

# Semileptonic $B$ decays

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# What? Cracking the Triangle

# Framework: the CKM Matrix

- $B^-$  and  $B^0$  are the most accessible 3rd-generation particles
- Their decays allow detailed studies of the CKM matrix

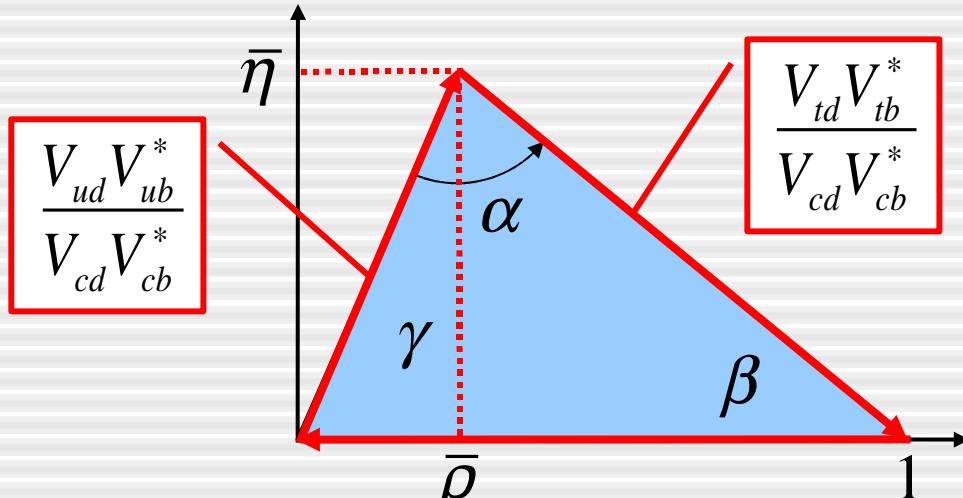
$$L = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{u}_L \quad \bar{c}_L \quad \bar{t}_L) \gamma^\mu \begin{bmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_L \\ s_L \\ b_L \end{bmatrix} W_\mu^+ + h.c.$$

- Unitary matrix  $V_{CKM}$  translates mass and weak basis
- 3 real parameters + 1 complex phase
- Is this the complete description of the CP violation?
  - Is everything consistent with a single unitary matrix?

The only source of CPV  
in the Minimal SM

# Representation: the Unitarity Triangle

- Unitarity of  $V_{\text{CKM}}$   $\rightarrow V_{\text{CKM}}^\dagger V_{\text{CKM}} = 1 \rightarrow V_{ud}V_{ub}^* + V_{cd}V_{cb}^* + V_{td}V_{tb}^* = 0$ 
  - This is neatly represented by the familiar Unitarity Triangle



$$\alpha = \arg \left[ -\frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*} \right]$$

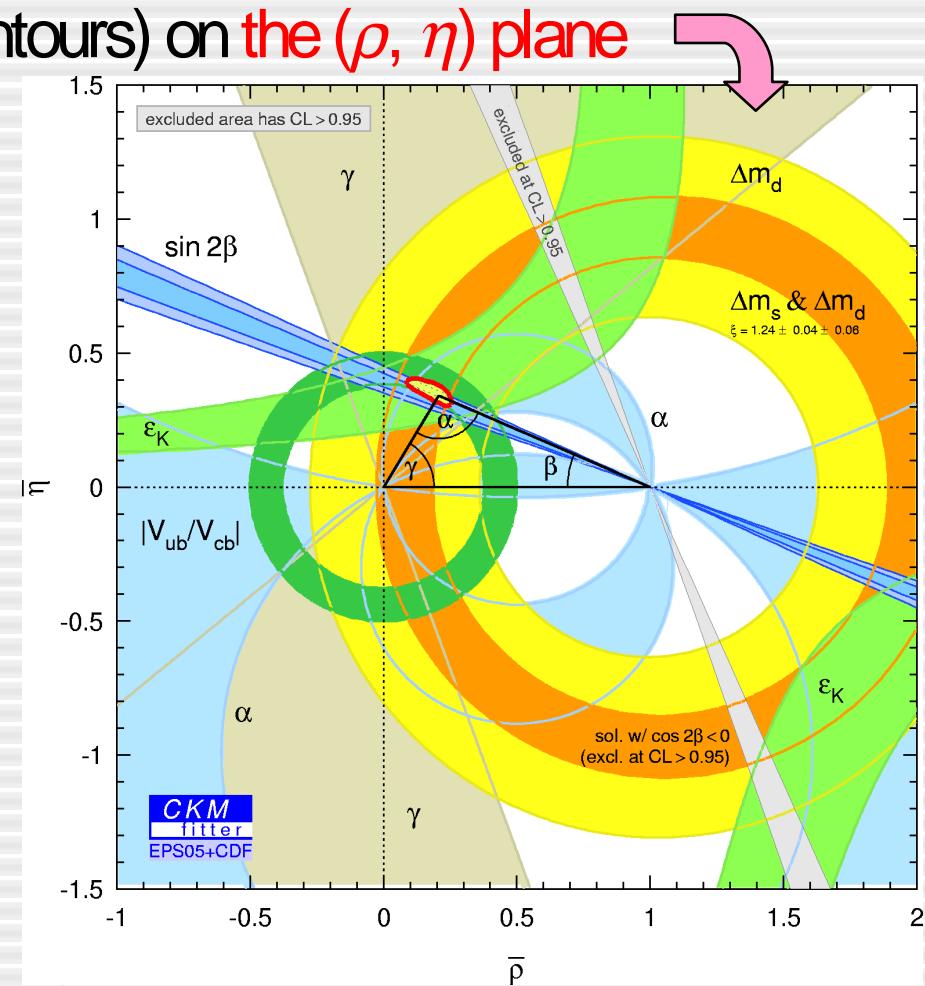
$$\beta = \arg \left[ -\frac{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}{V_{td}V_{tb}^*} \right]$$

$$\gamma = \arg \left[ -\frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*} \right]$$

- Angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  can be measured with CPV of  $B$  decays

# Test: the Consistency

- Compare the measurements (contours) on the  $(\rho, \eta)$  plane
  - If the SM is the whole story, they must all overlap
- The **yellow oval** tells us this is true as of today
  - Still large enough for New Physics to hide
- Precision of  $\sin 2\beta$  outstripped the other measurements
  - Must improve the others to make more stringent test



# Next Step: $|V_{ub} V_{cb}|$

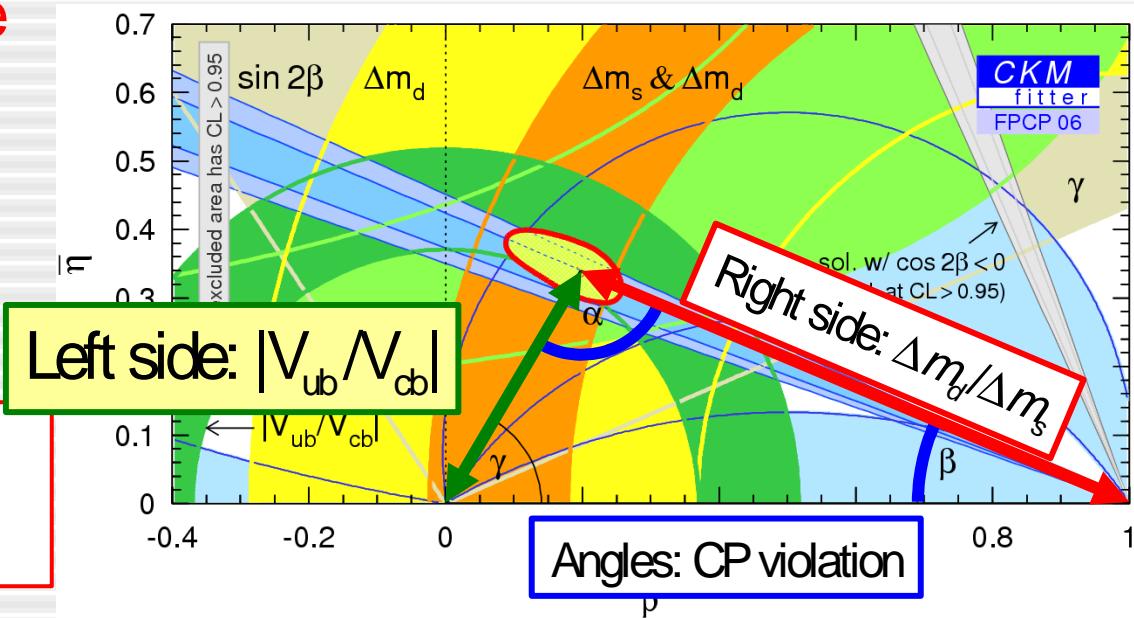
- Zoom in to see the overlap of “the other contours

