

Recent Results on Charm Decays

- Lifetimes
 - mesons
 - baryons
- “Wrong” sign D^0 decays
 - Mixing
 - Doubly suppressed cabibbo decays
- CP violation searches
- Semileptonic charm decay
- Summary/Outlook



Results from:

BABAR
BELLE
CLEO
FOCUS
SELEX

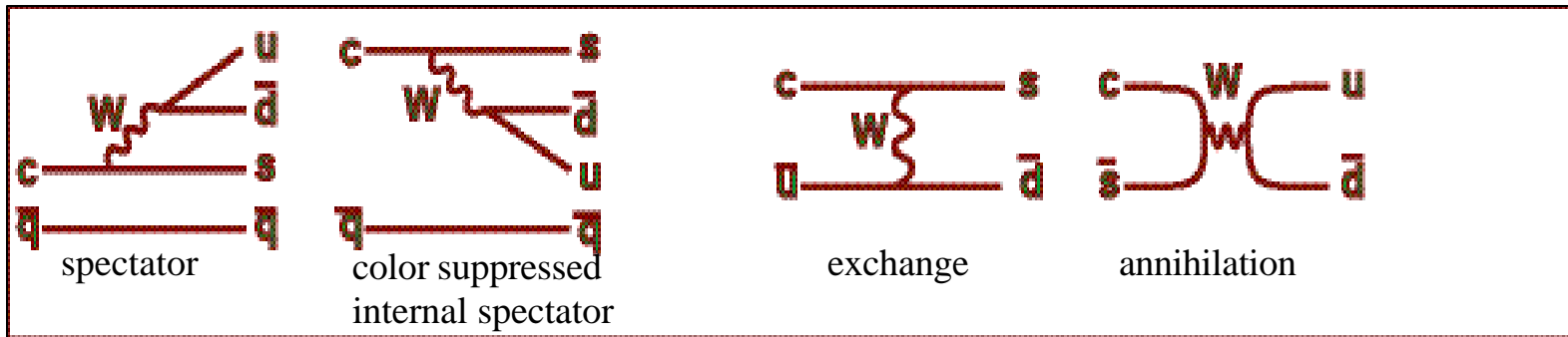
Charm Particle Lifetimes

Lifetime is a defining property of a “particle”.

necessary to convert BR's to decay rates \Rightarrow theoretical comparisons

Weak interaction lifetime modified by strong interaction effects

\Rightarrow non-perturbative QCD



Charmed mesons and baryons provide a rich testing ground:

3 mesons (D^+ , D^0 , D_s)

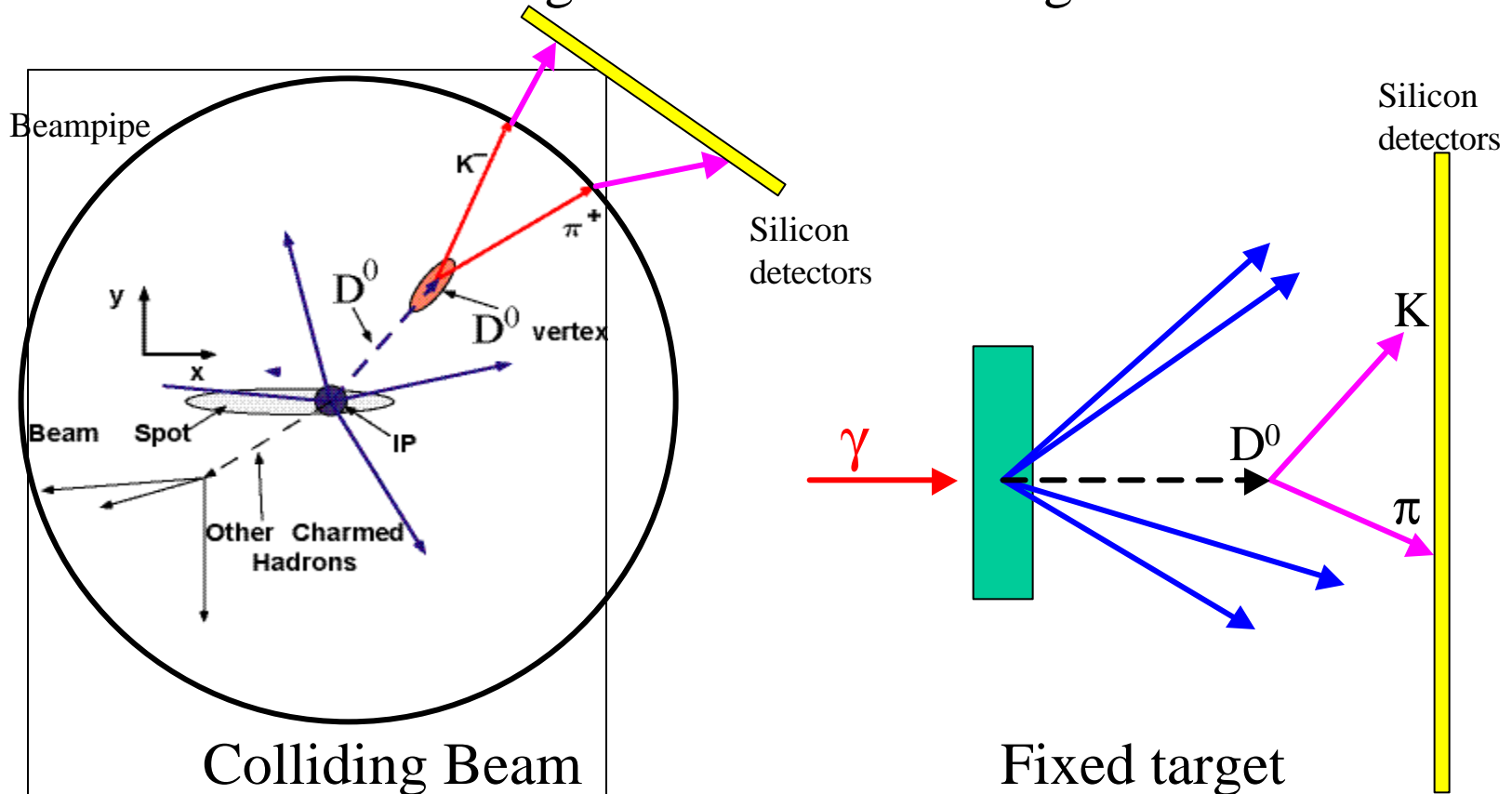
4 baryons (Λ_c , Ξ_c^+ , Ξ_c^0 , Ω_c^0)

doubly charmed baryons

Interference effects are important: $t_{\Xi_c^+} > t_{\Lambda_c^+}$ $t_{D^+} > t_{D^0}$

Pattern of lifetimes “predicted” but not exact lifetime values

Colliding Beam vs Fixed Target



Colliding Beam

- Better acceptance for short lifetimes
- Cleaner environment
- Unbinned ML fit
- 1d or 2d vertex

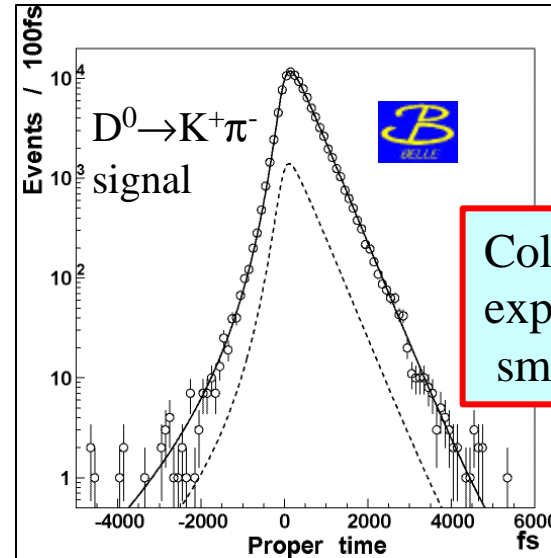
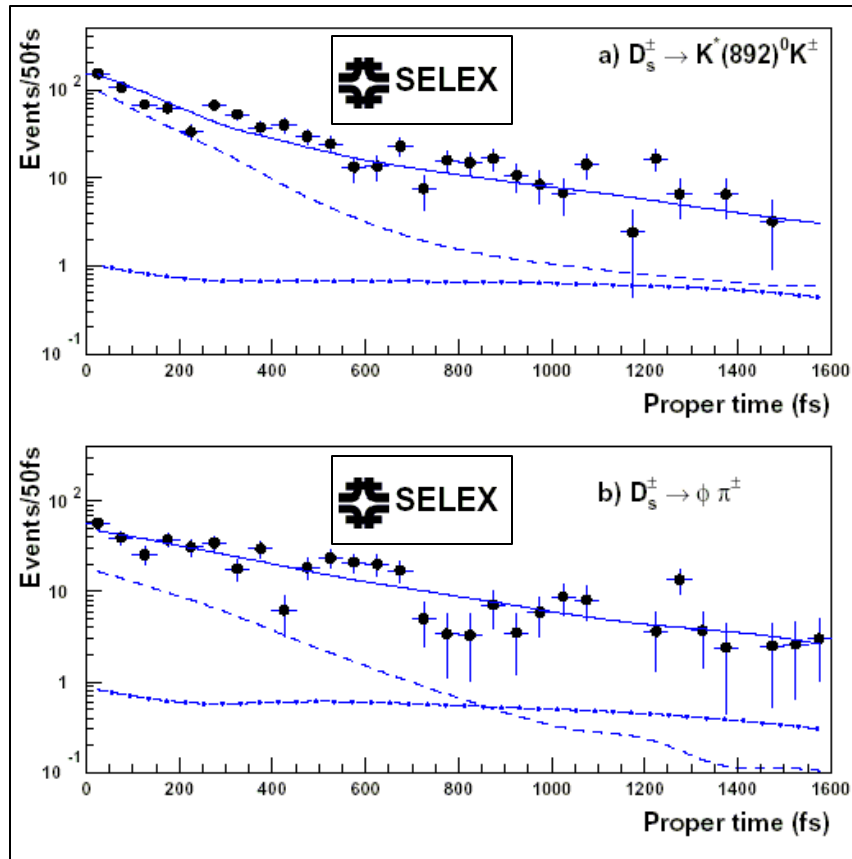
Fixed target

