

# Recent Results in Charm Decays

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# Outline

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# Why charm?

Charm has been around 30 years but, like strange physics, is still relevant

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## ■ Window to new physics

- Standard model rates for rare decays, CP violation, mixing are very low
- With current experiments, observation of CP violation, rare decays, or mixing  $\Rightarrow$  new physics

## ■ Provides information about QCD

- Measurements of production characteristics, lifetimes, branching ratios, subresonant analyses, etc. provide insight into QCD

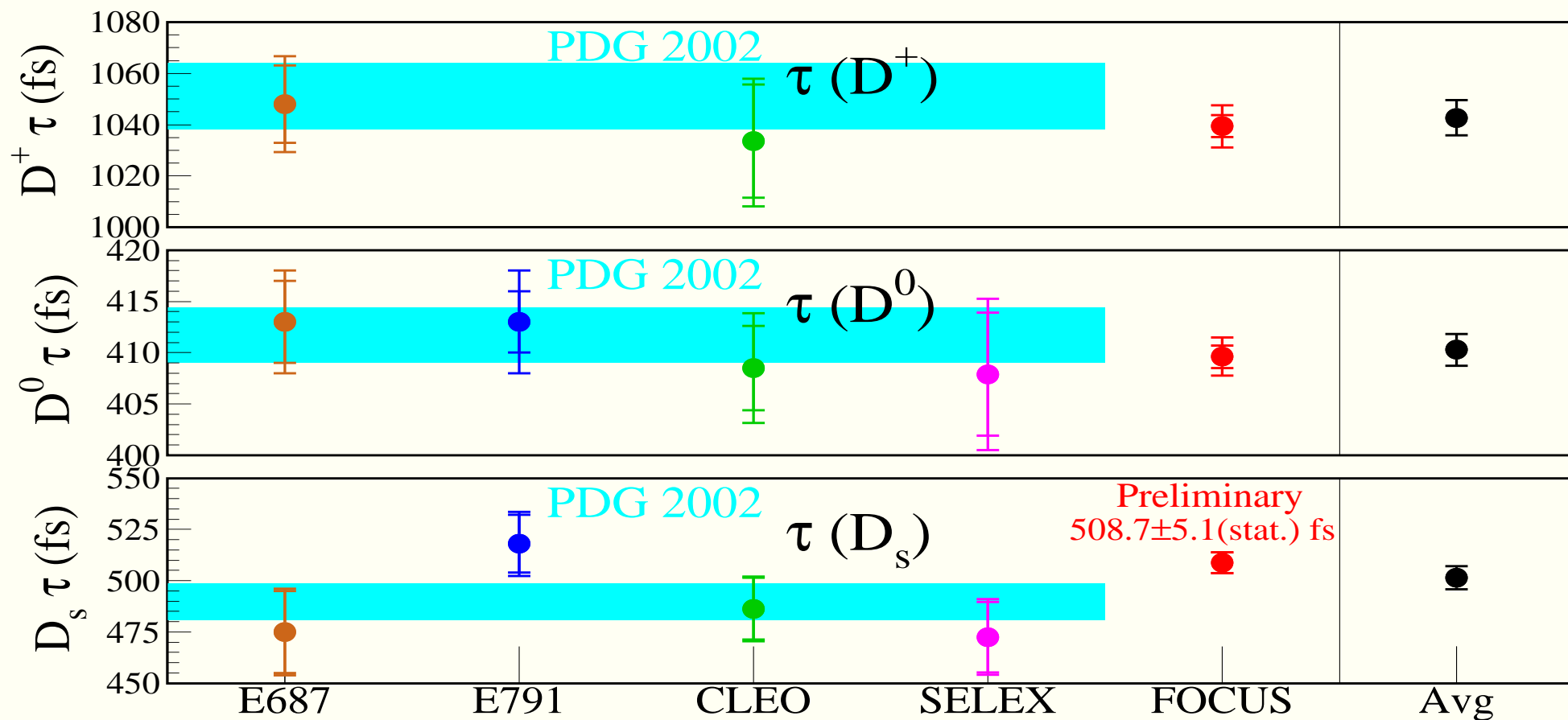
## ■ Needed for $b$ physics

- Many  $b$  particles decay to charm so branching ratios, lifetimes, etc. needed for accurate  $b$  results
- Experimental techniques can be developed in charm (lifetime measurement, Dalitz plot analyses, etc.)
- Heavy Quark Effective Theory often needs charm to bootstrap to  $b$  physics

# Summary of relevant experiments

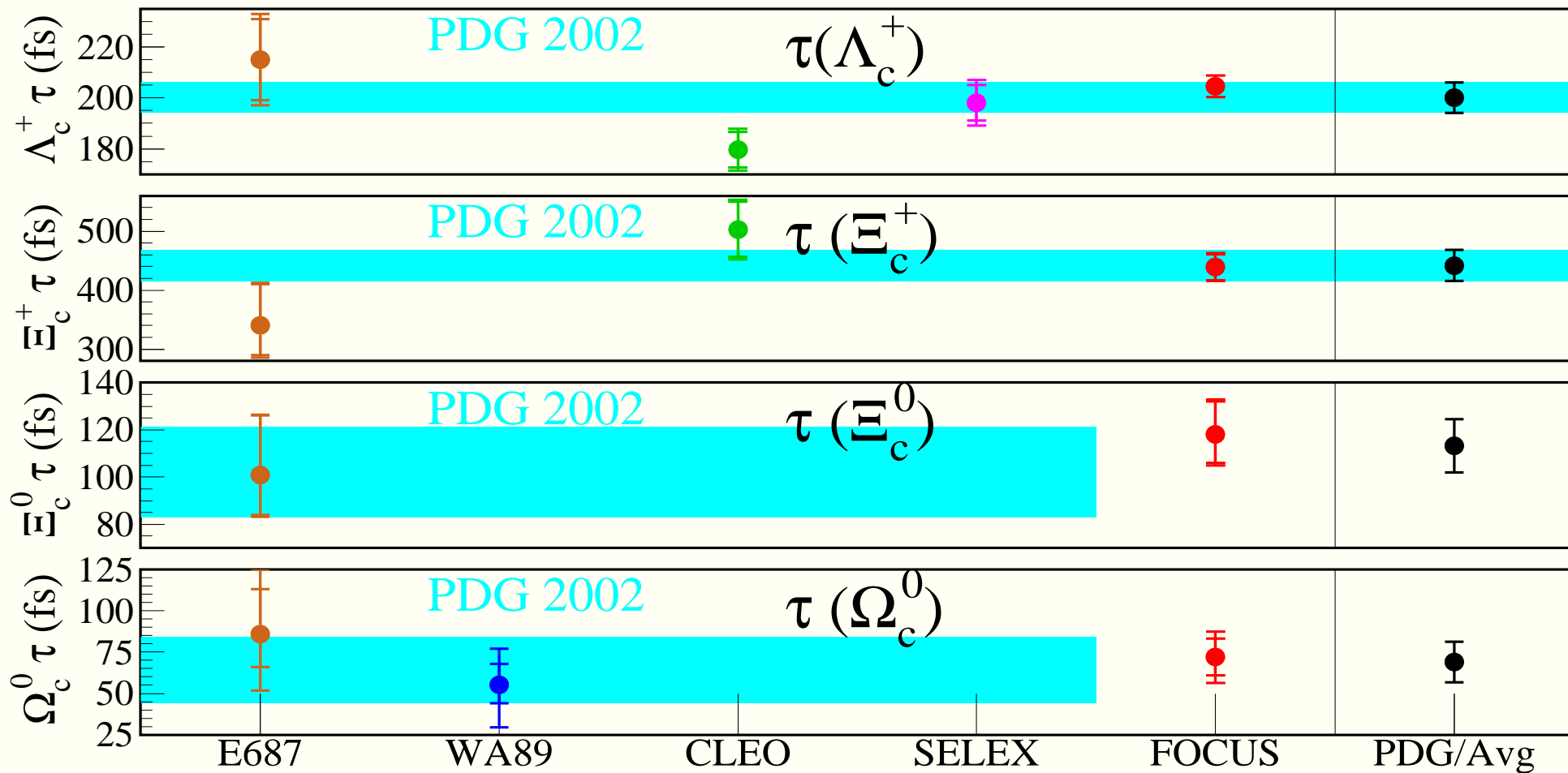
- **E687, E791, FOCUS, and SELEX** are Fermilab fixed-target experiments using  $\gamma$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\Sigma^-$  beam particles. These experiments have excellent particle ID and vertexing.
- **BaBar & Belle (CLEO)** use asymmetric (symmetric)  $e^+e^-$  collisions at and below the  $\Upsilon(4S)$  (10.58 GeV). Backgrounds are naturally low in these experiments.
- **CDF** is a Fermilab collider experiment using  $p\bar{p}$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV. The charm cross section is very high making up for not being tuned for charm work. Run II started about 1 year ago.
- **BES** utilizes a  $\tau$ -charm factory (symmetric  $e^+e^-$  collider operating at  $\sqrt{s} = 3 - 5$  GeV).