- It's obvious: we must make the green ring thinner

Left side of the Triangle is

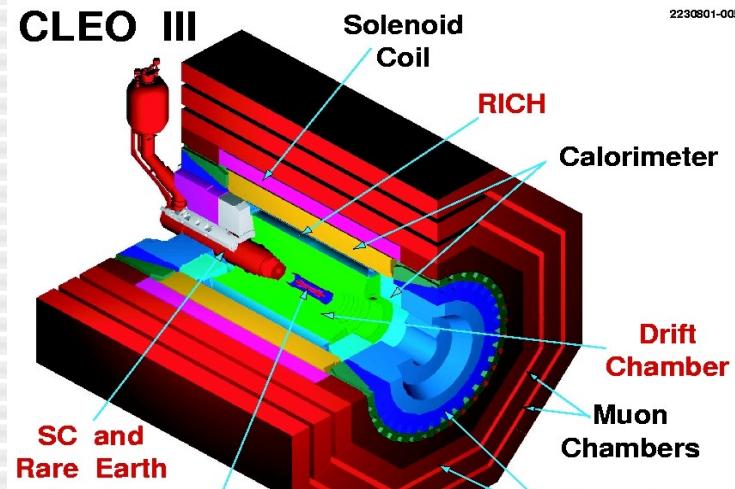
$$\left| \frac{V_{ud} V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd} V_{cb}^*} \right| = \left| \frac{V_{ub}}{V_{cb}} \right| \frac{1}{\tan \theta_C}$$

Measurement of  $|V_{ub} V_{cb}|$  is complementary to  $\sin 2\beta$



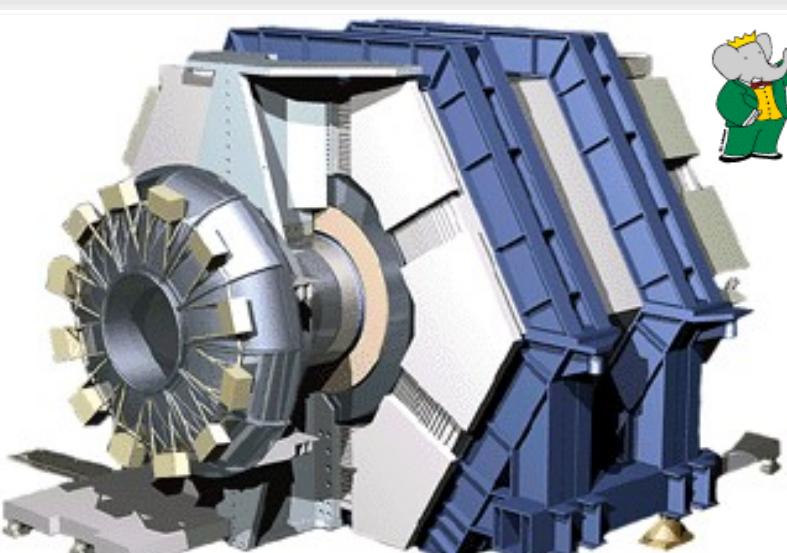
Goal: Accurate determination of both  $|V_{ub} V_{cb}|$  and  $\sin 2\beta$

$\sin \beta$  (all charmonium) =  $0.687 \pm 0.032$  ~ percentage error: 4.6% (HFAG)



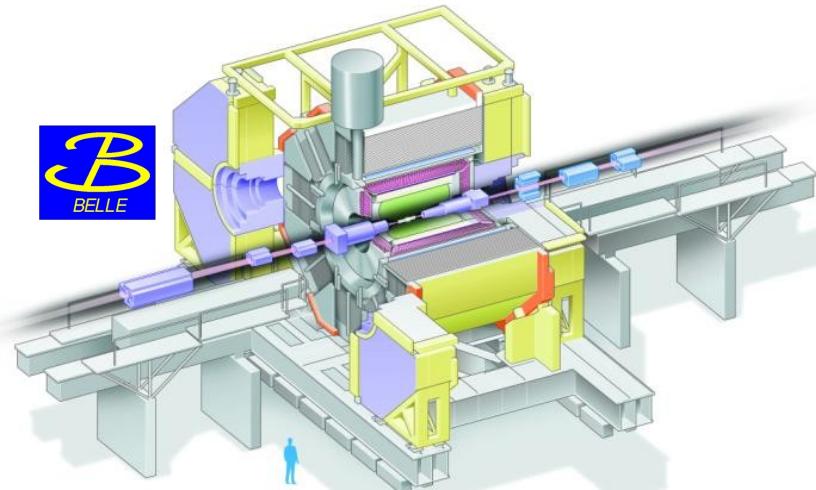
CLEO,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Y(4S)$ , no boost

# Where?@ the B-Factories



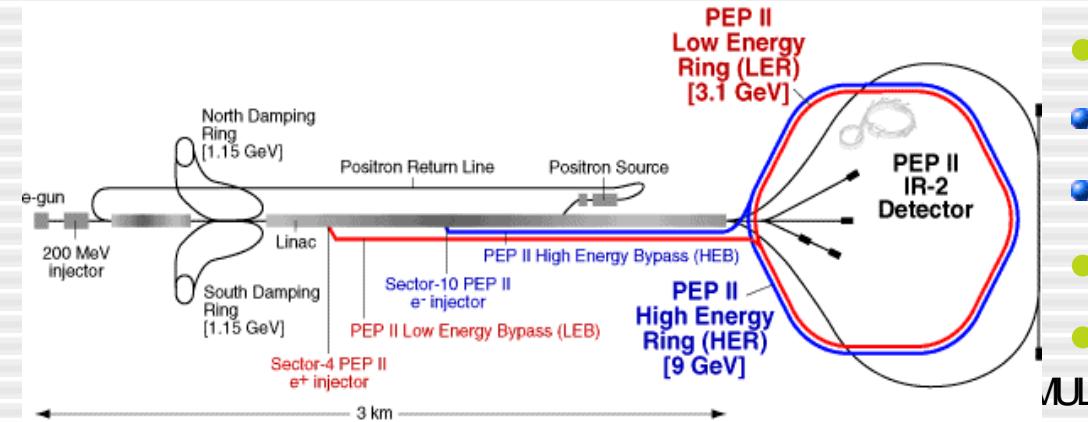
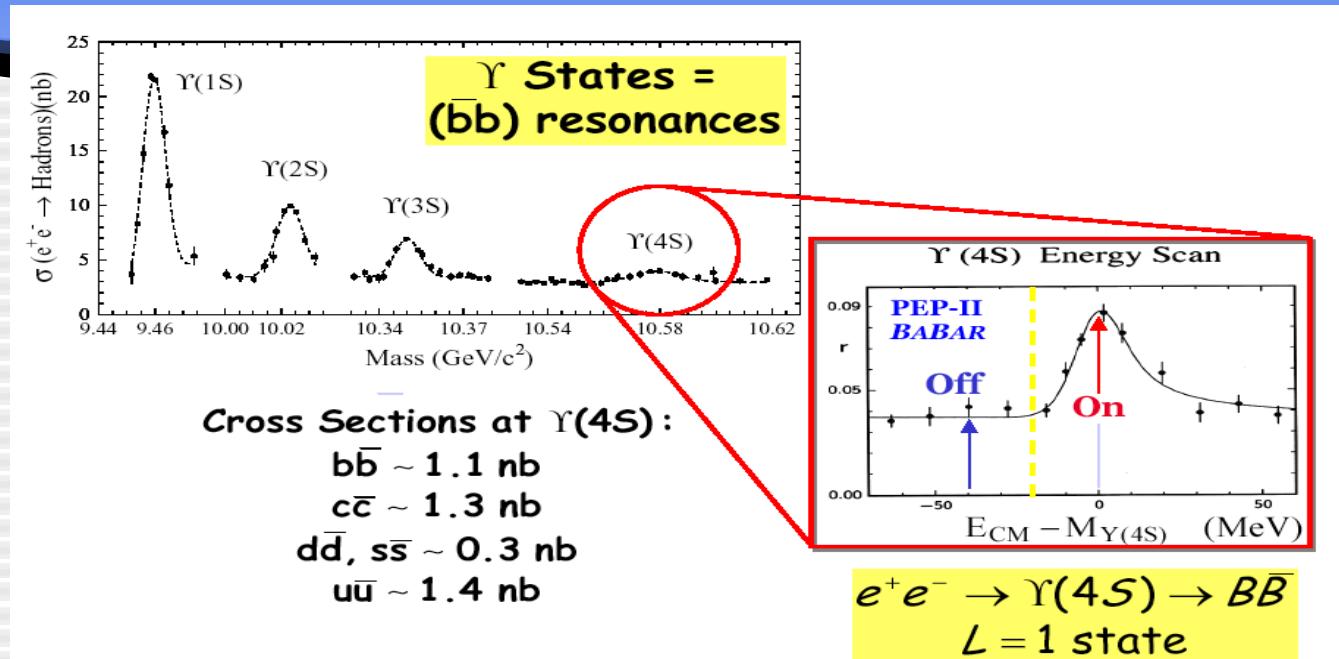
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BaBar,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Y(4S)$ ,  $Y(4S)$  boost  $\sim 0.56$



BELLE,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Y(4S)$ ,  $Y(4S)$  boost  $\sim 0.43$

