

New Results on
Radiative and Dilepton Decays of B Mesons
at *BABAR*

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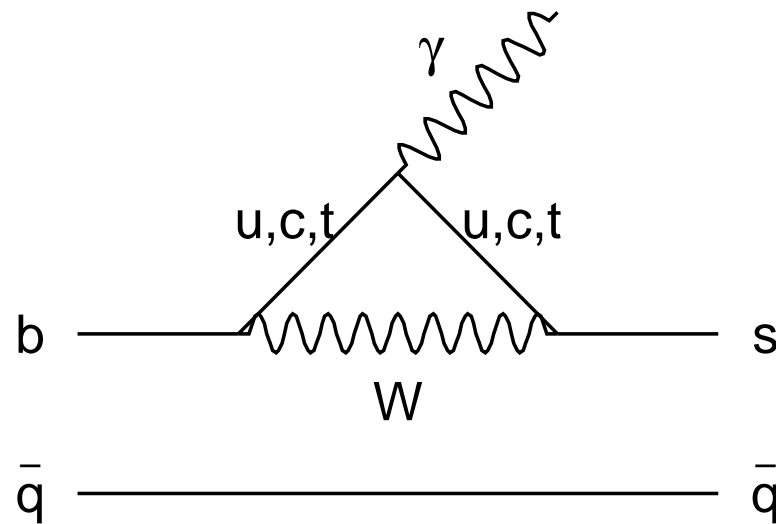
Radiative and Dilepton Decays of B Mesons:

- do not occur at tree level (unlike dominant B decays),
- thus branching fractions (\mathcal{B}) tend to be small (**rare decays**);
- leading diagrams in Standard Model (SM) involve loops (heavy quarks, W boson), and
- relatively low SM uncertainty for \mathcal{B} and CP asymmetry (A_{CP}), so
- **good place to look for non-SM physics**
(new particles can show up virtually in the loops).

B final states with new BABAR data:

- $X_s\gamma$ (two independent measurements; X_s is any strange state)
- $K^*\gamma$ (time-dependent A_{CP} measurement)
- $D^{*0}\gamma$ (search)
- $K^{(*)}\ell^+\ell^-$ (both $\mu^+\mu^-$ and e^+e^- included)

Radiative Penguin Processes



$b \rightarrow s\gamma$ in the Standard Model

(plus diagram with radiation from W ; $b \rightarrow d\gamma$ is similar).

Amplitude is dominated by t quark in loop. Thus

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_d\gamma)/\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s\gamma) \approx (|V_{td}|/|V_{ts}|)^2 \approx 0.04.$$

Non-SM contributions might have, e.g., H^- or chargino in loop.

Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ in the Standard Model:

- $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.57 \pm 0.30) \times 10^{-4}$ ($E_\gamma > 1.6 \text{ GeV}$) to NLO (incl. 2 loops)
Gambino and Misiak (2001), Buras, Czarnecki, Misiak and Urban (2002).
- **Current world average:** $(3.52_{-0.28}^{+0.30}) \times 10^{-4}$.
Heavy Flavor Averaging Group (2004), take with grain of salt.
- **Direct CP asymmetry is expected to be small:**

$$A_{\text{CP}}(b \rightarrow s\gamma) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(b \rightarrow s\gamma) - \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{s}\gamma)}{\Gamma(b \rightarrow s\gamma) + \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{s}\gamma)} = 0.0044_{-0.0014}^{+0.0024} .$$

New physics could increase this to as much as ~ 0.10 .

- **If $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ and $b \rightarrow d\gamma$ are not distinguished, predicted**

$$A_{\text{CP}}(b \rightarrow s\gamma + b \rightarrow d\gamma) \sim 10^{-9}$$

from U-spin symmetry and CKM unitarity – Hurth, Lunghi, Porod (2005).
Could be ~ 0.02 in certain new physics models.

Photon Energy Spectrum in Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

- Not affected by new physics.
- Two-body $b \rightarrow s \gamma$, smeared by motion of b quark inside B meson, characterized by Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET) parameters:
 - m_b (b quark mass),
 - μ_π^2 (a sort-of Fermi momentum squared).

Warning: running quantities – meanings differ among theoretical approaches (“schemes”).

- **Shape function** needed to extract CKM element $|V_{ub}|$ from inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ measurements.

Parameterized calculations of spectrum:

- Kagan and Neubert (1999, “**KN**”).
- Benson, Bigi and Uraltsev (2004 eprint, “BBU”, **Kinetic Scheme**).
- Neubert (2004 eprints, **Shape Function Scheme**).

The $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ calculations

- Smooth spectra, no resonances, *i.e.*, no $K^*(892)$
- Newer theories predict **truncated moments** and **partial branching fractions** above various minimum E_γ cuts, as function of HQET parameters.
- **Lowest moments more robust than shapes \implies measure the moments.**

But experiments still need predicted spectra

- to estimate experimental efficiency
- to optimize selection cuts
- to fit the measured spectrum

Photon energy in B rest frame is related to the mass of X_s :

$$E_\gamma = \frac{m_B^2 - m_{X_s}^2}{2m_B} .$$

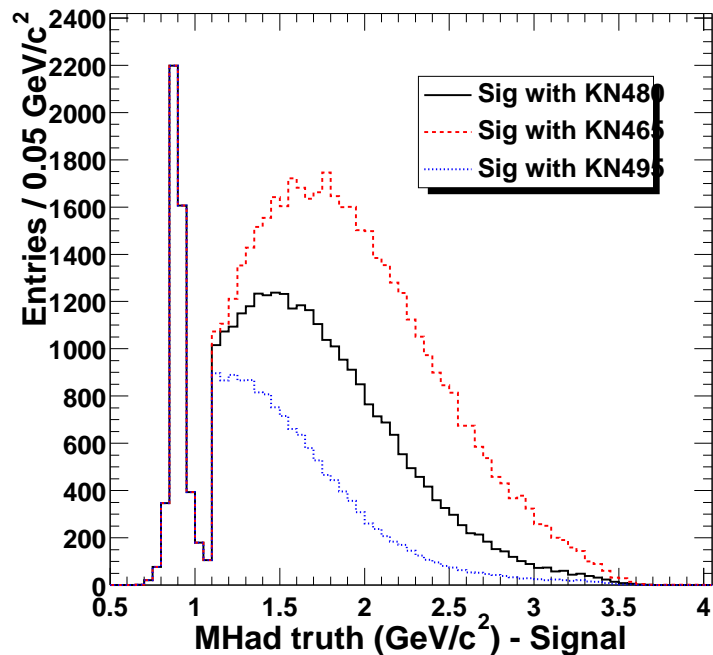
Models: we replace m_{X_s} spectrum below some cutoff by $K^*(892)$ Breit-Wigner of same area. Above cutoff, X_s is fragmented via JETSET.

Notation: “KN465” is this model based on KN with $m_b = 4.65 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.

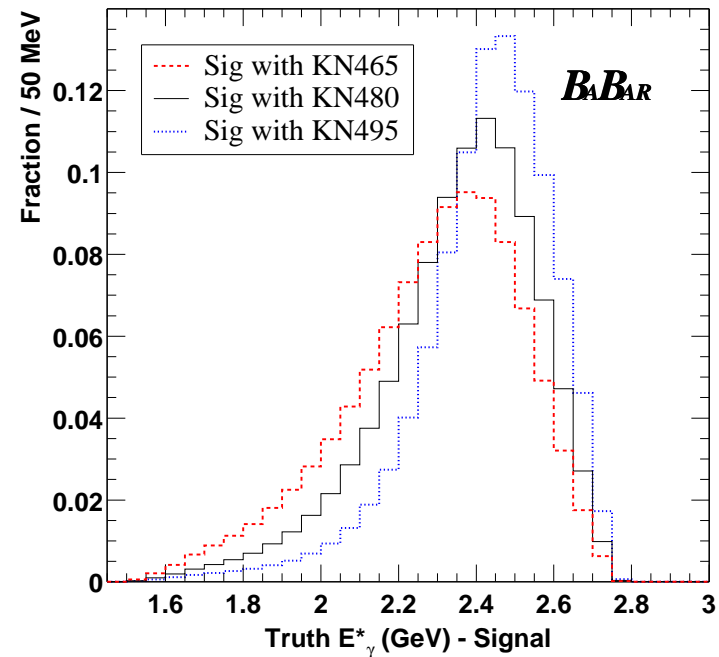
Photon Energy Spectrum in Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Left: KN spectrum examples (using KN's recommended μ_π^2 for each m_b) with area below $1.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ replaced by K^* . ("MHad" here is used for m_{X_s} .)

Right: Resulting photon energy spectra in $\Upsilon(4S)$ frame.



Normalized to same $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \gamma)$



Normalized to unit area

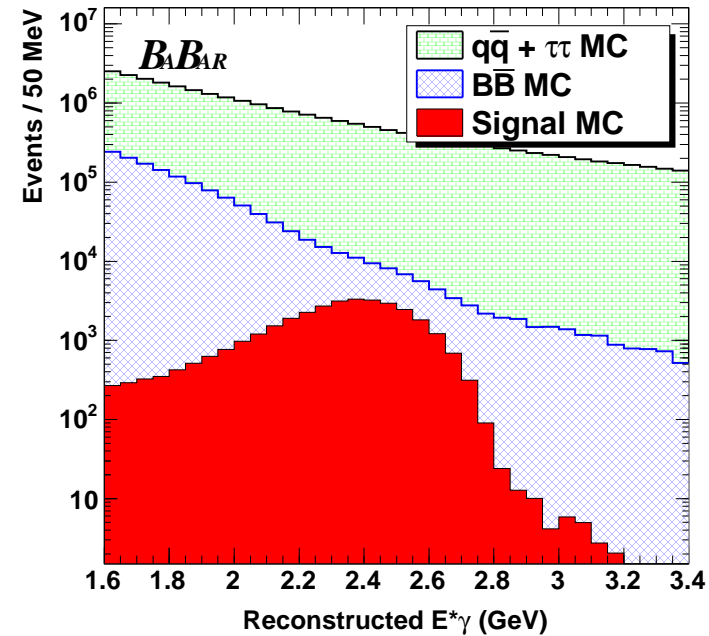
Backgrounds to High-Energy Photon from $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Other $B\bar{B}$ States

- Photon from meson decay, mostly π^0 or η .
- Neutral hadron fakes γ .
- Electron from $B \rightarrow X e \nu$ fakes γ .