# Charm meson lifetimes



- World avg (FOCUS+PDG) gives  $\lesssim 1\%$  measurements of all charm meson lifetimes
- $\tau_{D^+}/\tau_{D^0} = 2.54 \pm 0.02 \Rightarrow$  large destructive interference
- $\tau_{D_s}/\tau_{D^0} = 1.22 \pm 0.01 \Rightarrow$  evidence for weak annihilation?

# Charm baryon lifetimes



- $\Lambda_c^+$  PDG error dominated by  $2.7\sigma$  FOCUS/CLEO discrepancy. Systematic effect for short lived particles?
- $\tau_{\Omega_c^0} \approx 1/15 \times \tau_{D^+} \approx 1/3 \times \tau_{\Lambda_c^+}$ ; need boost & precise vertexing

# Hadronic decays

## Hadronic decays are rich in information about QCD

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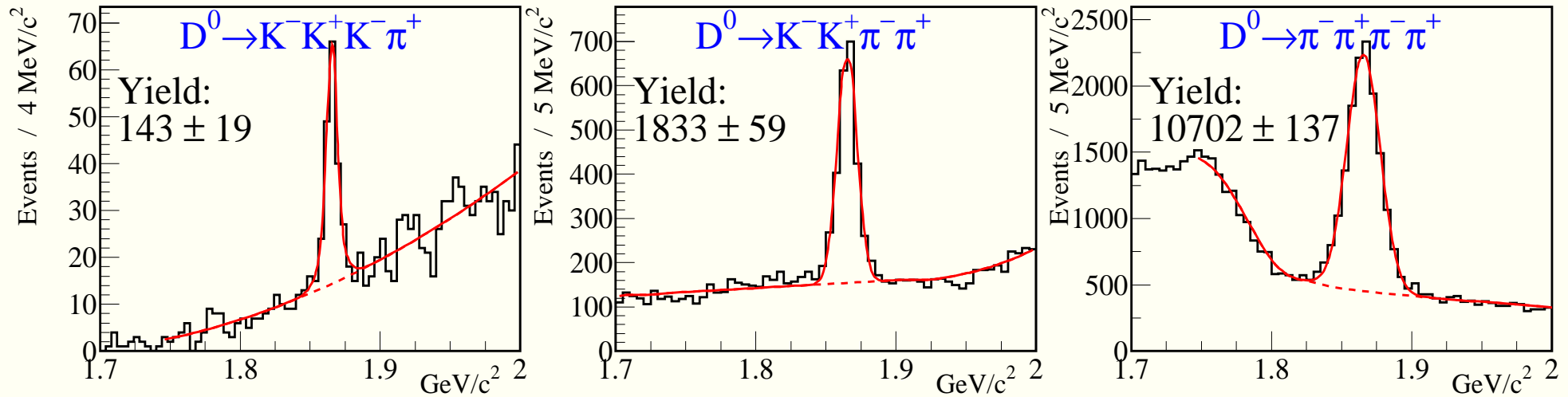
- Hadronic decays responsible for  $D^+$  and  $D^0$  lifetime difference
- Suppression of  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$  to  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+$  proved importance of final state interactions in charm decays
- Hadronic decays can provide information on relative strengths of decay diagrams (spectator, W exchange, annihilation, etc.) and post-decay hadronization
- Analysis of charm decays can provide information on light resonances
- The charm sector is rich in hadronic decay modes

## Accessing information from hadronic decays can be difficult

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- Branching ratios are fairly simple to measure
- Resonant analyses of multi-body final states are not so easy
  - Resonance parameters often not well known
  - Quantum mechanical interferences complicates the analysis

# Prelim FOCUS $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^- h^+ h^-$ results

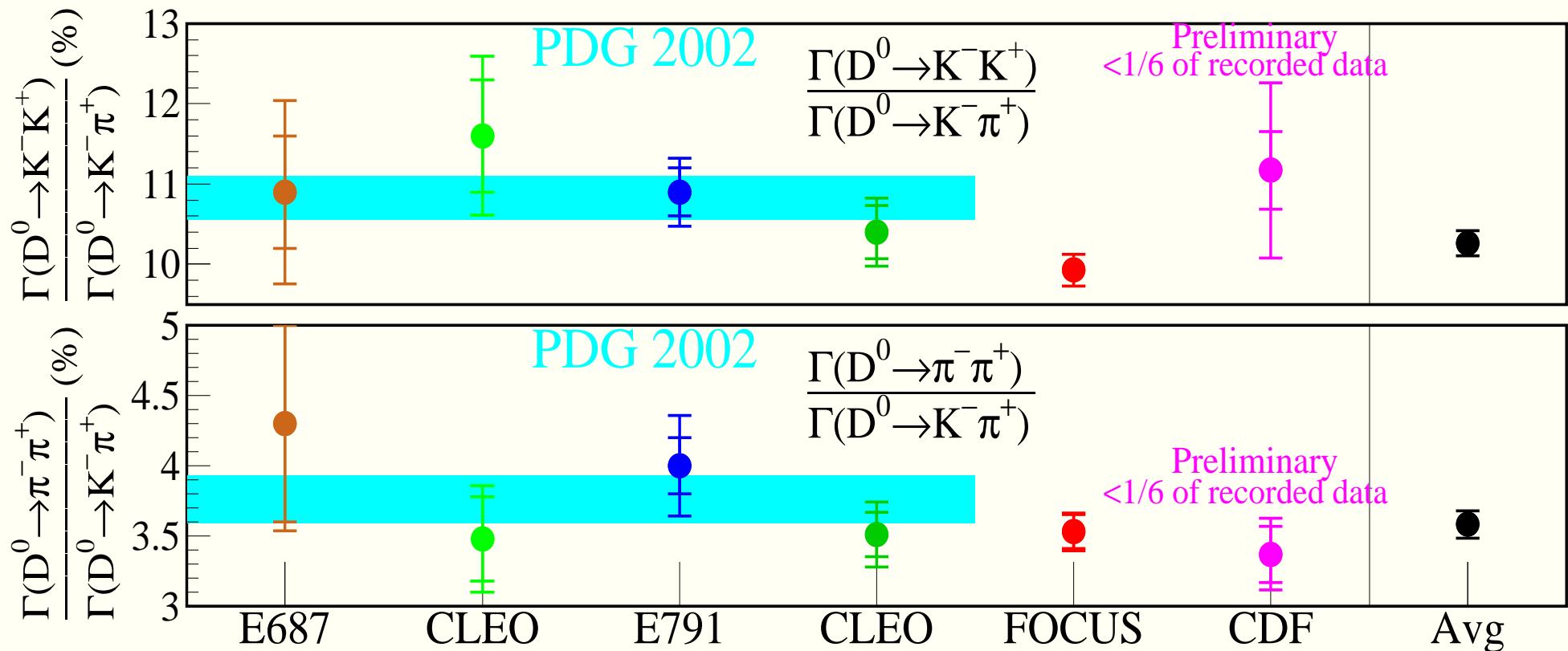


- $D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+ K^- \pi^+$  decays to  $\phi$  3/4 of the time, much of it is  $\phi \bar{K}^{*0}$
- $D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+ \pi^- \pi^+$  dominated by  $\phi \rho$  and  $K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$
- $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$  decay complicated by many  $2\pi$  &  $3\pi$  resonances,  $\sigma$  possibilities, and  $\rho\rho$  decays with various relative angular momenta
- Amplitude analysis is ongoing