# The B-Factory concept



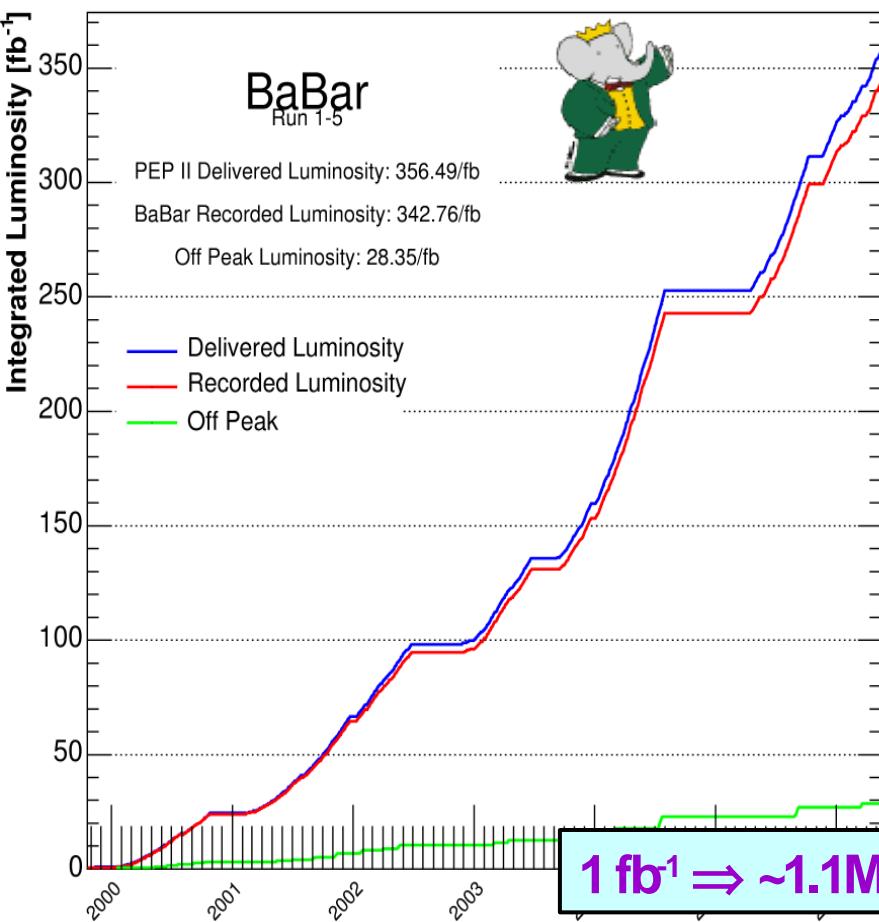
- High luminosity B-factories @  $\gamma(4S)$
- CLEO: symmetric factory
- BaBar (BELLE) asymmetric factory
- 9 (8) GeV  $e^-$  on 3.1 (3.5) GeV  $e^+$
- (4S) boost:  $\beta\gamma \sim 0.56$  (0.43)

# Luminosity: just spectacular!

Peak luminosity  $1.00 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$

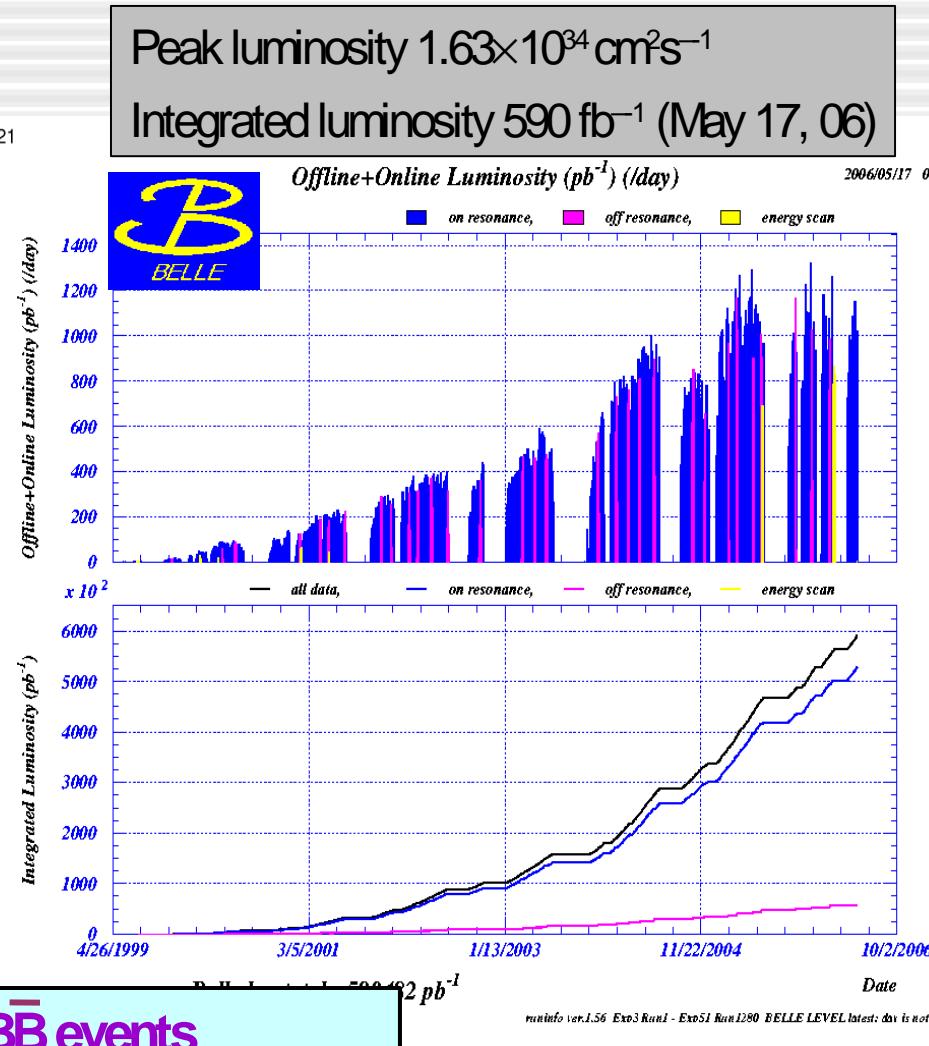
Integrated luminosity  $343 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (May 17, 06)

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Peak luminosity  $1.63 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$

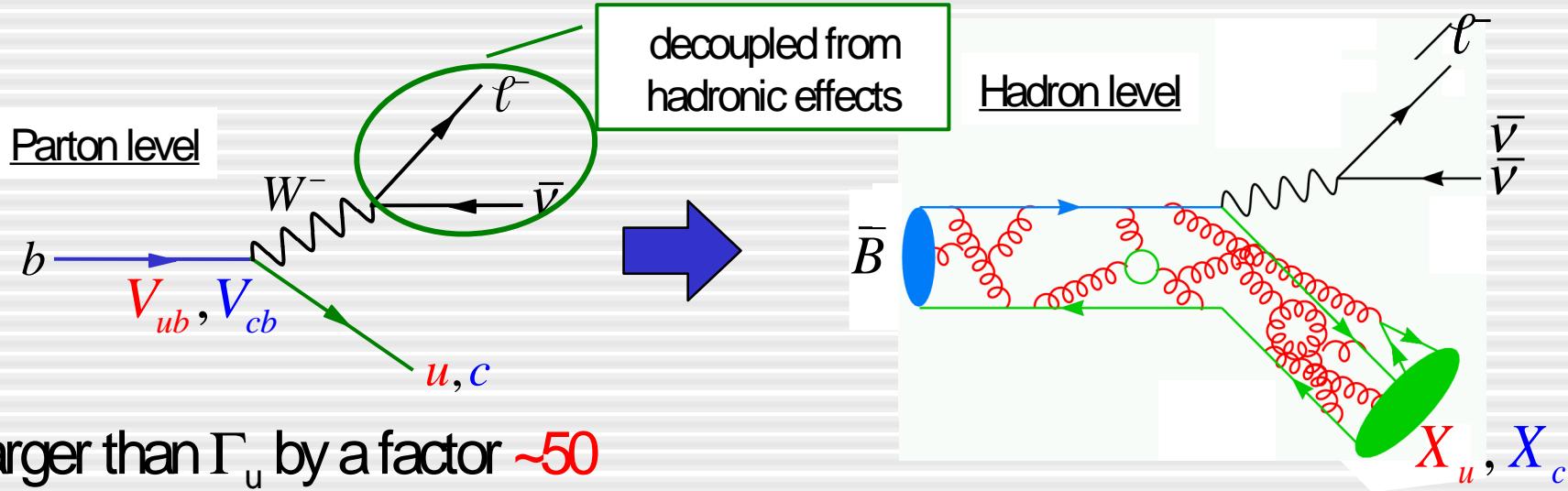
Integrated luminosity  $590 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (May 17, 06)



