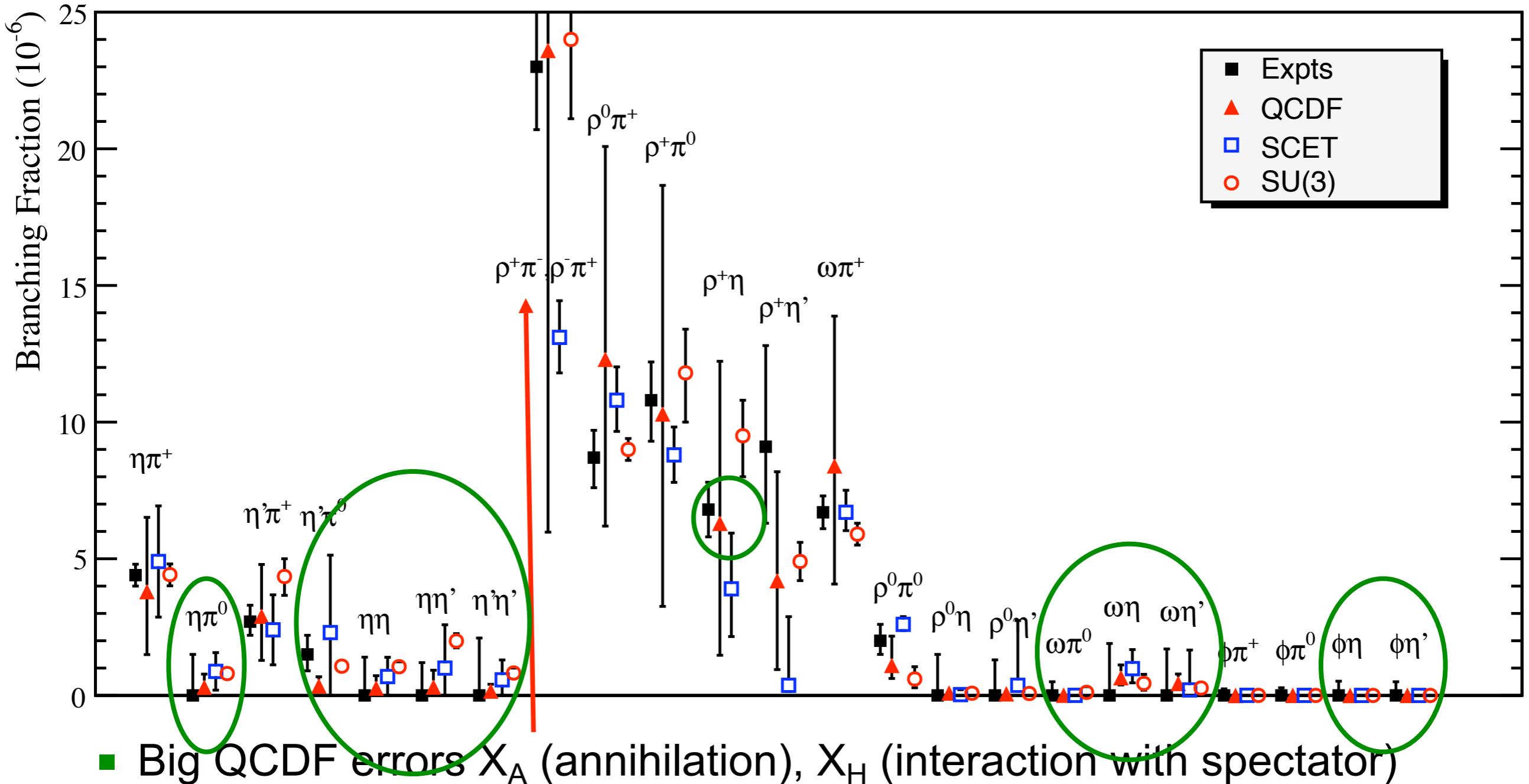
- 9.0 sigma significance

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \eta\rho^+) &= (9.9 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-6} \\ \mathcal{A}_{ch} &= 0.13 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.02\end{aligned}$$

**BABAR** preliminary 459M  $B\bar{B}$   
arXiv:0804.2422



# Expt vs theory, $\Delta S = 0$ branching fractions



- Big QCDF errors  $X_A$  (annihilation),  $X_H$  (interaction with spectator)
  - SCET error smaller, disagrees with experiment.
- Many modes not yet seen (but consistent with theoretical estimates)