- Better L/σ separation
- Large data samples
- Binned ML fit
- 3d vertex

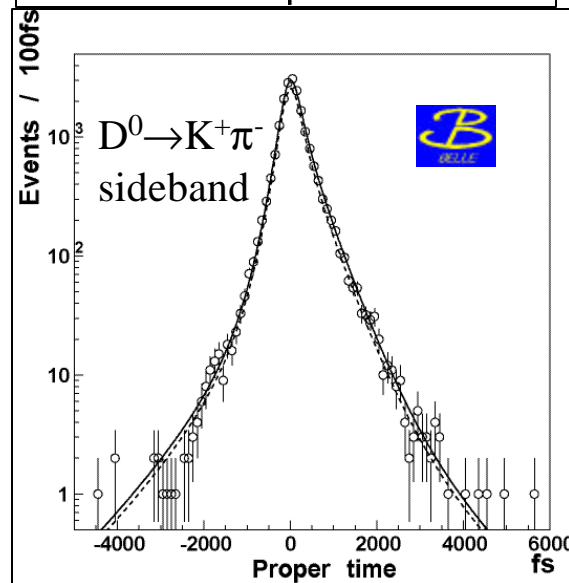
Neither actually “see” the decay as in emulsion and/or bubble chamber

Charmed meson lifetimes

Fixed target: exponential decay

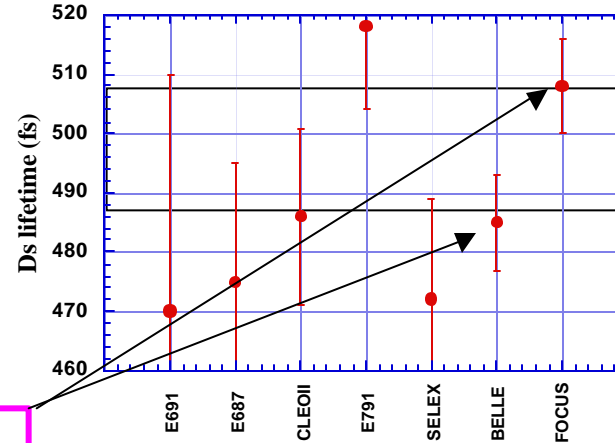
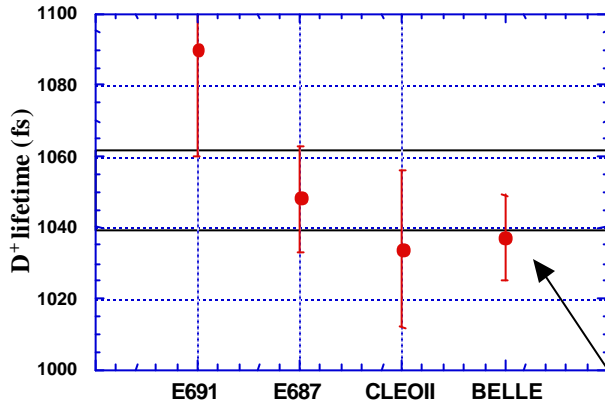


Colliding beam:
exponential decay
smeared by resolution

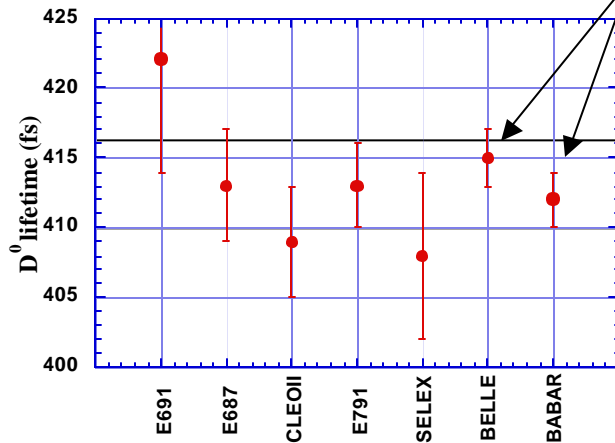


Lifetime results for Charmed Mesons

$\pm 1s$ PDG2001



preliminary



Annihilation and exchange diagrams are important for mesons.

PDG 2001: $t_{D_s} / t_{D^0} = 1.20 \pm 0.02$

BELLE: $t_{D_s} / t_{D^0} = 1.17 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.01$

Expect < 1.07 without annihilation and exchange.

Bigi & Uraltsev, Z.Phys. C.62, 623, 1994

Charmed Baryon Lifetimes

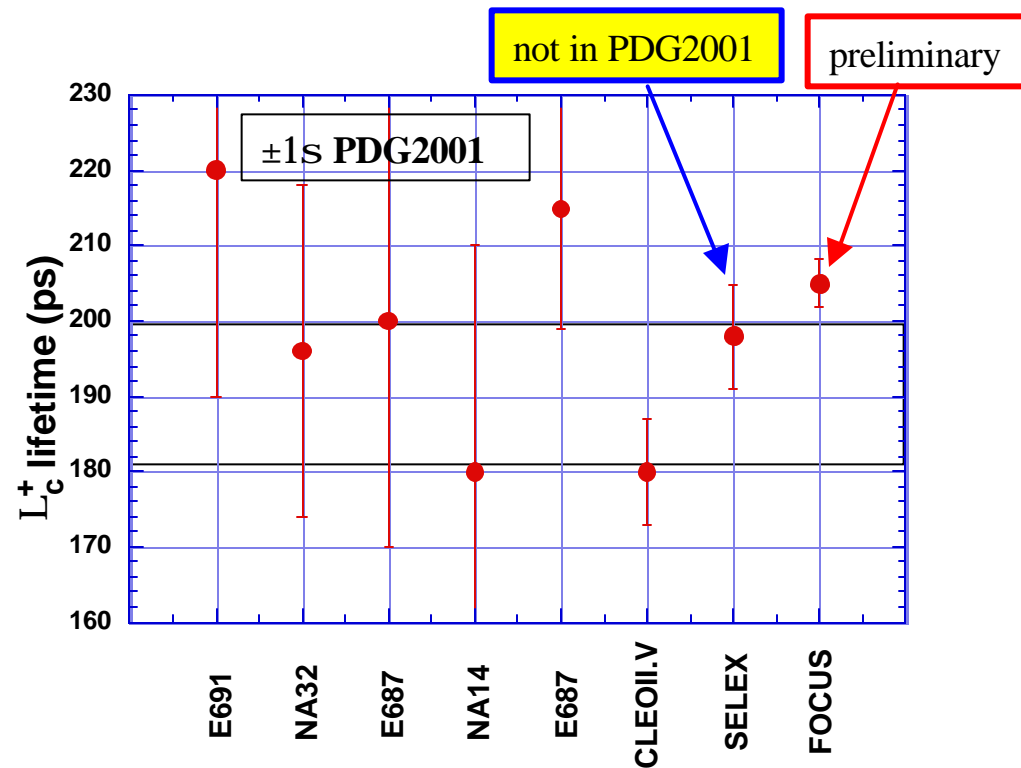
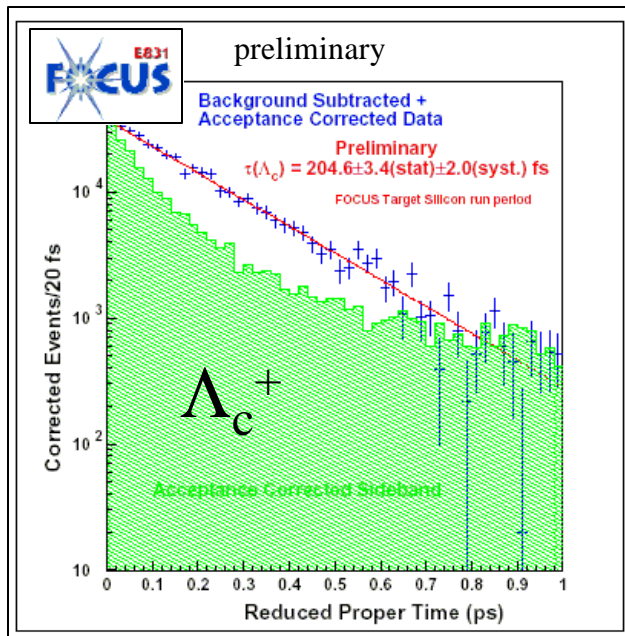
Baryon lifetimes not measured as precisely as mesons: 5-30% vs 1-2%