Branching ratio	FOCUS (preliminary)	PDG2002
$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}$	$(0.257 \pm 0.034 \pm 0.023) \%$	$(0.32 \pm 0.09) \%$
$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}$	$(2.97 \pm 0.10(stat.)) \%$	$(3.34 \pm 0.28) \%$
$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}$	$(8.66 \pm 0.12(stat.)) \%$	$(9.8 \pm 0.6) \%$



# $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$ decays



- **CDF** triggers on 2 displaced tracks (SVT)  $\Rightarrow$  lots of charm (0.45 million  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  in  $65 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

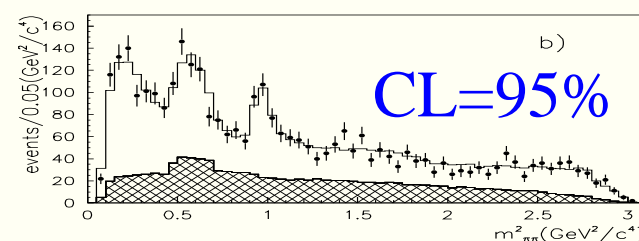
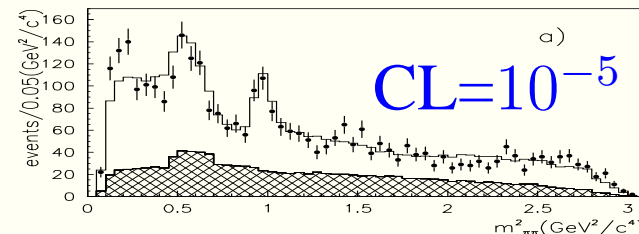
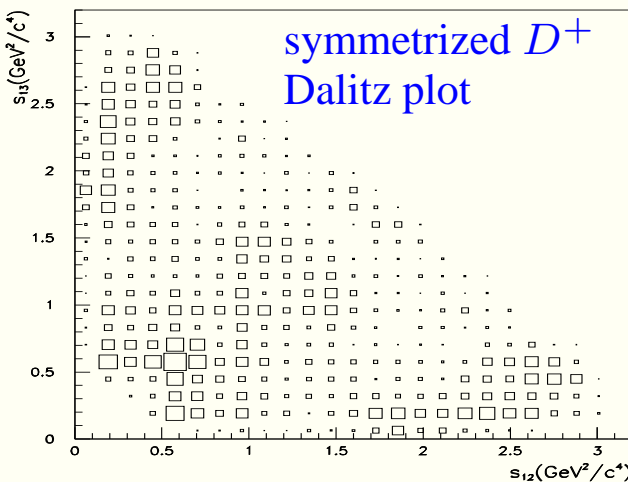
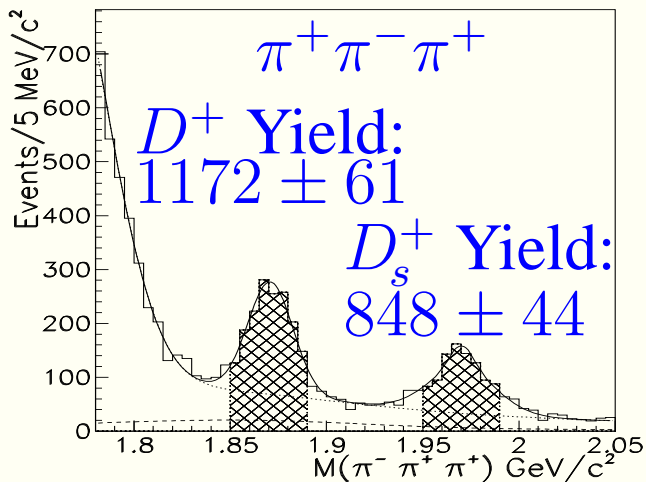
- From **E791**, **CLEO**, & **FOCUS**:  $\left\langle \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+)} \right\rangle = 2.83 \pm 0.09$ ;  
Expect  $\sim 1.3 \Rightarrow$  strong example of final state interactions

# E791 $D^+, D_s^+ \rightarrow h^+ h^- h^+$ Dalitz plot

E791 uses high statistics samples to measure parameters of light mesons

Resonance	M (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	$\Gamma$ (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	Decay Mode
$\sigma$	$478^{+24}_{-23} \pm 17$	$324^{+42}_{-40} \pm 21$	$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
$\kappa$	$797 \pm 19 \pm 42$	$410 \pm 43 \pm 85$	$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
$f_0(980)$	$975 \pm 3 \pm 2$	$44 \pm 2 \pm 2$	$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
$f_0(1370)$	$1434 \pm 18 \pm 9$	$172 \pm 32 \pm 6$	$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
$K_0^*(1430)$	$1459 \pm 7 \pm 6$	$175 \pm 12 \pm 12$	$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

- $\sigma$  required by  $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ : fit CL  $10^{-5}$  (no  $\sigma$ )  $\Rightarrow$  75% (with  $\sigma$ )
- $\kappa$  required by  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ : fit CL  $10^{-11}$  (no  $\kappa$ )  $\Rightarrow$  95% (with  $\kappa$ ); also reduces mysterious nonresonant contribution from 90% to 13%
- All resonances fit as Breit–Wigner except  $f_0(980)$