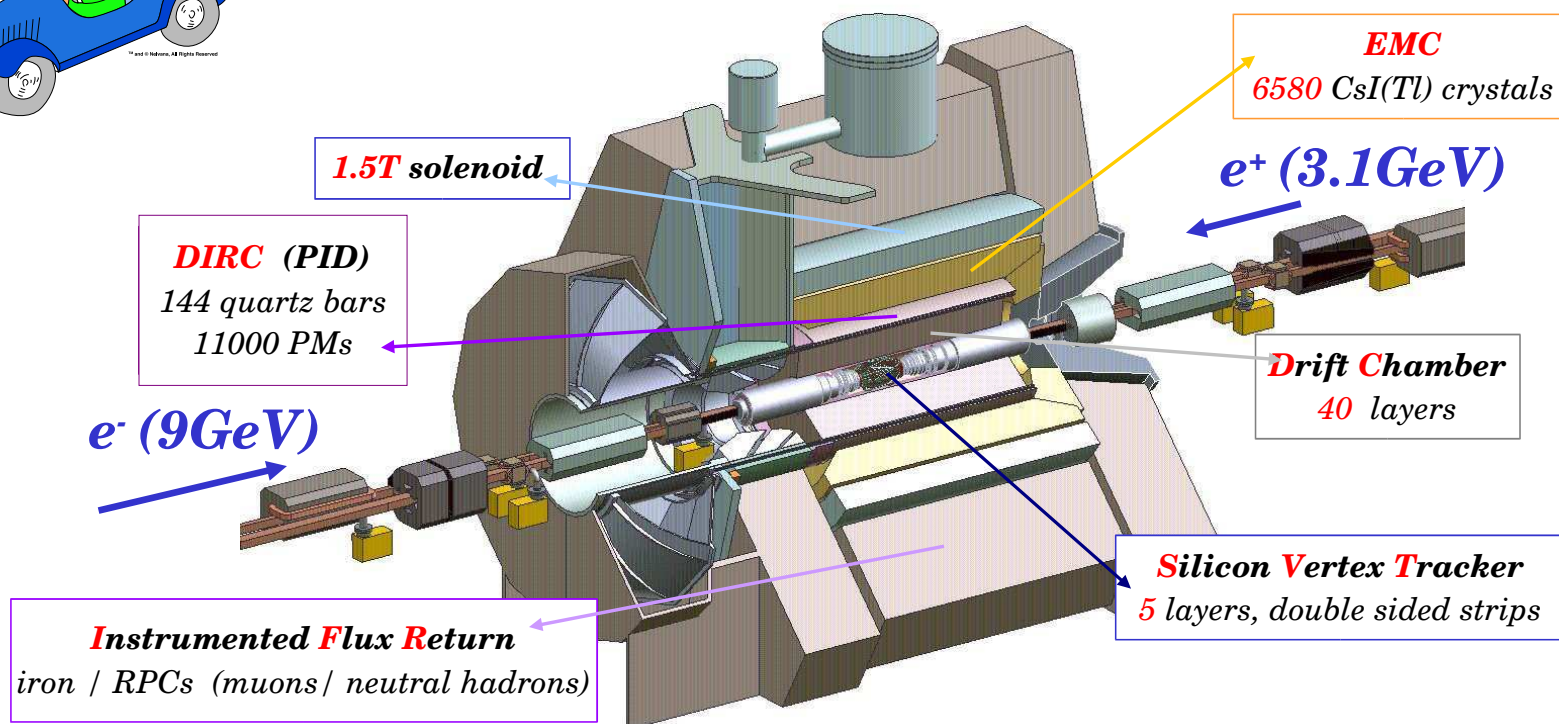
“Continuum” (e.g., other $q\bar{q}$):

- Photon from meson decay, mostly π^0 or η .
- Neutral hadron fakes γ .
- Initial state radiation.



From simulation, illustrated for photon energy in $\Upsilon(4S)$ frame.

The BABAR Detector



Two Independent *BABAR* Measurements of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$:

Both measurements (based on ≈ 88.5 million $B\bar{B}$ events):

- photon is vetoed if a parent $\pi^0(\eta)$ candidate is found.
- (differing) topological cuts to reduce the jetlike continuum background.

Sum of exclusive final states

- Reconstruct $X_s \gamma$ in 38 exclusive modes
- Kinematic constraints to separate signal from most remaining backgrounds
- Efficiency and fraction of unmeasured modes sensitive to X_s fragmentation
- Photon energy spectrum (from m_{X_s}) is directly in B rest frame

Fully-inclusive, with lepton tagging

- Detect photon, do not reconstruct X_s state.
- High-momentum lepton “tag” to greatly reduce continuum background
- Then subtract continuum using off-resonance data (≈ 40 MeV below $\Upsilon(4S)$)
- Little sensitivity to fragmentation details
- Photon energy spectrum is in $\Upsilon(4S)$ cm frame.

BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States

38 X_s States in all:

- K^\pm or K_S^0 plus one to four pions, including up to two π^0 , or
- K^\pm or K_S^0 plus one η , plus zero to two pions (one can be π^0), or
- Three kaons (one can be K_S^0) plus zero or one pion.

Standard B -Factory quantities for constraining exclusive states:

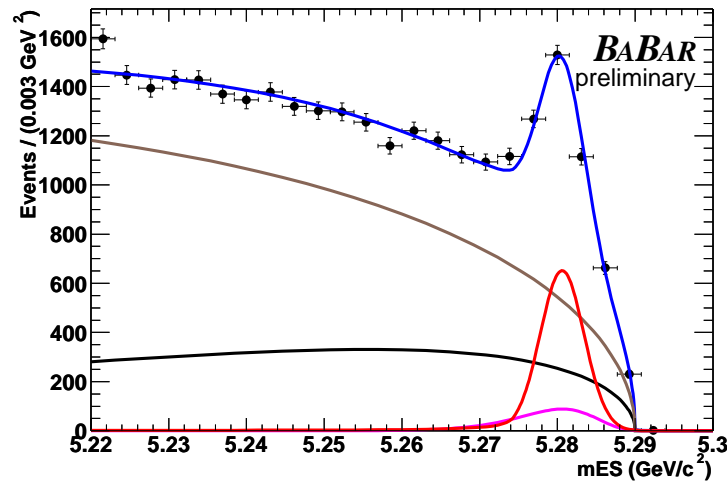
$$\Delta E \equiv E_B^* - \sqrt{s}/2 \quad \text{and} \quad m_{ES} \equiv \sqrt{(\sqrt{s}/2)^2 - p_B^{*2}}$$

where E_B^* and p_B^* are B energy and momentum in $\Upsilon(4S)$ (*) frame.

- **Select best B candidate from minimum $|\Delta E|$, max. cut of 0.07 to 0.10 GeV.**
- **Fit m_{ES} spectrum to sum of signal, continuum background and $B\bar{B}$ plus crossfeed background, in each 100-MeV bin of m_{X_s} .**
- **Similar fit in full m_{X_s} range, for partial branching fraction.**

BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States

Fit to Data for full m_{X_s} range (0.6 to 2.8 GeV)



Signal: yield floated, “Crystal Ball” shape is fit to MC simulation.

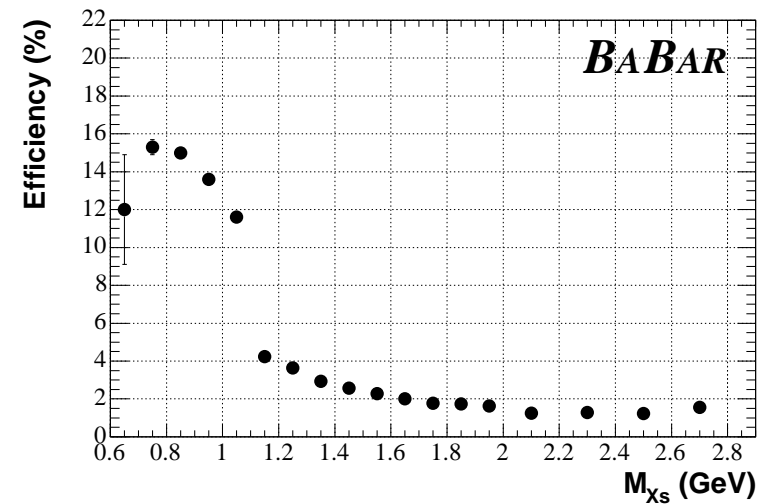
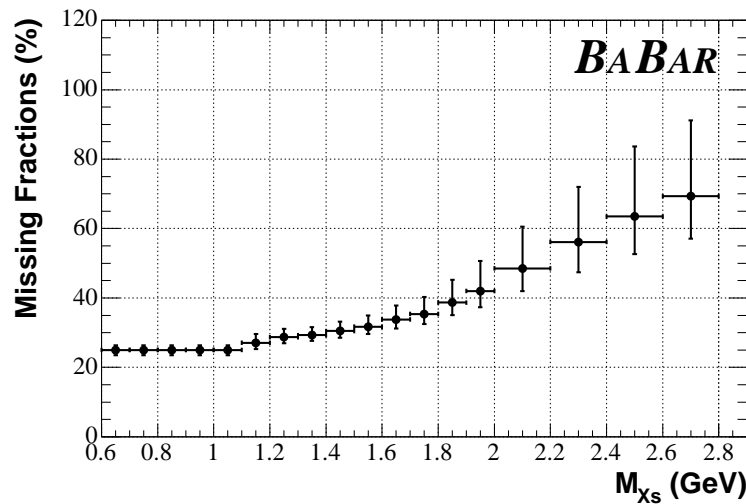
Continuum: from MC, with single-parameter ARGUS shape.

Peaking $B\bar{B}$ plus crossfeed, from MC (“Novosibirsk” shape).

Non-peaking $B\bar{B}$ plus crossfeed, ARGUS parameter floated.

BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States

Fragmentation: multiplicity increases with m_{X_s} . Measured mix of observed modes is used to correct fragmentation model and to estimate uncertainties on fraction of missing states.



Missing States

Dominant syst. uncertainty at > 2.2 GeV.

Note: K_L^0 is $\sim 25\%$ of all states.

Efficiency, not incl. missing states

Efficiency highest for low-multiplicity, hence for K^* region (mult. always 2).

BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States**Systematic Uncertainties for One-Bin Analysis ($0.6 < m_{X_s} < 2.8$ GeV):**

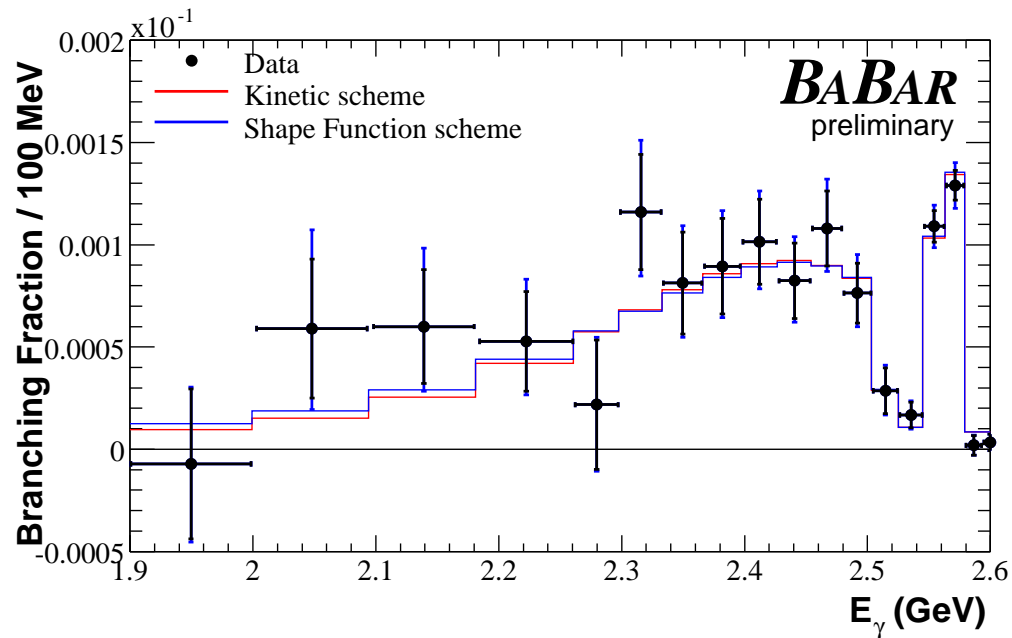
Systematic	Uncertainty
Particle Detection	6.1%
Fitting	+9.5% -2.9%
Peaking Background	1.6%
Fragmentation	5.9%
Missing States	+13.8% -7.6%
Miscellaneous	2.0%
Total Experimental	+19.0% -12.0%
Signal-model-dep.	+2.1% -2.4%

To get the branching fraction vs. photon energy E_γ :

- 1) Correct fitted yield for efficiency and missing fractions.
- 2) Normalize to total $B\bar{B}$ pairs (88.9 million).
- 3) Convert 100-MeV m_{X_s} bin limits to E_γ bins.

BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States

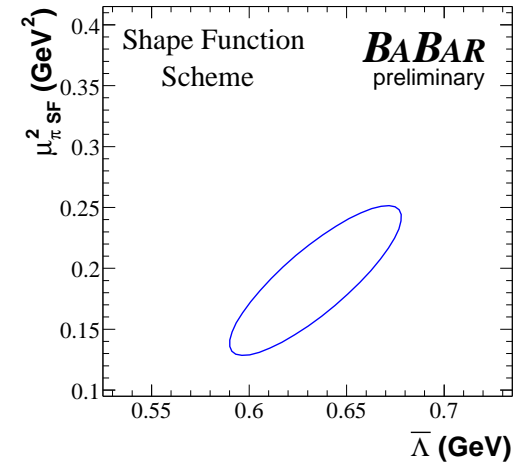
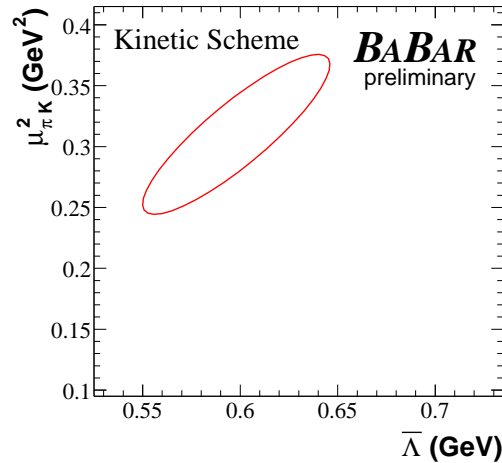
Photon Energy Spectrum



Fits are to **BBU (Kinetic Scheme)** and **Neubert (Shape Function Scheme)**, with $\bar{\Lambda} = m_B - m_b$, μ_π^2 , and the K^* transition point free.

BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States

One-sigma
Error Ellipses



Preliminary Results for HQET Parameters and Partial Branching Fraction

Scheme	$\bar{\Lambda}$ (GeV)	μ_{π}^2 (GeV ²)	PBF (10^{-4}), $E_{\gamma} > 1.9$ GeV
Kinetic	$0.59^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$0.30^{+0.07}_{-0.05}$	$3.27 \pm 0.18^{+0.62+0.12}_{-0.39-0.12}$
Shape Func.	$0.63^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$0.19^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	$3.31 \pm 0.18^{+0.63+0.02}_{-0.40-0.03}$

Errors on PBF are statistical, systematic and from variation of HQET parameters. Systematics dominate.

Prelim. Results, BABAR $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ from a Sum of Exclusive States

Extrapolated Branching Fraction (to $E_\gamma > 1.6$ GeV)

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.42 \pm 0.19^{+0.64+0.07}_{-0.41-0.08}) \times 10^{-4} \quad (\text{ave. from two schemes})$$

Errors are statistical, systematic and from variation of HQET parameters.

Truncated 1st, 2nd and 3rd Moments – plots later vs. cut. For $E_\gamma > 1.999$ GeV:

$$\langle E_\gamma \rangle = 2.314 \pm 0.025^{+0.027}_{-0.014} \text{ GeV} \quad \langle (E_\gamma - \langle E_\gamma \rangle)^2 \rangle = 0.0273 \pm 0.0039^{+0.0037}_{-0.0022} \text{ GeV}^2$$

Isospin Asymmetry:

$$\Delta_{0+} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(B^0) - \Gamma(B^\pm)}{\Gamma(B^0) + \Gamma(B^\pm)} = -0.006 \pm 0.058^{+0.009}_{-0.008} \pm 0.024 .$$

Errors are statistical, systematic, and from the B production ratio.

Direct CP Asymmetry for sum of 12 final states (published)

$$A_{CP} = 0.025 \pm 0.050 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.015 \text{ (syst.)}$$

BABAR Fully-Inclusive Measurement of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Background reduction is the primary challenge.

Continuum background

- Must be subtracted using off-resonance data.
 - Only 10.5% of total luminosity was taken off-resonance, *i.e.*, low statistics.
 - Strong cuts needed to suppress it *before* subtraction: event topology, and especially high-momentum **lepton tag** from “other B”.
- Net continuum/signal reduction $\sim 10^{-3}$.

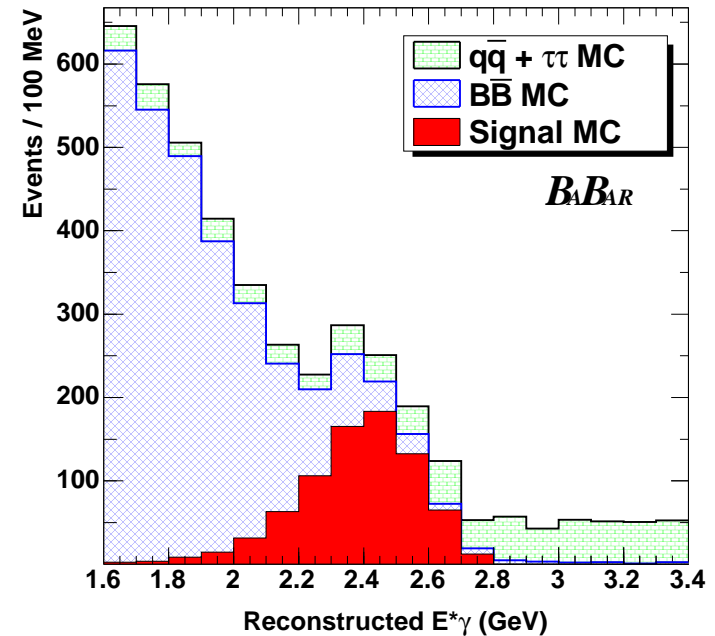
$B\bar{B}$ background

- Cuts (photon quality, $\pi^0(\eta)$ veto, etc.) reduce it 8 times more than signal.
- Remaining $B\bar{B}$ background estimated by simulation. For $2.0 < E_\gamma^* < 2.7$ GeV, 81% is π^0 or η decay, 8% hadrons (mostly \bar{n}), 4% electrons.
- Nearly all components checked against data and corrected, *e.g.*, $\pi^0(\eta)$ inclusive spectra measured using signal selection criteria (except $\pi^0(\eta)$ veto).

BABAR Fully-Inclusive Measurement of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Photon Spectra from MC Simulation, after Cuts – note the Linear Scale!

- Reconstructed E_γ^* in cm frame.
- “Step” at 2.3 GeV is due to relaxed $\pi^0(\eta)$ veto cut above that energy.
- “Signal” is KN480 model, including K^* .
- Off-resonance yield for 2.0 to 2.7 GeV is $\approx 1.9 \times$ MC expectation, due mostly to unmodelled processes, e.g., QED, 2-photon.
- Continuum dominates statistical precision.



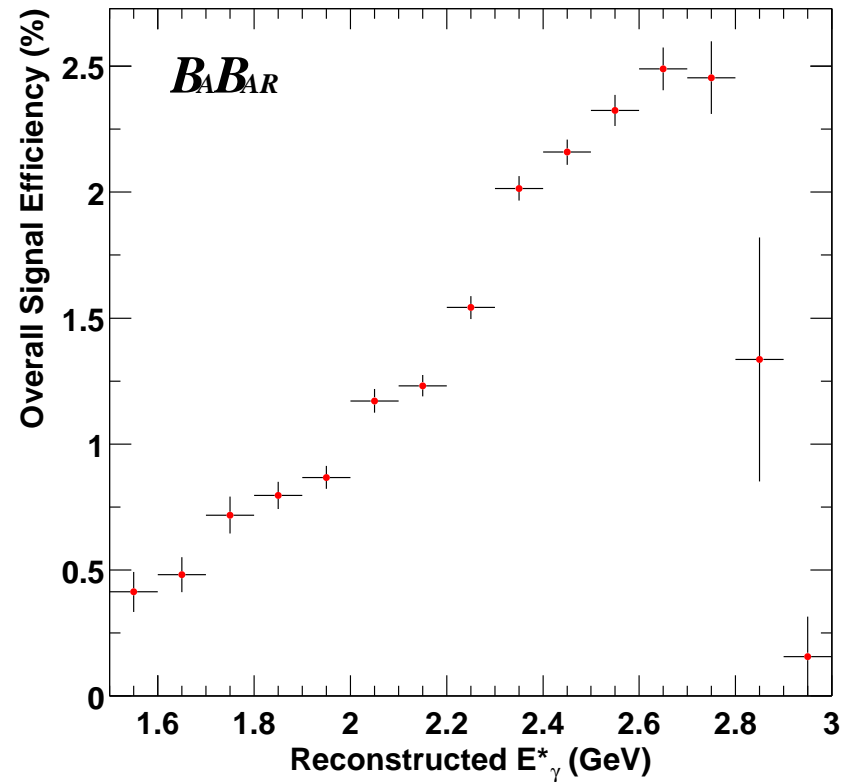
Normalized to on-resonance data luminosity.