Baryon lifetimes shorter than mesons (e.g. $\tau_{\Omega_c} = 60$ fs vs $\tau_{D_0} = 410$ fs)

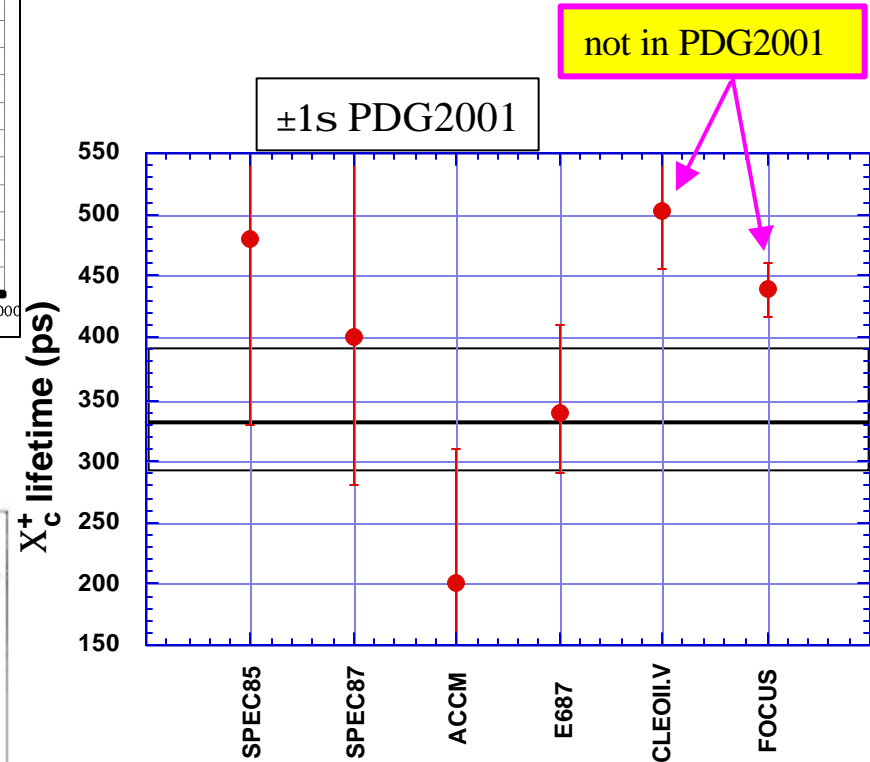
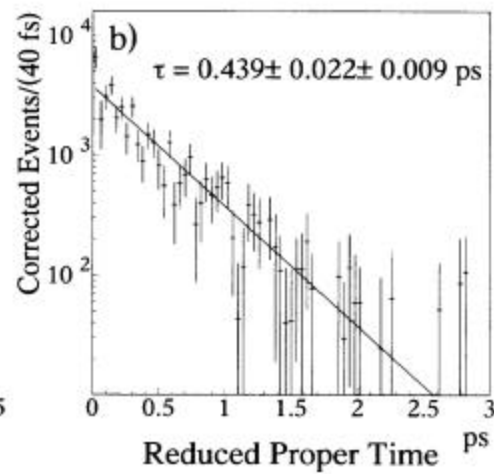
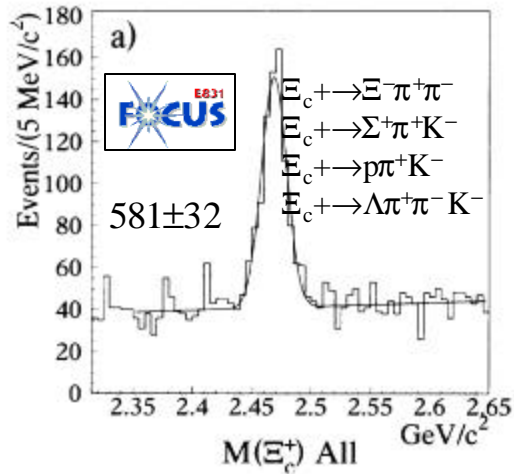
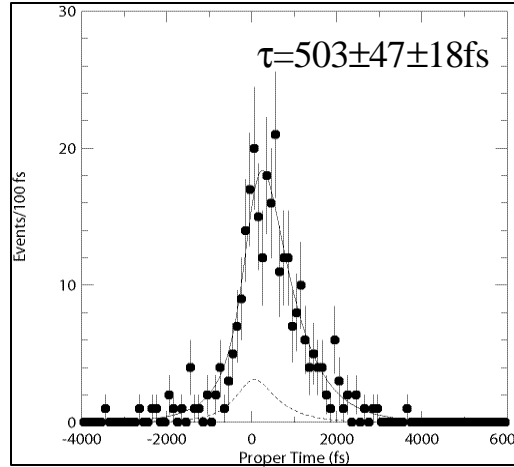
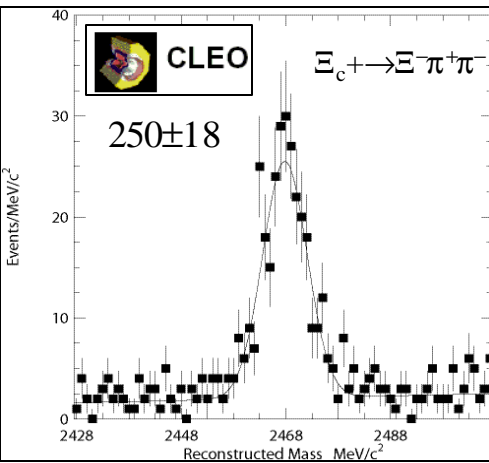
Baryon cross sections are low \Rightarrow samples smaller than mesons

Lifetime calculations more complicated than mesons

New results for Λ_c^+ , Ξ_c^+ , Ξ_c^0



Recent Ξ_c^+ lifetime Results



Charmed Baryons Lifetimes

Preliminary Ξ_c^0 result from FOCUS:

$$\tau = 109^{+10}_{-9} \text{ fs} \quad (\text{PDG2001: } \tau = 98^{+23}_{-15} \text{ fs})$$

Based on a total of 137 ± 19 events ($\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Omega^- K^+, \Xi^- \pi^+$)

Comments:

Measured lifetime ratio for Ξ_c^+ / Λ_c^+ larger than theory:

$$\text{CLEO II.V : } \frac{t_{\Xi_c^+}}{t_{\Lambda_c^+}} = 2.8 \pm 0.3 \quad \text{FOCUS : } \frac{t_{\Xi_c^+}}{t_{\Lambda_c^+}} = 2.1 \pm 0.1$$

Theory ranges from:

- 1.3 Blok and Shifman, proceedings of 3rd workshop on physics of a tau charm factory, (1993)
- 1.2-1.7 Guberina and Melic, Eur. Phys. J. C2, 697 (1998)

At some point in the future lifetime analyses may have to correct for:

- $\Omega_c^0 \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^-$ contamination of Ξ_c^+ sample
- $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$ contamination of Λ_c^+ in sample
- Doubly charmed baryons

Cabibbo suppressed $s \rightarrow u$
instead of $c \rightarrow s$

No
Calculations
available

Why is D^0 - \bar{D}^0 mixing interesting?

Only meson system where mixing has not been observed
Only meson system where mixing is generated by *down* quarks
Mixing in D sector expected to be small in Standard Model
doubly Cabibbo Suppressed (DCS)
vanishes the limit of SU(3) flavor symmetry

If D mixing is large:

$\Delta\Gamma \geq \Delta M$: large flavor SU(3) breaking ?

$\Delta M \gg \Delta\Gamma$: new physics ?

D mixing only involves the first two generations:

$CPV \gg 10^{-3} \Rightarrow$ New Physics

Can make measurements to look for mixing !

D mixing Phenomenology

$$|D_H\rangle = p|D_0\rangle + q|\bar{D}_0\rangle \quad |D_L\rangle = p|D_0\rangle - q|\bar{D}_0\rangle$$

Usual definitions:

A diagram illustrating the derivation of mixing parameters. On the left, a green box contains the definitions for mass difference $\Delta m = m_H - m_L$, width difference $\Delta\Gamma = (\Gamma_H - \Gamma_L)$, and average width $\Gamma = \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma_H + \Gamma_L)$. A pink arrow points from this box to a yellow box on the right, which contains the definitions for the mixing parameters $x = \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma}$ and $y = \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{2\Gamma}$.