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$\Delta S = 0$  A-P decays

# Axial vector mesons

- In the quark model, the  $^1P_1$  meson nonet contains
  - $b_1(1235)$  with  $I^G=1^+$
  - two isosinglets  $h_1(1380), h_1(1170)$
  - strange isodoublet  $K_{1B}$
- $K_{1B}$  mixes with  $K_{1A}$  to form the physical  $K_1(1270), K_1(1400)$ :

$$K_1(1270) = K_{1A} \sin \theta + K_{1B} \cos \theta$$

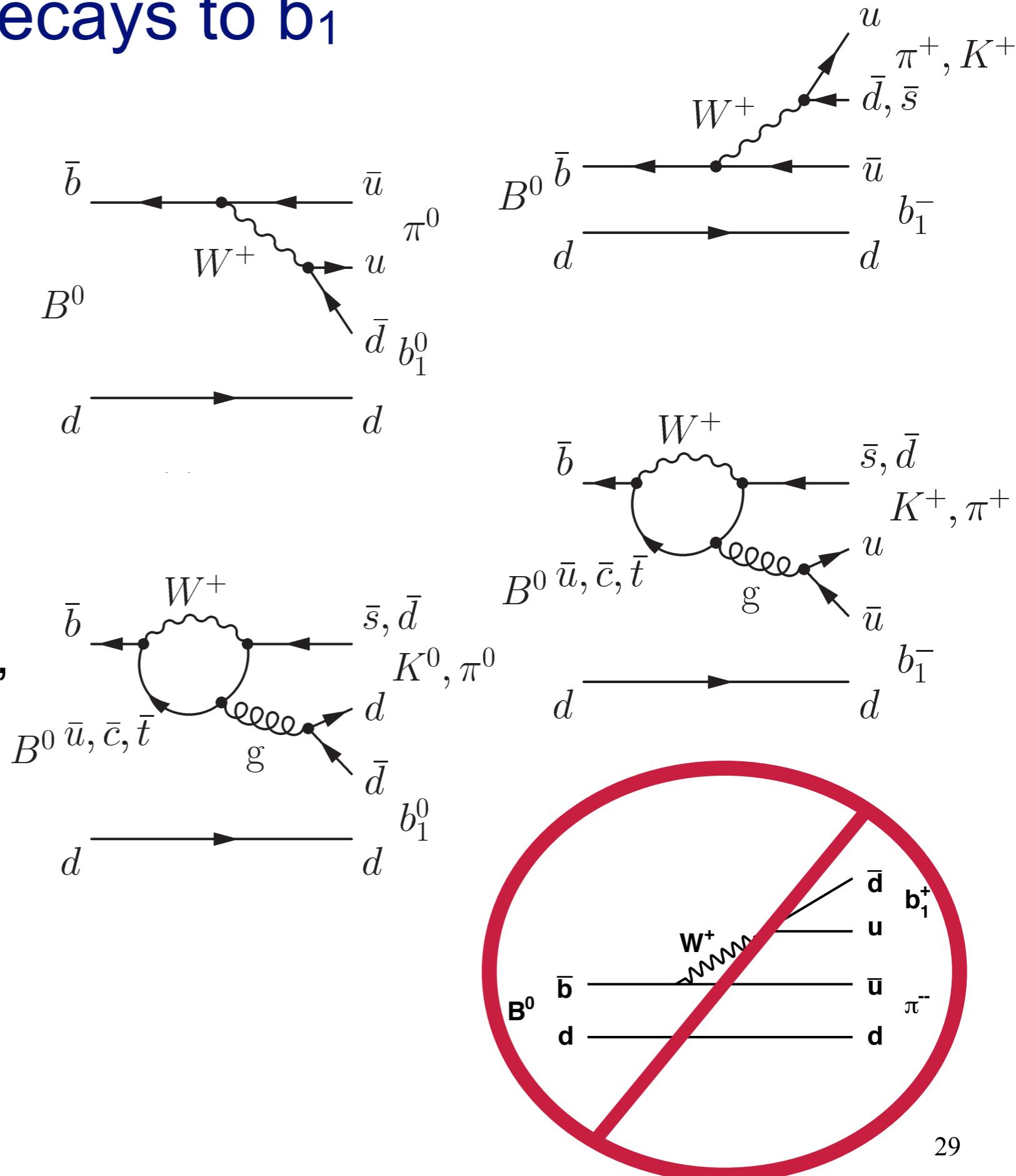
$$K_1(1400) = K_{1A} \cos \theta - K_{1B} \sin \theta$$

- $K_{1A}$  belongs to the  $^3P_1$  meson nonet containing also
  - $a_1(1260)$  with  $I^G=1^-$
  - isosinglets  $f_1(1420), f_1(1285)$
- $B^0 \rightarrow a_1 (\pi, K)$  observed:

$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow a_1^\mp \pi^\pm)$	$= (33.2 \pm 3.8 \pm 3.0) \times 10^{-6}$	BaBar, PRL 97, 151802 (2006)
	$= (29.8 \pm 3.2 \pm 4.6) \times 10^{-6}$	Belle, arXiv:0706.3276
$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow a_1^- K^+)$	$= (8.2 \pm 1.5 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-6}$ ( $5.1\sigma$ )	
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow a_1^+ K^0)$	$= (17.4 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.2) \times 10^{-6}$ ( $6.2\sigma$ )	BaBar, PRL 100, 051803 (2008)