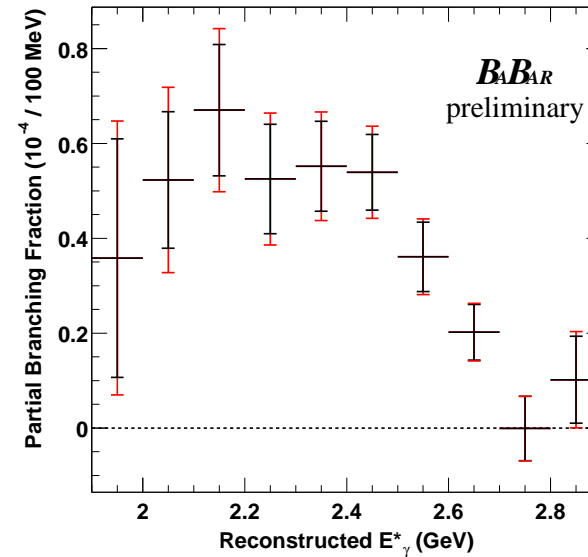
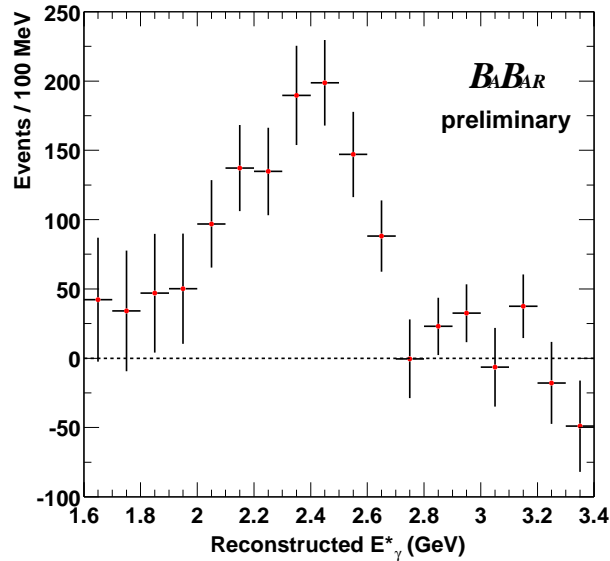
Regions below 1.9 GeV and above 2.9 GeV are “Control Regions” for checking $B\bar{B}$ and continuum subtraction, respectively.

BABAR Fully-Inclusive Measurement of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Overall Signal Efficiency

- Selection cuts optimized for statistical precision in $2.0 < E_\gamma^* < 2.7$ GeV.
- Strong energy-dependence to efficiency, due primarily to topological cuts.
- **But no significant dependence on fragmentation model.**





Signal = On-res. data minus scaled
Off-res. data minus corrected $B\bar{B}$

Errors: stat. \oplus $B\bar{B}$ systematics

1.6 to 1.9 GeV Control Region:

123 ± 64 (stat.) ± 54 (syst.) events;

KN465 (KN480) model \Rightarrow 39 (17).

Branching Frac. vs. E_{γ}^* (c.m.)

$$= \frac{\text{Signal Yield}}{2N_{B\bar{B}} * \text{Efficiency}} \cdot$$

Inner error bars: stat. only;

Outer: stat. \oplus all syst. \oplus

conservative model-dependence.

Syst. correlated between bins.

BABAR Fully-Inclusive Measurement of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Systematic Uncertainties on Branching Frac. for $2.0 < E_\gamma^* < 2.7 \text{ GeV}$.

Systematic	Uncertainty
Photon Detection and Quality	3.3%
Topological Cuts	3.0%
Fragmentation-Dependence	1.4%
Lepton ID	2.2%
Tag Efficiency	3.0%
$B\bar{B}$ Background	5.7%
Miscellaneous	1.7%
Total Experimental	8.4%
Signal-model-dependence	4.8%

Model-Dependence Uncertainty

- For wide range of KN and BBU model parameters, a **linear relation** holds between predicted efficiency and $\langle E_\gamma^* \rangle$ over 2.0 to 2.7 GeV.
- KN460 matched measured mean, hence used for efficiencies. (This is *not* necessarily a best fit – fits have not yet been done.)
- Uncertainty on efficiency was translated from measured $\langle E_\gamma^* \rangle$ uncertainty.

Preliminary Results for BABAR Fully-Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Truncated First Moments in B Rest Frame

- Compute $\langle E_\gamma^* \rangle$ above, e.g., 2.0 GeV.
- To obtain $\langle E_\gamma \rangle$ above 2.0 GeV in B rest frame, add small correction Δ for effects of calorimeter resolution, Lorentz boost, and cut on E_γ^* vs. true E_γ .
- A wide range of KN and BBU models was used to estimate Δ and its model-dependence.
- Measured for minimum cuts of 1.9, 2.0, 2.1 and 2.2 GeV (see plots).

Example \pm stat. \pm syst. \pm model-dependence (all numbers in GeV):

Cut	$\langle E_\gamma^* \rangle$ (with cut on E_γ^*)	Δ	$\langle E_\gamma \rangle$ (with cut on E_γ)
2.0	$2.304 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.005$	0.012 ± 0.007	$2.316 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.012$

Higher moments not yet available from this analysis.

Comparisons

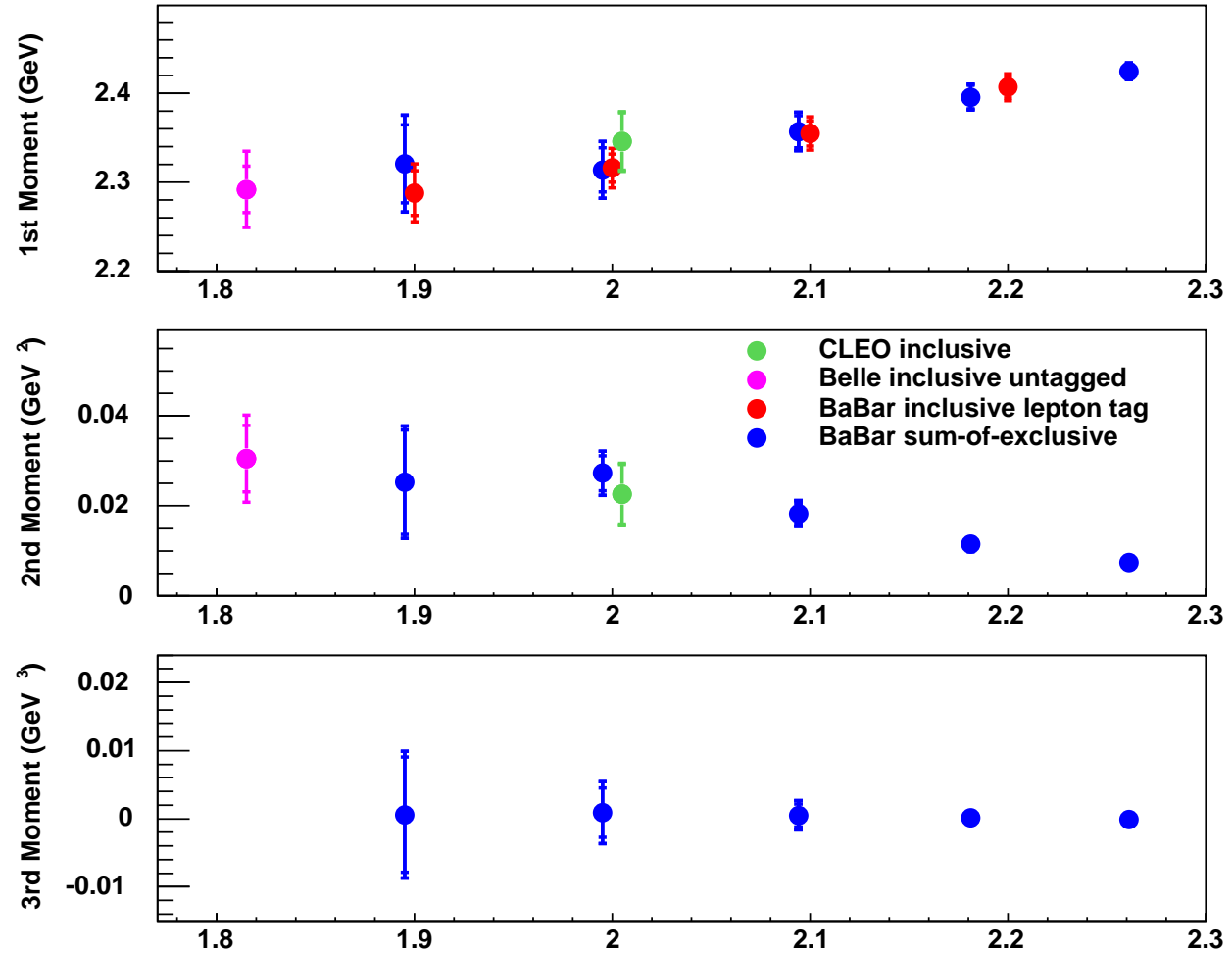
Truncated Moments
in $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ vs.
minimum E_γ
in B rest frame

$$1\text{st} \equiv \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle$$

$$2\text{nd} \equiv \langle (\mathbf{E} - \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle)^2 \rangle$$

$$3\text{rd} \equiv \langle (\mathbf{E} - \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle)^3 \rangle$$

BABAR data
preliminary



Preliminary Results for *BABAR* Fully-Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

Partial Branching Fractions in the B Rest Frame

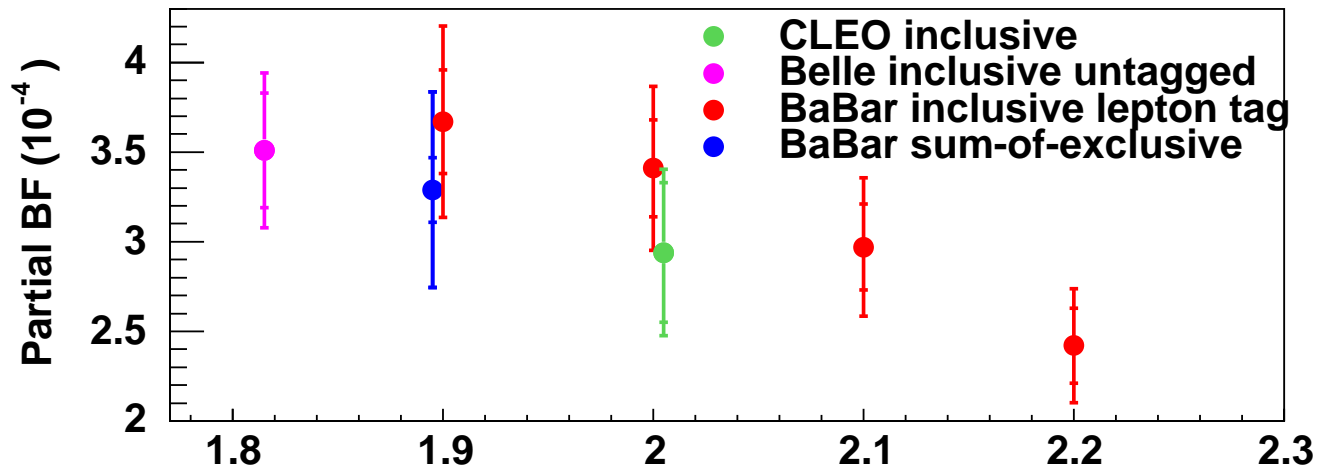
- Obtain Partial Branching Fraction (PBF) for E_γ^* above, e.g., 2.0 GeV.
- Apply correction factor of 1.07 ± 0.02 (model-dependence uncertainty) to convert to PBF for $E_\gamma > 2.0$ GeV in B rest frame.
- Correction is 1.13 ± 0.03 for a 2.2 GeV cut, 1.05 for 1.9 GeV cut.
- An additional factor of 0.96 ± 0.016 is applied to remove $B \rightarrow X_d \gamma$.