# $D^+, D_s^+ \rightarrow h^+ h^- h^+$ continued

**FOCUS** is a similar experiment to **E791** with 2.5–10 times more data

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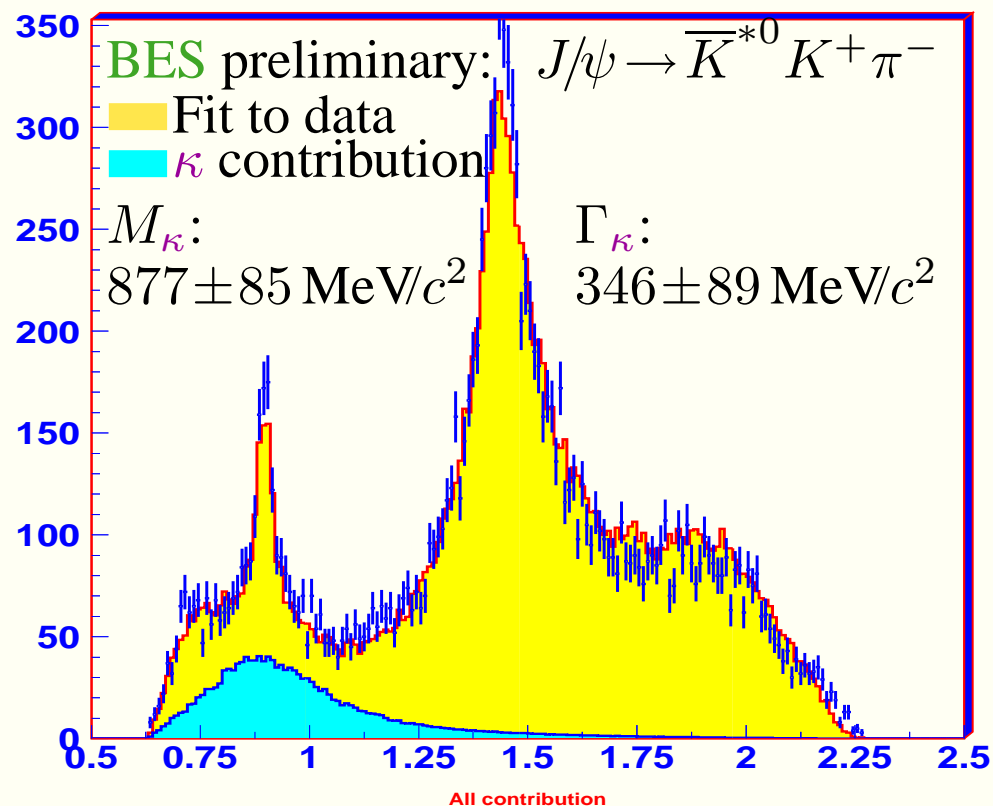
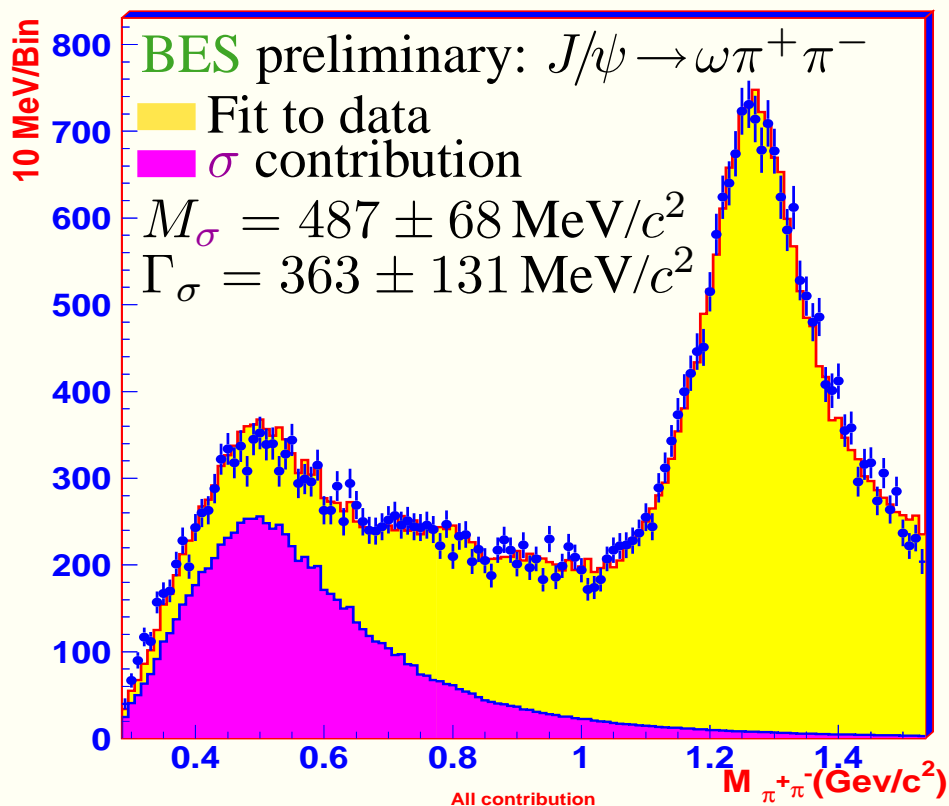
- Similar  $\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$  Dalitz plots observed
  - Investigating fitting with K-matrix instead of isobar model
    - Allows coupled channel analysis
    - Allows determination of “true” pole parameters (not just observed Breit-Wigner parameters)
    - Can incorporate information from strong scattering experiments
  - Anisovich & Sarantsev parameterize  $IJ^{PC} = 00^{++}$  particles,  $f_0(980)$ ,  $f_0(1300)$ ,  $f_0(1500)$ ,  $f_0(1750)$ ,  $f_0(1200 - 1600)$ . Using this parameterization, and adding in vector and tensor particles, one can fit the  $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$  Dalitz plot.
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- **CLEO** did not see evidence for  $\kappa$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$  decays
- **Babar** and **Belle** are starting to do Dalitz plot analyses

# Preliminary BES $\sigma$ & $\kappa$ results

Preliminary BES results indicate significant contributions from  $\sigma$  and  $\kappa$  in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega \pi^+ \pi^-$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \bar{K}^*(892)^0 K^+ \pi^-$  decays

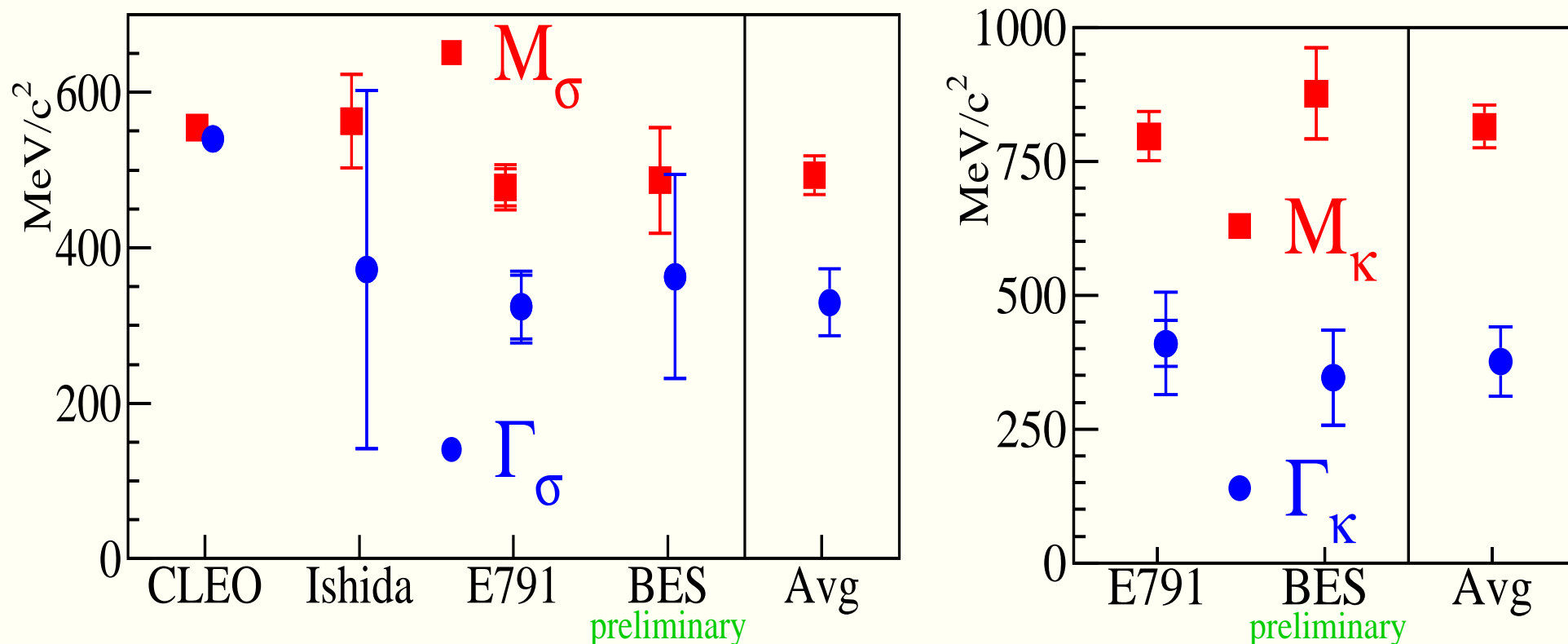
- Low mass enhancement not due to background or phase space
- Improves  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega \pi^+ \pi^-$  fit by  $>20\sigma$ ; other spins are  $>20\sigma$  worse
- Improves  $J/\psi \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^+ \pi^-$  fit by  $\sim 20\sigma$ ; other spins are  $\gtrsim 9\sigma$  worse



# More on $\sigma$ and $\kappa$

- CLEO finds  $\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$  decays are dominated by  $a_1^-$  decays of which  $\sim 15\%$  are to  $\sigma$ :  $M_\sigma = 555 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ,  $\Gamma_\sigma = 540 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- Ishida *et al.* (via PDG) find  $M_\sigma = 563 \pm 60 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ,  $\Gamma_\sigma = 372 \pm 230 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  from reanalyzed  $\Upsilon'$  and  $J/\psi^{(\prime)}$  decays.