# B decays to $b_1$

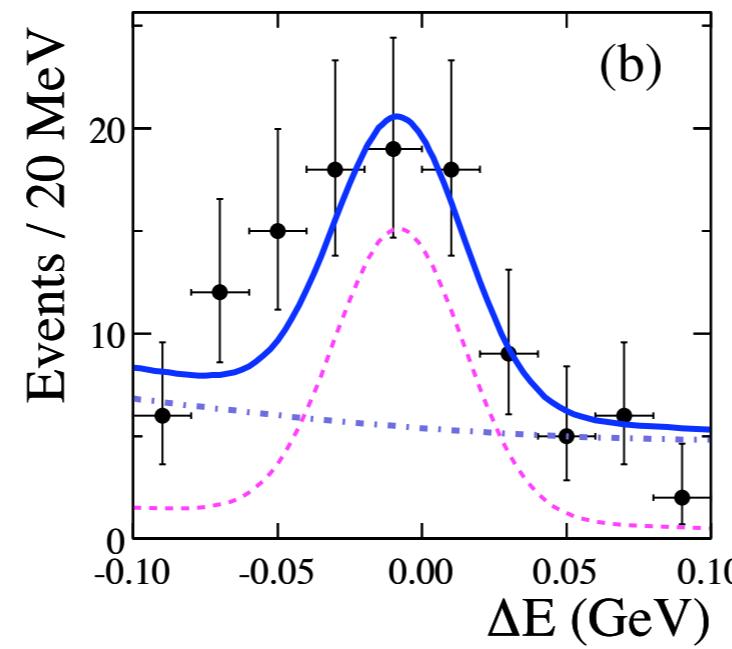
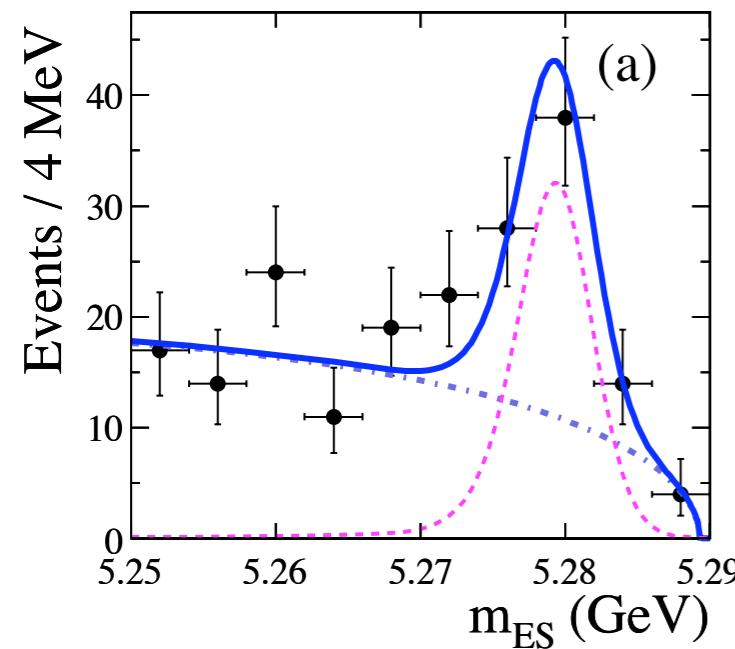
- $B \rightarrow b_1(\pi, K)$ ,  $b_1 \rightarrow \omega\pi$   
(dominant  $b_1$  decay)
- CKM factors favor
  - (color-suppressed) tree for  $b_1\pi$
  - penguin for  $b_1K$
- The weak axial vector current is odd in G-parity,  $b_1$  even
- So we expect
  - $B^0 \rightarrow b_1^+ \pi^- \ll B^0 \rightarrow b_1^+ \pi^-$
  - $B^+ \rightarrow b_1^+ \pi^0 \sim 0$