# How? The Semileptonic Decays

# Semileptonic B Decays

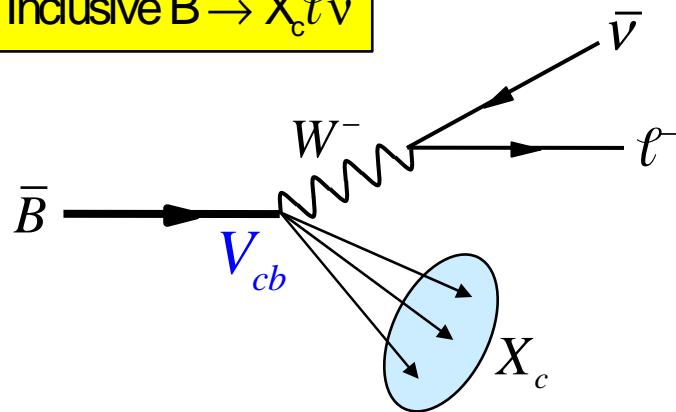
- Natural probe for  $|V_{ub}|$  and  $|V_{cb}|$ : Decay rate  $\Gamma_x \equiv \Gamma(b \rightarrow x\ell\nu) \propto |V_{xb}|^2$



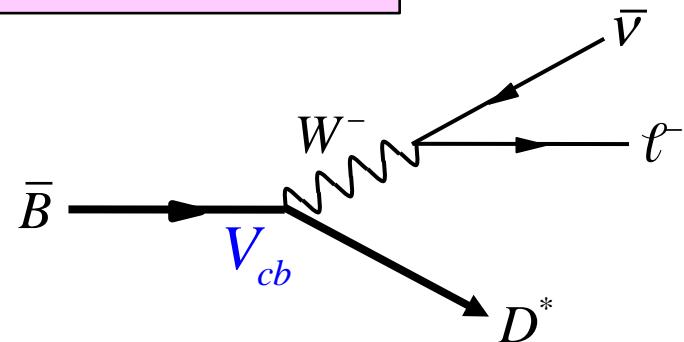
- $\Gamma_c$  larger than  $\Gamma_u$  by a factor  $\sim 50$ 
  - Extracting  $b \rightarrow u\ell\nu$  signal challenging
- Sensitive to hadronic effects
  - Must understand them to extract  $|V_{ub}|$ ,  $|V_{cb}|$  (use data to bolster theory)

# Inclusive vs. Exclusive

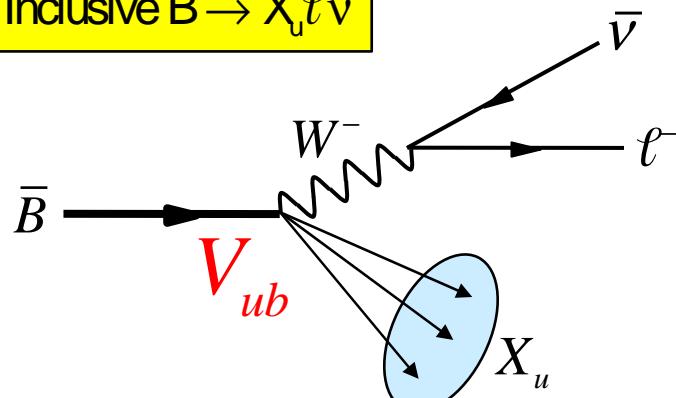
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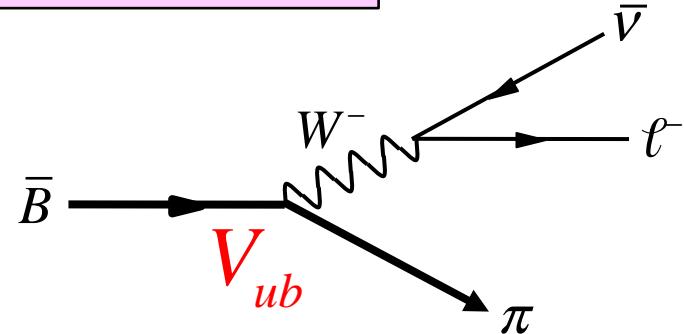
Exclusive  $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$



Inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \bar{\nu}$



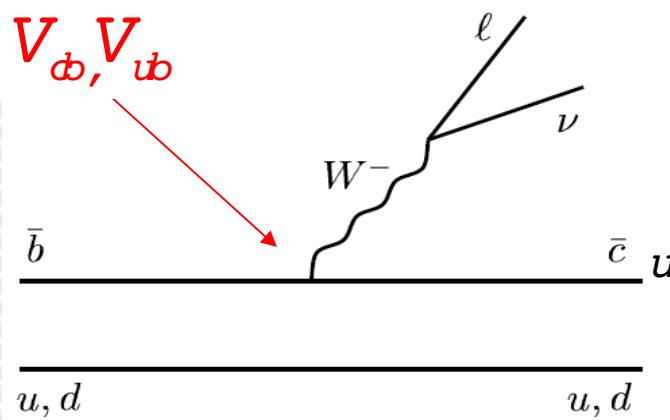
Exclusive  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}$



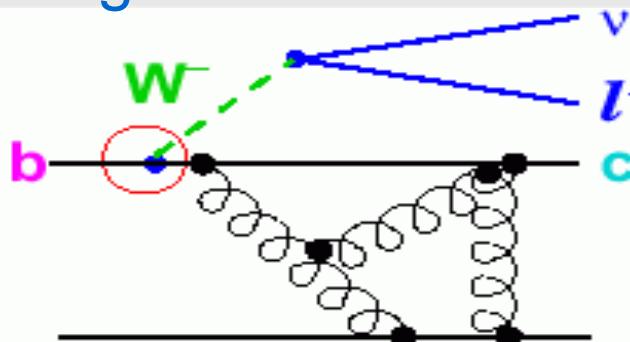
# Inclusive Decays

# Inclusive SL Decays

tree level, short distance:



+ long distance:



Decay properties depends directly on  $|V_{cb}|$ ,  $|V_{ub}|$ ,

$m_b$ , perturbative regime ( $\alpha_s^n$ )

→ short distance is calculable

But quarks are bound by soft gluons: non-perturbative long distance ( $\Lambda_{QCD}$ ) interactions of b-quark with light quark

Long distance leading order and short distance contribution are cleanly separated and probability to hadronize is 1.

# Inclusive semileptonic decays

$|V_{cb}|$  versus  $|V_{ub}|$

$|V_{cb}|$ :

- most accurate determination from the inclusive decays
- 2% precision limited by theory error
- precise Heavy Quarks parameters, tests of OPE

$|V_{ub}|$ :

- 7.5% precision shared between experimental and theoretical errors
- small rate and large  $b \rightarrow c l \nu$  background
- space cuts to remove  $b \rightarrow c l \nu$  background which introduce dependence on non-perturbative b-quark distribution function

# $|V_{cb}|$ from Inclusive Decays

# $|V_{cb}|$ from inclusive semileptonic decays

$\Gamma(b \rightarrow c \ell \bar{\nu})$  described by Heavy Quark Expansion in  $(1/m_b)^n$  and  $\alpha_s^k$

$$\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}) = G_F^2 m_b^5 / 192\pi^3 |V_{cb}|^2 [1 + A_{ew}] A_{\text{nonpert}} A_{\text{pert}}$$

non-perturbative parameters need to be measured

The expansion depends on the  $m_b$  definition: non-perturbative terms are expansion dependent

Theory error was dominated by  $1/m_b^3$  terms and above

# Moments in $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$ decays

Moments are related to non-perturbative parameters

Moments evaluated on the full lepton/mass spectrum or part of it:  
 $p_\ell > p_{\min}$  in the B rest frame

$$\langle E_\ell^n \rangle = \frac{1}{\Gamma_c} \left( E_\ell - \langle E_\ell \rangle \right)^n \frac{d\Gamma_c}{dE_\ell} dE_\ell \quad \langle m_X^n \rangle = \frac{1}{\Gamma_c} m_X^n \frac{d\Gamma_c}{dm_X} dm_X$$

Higher moments are sensitive to  $1/m_b^3$  terms  $\rightarrow$  reduce theory error  
on  $|V_{cb}|$  and HQ parameters

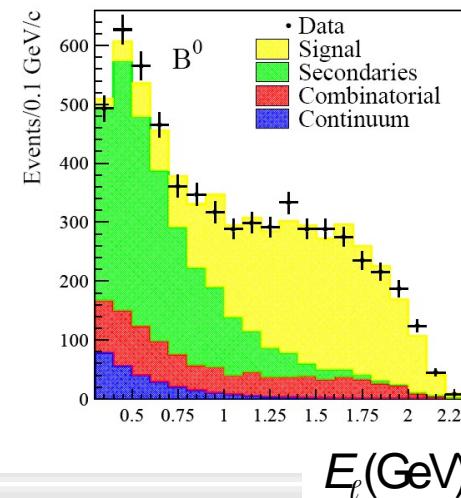
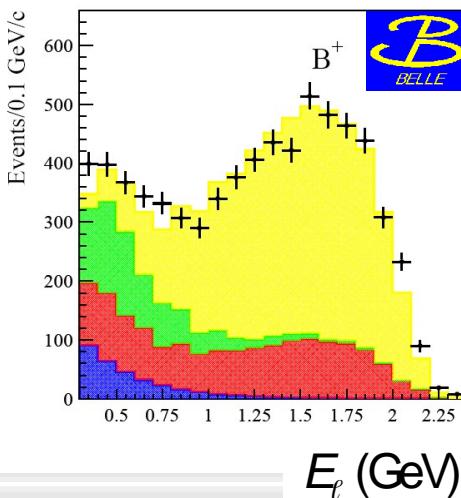
# Moments in $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$ decays

