

Charmless B decays

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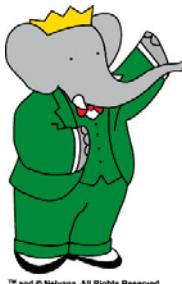
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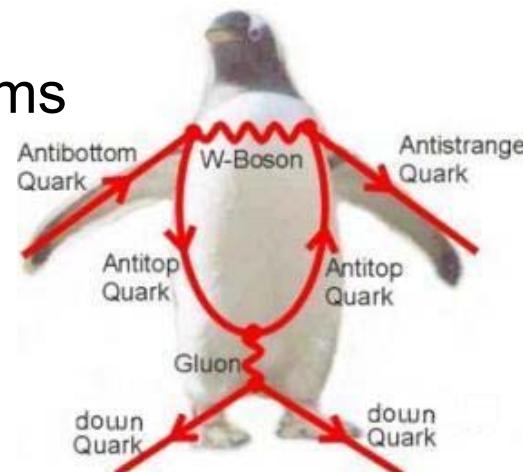
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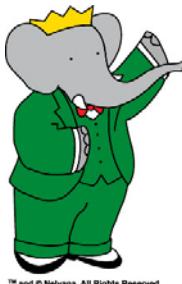
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Motivation

- Rare decays: BFs $\sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-6}$
- Mainly **b \rightarrow s loop**, b \rightarrow u tree and b \rightarrow d loop diagrams
(hence good place to look for New Physics)
- Very rich phenomenology:
large DCPV (direct CP violation),
 α , γ , loop β_{eff} vs tree β ,
 $K\pi$ asymmetry puzzle,
 $B \rightarrow VV$ polarization puzzle...
- Hence will show a (personal) selection of topics...





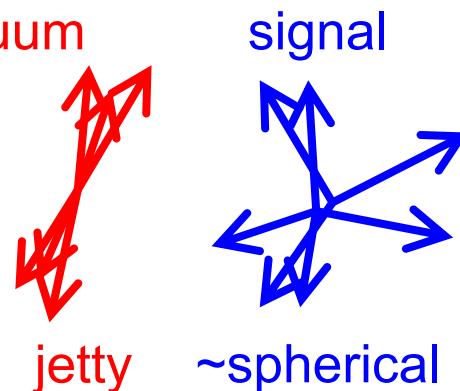
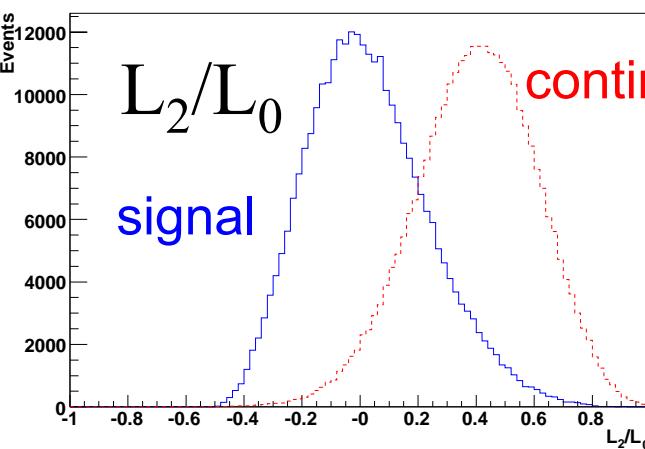
Experimental issues

- Small S/B ratio, mostly continuum ($e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$, $q \neq b$) background
- Use kinematical and event-shape variables to discriminate:

$$m_{ES} = \sqrt{(s/2 + \vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{p}_B)^2 / E_i^2 - \vec{p}_B^2},$$

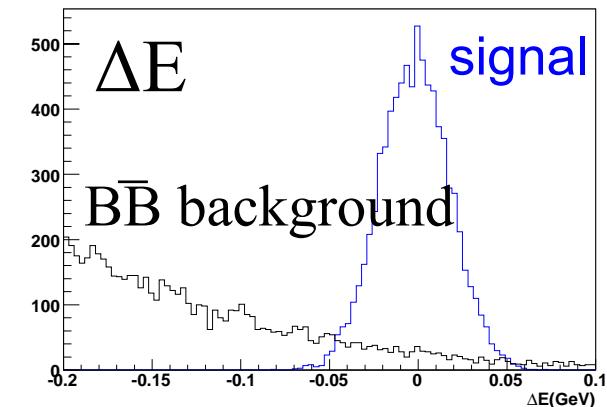
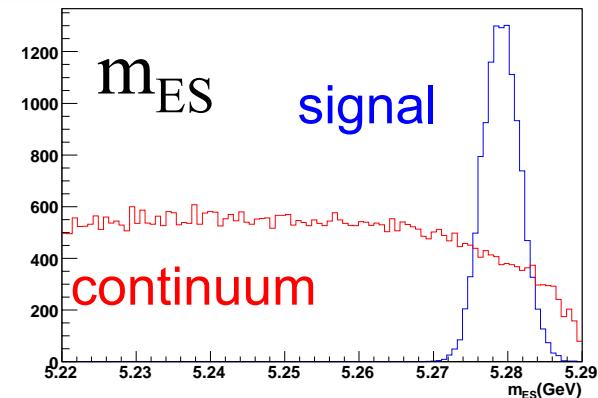
$$\Delta E = E_B^* - \sqrt{s}/2$$

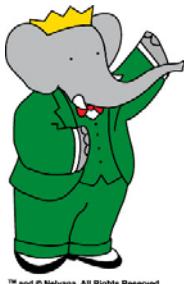
- m_{ES} ~ mass of B, good against continuum
- ΔE spots misreconstructed true B events
- L_2/L_0 ~ shape of event in CM frame