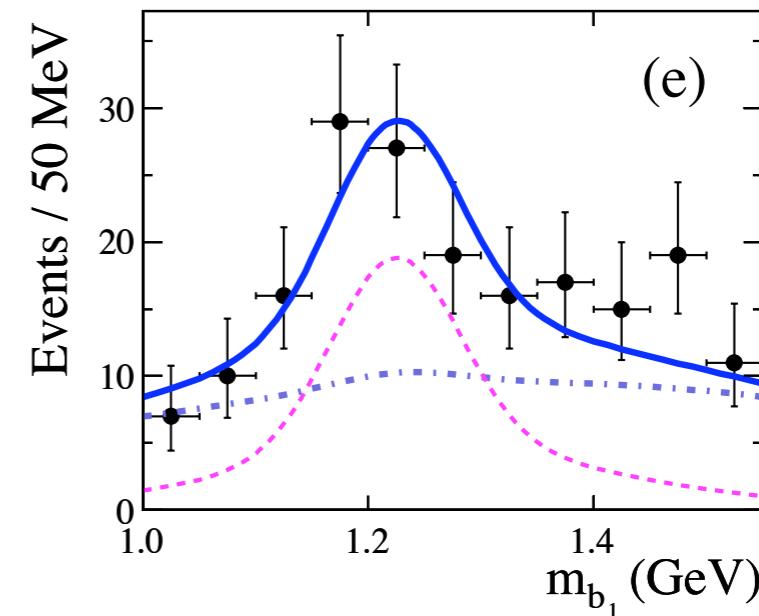
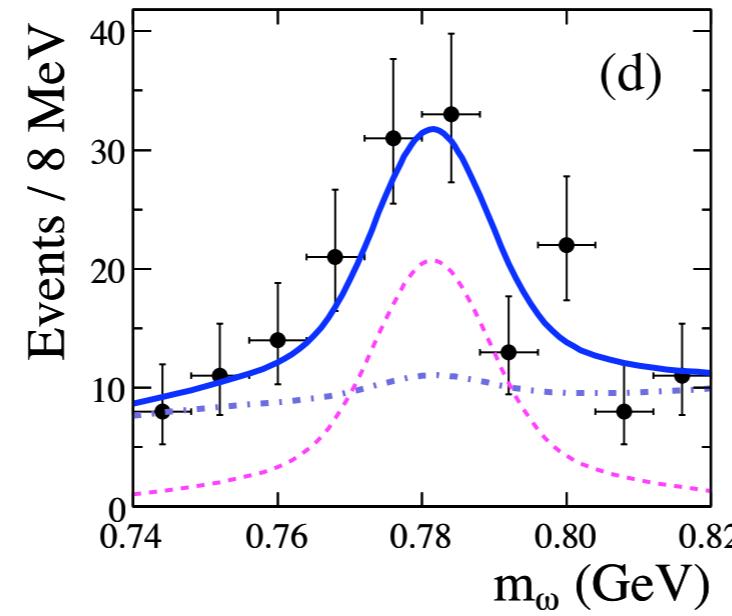
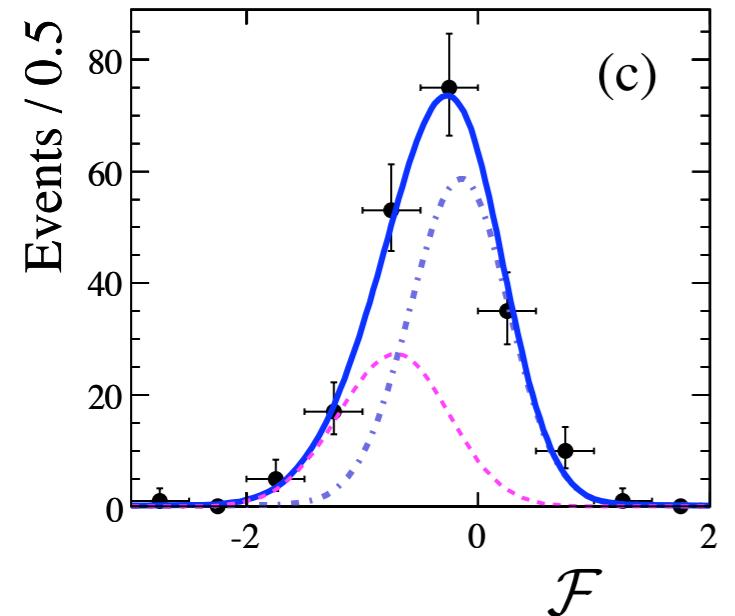
# New measurements $B \rightarrow b_1(\pi^0, K^0)$

Mode	$Y_S$ (ev.)	$\mathcal{S}$ ( $\sigma$ )	$\mathcal{B}$ ( $10^{-6}$ )	$\mathcal{A}_{ch}$	
$b_1^+ K^0$	$164^{+27}_{-25}$	6.3	$9.6 \pm 1.7 \pm 0.9$	$-0.03 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.02$	
$b_1^0 K^0$	$58^{+19}_{-17}$	3.4	$5.1 \pm 1.8 \pm 0.5$		
$b_1^+ \pi^0$	$71^{+35}_{-32}$	1.6	$1.8 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.2$		465M $B\bar{B}$
$b_1^0 \pi^0$	$6^{+19}_{-16}$	0.5	$0.4 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.2$		<b><math>BABAR</math></b> preliminary

New here



- Clear observation of  $B^+ \rightarrow b_1^+ K^0$
- 3.4 sigma evidence for  $B^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 K^0$