$E_\ell$  : lepton energy spectrum in  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$  (BaBar Belle CLEO Delphi)

$M_X^2$ : hadronic mass spectrum in  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$  (BaBar CDF CLEO Delphi)

Recent example for lepton and hadron mass moments from Belle:

Belle, hep-ex/0508056

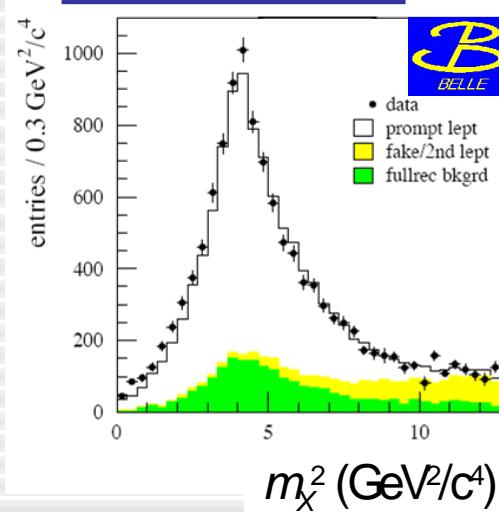


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$$P_{\min}^{*B} = 0.4 \text{ GeV}$$

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Belle, hep-ex/0509013



$$P_{\min}^{*B} = 0.7 \text{ GeV}$$

# Global OPE Fit

- OPE predicts total rate  $\Gamma_c$  and moments  $\langle E_\ell^n \rangle, \langle m_X^n \rangle$  as functions of  $|V_{cb}|, m_b, m_c$ , and several **non-perturbative params**
  - Each observable has different dependence  
→ Can determine all parameters from a global fit
- $E_\gamma$  spectrum in  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  decays connected directly to the **Shape Function** (= what the b-quark is doing inside the B meson) so it is used in the global fit

# OPE Fit Results

- Buchmüller & Flächer ([hep-ph/0507253](#))  
fit data from 10 measurements with an OPE calculation by Gambino & Uraltsev ([Eur. Phys. J. C34 \(2004\) 181](#))
  - Fit parameters:  $|V_{cb}|$ ,  $m_b$ ,  $m_c$ ,  $\mu_\pi^2$ ,  $\mu_G^2$ ,  $\rho_D^3$ ,  $\rho_{LS}^3$ ,  $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu)$

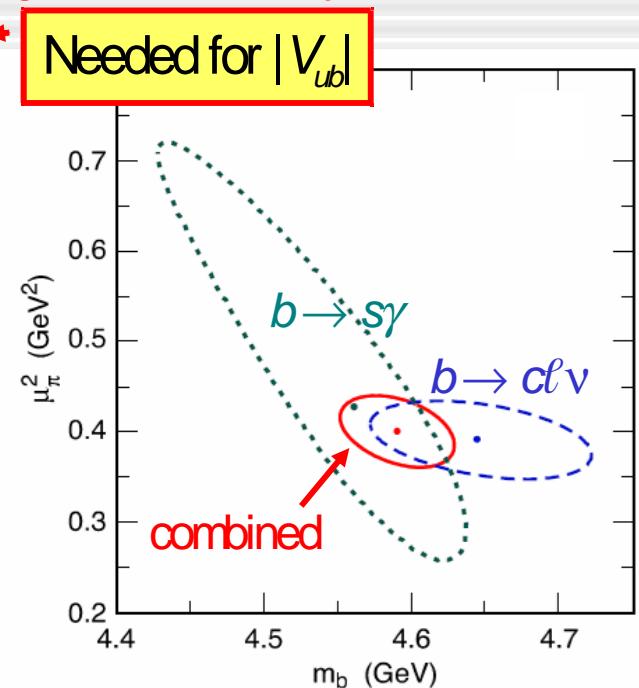
$\pm 2\% \rightarrow |V_{cb}| = (41.96 \pm 0.23_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.35_{\text{OPE}} \pm 0.59_{\Gamma_{sl}}) \cdot 10^{-3}$

$\pm 1\% \rightarrow m_b = 4.590 \pm 0.025_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.030_{\text{OPE}} \text{ GeV}$

$m_c = 1.142 \pm 0.037_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.045_{\text{OPE}} \text{ GeV}$

$\mu_\pi^2 = 0.401 \pm 0.019_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.035_{\text{OPE}} \text{ GeV}^2$

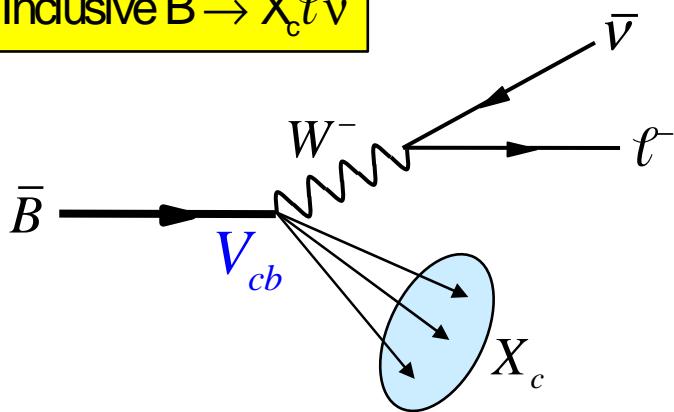
$BR = 10.71 \pm 0.10_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.08_{\text{OPE}} \%$



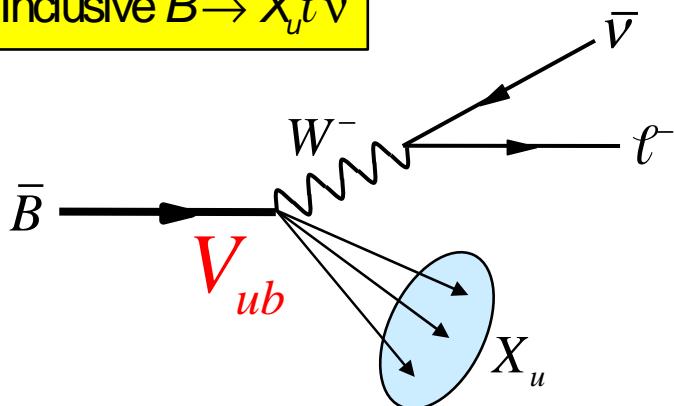
# $|V_{ub}|$ from Inclusive Decays

# $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \bar{\nu}$ rate

Inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$



Inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \bar{\nu}$



- Operator Product Expansion predicts total rate  $\Gamma_u$  as:

$$\frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2 m_b^5}{192\pi^3} \left\{ 1 - 0 \left[ \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right] - 0 \left[ \frac{1}{m_b^2} \right] + \dots \right\}$$

Perturbative terms known to  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$