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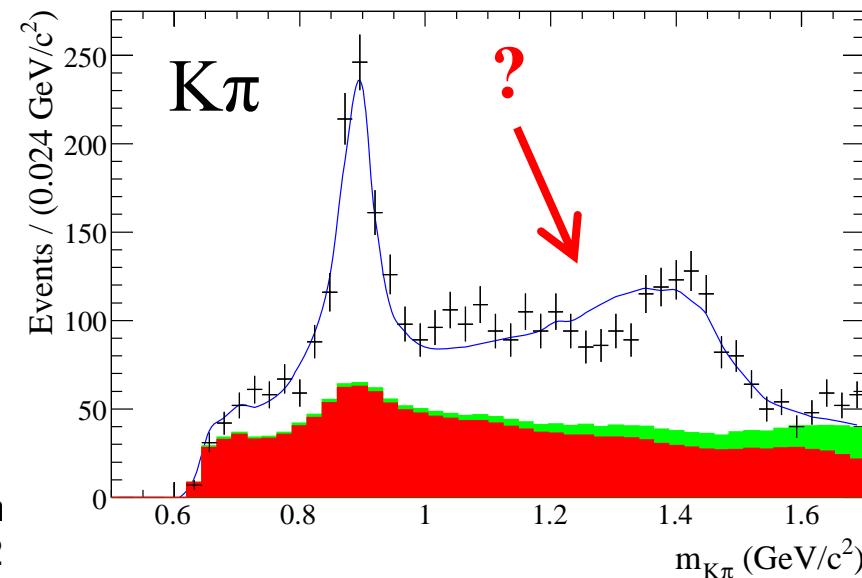
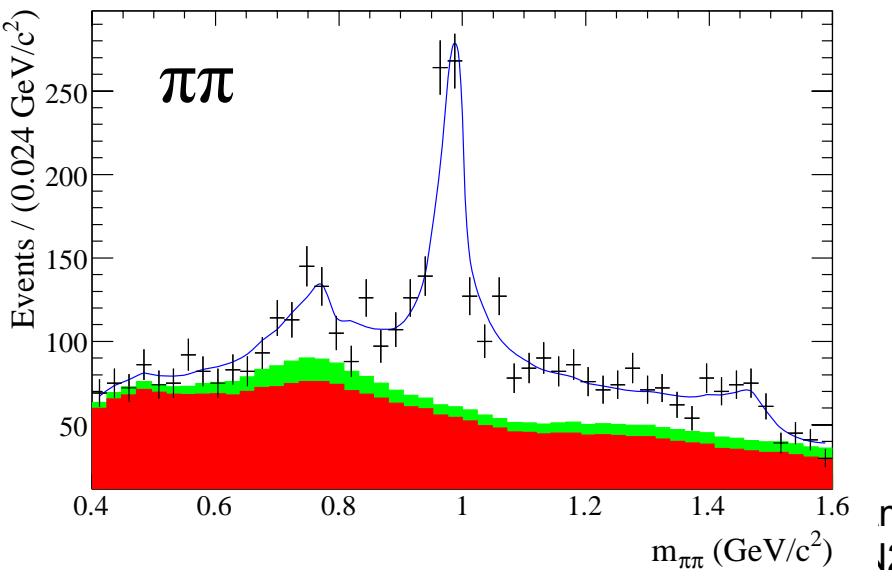


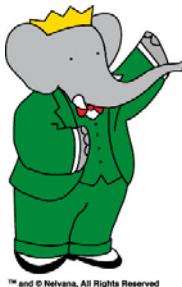


Large DCPV: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^+\pi^-$



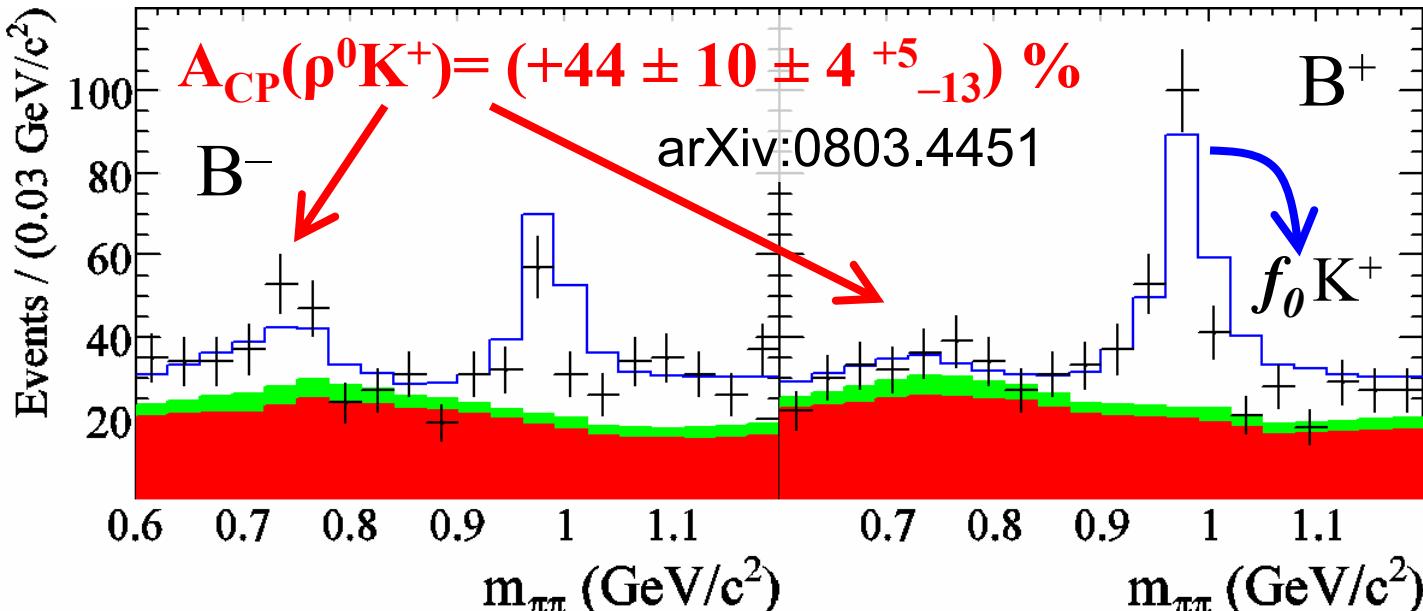
- $K\pi$ asymmetry pattern not well understood: look at ρK
- Rho wide \rightarrow overlaps with other resonances (e.g. f_0) \rightarrow interference
 \rightarrow need Dalitz-plot analysis of $K^+\pi^+\pi^-$ \rightarrow fit relative magnitudes and rel. phases
- Sensitive to DCPV in decay rate asym. but also in relative phase asym.
- Sheds light on $\pi\pi$ spectrum: need $f_2(1270)K^+$ and scalar of mass $m = 1479 \pm 8$ MeV, width $\Gamma = 80 \pm 19$ MeV ($\sim f_0(1500)$?)