## Summary of recent results on mass & width of $\sigma$ & $\kappa$



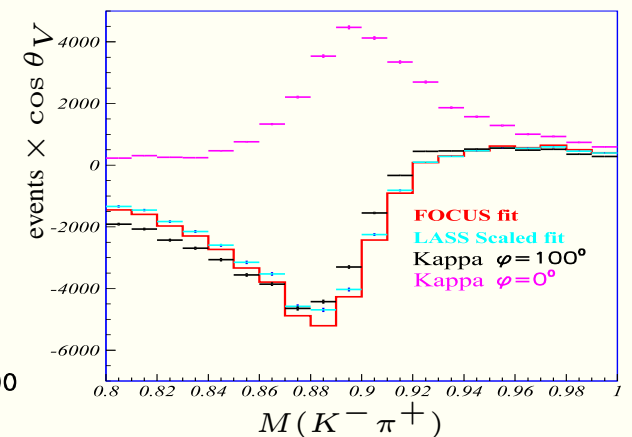
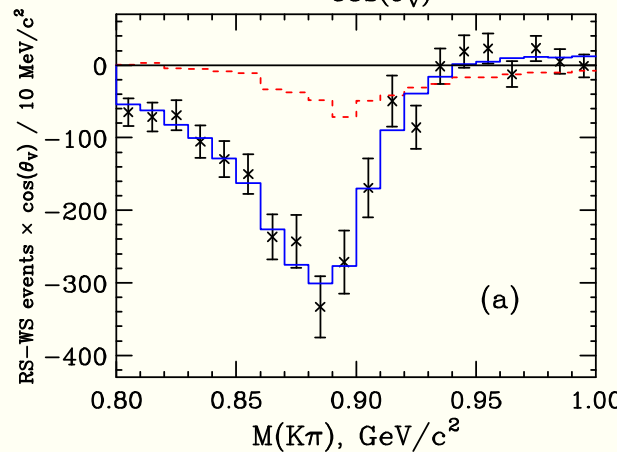
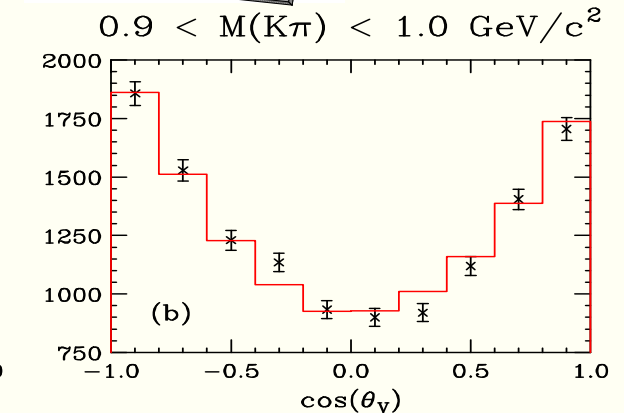
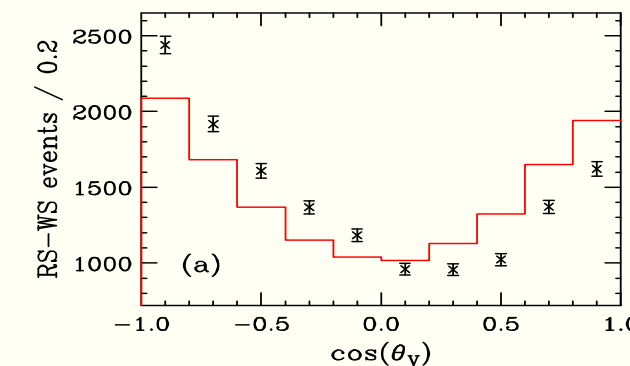
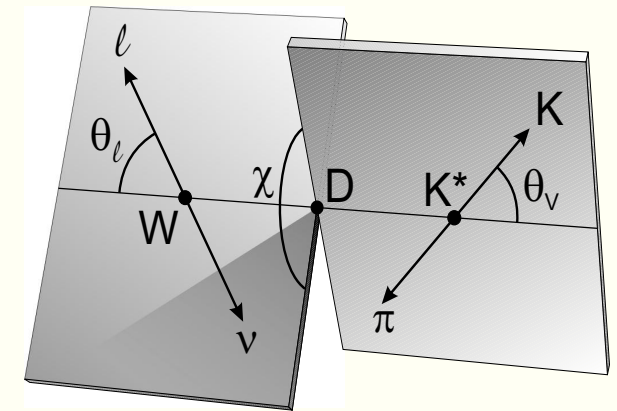
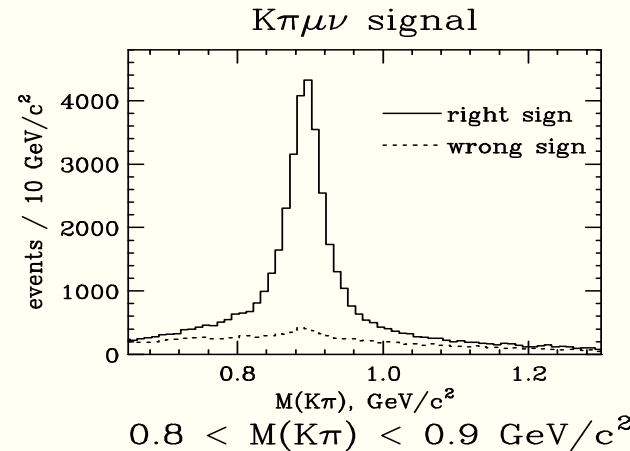
# Effect of $\sigma$ on $g_\mu - 2$

- Narison finds  $\sigma$  can significantly affect theoretical calculations for muon anomalous magnetic moment,  $a_\mu \equiv (g_\mu - 2)/2$
- Recent comparisons of  $a_\mu$  between theory and data indicate a  $3.0\sigma$  or  $0.9\sigma$  difference depending on whether  $e^+e^-$  annihilation or  $\tau$  decay data is used in theory
- Narison finds including effects of the  $\sigma$  reduces the difference to  $1.6\sigma$  or  $-0.2\sigma$
- $\sigma$  contribution introduces uncertainties larger than the old theoretical uncertainties due to lack of knowledge of  $M_\sigma$  and  $\Gamma(\sigma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, e^+e^-)$
- Need to learn more about the  $\sigma$  particle!

# New scalar in $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \mu^+ \nu$ decays?

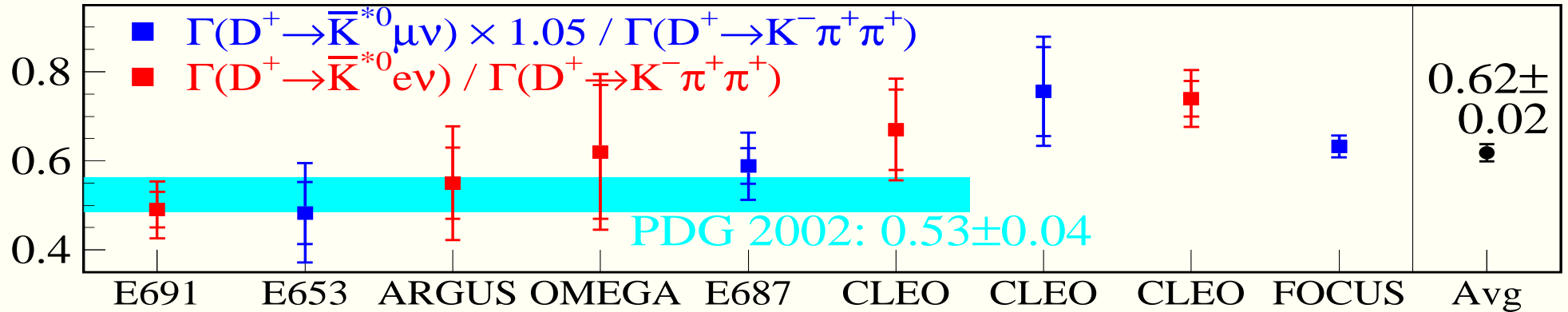
## FOCUS analysis:

- **FOCUS** has large  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \mu^+ \nu$  sample
- Observe an asymmetry in  $\cos \theta_V$  which depends on the  $K^- \pi^+$  mass
- Due to s-wave interference,  $\delta = 45^\circ$
- Also in LASS  $K\pi$  scattering
- $\kappa$  unlikely; need extra phase shift

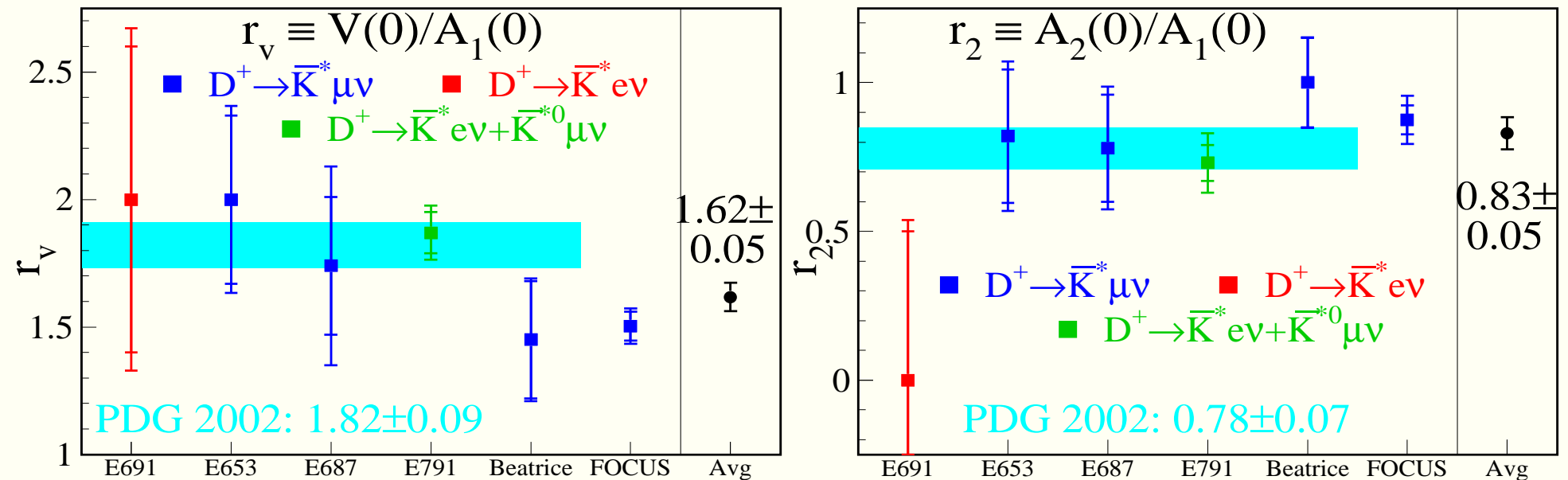


# Recent $D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} \ell^+ \nu$ results

Branching ratio: (FOCUS includes effect of scalar interference)



Form factors: (FOCUS includes effect of scalar interference)



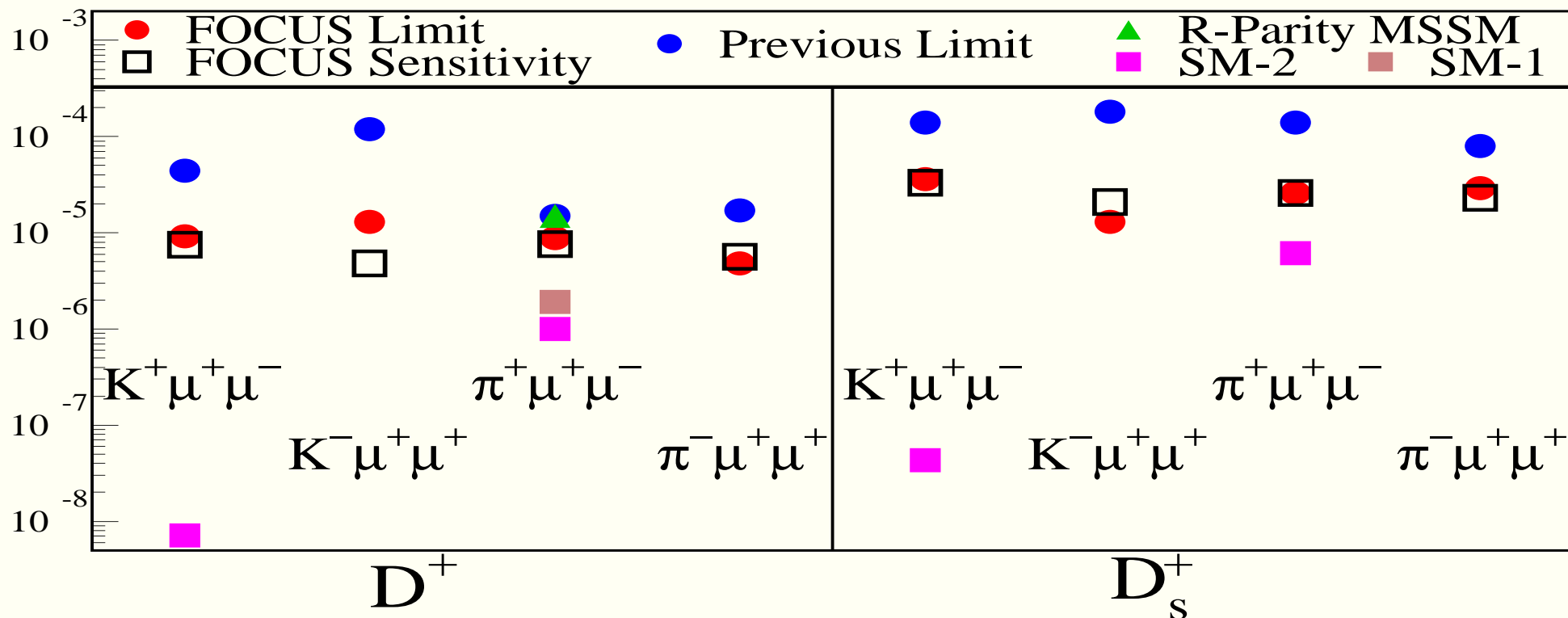


# Rare decays

- Rare decays are window to new physics
- Standard Model predictions much below current sensitivity
- Some new physics predictions are within range