Phases:

δ is the strong phase between Cabibbo allowed and doubly Cabibbo suppressed amplitudes
 ϕ is the CP violating phase in mixing (very small in SM)

CP Violation:

CPV in mixing due to $|p/q| \neq 1$

CPV in interference between decay with and without mixing $\propto \sin\phi \neq 0$

Assume no direct CPV

Ways to Observe D mixing

Measure lifetime difference between CP+ and/or CP- states and with flavor specific (CP mixed) states.

CP+: $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-, \pi^+ \pi^-$

CP-: $D^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 \rho^0, K_s^0 \omega$

Mixed: $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

Gives info on y :

$$y_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma_{CP+} - \Gamma_{CP-}}{\Gamma_{CP+} + \Gamma_{CP-}} = y \cos \mathbf{f} - \frac{(|q|/|p|)^2 - 1}{2} x \sin \mathbf{f}$$

$y_{cp} \approx y$ if no CPV

$$y_{CP} = \frac{t_{D \rightarrow Kp} - 1}{t_{D \rightarrow KK}}$$

Requires good time (vertex) resolution

Measure “Wrong” sign Decays.

hadronic decays: $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$

semi-leptonic decays: $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ l^- \bar{\nu}$

Don't have to measure time dependence

“Wrong” sign D^0 decays

These decays can originate from:

- a) Double Cabibbo suppression (DCS) (hadronic decays only)

$$R_{DCS} = \left| \frac{\langle K^+ X^- | H | D^0 \rangle}{\langle K^- X^+ | H | D^0 \rangle} \right|^2 \quad X^- = p^-, p^- p^- p^+, p^- p^0, \text{ etc.}$$

- b) Mixing

Wrong sign rate (R_{WS}) has interesting time dependence due to mixing+decay:

$$R_{WS} \propto [R_{DCS} + (y \cos \mathbf{d} - x \sin \mathbf{d})(\Gamma t) \sqrt{R_{DCS}} + \frac{x^2 + y^2}{4} (\Gamma t)^2] e^{-\Gamma t}$$

Usual assumptions:
 CP conserved $\Rightarrow |p/q|=1$
 $|x|, |y|, R_{DCS} \ll 1$

δ =strong phase difference
 between CF and DCS decays

Convenient to rotate away δ : $x' = x \cos \delta + y \sin \delta$, $y' = y \cos \delta - x \sin \delta$

$$R_{WS} \propto [R_{DCS} + y'(\Gamma t) \sqrt{R_{DCS}} + \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4} (\Gamma t)^2] e^{-\Gamma t}$$

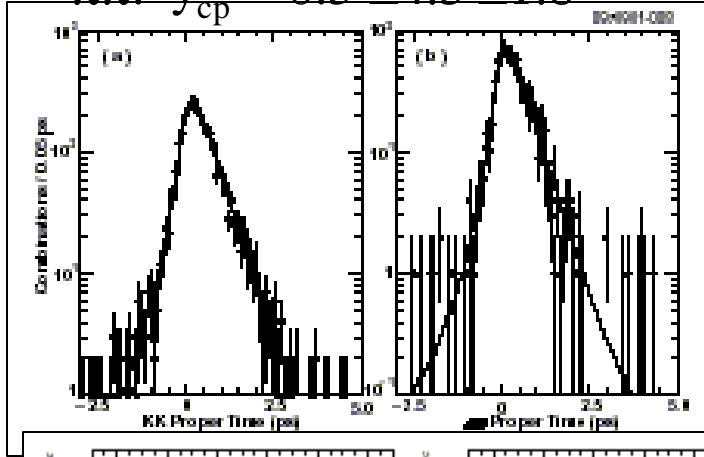
NO DCS for semi-leptonic decays:

$$R_{WS} \propto (x'^2 + y'^2) (\Gamma t)^2 e^{-\Gamma t}$$

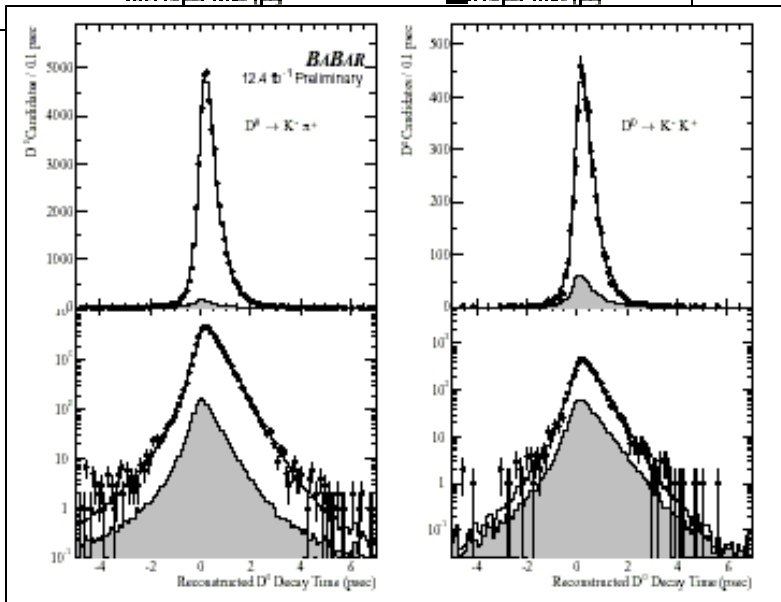
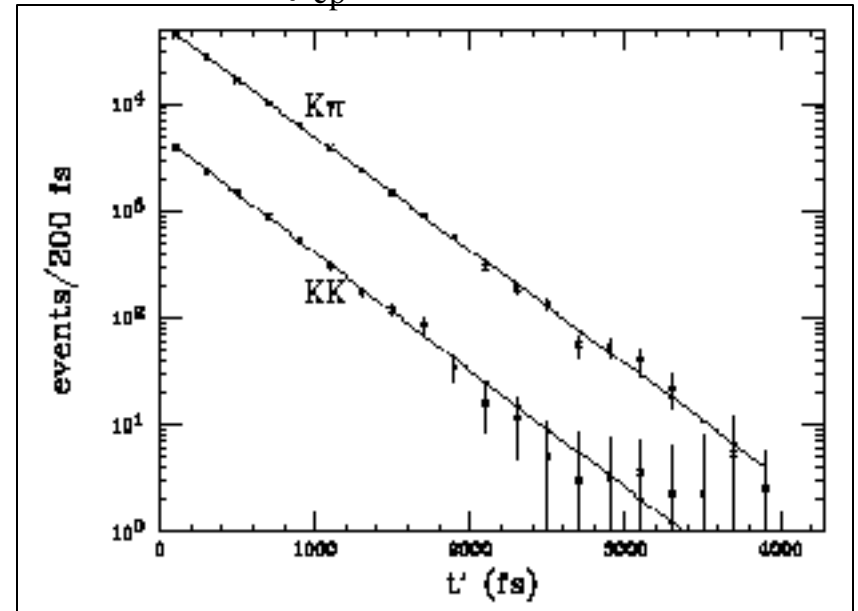
Some Recent y_{cp} Lifetime Results

CLEO: sub. PRD
 KK: $y_{cp} = -1.9 \pm 2.9 \pm 1.6$
 $\pi\pi$: $y_{cp} = 0.5 + 4.3 + 1.8$

Not a full blown lifetime analysis
 Looking for lifetime differences

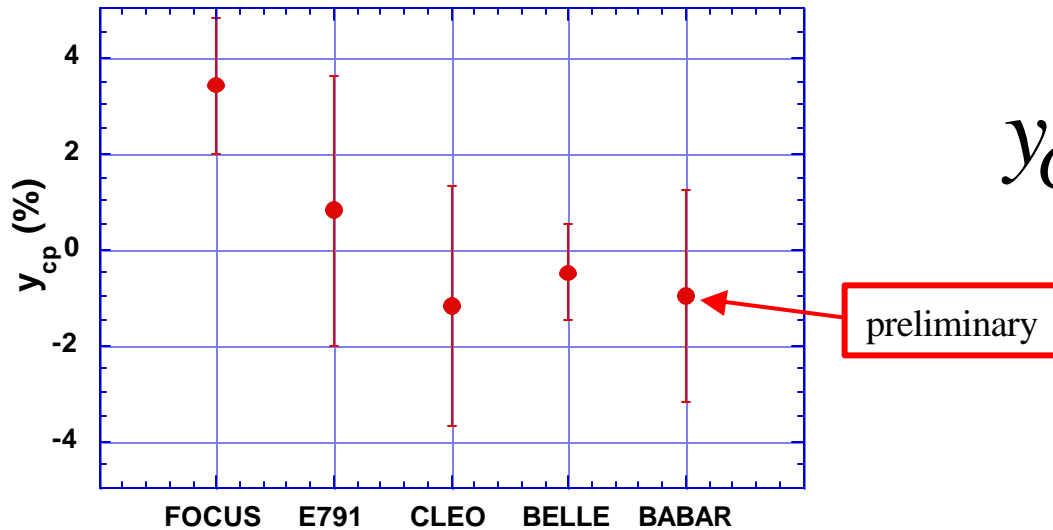


FOCUS: PLB485, 62 (2000)
 $y_{cp} = 3.4 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.7$