$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ (cont'd)

- Helps with (poorly known) **K π spectrum**: $K_2^{*0}(1430)$ present, LASS best description of S-wave, but not perfect?
- $A_{CP}(K^{*0}\pi^+) \sim 0$ (as expected in SM); DCPV hint in $f_2(1270)K^+$
- Babar: $B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 K^+$, evidence of DCPV at 3.7σ

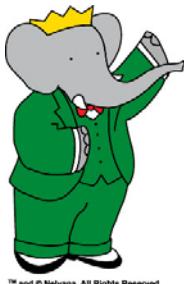


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Good agreement
with some theory
predictions[†] and
with Belle:
 $A_{CP} = (30 \pm 11^{+11}_{-5})\%$
(AIP Conf. Proc. 814:680)

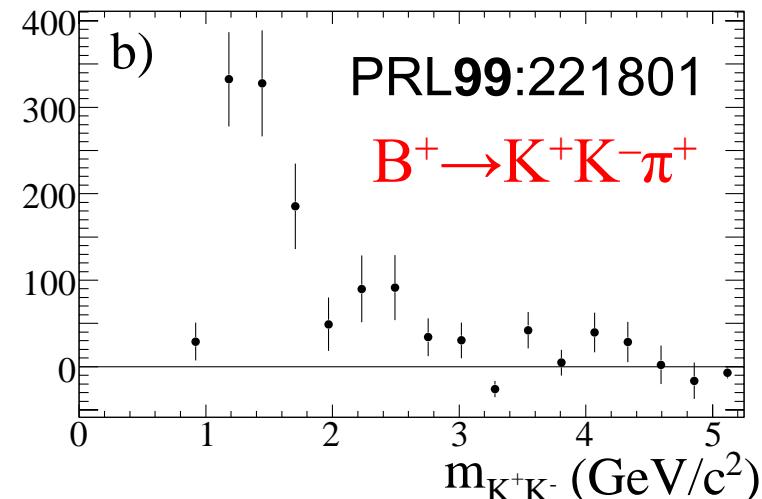
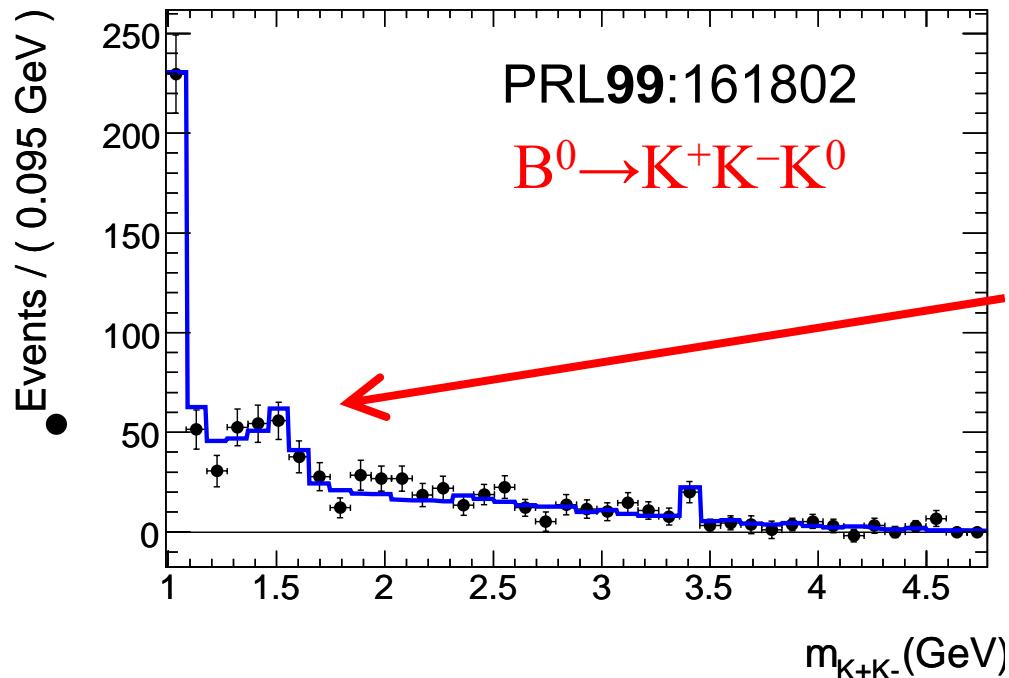
[†]e.g. Beneke and Neubert
Nucl. Phys. B675:333



KK S-wave: $K^+K^-\pi^+$ & $K^+K^-K^0$

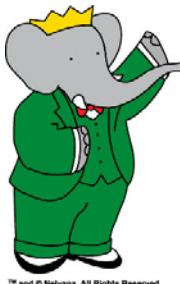


- Recent observation of $B^+ \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+$:
 $BF = (5.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-6}$
(429 ± 43 events, 9.6σ)
- Broad peak at $\sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ in KK mass
- No $\Phi \rightarrow$ peak not coming from $s\bar{s}$?