Partial Branching Fractions \pm stat. \pm syst. \pm model-dependence:

Energy range (GeV)	Corrected PBF ($\times 10^{-4}$) for true E_γ range, B frame
1.9 to 2.7	$3.67 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.34 \pm 0.29$
2.0 to 2.7	$3.41 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.23$
2.1 to 2.7	$2.97 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.17$
2.2 to 2.7	$2.42 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.13$

Comparisons of Measured Partial Branching Fractions

- $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)$ vs. Minimum Cut on E_γ in the B Rest Frame
- BABAR data are preliminary



Preliminary Results for BABAR Fully-Inclusive $B \rightarrow X\gamma$

CP Asymmetry

Positively (negatively) charged lepton from non-signal B tags the signal as containing a $b(\bar{b})$ quark.

$$A_{\text{CP}} = \frac{N^{+-} - N^{-}}{N^{++} + N^{-}} \frac{1}{1 - 2\omega}$$

where mistag rate $\omega = (11.9 \pm 0.4)\%$, of which 9.3% is $B\bar{B}$ mixing.

- The A_{CP} measurement is done (optimized) for $2.2 < E_{\gamma}^* < 2.7$ GeV.
- Additive bias correction of -0.005 ± 0.013 is applied for detector and background charge asymmetry, measured with control samples.
- Result:

$$A_{\text{CP}}(b \rightarrow s\gamma + b \rightarrow d\gamma) = -0.110 \pm 0.115 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.017 \text{ (syst.)} .$$

Time-Dependent CP-violating Asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$

- Measure time-dependent CP asymmetry via interference with $B\bar{B}$ mixing.
- If both B^0, \bar{B}^0 can decay to CP eigenstate f, difference in proper decay times of signal B and other (tag) B has distribution

$$\mathcal{P}_{\pm}(\Delta t) = \frac{e^{-|\Delta t|/\tau}}{4\tau} \times [1 \pm S_f \sin(\Delta m_d \Delta t) \mp C_f \cos(\Delta m_d \Delta t)] ,$$

where upper (lower) sign is for tagging B decaying as $B^0(\bar{B}^0)$, τ is B lifetime, and Δm_d is mixing frequency.

- C_f term survives integration over all Δt – corresponds to “direct” CP violation ($A_{CP} \approx 0.66C_f$), also observable in CP-conjugate decay modes.
- S_f term has information accessible only via time-dependence.
For tree processes in SM, S_f can be large ($\sin 2\beta \approx 0.73$ for $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$), C_f very small (0 for $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$).
- To date, CP-violation at tree-level is consistent with arising from the SM CKM-matrix phase.

BABAR Time-Dependent CP Asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$

- New degree of sensitivity to non-SM physics in radiative penguin process.
- **First mode investigated: $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ ($K^{*0} \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0$).**
(BABAR pub. based on 119 million $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$ decays)
- In SM, photon polarization from $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ ($\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{s}\gamma$) is mostly left-handed (right-handed), suppressing interference

$$\implies S_{K^{*0}\gamma} \approx -2m_s/m_b \sin 2\beta \approx -0.04$$

- Direct CP-violating asymmetry in non-CP-eigenstate modes of $B \rightarrow K^*\gamma$:
 $A_{CP} = -0.01 \pm 0.07$ (PDG, based on CLEO and BABAR).

Updated BABAR measurement for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ ($K^{*0} \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0$)

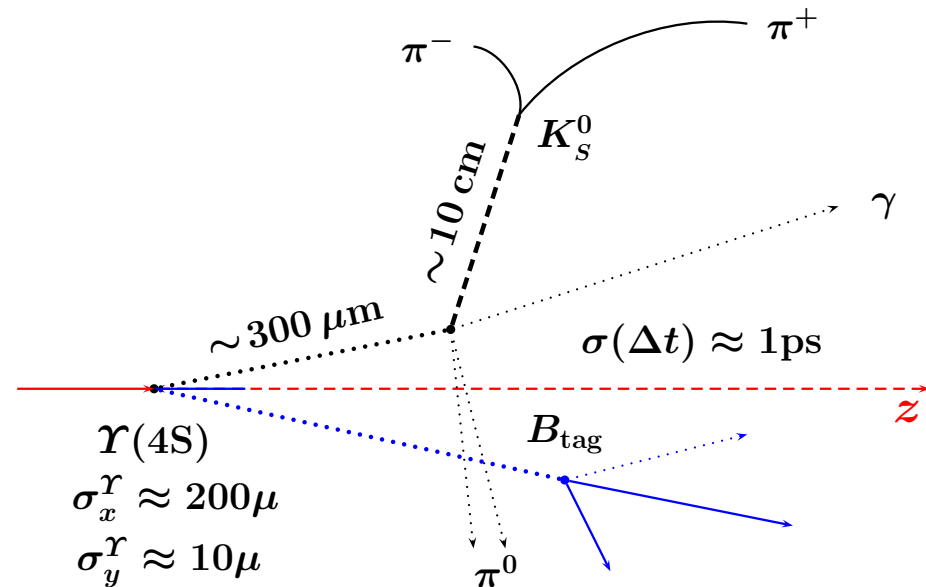
- 232 million $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$ decays.
- Signal events are selected using m_{ES} , ΔE , and background-suppressing topological cuts.
- Remaining tracks in the event are assigned to the other B , and used to determine its decay vertex position and tag “flavor”.

BABAR Time-Dependent CP Asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$

Vertexing (Lab Frame)

Δt and its uncertainty mainly depend on B vertex positions in z (beamline) direction.

Vertex fit constrains $\Upsilon(4S)$ vertex to run-by-run average e^+e^- interaction point.

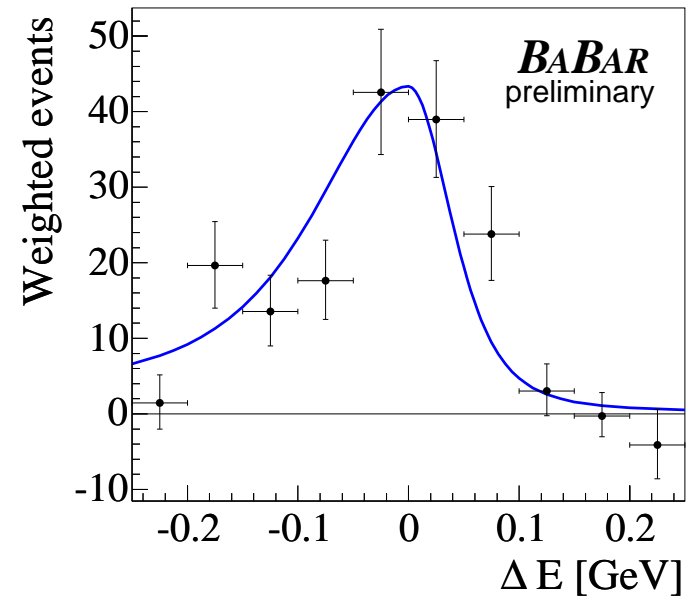
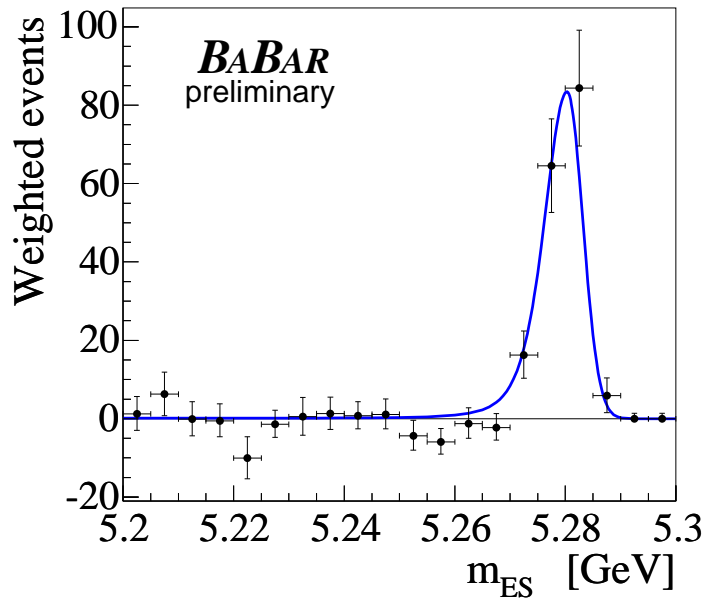


- $\sigma(\Delta t) \approx 1 \text{ ps}$, compare to oscillation period $2\pi/\Delta m_d \approx 12.6 \text{ ps}$.
- Measured Δt , m_{ES} , ΔE , m_{K^*} , flavor tag, etc. are inputs to **unbinned maximum-likelihood fit**.
- Fit uses separate one-dimensional probability distribution functions (PDFs) for signal, $B\bar{B}$ background, continuum.

BABAR Time-Dependent CP Asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$

Results of Maximum Likelihood Fit (Preliminary)

To visualize $K^{*}\gamma$ ($K^{*0} \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0$) signal, event-weighting technique (Pivk and Le Diberder, arXiv:physics/0402083) presents background-subtracted data:



Signal (points) and signal PDF (curves). Note photon-resolution tail on ΔE .

BABAR Time-Dependent CP Asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$

Results of Maximum Likelihood Fit (Preliminary)

157 \pm 16 signal events found, with

$$S_{K^{*0}\gamma} = -0.21 \pm 0.40 \pm 0.05 \quad C_{K^{*0}\gamma} = -0.40 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.04 \quad (\text{preliminary})$$

errors are \pm statistical \pm systematic.

- Largest systematic uncertainty is from possible CP asymmetry in $B\bar{B}$ background, 0.04 (0.03) on $S_{K^{*0}\gamma}$ ($C_{K^{*0}\gamma}$).
- Smaller uncertainties for vertexing and detector alignment.

Results of this statistics-limited measurement are consistent with the SM expectation of small CP-violating asymmetry.