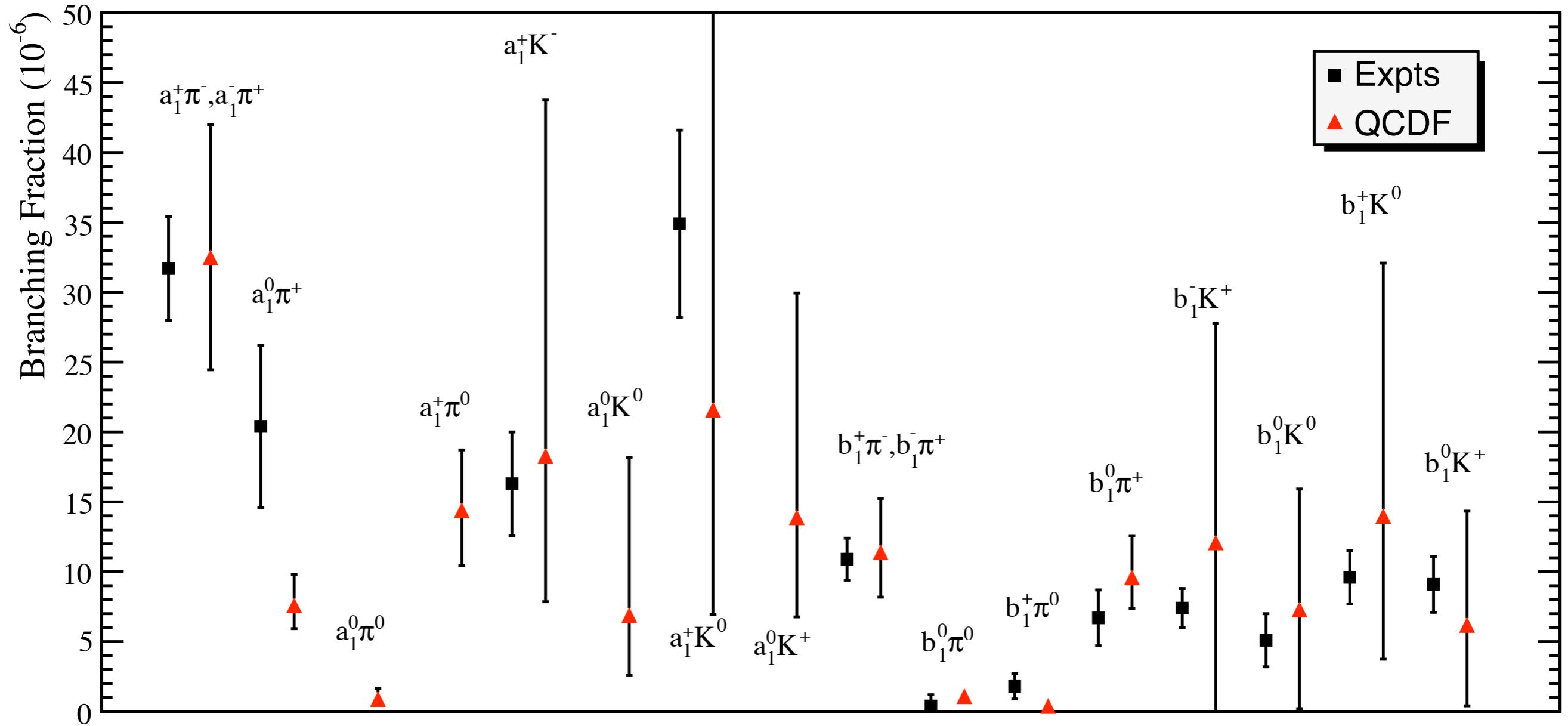
# B decays to $b_1$ measurements and theory

Mode	Laporta <i>et al.</i>		CMV (32°)	C&Y QCDF	Expt. (BaBar)
	$\theta = 32^\circ$	$\theta = 58^\circ$			
$B^+ \rightarrow b_1^0 K^+$	11.0	0.5	18.1	6.2	$9.1 \pm 1.7 \pm 1.0$
$B^0 \rightarrow b_1^- K^+$	24.0	2.0	35.7	12.1	$7.4 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.0$
$B^+ \rightarrow b_1^0 \pi^+$	4.5	0.4	18.6	9.6	$6.7 \pm 1.7 \pm 1.0$
$B^0 \rightarrow b_1^\mp \pi^\pm$	6.9	0.7	36.2	11.4	$10.9 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.9$
$B^+ \rightarrow b_1^+ K^0$	30.0	3.0	41.5	14.0	$9.6 \pm 1.7 \pm 0.9$
$B^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 K^0$	41.0	4.0	19.3	7.3	$5.1 \pm 1.8 \pm 0.5 (< 7.8)$
$B^+ \rightarrow b_1^+ \pi^0$	4.8	0.5	0.3	0.4	$1.8 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.2 (< 3.3)$
$B^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 \pi^0$	0.5	0.01	0.15	1.1	$0.4 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.2 (< 1.9)$

- Rather good agreement with QCDF.
- (No consistent conclusion on the mixing angle between  $K_{1A}$  and  $K_{1B}$  for the naive factorization estimates)