Scalars at $\sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ also in
 $B^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-K^0$ and $B^+ \rightarrow K^+K^+K^-$:
 $m = 1539 \pm 20 \text{ MeV}$, $\Gamma = 257 \pm 33 \text{ MeV}$

$B \rightarrow KKK$ modes dominated by
non-resonant which is
not uniform in phase space

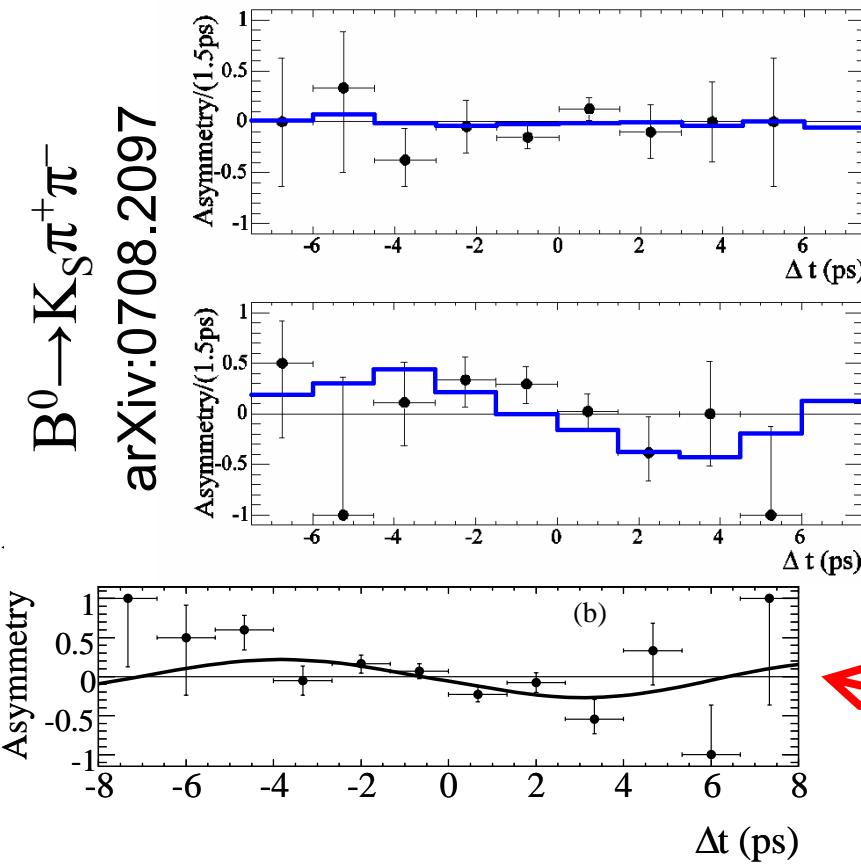


β_{eff} (loop $b \rightarrow s$) vs β (tree $b \rightarrow c$)



NP in $b \rightarrow s$ loop? c.f. $A_{\text{CP}}(\Delta t)$ of $b \rightarrow c$ tree

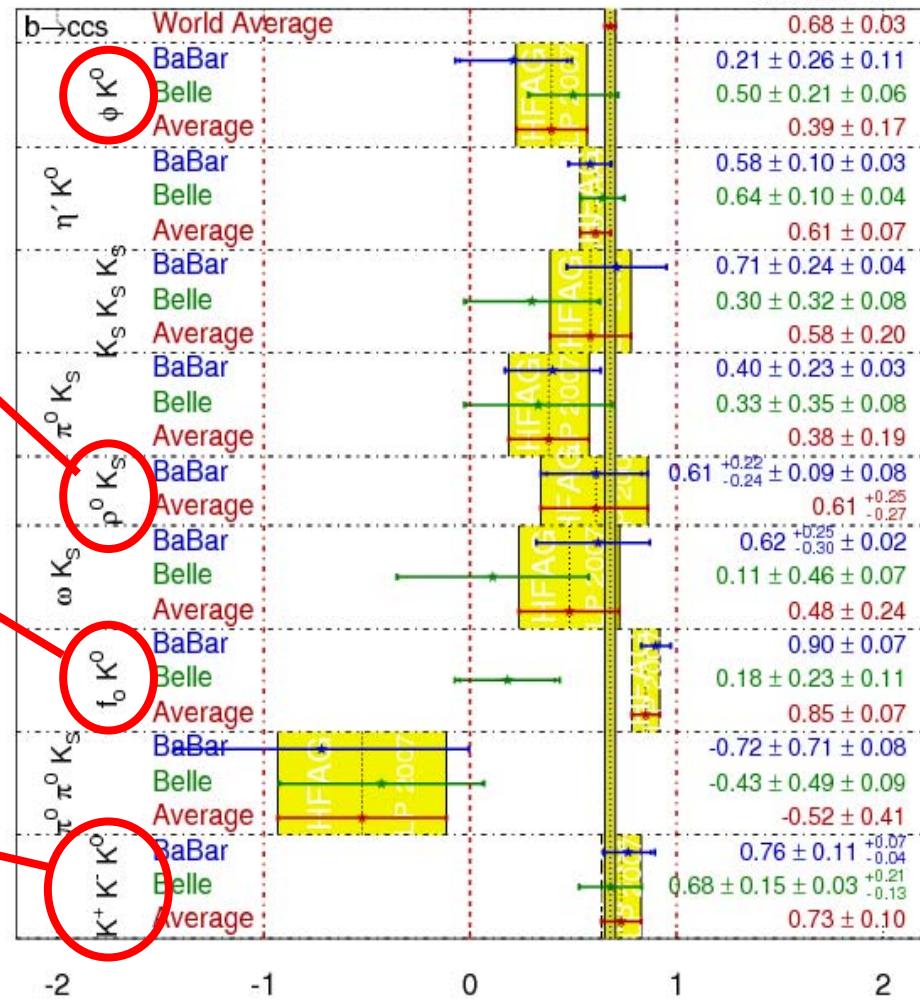
Dalitz extracts β_{eff} instead of $\sin 2\beta_{\text{eff}}$
 → exclude $\pi/2 - \beta_{\text{eff}}$ at 4.5σ ($K^+ K^- K^0$)