BABAR: preliminary
 $y_{cp} = -1.0 \pm 2.2 \pm 1.7$

Recent Mixing Results via y_{cp}



$$y_{CP} = \frac{t_{D \rightarrow Kp}}{t_{D \rightarrow KK}} - 1 \approx y$$

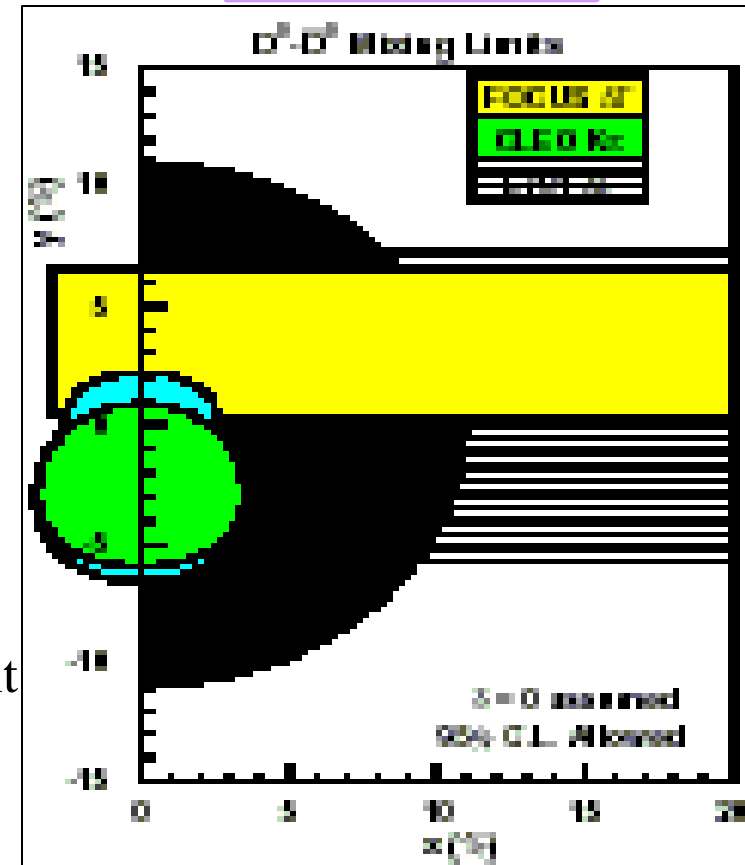
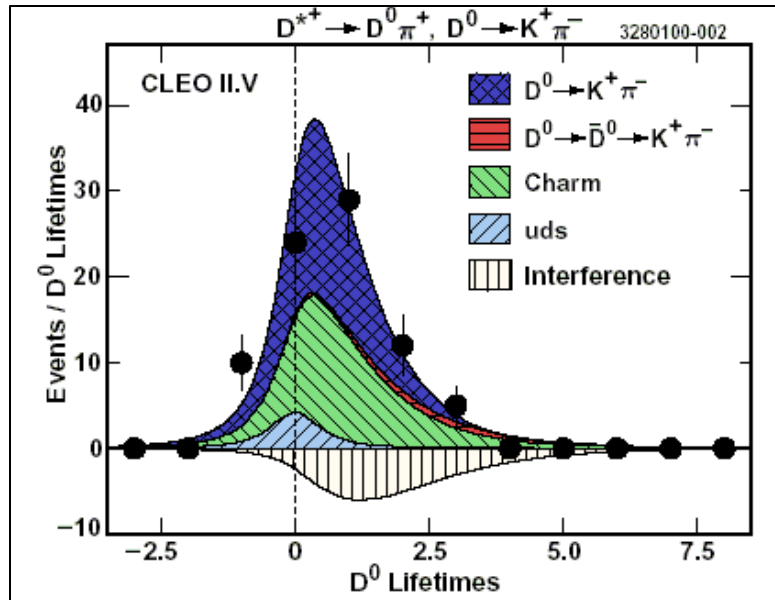
experiment	y_{cp} (%)	comments
FOCUS	$3.4 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.7$	Fixed target, K^+K^-
E791	$0.8 \pm 2.8 \pm 1.0$	Fixed target, K^+K^-
CLEO	$-1.2 \pm 2.5 \pm 1.4$	e^+e^- , K^+K^- , $\pi^+\pi^-$
BELLE	-0.5 ± 1.0 ^{+0.7} _{-0.8}	e^+e^- , K^+K^-
BABAR	$-1.0 \pm 2.2 \pm 1.7$	e^+e^- , K^+K^-

Mixing Limits using “wrong” sign and y_{cp} measurements

- ◆ CLEO’s Time dependence of $\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) / \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+)$

$$R_{WS} \propto [R_{DCS} + y'(\Gamma t) \sqrt{R_{DCS}} + \frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{4} (\Gamma t)^2] e^{-\Gamma t}$$

Published Data



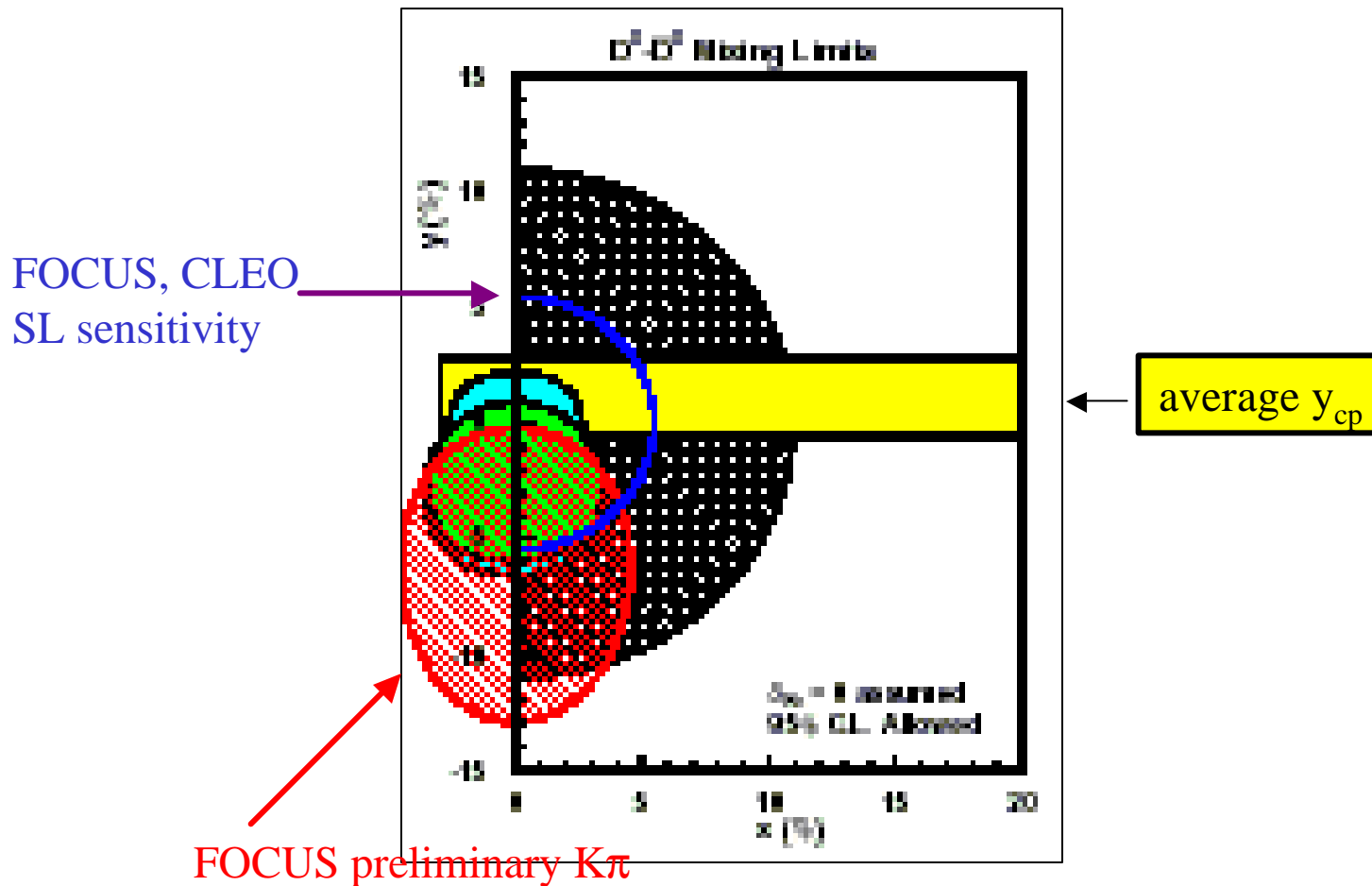
- ◆ E791 Semi-leptonic $\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ l^- \nu) / \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- l^+ \nu)$ limit
 $\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ l^- \nu) / \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- l^+ \nu) < 0.5\% @ 90\% CL$

- ◆ y_{cp} measurements (FOCUS, E791)

Mixing Limits using “wrong” sign and y_{cp} measurements

What will this plot look like in the near future?