Non-perturb. terms suppressed by  $1/m_b^2$

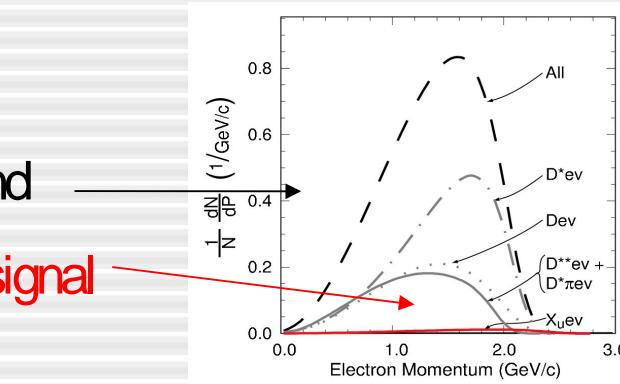
- Dominant error from  $m_b^5$

$m_b$  measured to  $\pm 1\%$   $\rightarrow \pm 2.5\%$  on  $|V_{ub}|$

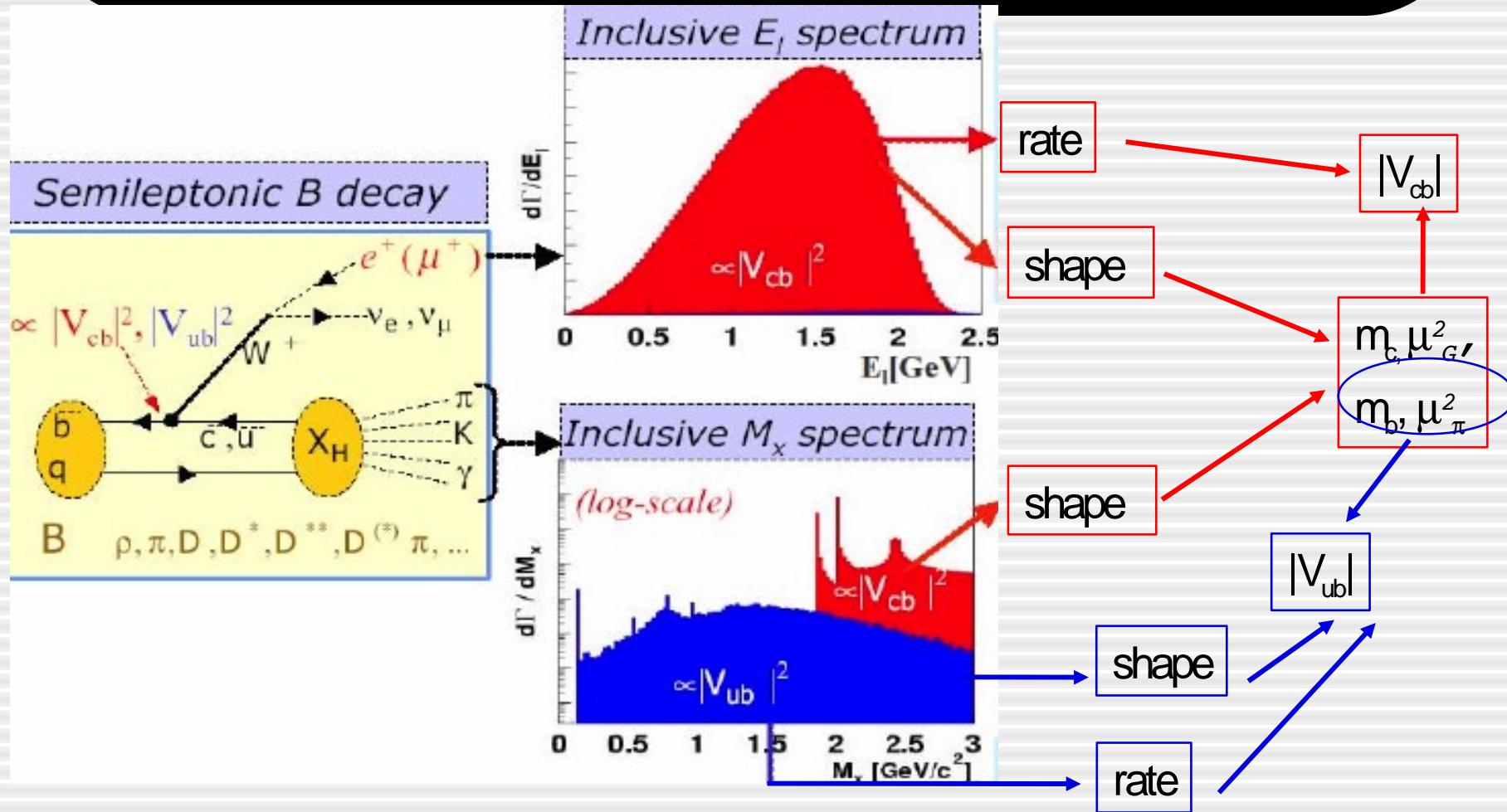
Total rate can't be measured due to  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$  background

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signal

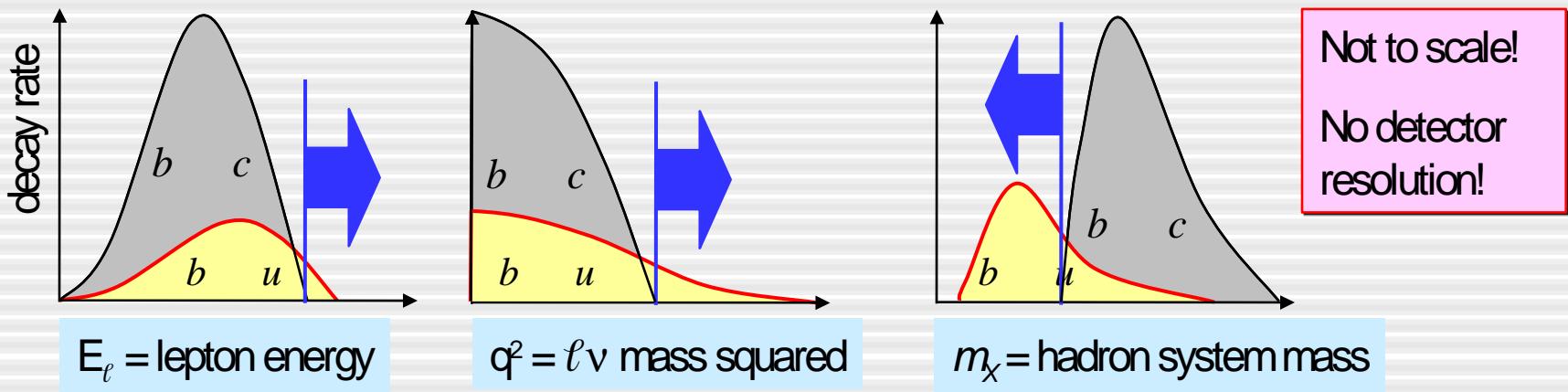


# $|V_{ub}|$ from inclusive SL decays



# Kinematical Cuts

- Three independent kinematic variables in  $B \rightarrow X\ell\nu$



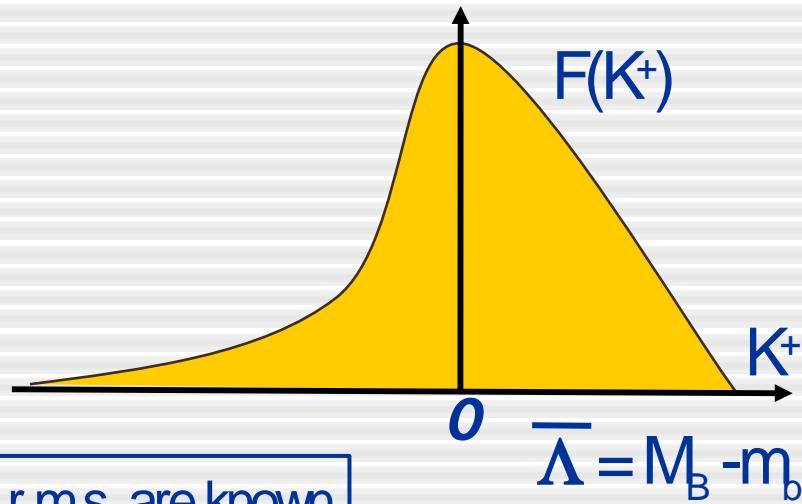
- Measure partial rates in favorable regions of the phase space minimizing the effect of the **Shape Function**
- Caveat: **Spectra more sensitive to non-perturbative effects than the total rate** →  $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b)$  instead of  $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^2)$

# Shape Function

Limited phase space to reduce the  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$  background:

OPE doesn't work everywhere in the phase space  $\rightarrow$  non-perturbative  
Shape Function  $F(K^+)$  to extrapolate to the full phase space

Detailed shape not constrained,  
in particular the low tail



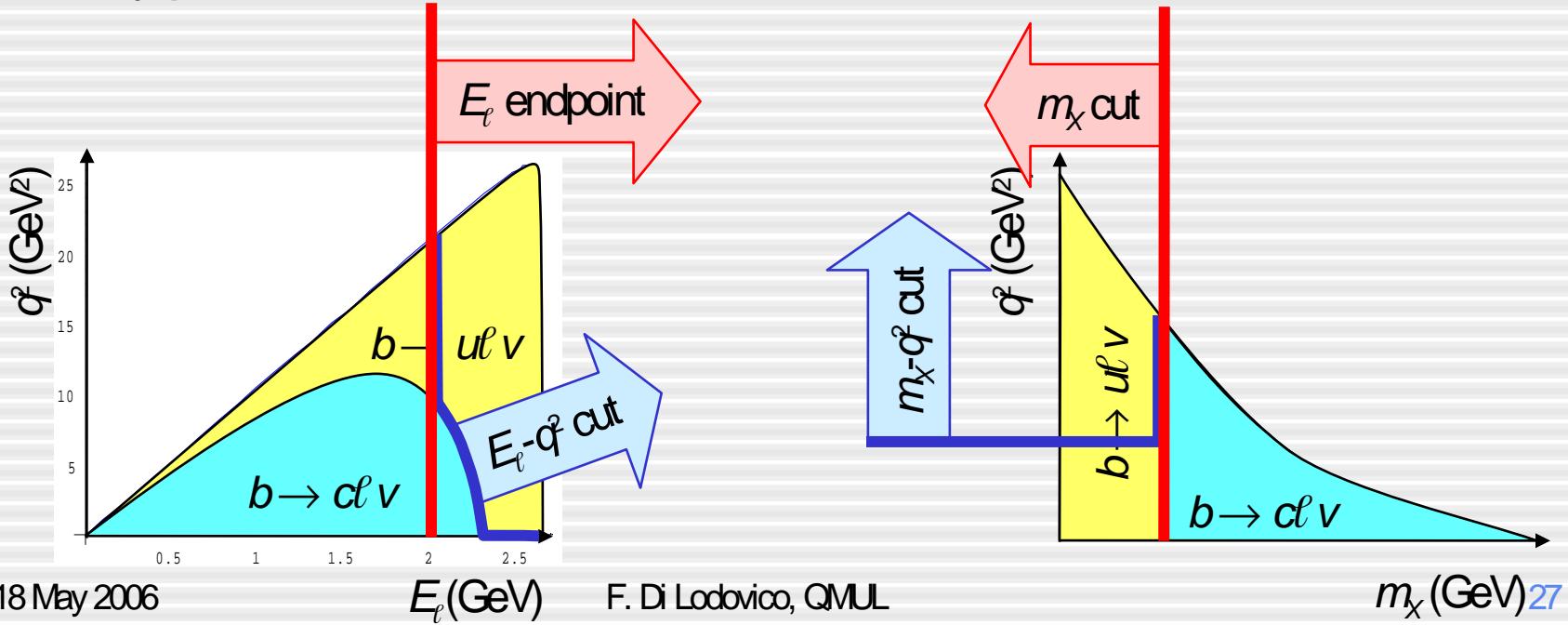
Mean and r.m.s. are known

Shape Function need to be determined from experimental data

# Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$

- Measure partial BF  $\Delta B(B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu)$  in a region where ...
  - the signal/background is good, and
  - the partial rate  $\Delta \Gamma_u$  is reliably calculable
- Many possibilities – Review a few recent results