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 G. Calderon, J.H. Munoz, C. E. Vera, Phys. Rev. D 76, 094019 (2007)  
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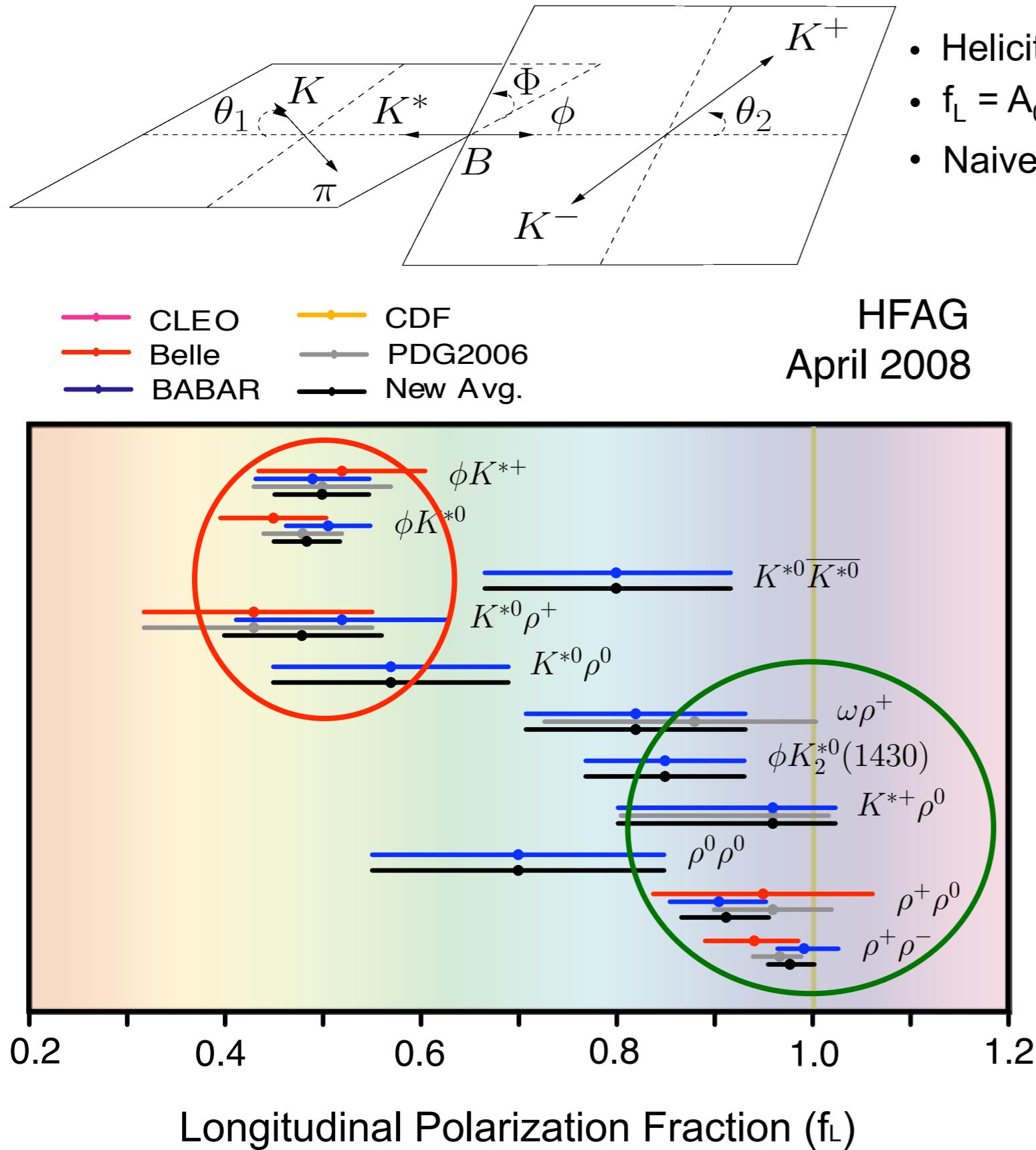
# Expt vs theory, A-P branching fractions



A wide-angle photograph of a rugged mountain range under a clear blue sky. The mountains are covered in dark green vegetation and have several patches of white snow on their peaks and ridges. In the foreground, a thick layer of white, misty clouds covers the valley floor, creating a sense of depth and atmosphere.