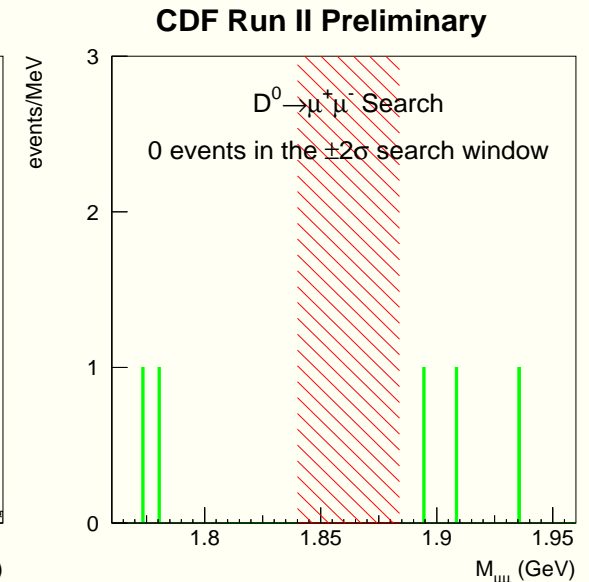
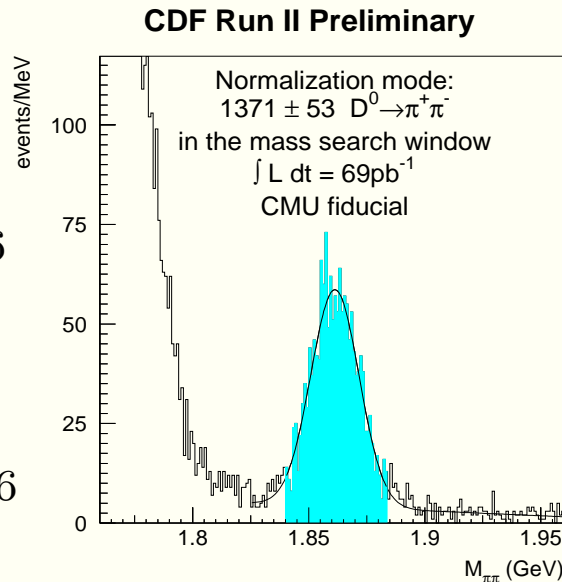
**FOCUS** preliminary 90% CL limits on  $\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow h^\pm \mu \mu)$

- Use a new dual bootstrap technique to determine sensitivity/limits
- Use Wolfgang-Rolke tables to include error on background estimate



# $D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ , $\gamma\gamma$ searches

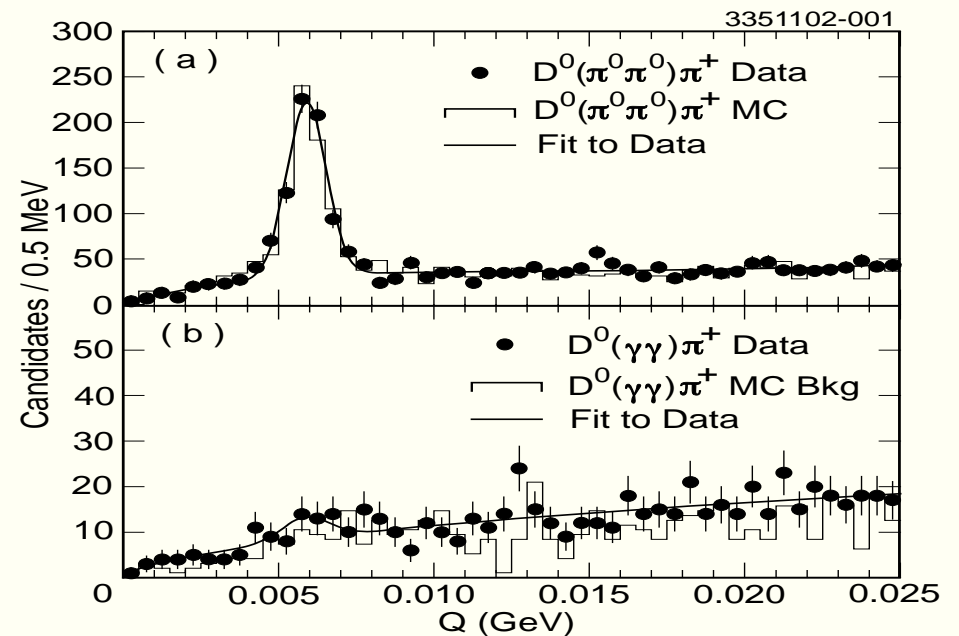
Preliminary **CDF** 90% CL upper limit on  $D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ :  
 $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 2.4 \times 10^{-6}$   
 (sensitivity of  $4.1 \times 10^{-6}$ )  
 current world best:  $4.1 \times 10^{-6}$



In 2003, **CLEO** published the first limit on  $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ :

$$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0)} = (1.94 \pm 0.94)\%$$

$$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 2.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ @ } 90\% \text{ CL}$$



# Charm mixing

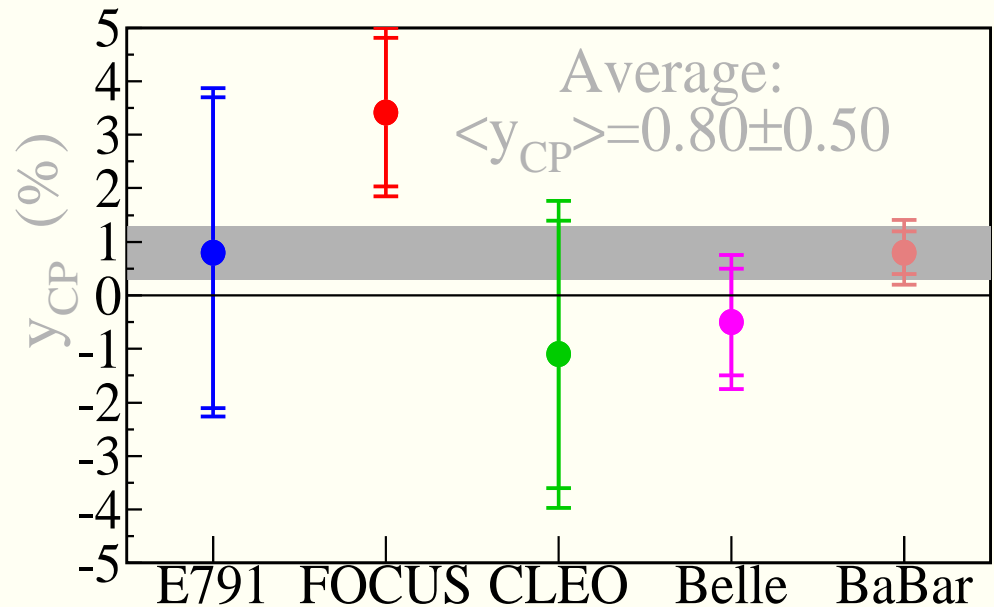
- Like  $K^0$ ,  $B^0$ , &  $B_s^0$  particles,  $D^0$  particles can mix
- Mixing very suppressed in Standard Model  $\Rightarrow$  room for new physics
- Look for mixing in wrong sign semileptonic or hadronic decays
- Doubly Cabibbo Suppressed decays complicate hadronic decays
- Definitions:
  - $x \equiv \frac{\Delta M}{\Gamma}$  — via virtual intermediate states
  - $y \equiv \frac{\Delta \Gamma}{2\Gamma}$  — via real intermediate states
  - $r_{mix} \equiv \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2) = \frac{1}{2} (x'^2 + y'^2)$  —  $x', y'$  rotated by  $\delta$
- With CP conservation, the wrong-sign to right-sign decay rate is:

$$R_{WS}(t) = \left( R_{DCS} + \sqrt{R_{DCS}} y' \Gamma t + \frac{1}{4} (x'^2 + y'^2) \Gamma^2 t^2 \right) e^{-\Gamma t}$$