Large  $\Delta \Gamma_u$  generally good, but not always



# Lepton Endpoint

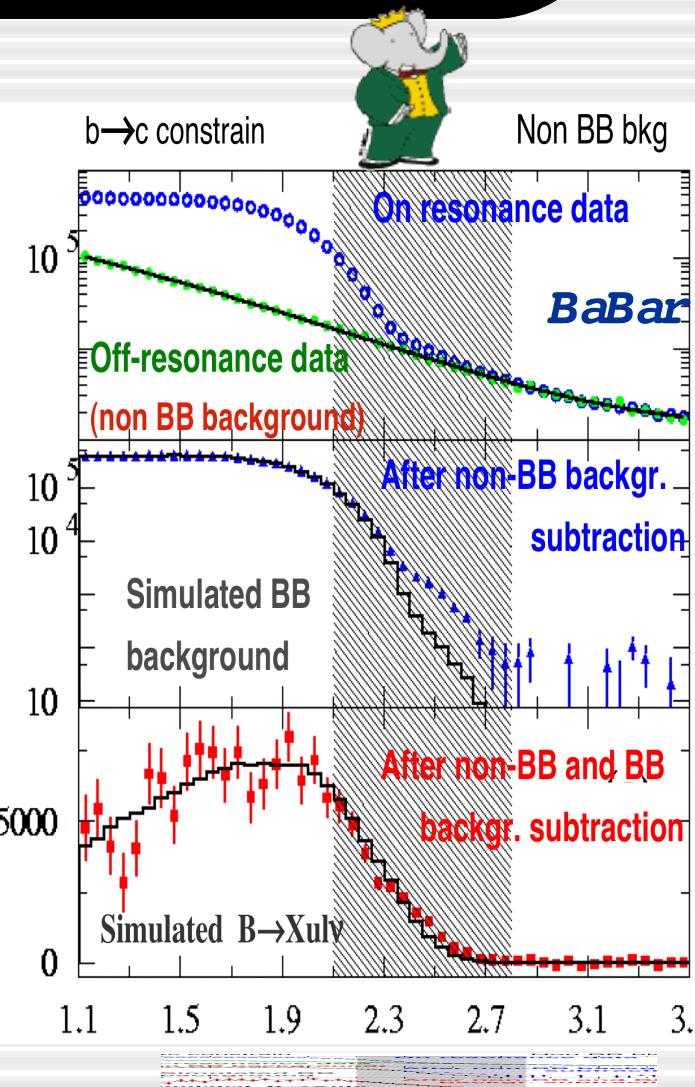
BABAR PRD 73:012006  
 Belle PLB 621:28  
 CLEO PRL 88:231803

- Find leptons with large  $E_\ell$ 
  - Push below the charm threshold
    - Larger signal acceptance
    - Smaller theoretical error
  - $S/B \sim 1/15 (E_\ell > 2 \text{ GeV}) \rightarrow \text{Accurate subtraction of background is crucial!}$

	$E_\ell$ (GeV)	$ V_{ub}  (10^{-3})$
BABAR $80\text{fb}^{-1}$	2.0–2.6	$4.41 \pm 0.29_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.31_{\text{SF+theo}}$
Belle $27\text{fb}^{-1}$	1.9–2.6	$4.82 \pm 0.45_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.30_{\text{SF+theo}}$
CLEO $9\text{fb}^{-1}$	2.2–2.6	$4.09 \pm 0.48_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.36_{\text{SF+theo}}$

Shape Function: determined from the OPE fit

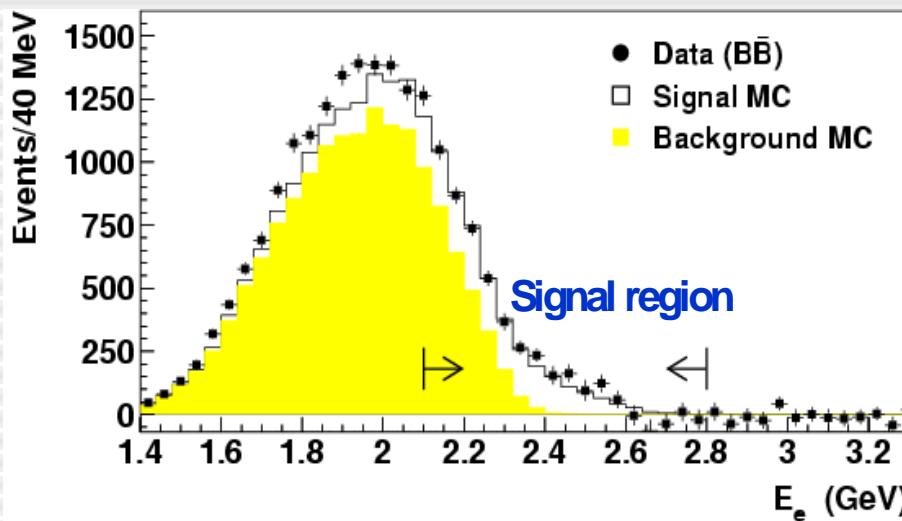
18 M Theory errors: Lange et al. PRD72:073006



# $q^2 E_\ell$ analysis with $\nu$ reconstruction



- High energy electron  $E_e > 2.1$  GeV
- Missing momentum used for neutrino parameters estimation
- Cuts on missing momentum magnitude and direction and event shape
- Suppress background using:  $s_h^{\max} = m_B^2 + q^2 - 2m_B(E_e + \frac{q^2}{4E_e})$



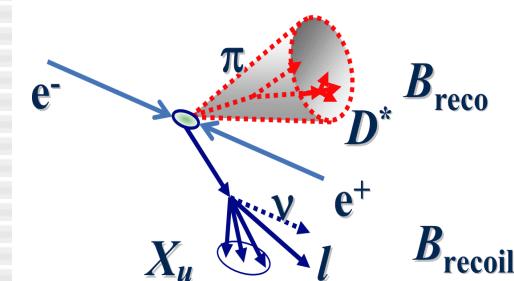
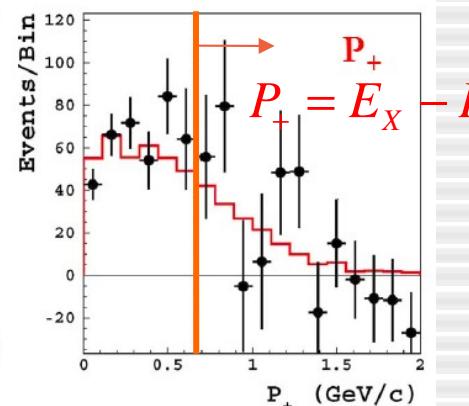
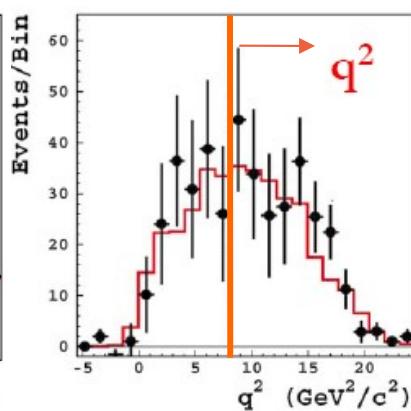
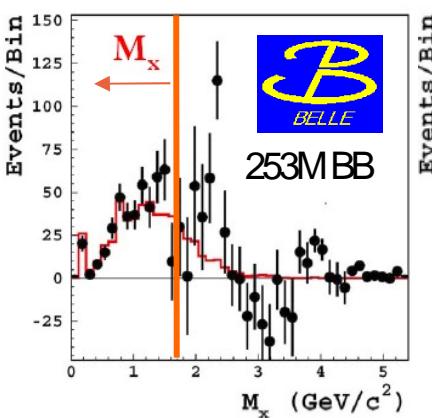
$$\Delta B(2.0, 3.5) = (3.54 \pm 0.33 \pm 0.34) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$|V_{ub}| = (4.10 \pm 0.27_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.36_{\text{SF+theo}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

# Hadronic $B$ Tag

BABARhep-ex/0507017  
Belle PRL 95:241801

- Fully reconstruct one  $B$  in hadronic decays
  - Use the **recoiling  $B$**  with known charge and momentum
  - Access to all kinematic variables