... and one A-V mode

# Polarization in $B \rightarrow V-V(A)$ decays



- Helicity amplitudes  $A_0$  (longitudinal),  $A_{\pm 1}$  (transverse)
- $f_L = A_0/(A_0+A_{+1}+A_{-1})$
- Naively predict  $f_L = 1 - m_{K^*} m_\phi / m_B^2 \approx 1$

- $f_L \approx 1$  for tree-dominated decays
- Large transverse polarization seen in the penguins unexpected
- Evidence for new physics?
- Improved understanding within QCDF
  - Penguin annihilation (Kagan)
  - Non-factorizable vertex corrections, hard spectator scattering (Beneke, Rohrer, D.S.Yang; Cheng, K.C.Yang)

# New theory predictions for $b_1^- V$ modes

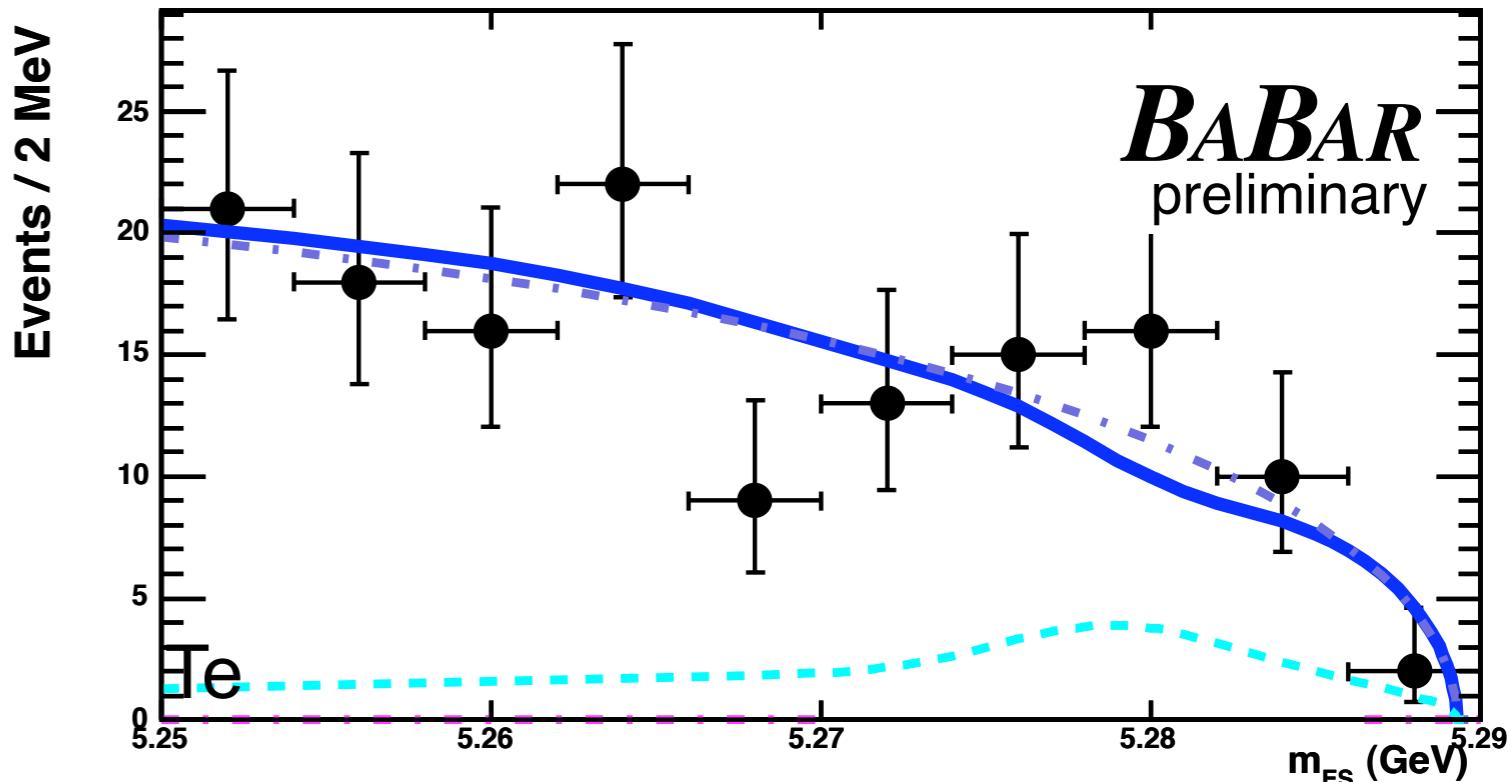
Mode	Cheng, Yang	CMV
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^+ \rho^-$	$32.1^{+16.5+12.0}_{-14.7-4.7} (0.96^{+0.01}_{-0.02})$	1.6
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^- \rho^+$	$0.6^{+0.6+1.8}_{-0.3-0.2} (0.98^{+0.00}_{-0.32})$	0.55
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 \rho^0$	$0.4^{+0.4+21.3}_{-0.2-0} (0.82^{+0.16}_{-0.51})$	0.002
$B^- \rightarrow b_1^0 \rho^-$	$29.0^{+16.2+5.4}_{-10.6-5.8} (0.96^{+0.01}_{-0.06})$	0.86
$B^- \rightarrow b_1^- \rho^0$	$0.9^{+1.7+2.6}_{-0.6-0.5} (0.90^{+0.06}_{-0.33})$	0.36
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 \omega$	$0.1^{+0.2+1.4}_{-0.0-0.0} (0.10^{+1.04}_{-0.01})$	0.004
$B^- \rightarrow b_1^- \omega$	$0.9^{+1.4+2.7}_{-0.5-0.3} (0.91^{+0.07}_{-0.33})$	0.38
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 \phi$	$0.01^{+0.01+0.01}_{-0.00-0.00} (0.98^{+0.01}_{-0.33})$	0.0002
$B^- \rightarrow b_1^- \phi$	$0.02^{+0.02+0.03}_{-0.01-0.00} (0.98^{+0.01}_{-0.33})$	0.0004
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^+ K^{*-}$	$7.6^{+3.3+40.7}_{-2.4-7.1} (0.71^{+0.17}_{-0.66})$	0.32
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow b_1^0 \bar{K}^{*0}$	$3.0^{+1.1+4.6}_{-0.7-2.1} (0.80^{+0.20}_{-0.70})$	0.15
$B^- \rightarrow b_1^- \bar{K}^{*0}$	$12.1^{+4.4+21.2}_{-3.2-2.7} (0.80^{+0.20}_{-0.70})$	0.18
$B^- \rightarrow b_1^0 K^{*-}$	$6.8^{+2.4+12.5}_{-1.8-4.4} (0.84^{+0.15}_{-0.29})$	0.12