New results expected soon from CLEO, FOCUS, BABAR, BELLE



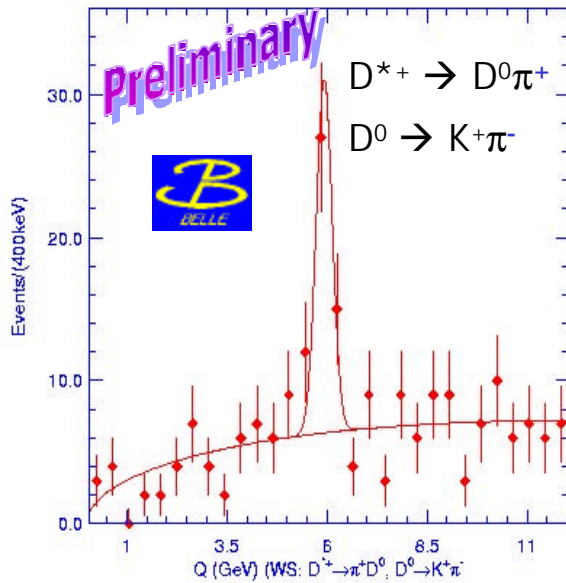
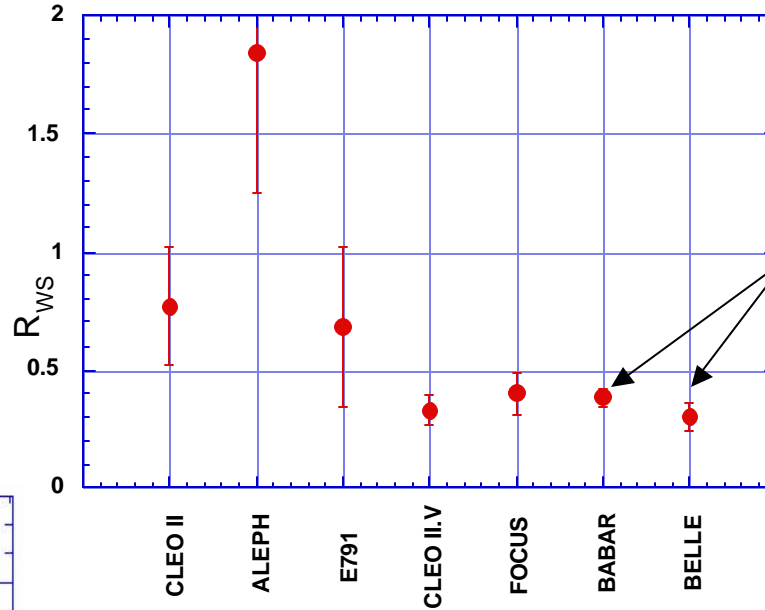
“Wrong” sign D^0 Decay rates

Improved measurements of $\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) / \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+)$:

$$R_{WS} = \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) / \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+) (\%)$$

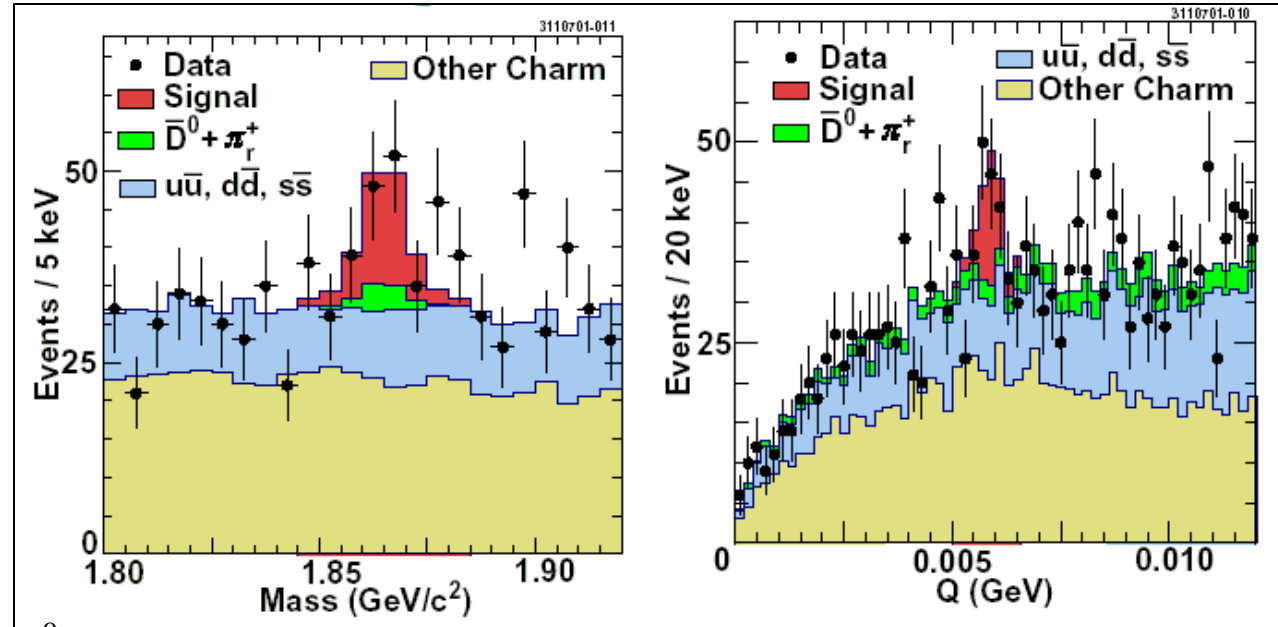
CLEO II	$0.77 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.25$
ALEPH	$1.84 \pm 0.59 \pm 0.34$
E791	$0.68 \pm 0.34 \pm 0.07$
CLEO II.V	$0.33 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.04$
FOCUS	$0.40 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.03$
BABAR	$0.38 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.02$
BELLE	$0.30 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.08$

preliminary



More “wrong” sign D^0 Decay rates

CLEO II.V result for $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$



9fb⁻¹ of data
used in analysis

54 ± 14 WS events
from 2D binned
ML fit

$$R_{WS} = \frac{(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ p^- p^+ p^-)}{(D^0 \rightarrow K^- p^+ p^- p^+)} = [0.41^{+0.12}_{-0.11} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (sys)}] \times (1.07 \pm 0.10) \text{ (phase space)} (\%)$$

CLEO II.V result consistent with previous E791 result:

$$R_{WS} = 0.25^{+0.36}_{-0.34} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (sys)} (\%) \quad (\text{phase space}=1)$$

But cannot tell if this result is from DSC or mixing since:

$$R_{WS} = R_{DCS} + y' \sqrt{R_{DCS}} + 0.5(y'^2 + x'^2)$$

Only other WS D^0 result: CLEO's $R_{WS} = \frac{(D^0 \rightarrow K^+ p^- p^0)}{(D^0 \rightarrow K^- p^+ p^0)} = 0.43^{+0.11}_{-0.10} \pm 0.07\%$

$$D^0 \longrightarrow K_L^0 \pi^0 \text{ and } K_S^0 \pi^0$$

Preliminary result from BELLE

Interference between the Cabibbo allowed decay $D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \pi^0$ and the DCS decay $D^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0$ can lead to a rate difference between $D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0 \pi^0$ and $K_S^0 \pi^0$.

Expect a 5% ($\approx \tan^2 \theta_c$) asymmetry in:

$$A = \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \mathbf{p}^0) - \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0 \mathbf{p}^0)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \mathbf{p}^0) + \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0 \mathbf{p}^0)}$$