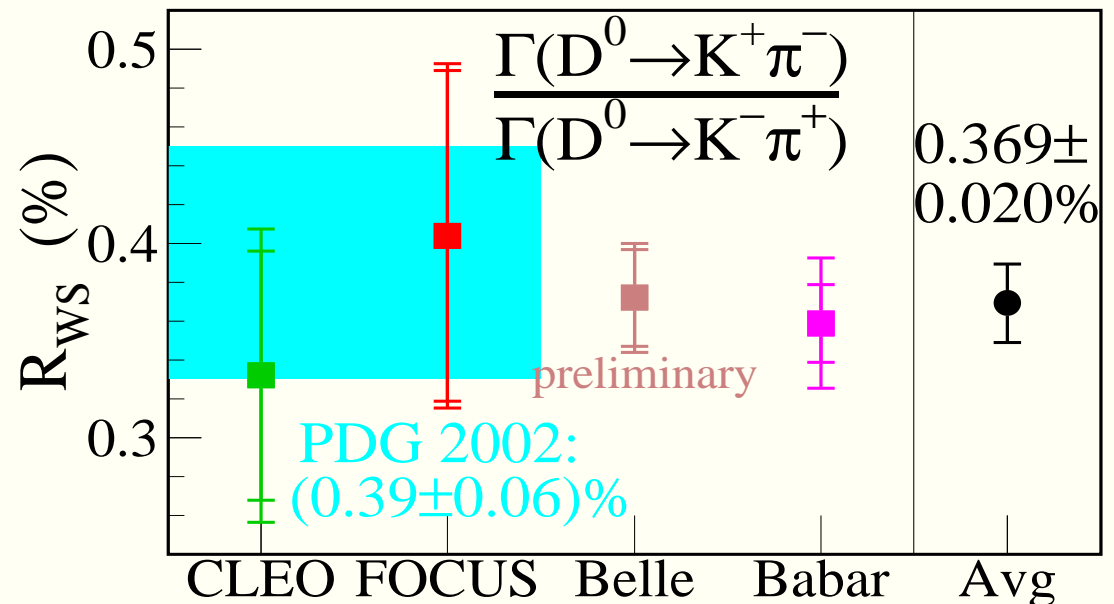
where the three terms come from DCS decays, interference, and mixing. In semileptonic mixing only the mixing term appears.

# Charm mixing results

- Assuming CP conservation: measure  $y$  by looking for lifetime difference between CP even, CP odd, and/or CP mixed states
- Compare  $\tau (D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+)$  to  $\tau (D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+, \pi^- \pi^+)$

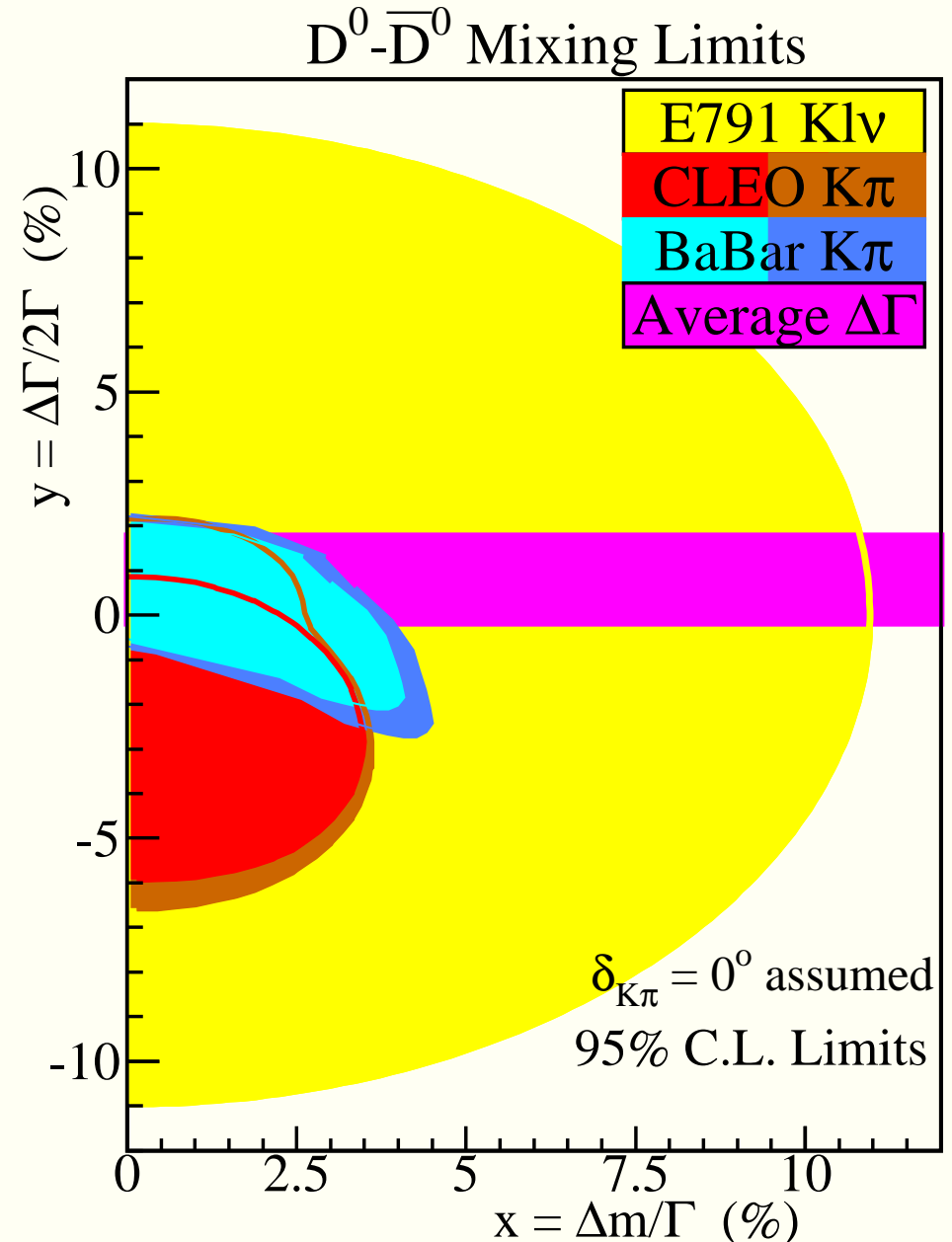


Measurements of the hadronic wrong sign decay rate (assumed DCS) have become quite precise with recent Babar and Belle measurements.



# Charm mixing results continued

- **E791** semileptonic mixing result measures  $r_{mix} \equiv 1/2 (x^2 + y^2)$ .
- **CLEO** hadronic mixing results **allowing** or **not allowing** CP violation. Fit to  $x'$  and  $y'$ . Contour from scanning  $\Delta\mathcal{L}$ .
- **BaBar** CP conserving hadronic mixing results with **statistical** & **statistical plus systematic** errors. Fit to  $x'^2$ ,  $y'$ . Contour from mini-MC frequentist approach.
- **FOCUS**, **CLEO**, **BaBar**, and **Belle** are all investigating mixing using semileptonics and various hadronic modes.



# Some results which were missed

- See sessions **P12** and **C12** for a full list
- **Babar** results
  - Three-body  $D$  decays — **C12.004**
- **Belle** results
  - $J/\psi c\bar{c}$  excess and double charmonium cross sections — **P12.008**
  - $\Omega_c$  mass, semileptonic decay, production — **P12.001**
- **CLEO** results
  - $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$  observation — **P12.015**
  - $D_s \rightarrow \mu\nu, \phi\pi$  branching ratios — **C12.006, C12.007**
  - Dalitz plot:  $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0 \pi^0, K^- K^+ \pi^0$  — **C12.001, C12.009**
  - $D_s \rightarrow \eta \ell \nu, \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda e \nu$  form factors — **C12.005, P12.014**
  - $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0, K_S^0 K^+, K^+ \pi^0$  decays — **C12.008**
- **CDF** results
  - Charm production results — **C12.003**
- **FOCUS** results
  - $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$  decays — **C12.010**

# Future of charm

- **FOCUS**: Will continue to analyze semileptonics, baryon decays, resonant analyses of hadronic decays, etc.
- **SELEX**: Many interesting production studies to come.
- **Babar & Belle**: Continuing to take data. With large, clean data samples, they have the capability to provide very precise measurements of lifetimes, relative branching ratios, substructure of hadronic decays, etc.
- **CDF**: Should be competitive in rare decays and maybe in other areas as well.
- **CLEO**: Converting to **CLEO-c** which will operate at various charmonium resonances. Precise measurements of absolute branching fractions and  $f_D$  &  $f_{D_s}$  via  $D^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$  &  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$  decays. Also interesting semileptonic and mixing studies.
- **BTeV**: Will obtain billions of reconstructed charm decays and will be strong in areas where fixed-target experiments like **FOCUS** and **E791** are strong.