- New experimental search for these two modes together.
- Prediction is about  $3 \times$  that for  $B^0 \rightarrow b_1^- \pi^+$

# Search for $B^0 \rightarrow b_1^\mp \rho^\pm$

New here  
465M  $B\bar{B}$

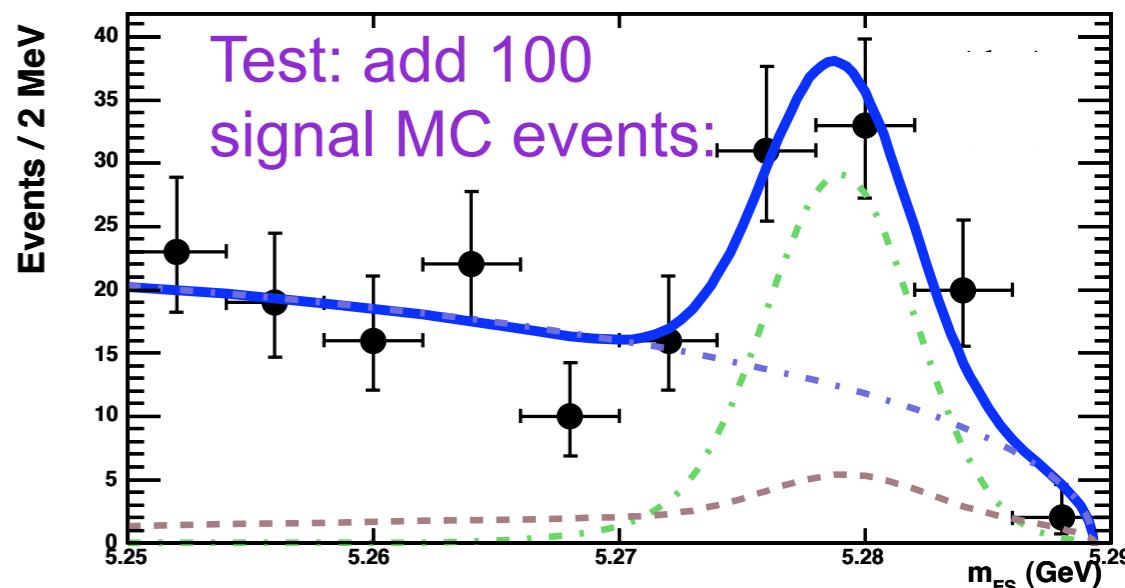
- Should be  $\gtrsim b_1^- \pi^+$ ?
- 2nd-class current rule  $\Rightarrow$   
 $B^0 \rightarrow b_1^\mp \rho^\pm \gg B^0 \rightarrow b_1^\pm \rho^\mp$   
(expt. doesn't distinguish)
- Find no events.



$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow b_1^\mp \rho^\pm) = (-0.1 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$(< 1.7 \times 10^{-6}, 90\% \text{ C.L.})$$

- Rather puzzling lack of agreement with the theoretical estimate.



# Conclusions

- DCS  $D$  decay route to  $\gamma / \phi_3$  still elusive, but progress is being made.
- Dibaryon systems from B show low-mass peaking, suppression of 2-body modes; new discoveries in baryon spectroscopy.
- In eta(') land, many improved limits; new decay observations and hints that more lie near the sensitivity horizon of experiments.
- Many new modes seen in decays to axial-vectors.
  - Predictions working quite well for A-P modes
  - Where are the A-V modes? Stay tuned.
- Global theory-experiment interplay is expanding, very productive.