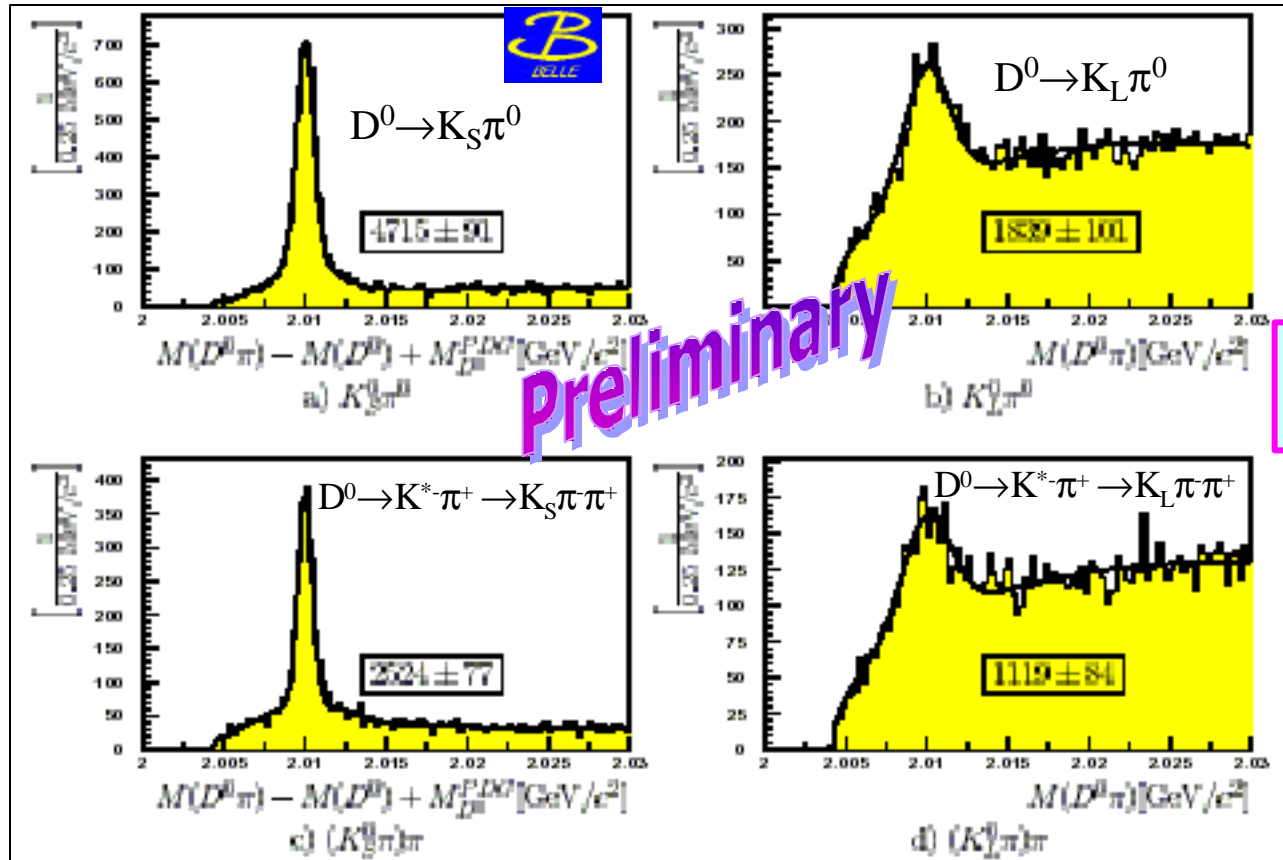
The magnitude and sign of A provides info the strong phase difference (δ) between $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ and $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$.

Experimentally very challenging !

Difficult to reconstruct K_L 's in an e^+e^- experiment

BELLE calibrates K_L efficiency using $D^0 \rightarrow K^{*-} \pi^+$, with $K^{*-} \rightarrow K_L \pi^-$.

$D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0 \pi^0$ and $K_S^0 \pi^0$



First reconstruction of D's using K_L 's!

Using 23 fb^{-1} of data BELLE measures:

$$A = \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 p^0) - \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0 p^0)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 p^0) + \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0 p^0)} = 0.06 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.05$$

CP Violation in D^0 Decay

CPV expected to be small in the charm sector

SM predictions $O(0.1\%)$

CPV $> 1\%$ evidence for non-SM processes

Look for particle \Leftrightarrow anti-particle rate differences

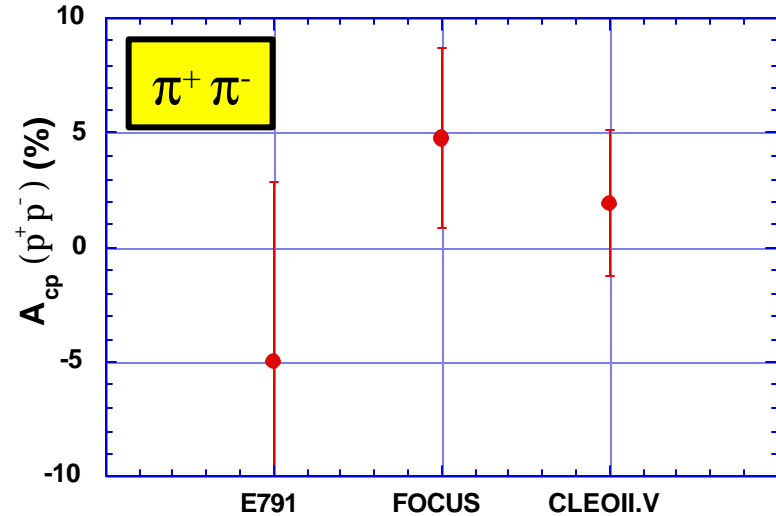
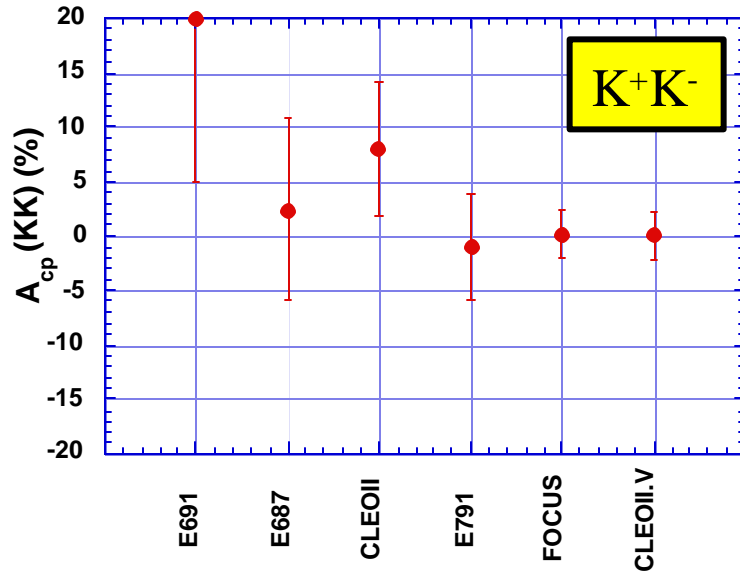
$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)}$$

Use D^* tag to distinguish D^0 from \bar{D}^0 .

$$\text{Measure: } A'_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(D^{*+} \rightarrow \mathbf{p}^+ f) - \Gamma(D^{*-} \rightarrow \mathbf{p}^- f)}{\Gamma(D^{*+} \rightarrow \mathbf{p}^+ f) + \Gamma(D^{*-} \rightarrow \mathbf{p}^- f)}$$

Where f is: K^+K^- , $\pi^+\pi^-$, $K_s\phi$, $K_s\pi^0$, $\pi^0\pi^0$, and K_sK_s

CP Violation in D^0 Decay



CLEO also has the following results:

$$A_{CP}(K_s \phi) = -2.8 \pm 9.4\% \quad A_{CP}(\pi^0 \pi^0) = 0.1 \pm 4.8\%$$

$$A_{CP}(K_s \pi^0) = 0.1 \pm 1.3\% \quad A_{CP}(K_s K_s) = 23 \pm 19\%$$

CLEO “wrong” sign $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ analysis yields:

$$A_{CP}(K^+ \pi^-) = 2^{+19}_{-20} \pm 1.0\% \quad \text{No mixing in fit}$$

No evidence for CP violation in D^0 decay

CP Violation in D^+ Decay

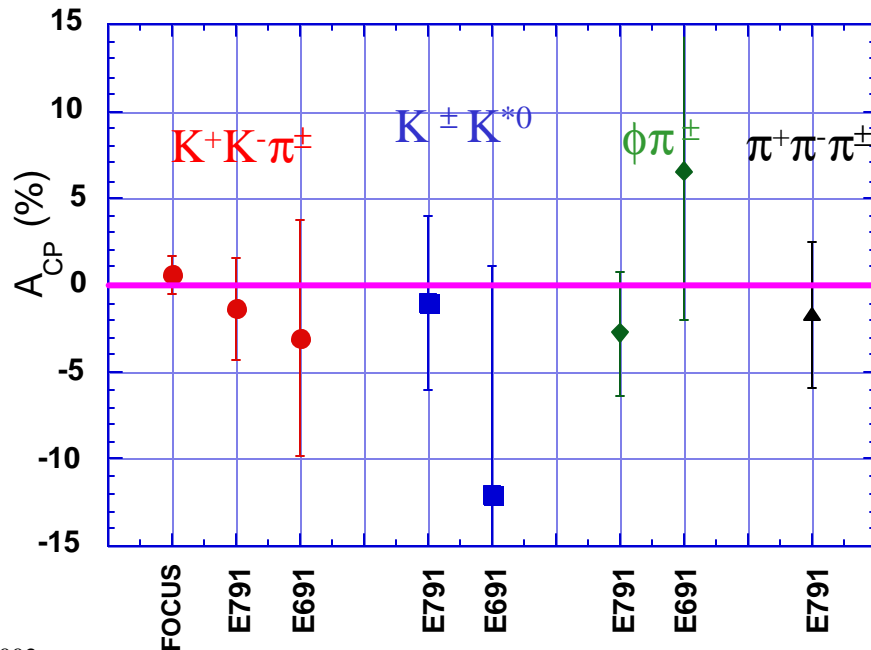
For charged D 's measure the following:

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow f^+) - \Gamma(D^- \rightarrow f^-)}{\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow f^+) + \Gamma(D^- \rightarrow f^-)}$$

Look for direct CP violation, no mixing.

Not much new since 2000

All results are from fixed target experiments.