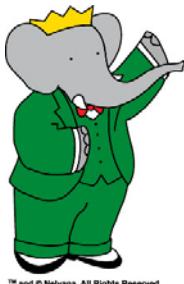


$$\sin(2\beta^{\text{eff}}) \equiv \sin(2\phi_1^{\text{eff}})$$

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PRELIMINARY





$B \rightarrow a_1 h$ and α

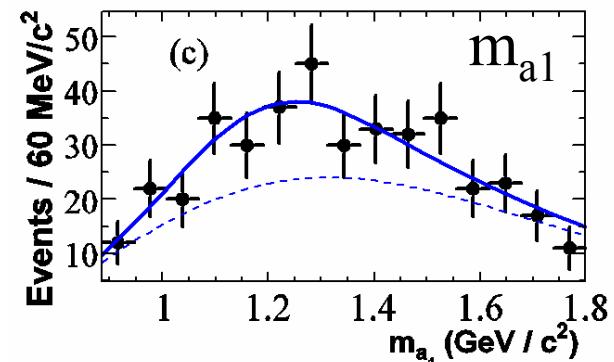
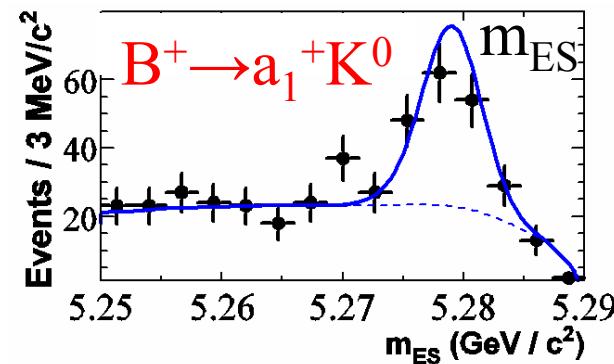
- TD $B^0 \rightarrow a_1(1260)\pi$ measured $\alpha_{\text{eff}} = (78.6 \pm 7.3)^\circ$ (PRL98:181803)
- Loop diagram pollution $\rightarrow \alpha_{\text{eff}} \neq \alpha$
- Bound $\Delta\alpha = |\alpha - \alpha_{\text{eff}}|$ from SU(3) (PRD73:057502)
 \rightarrow need BFs of $B \rightarrow a_1(1260)K$, $B \rightarrow K_1(1270)\pi$, $B \rightarrow K_1(1400)\pi$
- Observed $B^0 \rightarrow a_1(1260)^- K^+$ (5.1σ),
(PRL100:051803) $B^+ \rightarrow a_1(1260)^+ K^0$ (6.2σ)

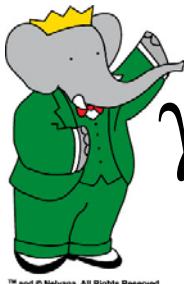
$$\text{BF}(B^0 \rightarrow a_1(1260)^- K^+) \times \text{BF}(a_1^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-) =$$

$$= (8.2 \pm 1.5 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{BF}(B^+ \rightarrow a_1(1260)^+ K^0) \times \text{BF}(a_1^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-) =$$

$$= (17.4 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.2) \times 10^{-6}$$

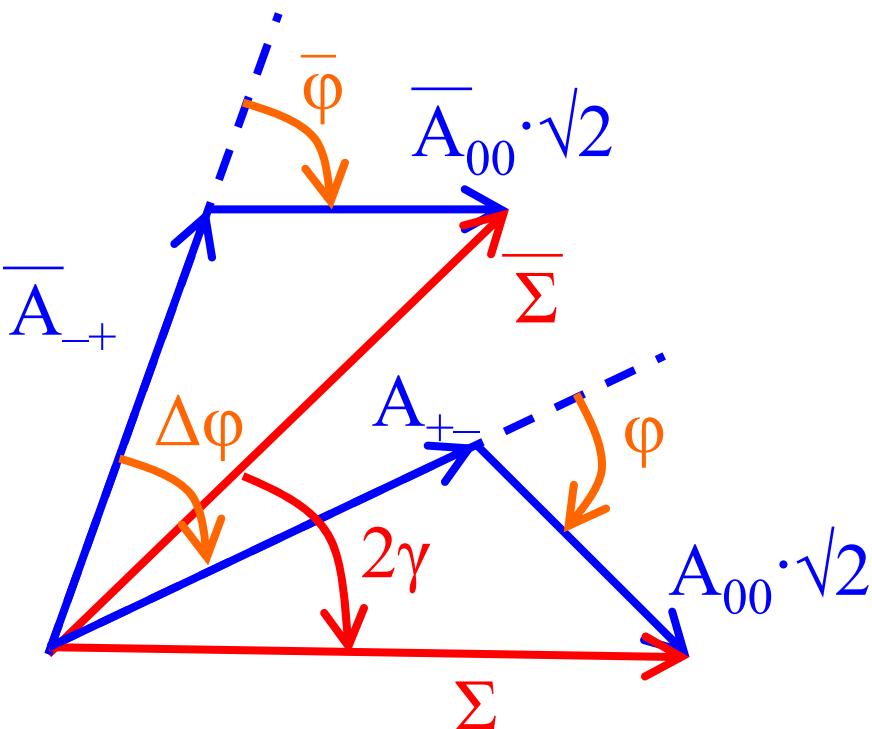




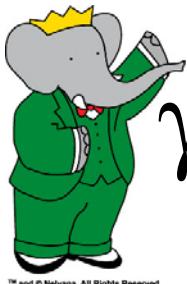
γ (CPS): $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$, $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$



- Phase between tree and loop diagrams in $B \rightarrow K\pi\pi$ is γ .
 - γ from $K^{*+}\pi^- - K^{*0}\pi^0$ interference in $K^+\pi^-\pi^0$ (CPS PRD74:051301 & GPSZ PRD75:014002)
- Cancel loop diagrams using isospin:



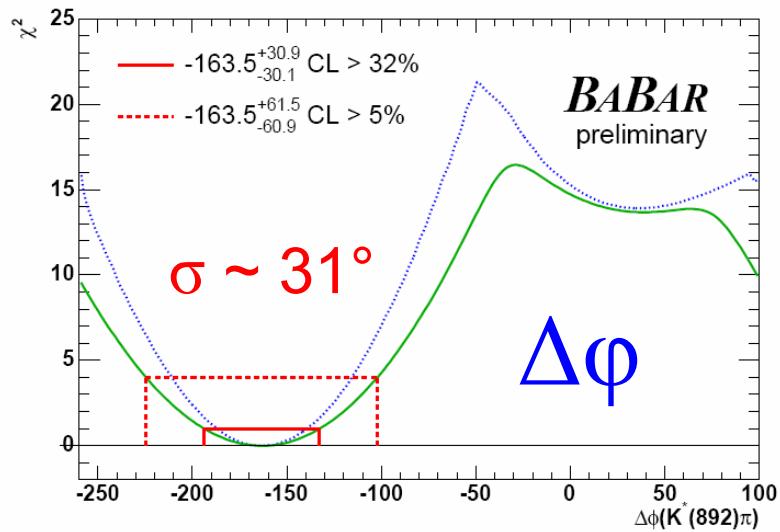
- A_{ij} = Amplitude ($B^0 \rightarrow K^{*i}\pi^j$)
- $\Sigma = A_+ + A_{00} \cdot \sqrt{2}$
- angle between $\bar{\Sigma}$ and Σ is 2γ
(in the absence of EW loop diagrams)
→ need $|A_{ij}|$ and rel. phases $\phi, \bar{\phi}, \Delta\phi$
→ need Dalitz analysis of
 $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ and $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$



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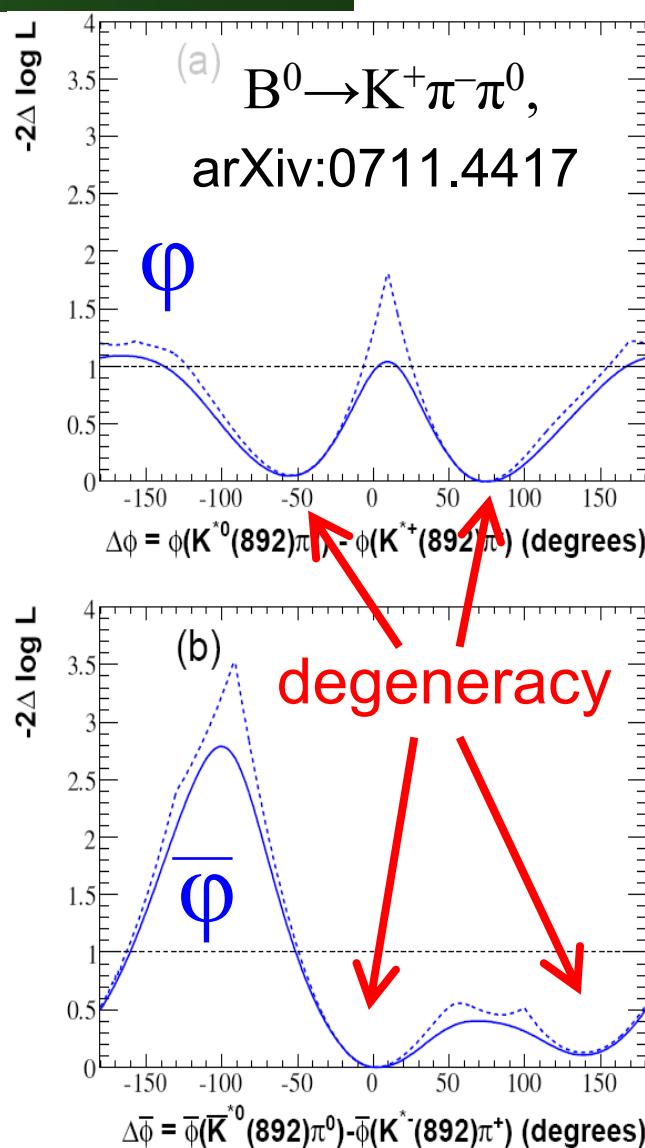
- $|A_{ij}| \leftrightarrow \text{BFs}$, so well measured, small errors
- $\Delta\phi$ measured in Dalitz $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$
→ only 1 min in likelihood, reasonable error $\sim 31^\circ$
- $\varphi, \bar{\varphi}$ measured in Dalitz $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
→ likelihood has 2 minima within $\sim 1\sigma$
→ weak constraint on γ

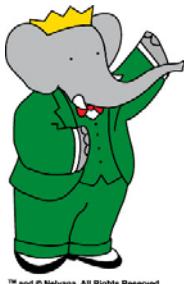


$B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$, arXiv:0708.2097

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Updating
 $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
analysis with
more stats!

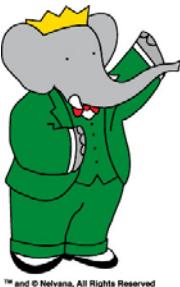




Conclusions

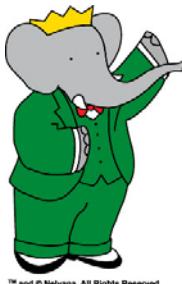
- BaBar is exploring many interesting topics in Charmless B decays:
 - Large DCPV: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ (3.7σ in $\rho^0 K^+$)
 - scalar and NR in KK: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+$ & $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- K^0$
 - β_{eff} from $B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 K_S$, $f_0 K_S$, ΦK^0 & high mass $K^+ K^- K^0$
 - γ via CPS – GPSZ: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$, $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$

...among many others!