Same technique for $B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0\gamma$ with $1.1 < m_{K_S^0\pi^0} < 1.8$ GeV:

59 \pm 13 signal events and 130 \pm 40 $B\bar{B}$ background events, with

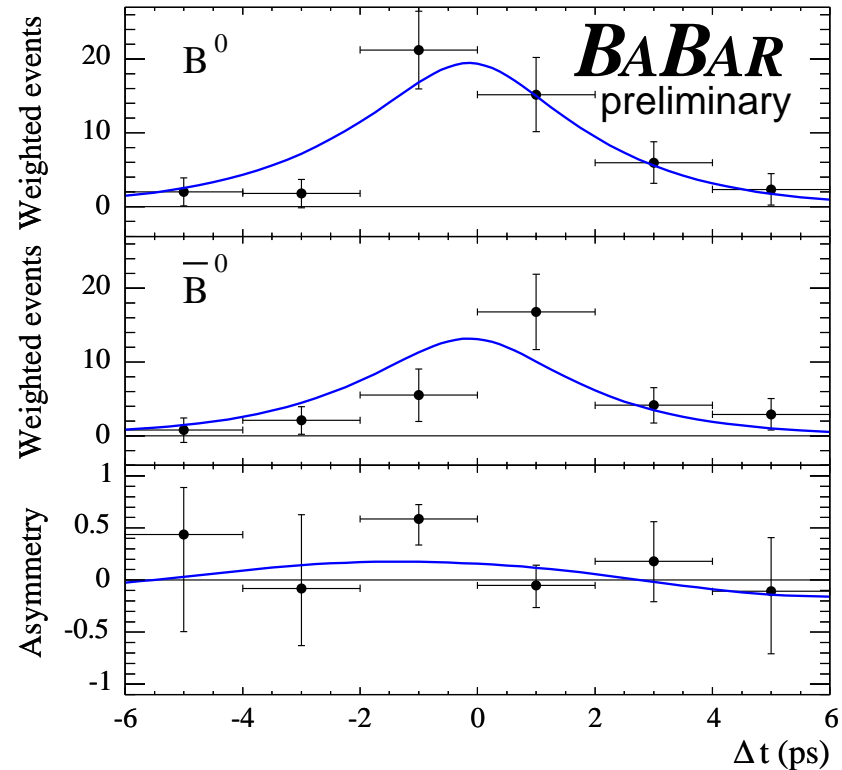
$$S_{K_S^0\pi^0\gamma} = -0.9 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.2 \quad C_{K_S^0\pi^0\gamma} = -1.0 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.3 \quad (\text{preliminary})$$

BABAR Time-Dependent CP Asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$

“Background-subtracted” Δt
distributions for
 $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ ($K^{*0} \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0$).

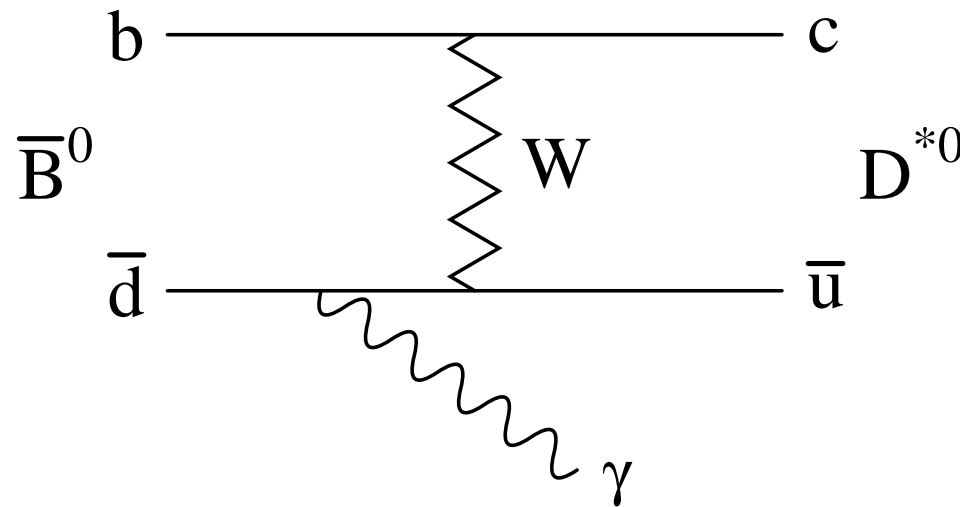
Curves are signal PDFs for
best-fit S_f , C_f

- Top: B^0 tag;
- Middle: \bar{B}^0 tag;
- Bottom: asymmetry.



A Search for $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ at BABAR

The rare decay $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ is one radiative process which does not occur via a penguin diagram. Rather, it involves color-suppressed W -exchange:



Predicted SM branching fraction $\sim 10^{-6}$.

A color-octet component to B wave function could raise this by factor of 10.

Previous limit (CLEO): $\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma) < 5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ at 90% C.L.

A Search for $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ at BABAR

We report a new BABAR search based on 87.8 million $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$ decays.

- D^{*0} candidates are reconstructed in six modes (23.9% of $\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma)$):
 $D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0(\pi^0, \gamma)$, with
 $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+, K^-\pi^+\pi^0, K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^-$.
- Among many cuts needed to suppress $B\bar{B}$ and continuum backgrounds:
 - For the primary photon ($E_\gamma^* \approx 2.3$ GeV), a $\pi^0(\eta)$ veto is applied, along with shower-shape and isolation requirements.
 - Tight cuts are made on the mass of D^0 candidates and on the D^{*0} - D^0 mass difference (2 MeV for the π^0 mode, 9 MeV for the γ mode, both $\approx 2\sigma$).
 - Topological cuts reduce $q\bar{q}$ continuum background.
- Most cuts optimized iteratively (with most other cuts applied) for maximum signal sensitivity.
- All cuts finalized before looking at signal-region on-resonance data.

A Search for $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ at BABAR

Use m_{ES} and ΔE to define the Signal Region:

$$5.275 < m_{ES} < 5.285 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad -0.10 < \Delta E < +0.08 \text{ GeV}.$$

Signal efficiency 1.8%, with relative systematic error 17% to 22%.

But background still dominates:

Expected signal in signal box = $0.4 \times (\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma)/10^{-6})$ events,

Expected background in signal box = 9.4 ± 1.7 events.

Background (some of which peaks in m_{ES}) estimated from simulation:

2.9 events from $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\pi^0$

5.1 events from other $B\bar{B}$

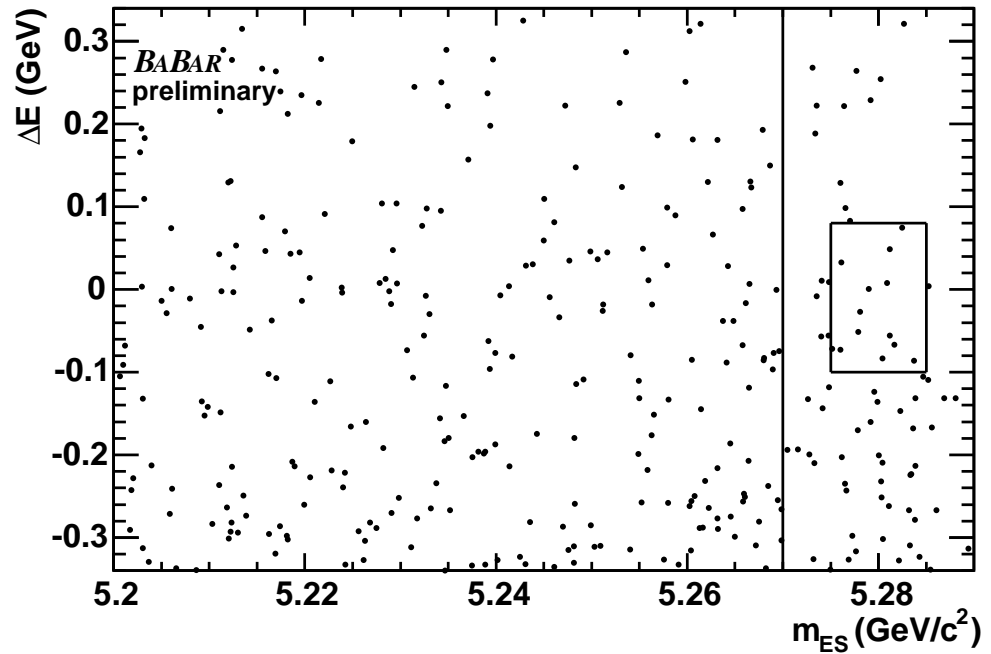
1.4 events from $q\bar{q}$ continuum

A Search for $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ at BABAR

The Data:

Signal Box at right,
Sideband is region left of line.

13 Events in Signal Box.

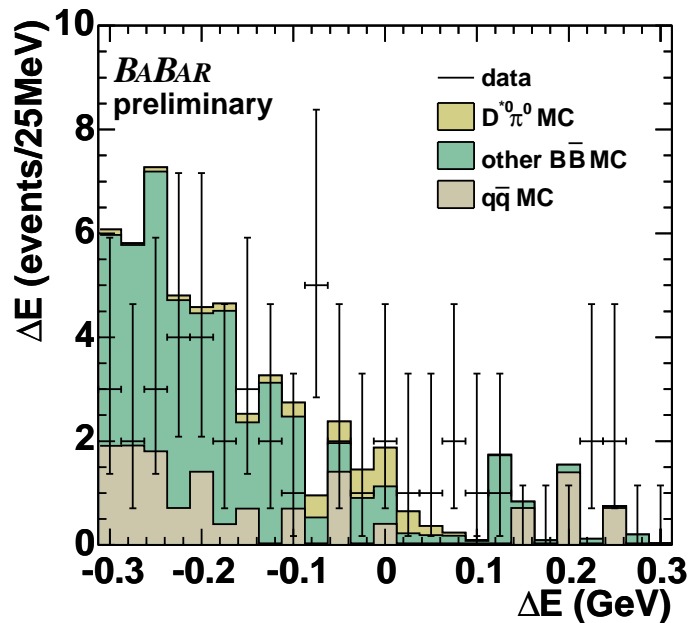


Sideband and $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\pi^0$ control-sample checks of backgrounds suggest systematic uncertainty 0.4 to 1.3 times the MC expectation of 9.4 events.

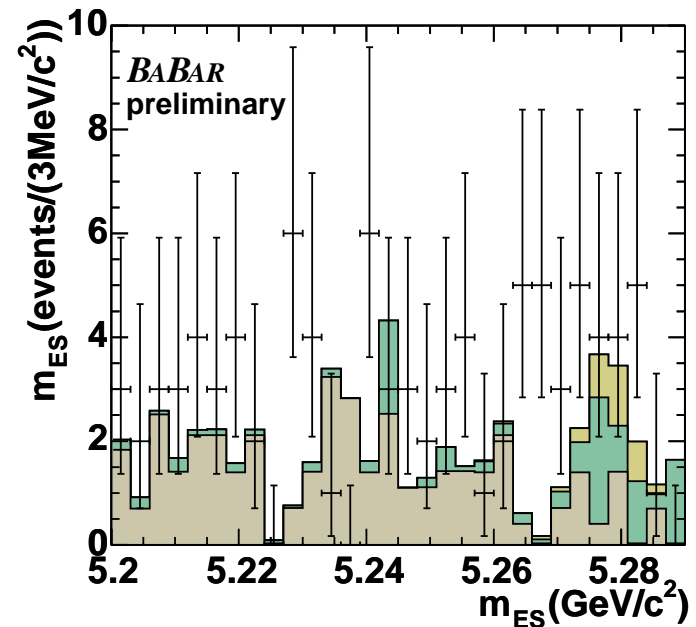
Thus observed data are consistent with background.