No evidence
for CPV

CLEO Measurement of $B(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} l^+ \nu_l)$

This decay is sensitive to $P \rightarrow V$ form factor

These form factors are related to ff' s in $b \rightarrow ul\nu$ and $b \rightarrow sl\bar{l}$.

Can help reduce uncertainty in extraction of $|V_{ub}|$

CLEO Method:

Use D^* tag, reconstruct ν using jet direction for D^+ direction

2-fold ambiguity, choose solution closest to $\delta m = M_{D^*} - M_D = 140.6$ MeV

fit K^* mass in bins for δm then fit resulting δm with K^* +data to extract signal

$$R_l = \frac{B(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} l^+ \nu)}{B(D^+ \rightarrow K^- p^+ p^+)}$$

$$R_e = 0.74 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.06$$

$$R_\mu = 0.72 \pm 0.104 \pm 0.06$$

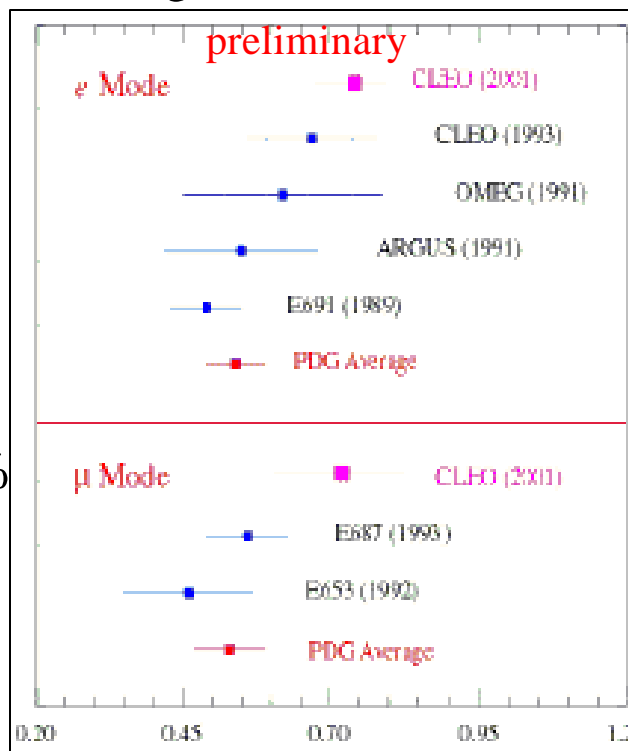
$$R = 0.73 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.05$$

PDG: $B(D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+) = (9.0 \pm 0.6)\%$

$BR_e = (6.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.4)\%$

$BR_\mu = (6.5 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.4)\%$

$BR = (6.6 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.4)\%$



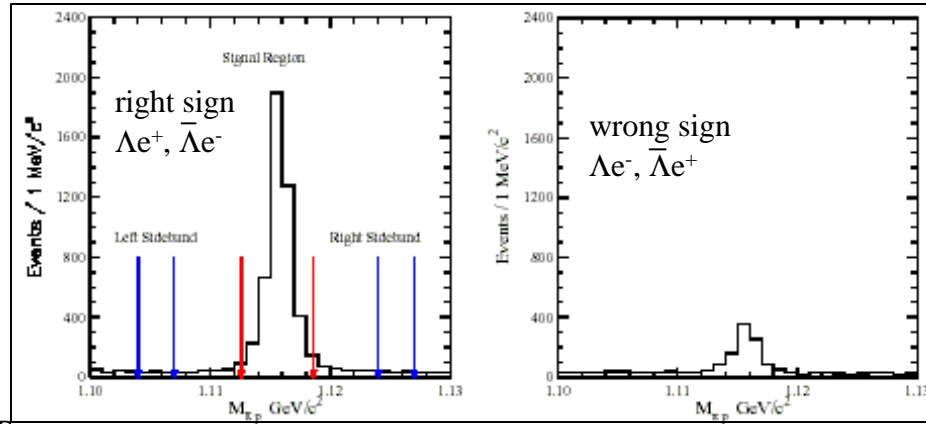
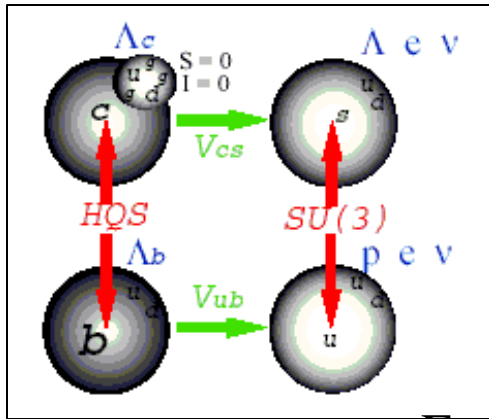
CLEO's form factor ratio measurement in $\Lambda_c \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ \nu$

Motivation: Alternative method for extracting $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$

Same set of form factors in both decays: $f_1(q^2), f_2(q^2)$

$$f_i(q^2) = \frac{f_i(q_{\max}^2)}{(1 - q^2/m_{D_s^*}^2)^2} (1 - q_{\max}^2/m_{D_s^*}^2)^2$$

Korner&Kramer predict: $R = f_2(q^2)/f_1(q^2) = -0.25$ (PL B275,495 (1992))



Extract R using ML fit to 3 variables:

$$t = (q/q_{\max})^2$$

$\cos\theta_W$ = angle between e and W in cm of W

$\cos\theta_\Lambda$ = angle between p and Λ in cm of Λ

Preliminary Result: $R = -0.31 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.06$

Improvement over previous CLEO result: $R = -0.25 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.08$, (PRL 75,624 (1995))

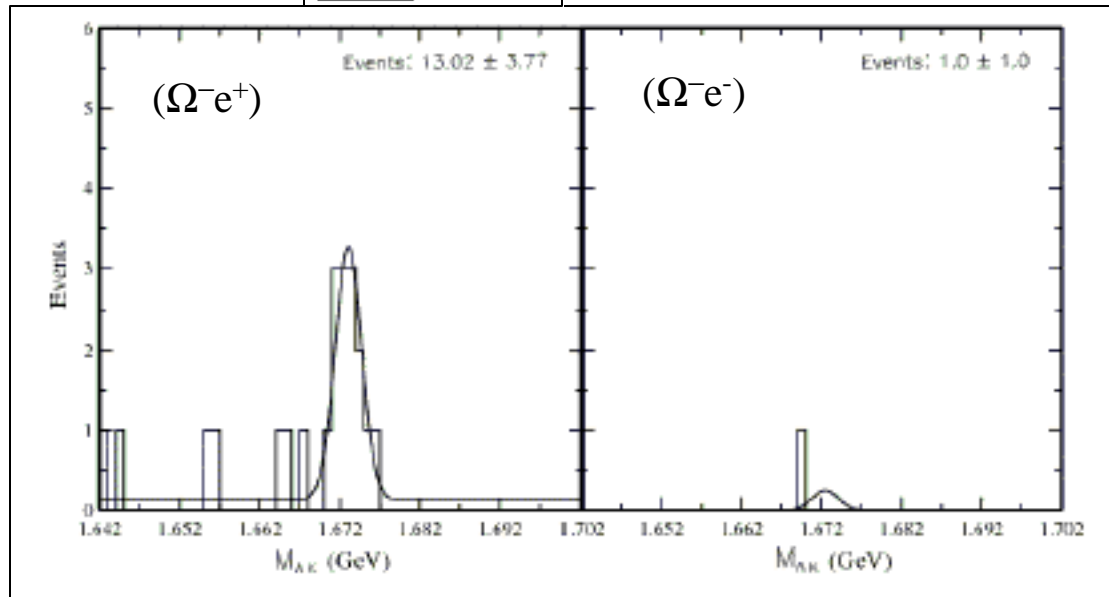
Consistent with Korner&Kramer

$$\Omega_c^0 \rightarrow \Omega^- e^+ \nu$$

Search for $\Omega_c^0 \rightarrow \Omega^- e^+ \nu$ by comparing “right” ($\Omega^- e^+$) sign and “wrong” sign ($\Omega^- e^-$) event yields.



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Probability of background fluctuation $< 9 \times 10^{-4}$

$$B(\Omega_c^0 \rightarrow \Omega^- e^+ \nu) \sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Omega_c X) = 42.2 \pm 14.1 \pm 11.9 \text{ fb}$$

10X smaller
than ARGUS result
 $520 \pm 230 \pm 130 \text{ fb}$

First observation of baryon β decay with no u or d in parent particle

Charm Review Summary

Lifetimes: mesons: lifetimes measured to 1- 2%

baryons: lifetimes measured ~2 - 30%

theory may need a tune up: $\tau_{\Xi_c^+}/\tau_{\Lambda_c}|_{\text{exp}} > 2$ vs $\tau_{\Xi_c^+}/\tau_{\Lambda_c}|_{\text{th}} < 1.7$

D Mixing: Exciting times ahead

new results expected from BELLE & BABAR soon

CP Violation: Keep looking !

Semileptonic Decays: Progress measuring rates and form factors

“The future of charm physics lies ahead of us !”

Yogi Berra? George W.?

b-factories are charm factories too

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