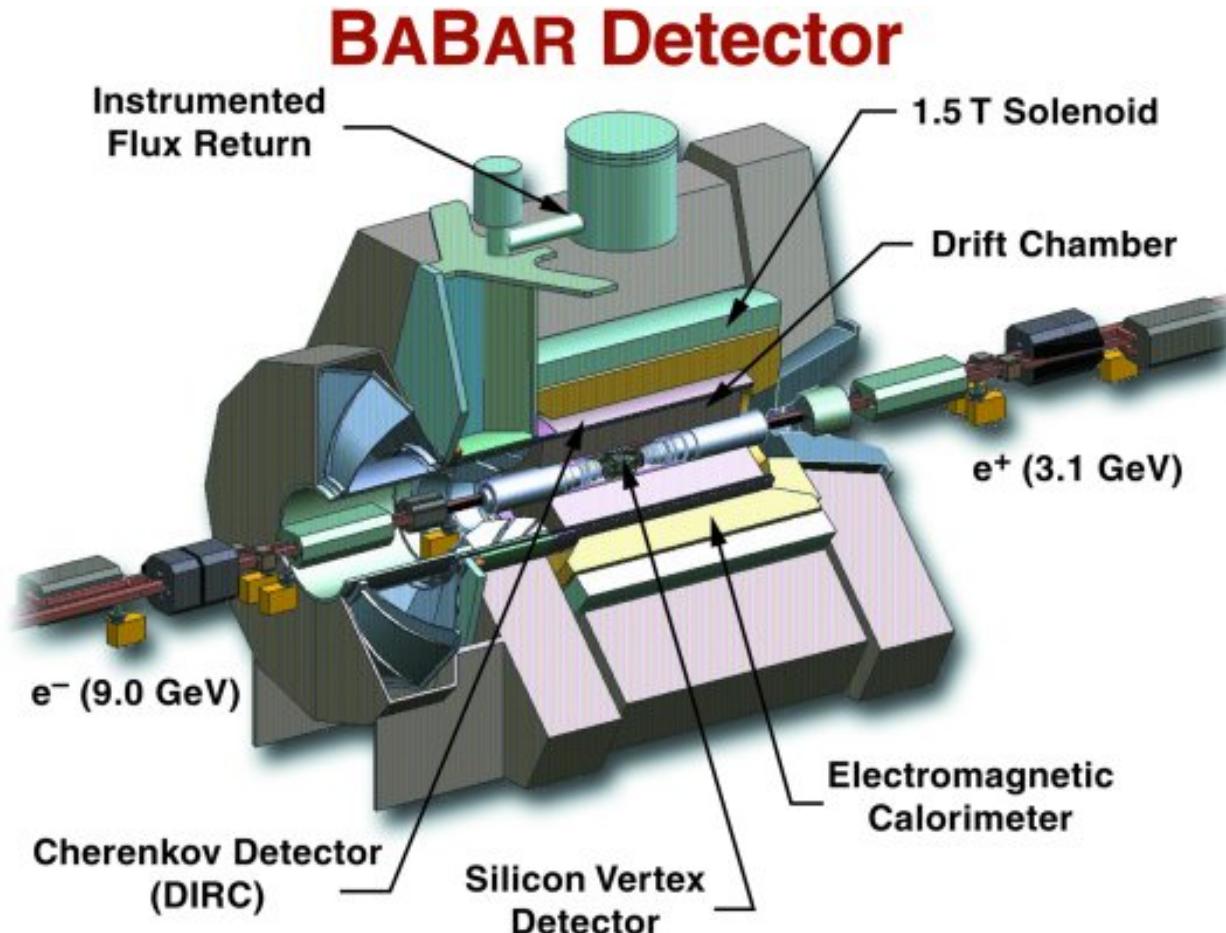


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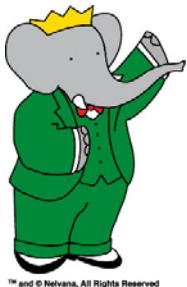
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The BaBar experiment



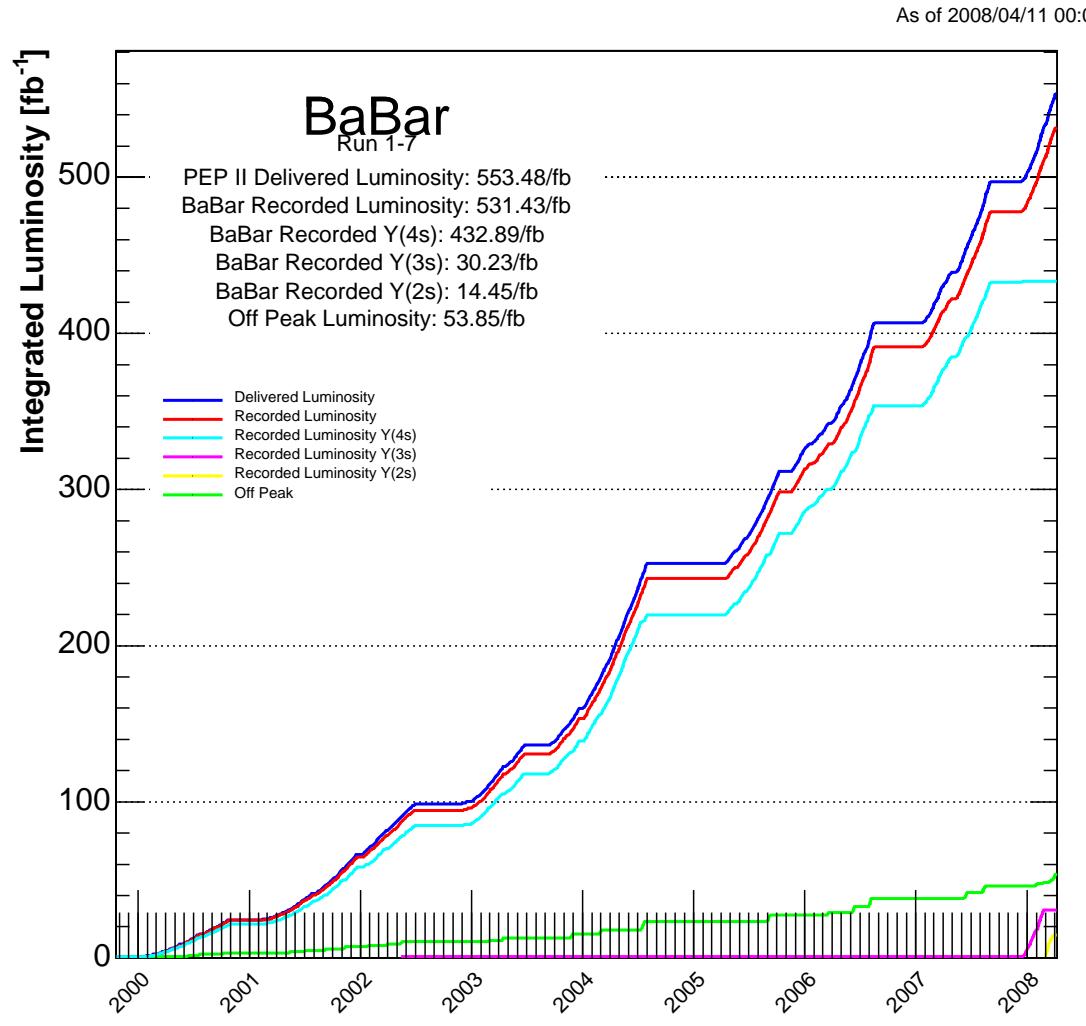
- Asymmetric energies:
boost $\beta\gamma = 0.56$
- $\sqrt{s} = 10.58 \text{ GeV}$
 $= m(Y(4S)) \approx 2 m(B^0)$
so $e^+e^- \rightarrow Y(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$
- SVT: $100\mu\text{m}$ resolution
in $\Delta z \sim \beta\gamma c\tau = 250 \mu\text{m}$
- SVT: good eff
for low p_t tracks
- PID from DIRC essential
for tagging
- Belle experiment similar