A Search for $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ at BABAR

Projected data distributions compared to MC backgrounds do not show any anomalies:



ΔE for m_{ES} in signal range.



m_{ES} for ΔE in signal range.

MC components are $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\pi^0$, other $B\bar{B}$ and $q\bar{q}$, top to bottom.

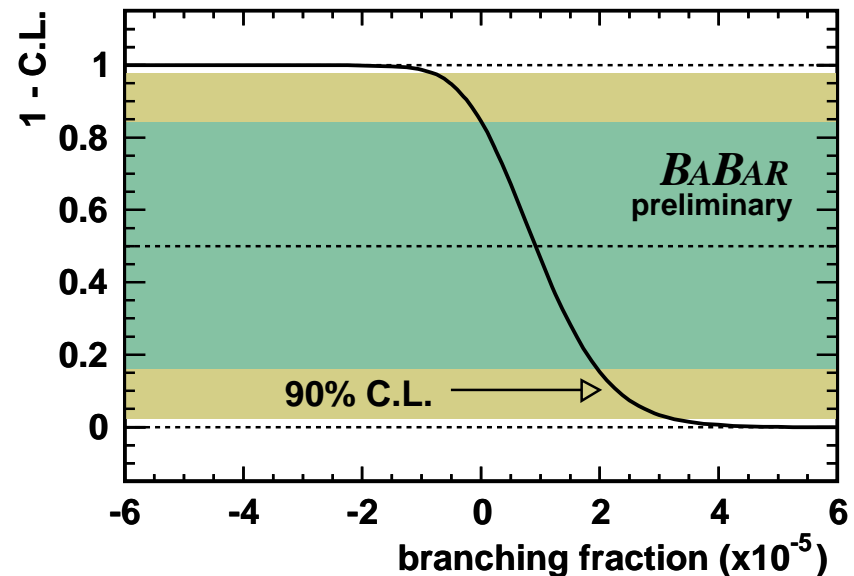
A Search for $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma$ at BABAR

Branching Fractions are found via a frequentist approach

(adapted from R. Barlow, Comp. Phys. Commun. **149**, 97 (2002))

The 6 decay modes are treated separately, incl. systematic uncertainties; for backgrounds, coherent factor of 0.4 to 1.3 is applied to MC predictions for each decay mode.

Central value: $0.9^{+1.1}_{-0.9} \times 10^{-5}$
consistent with 0.



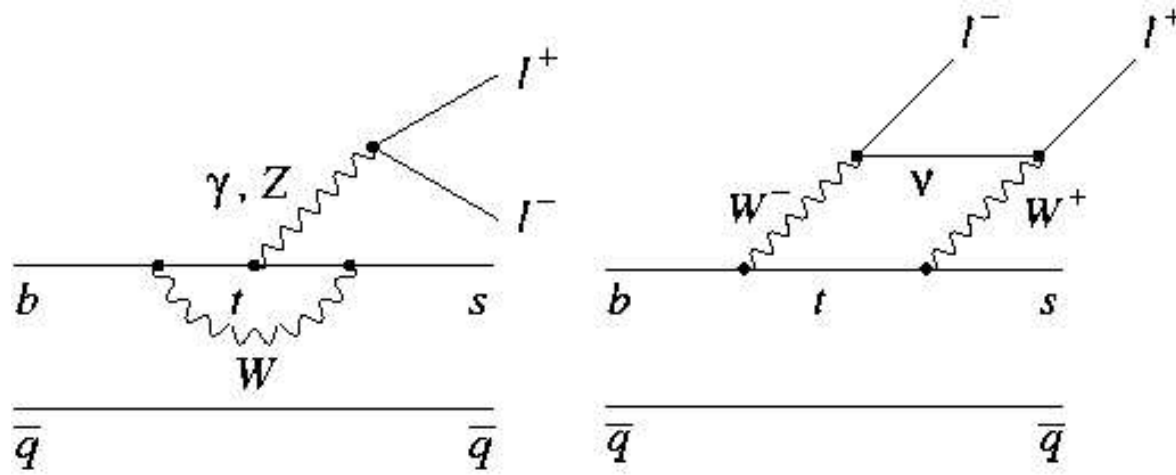
$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*0}\gamma) < 2.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

Factor of two better than previous limit.

Much more BABAR data already in hand.

Dileptons: $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$ Decays

- Dilepton decays $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$ add two types of lowest-order process to EM penguin of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$: Z^0 penguin and W box diagram.
- Dilepton invariant mass-squared q^2 provides an extra kinematic degrees of freedom, as does angular information for a lepton of specified charge.



Dileptons: $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$ Decays

Standard Model Expectations

- $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-) \approx 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$ and $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-) \approx 1.5 \times 10^{-6}$, both to $\sim 30\%$.
Uncertainties dominated by form factor computations.
- $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-)$ has large contribution from pole in EM penguin at $q^2 = 0$.
Effect for $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ is very small; $B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-$ has no pole. Thus:

$$\mathcal{R}_K \equiv \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \mu^+ \mu^-) / \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K e^+ e^-) = 1.0 ,$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{K^*} \equiv \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-) / \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-) \approx 0.75 ,$$

from Ali *et al.*, NNLO (2002).

- Excluding pole region ($q^2 < 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$), $\mathcal{R}_{K^*} \approx 1.0$.
- Direct $|\mathbf{A}_{CP}| \ll 1\%$ [Krüger *et al.* (2001)].

Non-SM contributions could result in large \mathbf{A}_{CP} and (e.g., supersymmetric neutral Higgs boson) of order 10%-larger ratios. Angular asymmetries – not yet measured by *BABAR* – could also be very sensitive.

BABAR Measurement of $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\ell^+\ell^-$ Decays

New BABAR measurement based on 208 fb^{-1}

- Belle first established $K\ell^+\ell^-$ signal from 29 fb^{-1} (2002).
Published BABAR measurement (2003) is from 113 fb^{-1} .

- Measurements are for 8 decay modes:

$$(\mathbf{K \text{ or } K^* \rightarrow K\pi^\pm}) \text{ and } (\mathbf{B^\pm \text{ or } B^0}) \text{ and } (\mu^+\mu^- \text{ or } e^+e^-)$$

The four modes $B^\pm \rightarrow K^*\ell^+\ell^-$ and $B^0 \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$ include a K_S^0 (π^0 not used).

- Bremsstrahlung-photon recovery for e^+e^- modes.
- Combinatorial continuum background – Fisher discriminant (topological variables, and $K\ell$ masses to reject semileptonic D decays).
- Combinatorial $B\bar{B}$ background, e.g., two semileptonic B decays – suppressed with missing energy, etc.
- Signal – peaks in m_{ES} and ΔE .
- Peaking backgrounds and “crossfeed” (from signal-like states with one pion missing or randomly added)

BABAR Measurement of $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\ell^+\ell^-$ Decays

Peaking Backgrounds

- $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}J/\psi(\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$ and $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\psi(2S)(\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$ – like signal, peaks in m_{ES} and ΔE , vetoed by cuts in $m_{\ell^+\ell^-}$ vs. ΔE plane. These provide high-statistics samples for validation of the analysis.
- $B \rightarrow D\pi$ with $D \rightarrow K^{(*)}\pi$ and both pions misidentified as muons – suppressed by vetoing $K^{(*)}\mu$ combinations consistent with such a source.
- Residual peaking backgrounds total 0 to 3 expected events per B decay mode, with systematic uncertainties below 1 event.

Systematic Uncertainties on Signal Efficiency:

- Dominant source is 4 to 7% model-dependence, from disagreement between theorists on form factors
- Total syst. uncertainties: 5 to 6% for K modes, 6 to 10% for K^* modes

BABAR Measurement of $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\ell^+\ell^-$ Decays

Maximum Likelihood Fits

- **Fits** are to m_{ES} , ΔE and (for K^* modes) $m_{K\pi}$.
- **Signal**: shape parameters from MC simulation or charmonium control samples.
- **Combinatorial**: product of ARGUS shape in m_{ES} , linear function of ΔE , two-parameter function of $m_{K\pi}$; plus small fixed term with K^* peak. Yield and all parameters floated.
- **Crossfeed**: shapes from MC, yield floated.
- **Peaking Background**: same shapes as signal, yield fixed from MC.

Fit Systematics (Additive) include uncertainties on signal shape (based on data vs. MC for charmonium samples) and on peaking backgrounds, and varying parameterizations of combinatorial background.

For combined K or K^* results, efficiency-corrected data are fit together, constrained to same $\Gamma(B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\ell^+\ell^-)$, except \mathcal{R}_{K^*} is constrained to expected 0.75.

BABAR Measurement of $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ Decays

Combined Fit to four $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ Modes

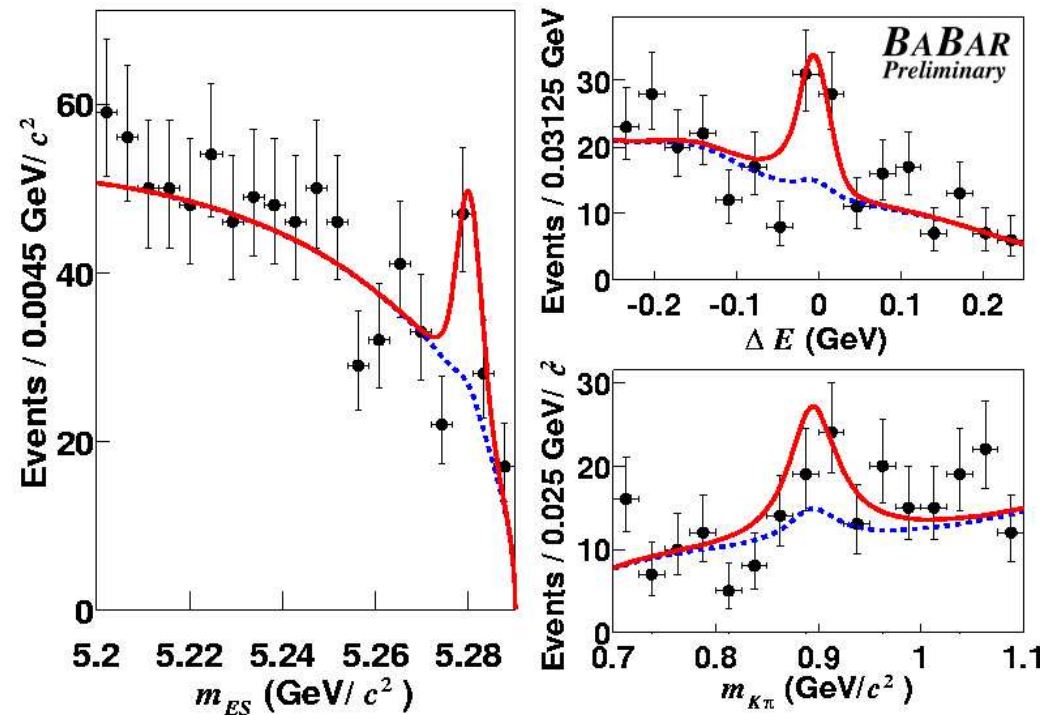
Each variable projected for other two in signal region:

$$5.272 < m_{ES} < 5.286 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$-0.07 < \Delta E < 0.05 \text{ GeV } (\mu\mu)$$

$$-0.11 < \Delta E < 0.07 \text{ GeV } (ee)$$

$$0.817 < m_{K\pi} < 0.967 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

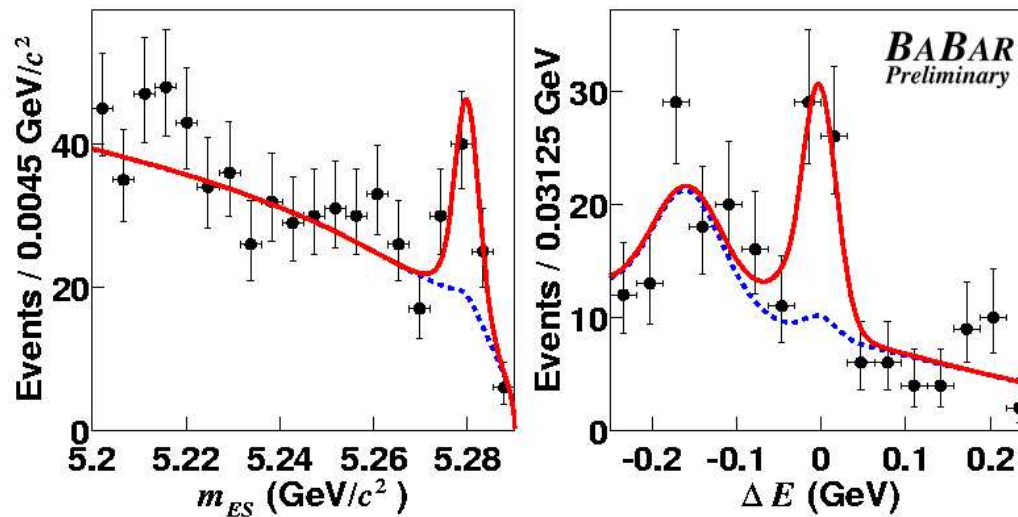


Total: Solid Red, Backgrounds: Dotted Blue.

BABAR Measurement of $B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$ Decays

Combined Fit to four $B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$ Modes

(Each variable is projected for other variable in signal region.)



Total: Solid Red, Backgrounds: Dotted Blue.

- The peak at low ΔE is from the feed-down component of the fit; it does not bias the signal extraction.
- No evidence from dilepton mass plots (K, K^*) of charmonium “leakage”.

BABAR Measurement of $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\ell^+\ell^-$ Decays

Combined-Mode Preliminary Results

Mode	$\mathcal{B}(\text{Mode}) (10^{-6})$ \pm Stat. Uncert.	Syst. Uncert. (10^{-6})			Significance (Stat. + Syst.)
		Effic.	Fit	Total	
$B \rightarrow Ke^+e^-$	$0.33^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$	0.02	0.01	0.02	5.3σ
$B \rightarrow K\mu^+\mu^-$	$0.35^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$	0.02	0.02	0.03	3.8σ
$B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$	$0.34^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$	0.02	0.01	0.02	6.6σ
$B \rightarrow K^*e^+e^-$	$0.97^{+0.30}_{-0.27}$	0.06	0.13	0.15	4.5σ
$B \rightarrow K^*\mu^+\mu^-$	$0.90^{+0.35}_{-0.30}$	0.08	0.11	0.13	3.5σ
$B \rightarrow K^*\ell^+\ell^-$	$0.78^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	0.05	0.10	0.12	5.7σ

- B^+ and B^0 modes combined assuming same partial widths for corresponding modes. **Results quoted as fractions of B^0 total width.**
- e^+e^- and $\mu^+\mu^-$ modes combined assuming expected values for ratios \mathcal{R}_K and \mathcal{R}_{K^*} . **Results quoted for $\mu^+\mu^-$.**
- “Significance” from comparison of max. likelihood result for null-signal hypothesis to syst. variations of standard fit which yield smallest signal.

Summary of BABAR Preliminary Results for $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$ Decays

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-) = (0.34 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-6},$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-) = (0.78^{+0.19}_{-0.17} \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-6}.$$

By comparing e^+e^- and $\mu^+\mu^-$ results,

$$\mathcal{R}_K = 1.06 \pm 0.48 \pm 0.05 \quad (\text{SM expectation} = 1.00),$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{K^*} = 0.93 \pm 0.46 \pm 0.06 \quad (\text{SM expectation} = 0.75).$$

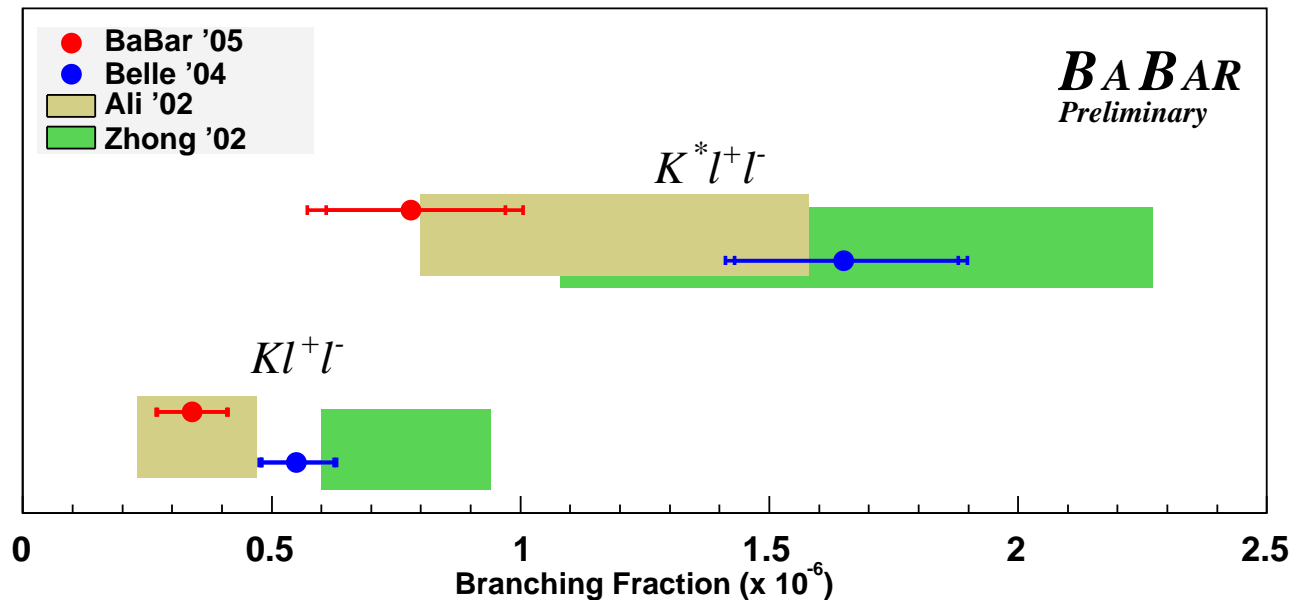
Direct CP-violating Asymmetries are measured from “self-tagging” modes:

$$A_{\text{CP}}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell^+ \ell^-) = -0.08 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.11,$$

$$A_{\text{CP}}(B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-) = +0.03 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.12,$$

where systematic uncertainties are dominated by unknown asymmetries in peaking backgrounds, allowed to vary between -1 and +1.

BABAR $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)}l^+l^-)$ vs. Belle and Representative Theories



- The Belle results are based on 250 fb^{-1} .
- Belle uses same conventions as *BABAR* for combining e^+e^- and $\mu^+\mu^-$.
- The Belle and *BABAR* $B \rightarrow Kl^+l^-$ and $B \rightarrow K^*l^+l^-$ branching fractions differ by 1.9σ and 2.6σ , respectively. ($\mathcal{R}_K, \mathcal{R}_{K^*}$ agree within large errors.)

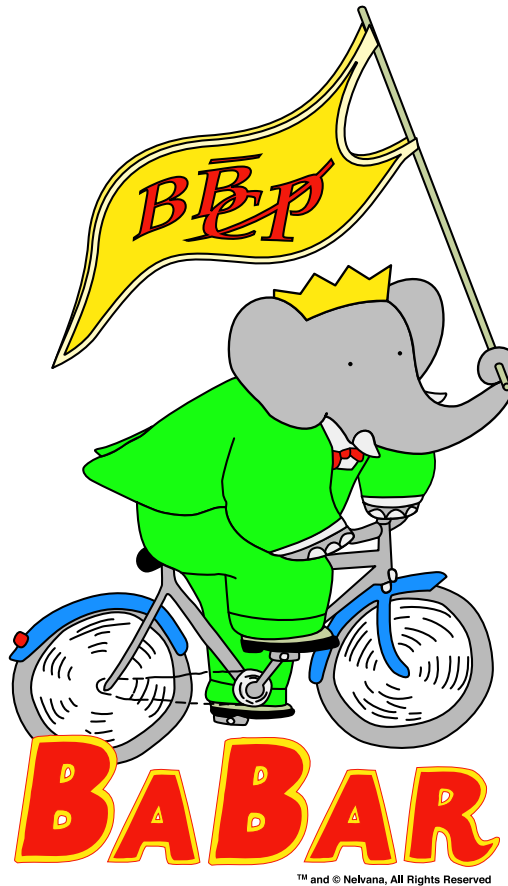
Conclusions and Prospects

We have presented preliminary new results from *BABAR* on radiative and dilepton B decays. This is only a portion of ongoing work in this area.

- Precision of $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)$ (81 fb^{-1}) will improve with more data (at least fully-inclusive), but SM theory errors must also decrease to find new physics.
- $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ photon spectrum results (especially moments) are becoming useful for determining HQET parameters, tie-in to $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$, $|V_{ub}|$.
- Time-dependent CP asymmetries in radiative penguin processes (211 fb^{-1}): statistics-limited – room for considerable improvement.
- Likewise for direct CP-violation searches in $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma (+B \rightarrow X_d \gamma)$ (81 fb^{-1})
- Search for $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*0} \gamma$ (80 fb^{-1}): background-limited, but larger data samples should improve the limit.
- $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$ measurements (208 fb^{-1}) are mostly statistics-limited; this rich area is just starting to open up.

Conclusions and Prospects

$\approx 220 \text{ fb}^{-1} \Upsilon(4S)$ data



$\sim 450 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ by
Summer 2006