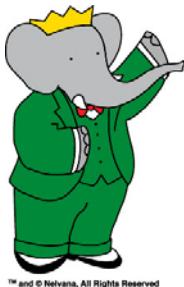


The BaBar experiment



- Y(4S) data taking ended Dec 2007: ~ 465 M BB
- Have recorded $\sim 30/\text{fb}$ on Y(3S) and $\sim 15/\text{fb}$ on Y(2S)
- Routinely collect data 40 MeV below Y(4S) peak for background characterization
- Finished running on 8th April

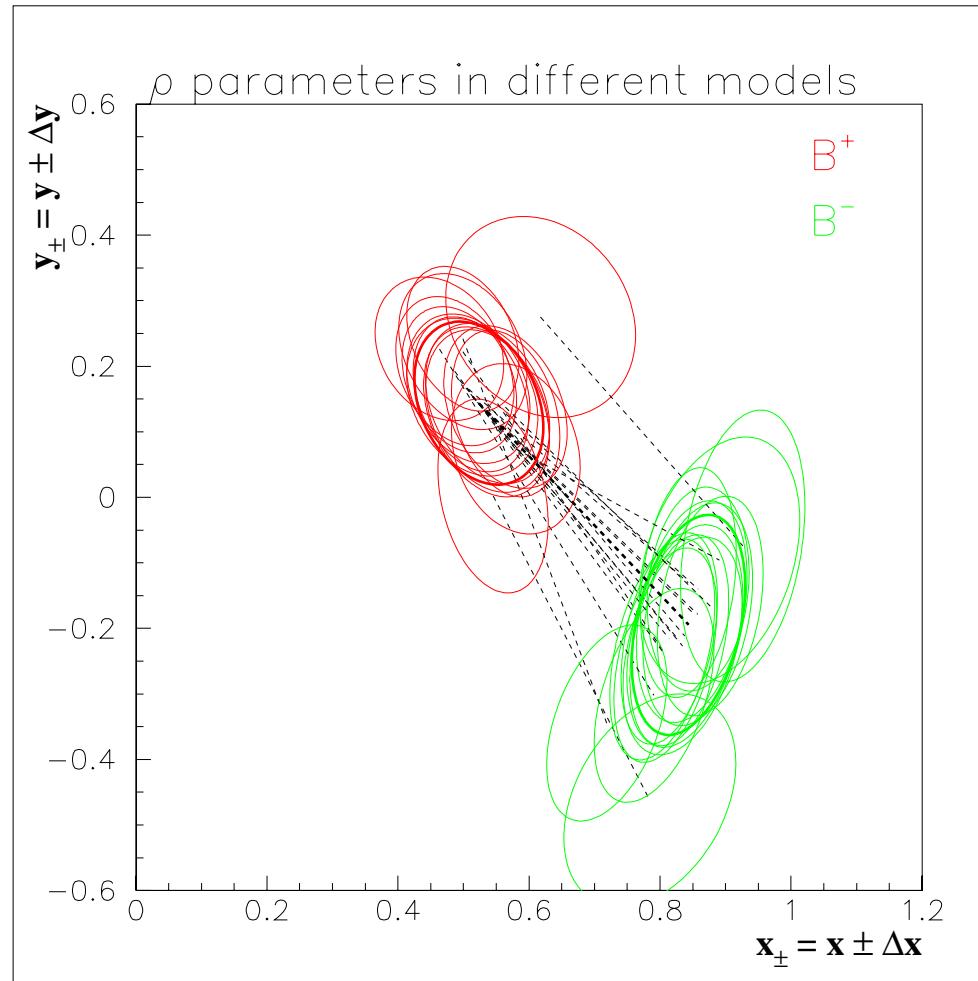


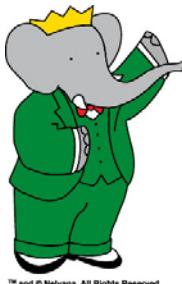


$\rho^0 K^+$ DCPV significance



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“Dalitz” analysis

- 2 degrees of freedom in $B \rightarrow P_1 P_2 P_3$, usually $m_{P_1 P_2}^2$ and $m_{P_1 P_3}^2$:
3 daughters x 3 p comp – 4 (E, p conservation) - 3 Euler angles

Resonances, bands of constant m_{12}^2 , m_{23}^2 or m_{13}^2
Overlap → interference
→ sensitive to relative phase
Observe intensity $|A|^2$, with $A \sim \sum c_i BW_i$ (Isobar)
 c_i characterize model so $|A|^2 \sim c_k^* c_l BW_k^* BW_l$
 $k, l > 1$ lift degeneracies
Ideal to measure phases!