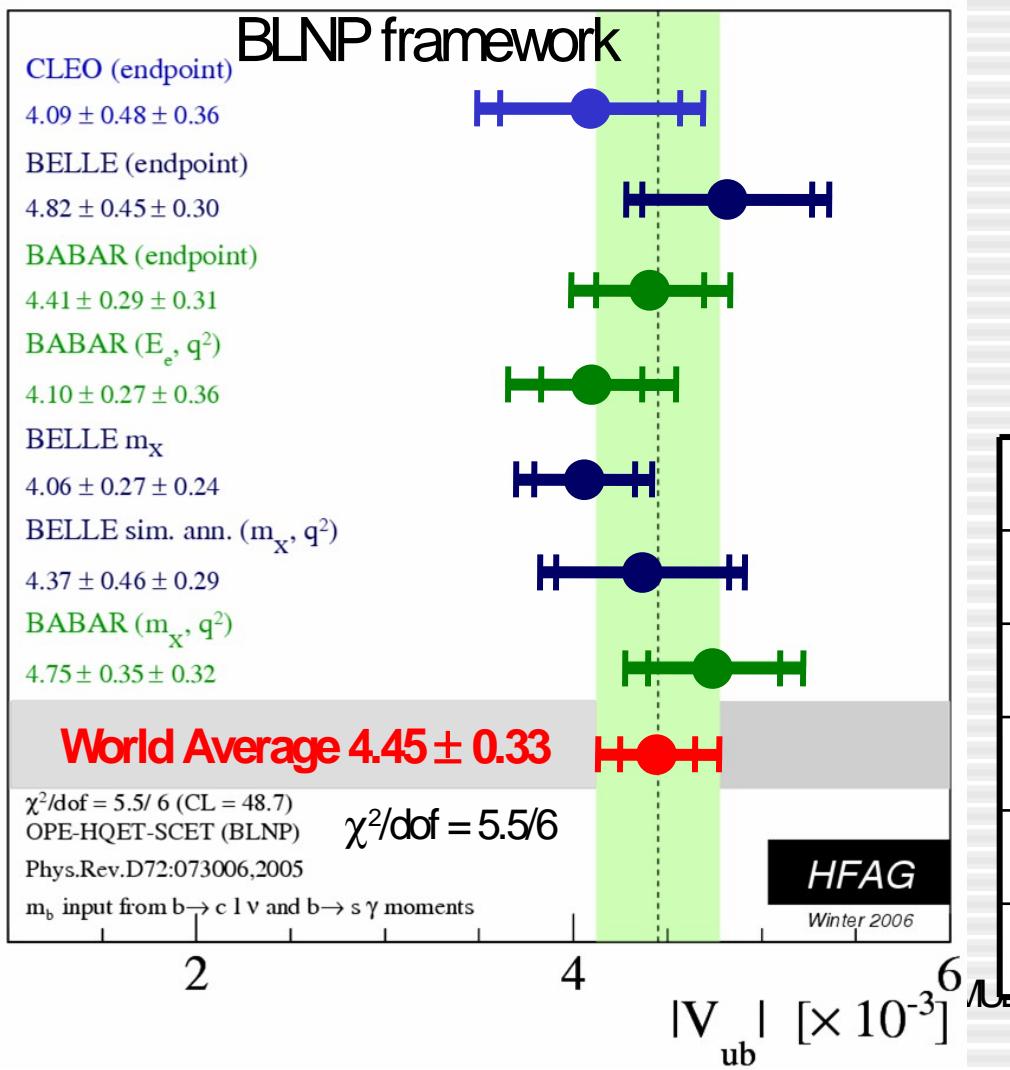


S/B  $\sim 2$  Eff  $\sim 0.1\%$

	Region	$ V_{ub}  (10^{-3})$
Belle 253M BB	$m_X < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ , $q^2 > 8 \text{ GeV}^2$	$4.70 \pm 0.37_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.31_{\text{SF+theo}}$
	$m_X < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$	$4.09 \pm 0.28_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.24_{\text{SF+theo}}$
	$P_+ > 0.66 \text{ GeV}$	$4.19 \pm 0.36_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.28_{\text{SF+theo}}$
BABAR 210M BB	$m_X < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ , $q^2 > 8 \text{ GeV}^2$	$4.75 \pm 0.35_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.32_{\text{SF+theo}}$

Prelim.

# $|V_{ub}|$ from Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$



Inputs:

$m_b(\text{SF}) = 4.60 \pm 0.04 \text{ GeV}$

$\mu_{\pi}^2(\text{SF}) = 0.20 \pm 0.04 \text{ GeV}^2$

$$\delta|V_{ub}| = \pm 7.3\%$$

Statistical	$\pm 2.2\%$
Expt. syst.	$\pm 2.7\%$
$B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$ model	$\pm 1.9\%$
$B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ model	$\pm 2.1\%$
Subleading SF	$\pm 3.8\%$
other theory error	$\pm 4.5\%$

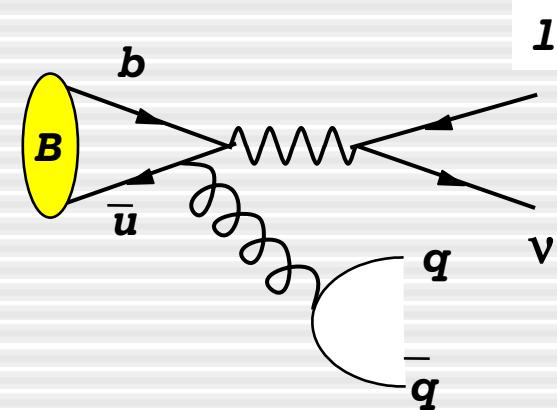
# Theory Errors (BLNP)

Quark-hadron duality is **not** considered (cut dependent)

- $b \rightarrow d \bar{v}$  and  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$  data fit well HQ predictions

Weak annihilation  $\rightarrow \pm 1.9\%$  error

- Expected to be  $< 2\%$  of the total rate
- $\Gamma_{w.a.}/\Gamma(b \rightarrow u) < 7.4\%$  from CLEO



HQ parameters  $\rightarrow \pm 4.1\%$  mainly  $m_b$ ; kinematics cuts depend on  $m_b$ !

Sub-leading shape function  $\rightarrow \pm 3.8\%$  dominated by the lepton endpoint measurements

# Inclusive $|V_{ub}|$ (DGE framework)

Dressed Gluon Exponentiation (DGE)

on-shell b-quark calculation converted into hadronic variables

used as approximation to the meson decay spectrum

$$|V_{ub}|^{\text{DGE}} = (4.41 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.20) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

DGE theory → ±2.9% matching scheme method and scale

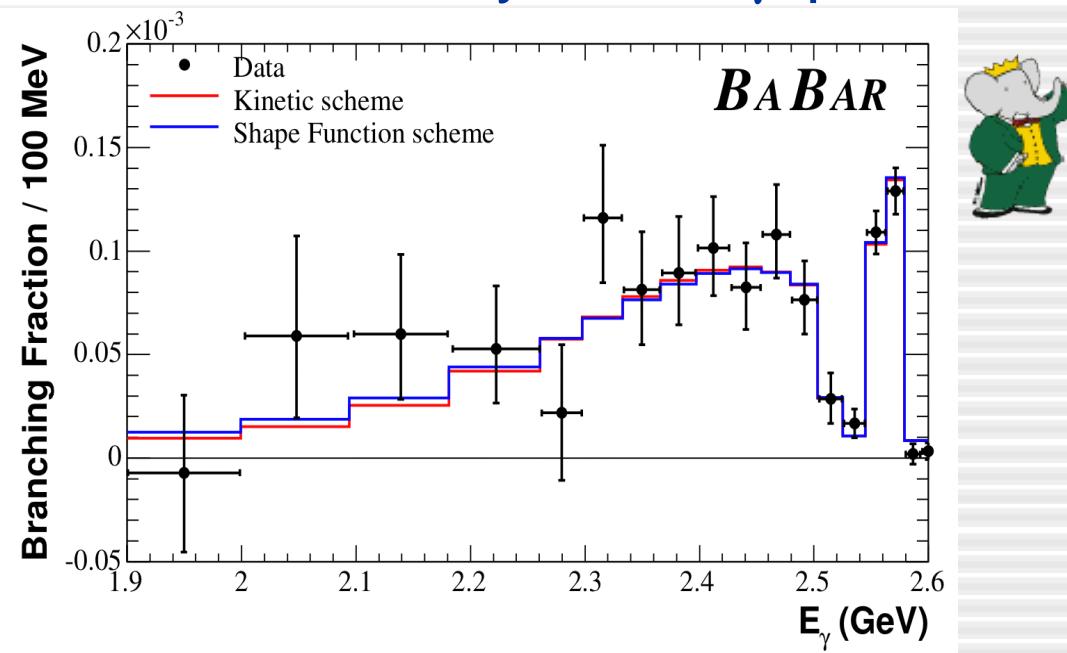
$m_b(\text{MS})$  → ± 1.3% on event fraction  $m_b(\text{MS})=4.20 \pm 0.04 \text{ GeV}$

$\alpha_s$  → ± 1.0% on event fraction

total  $\Gamma_{\text{SL}}$  → ± 3.0 %

# Dealing with Shape Function

Solution → use directly the  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$  spectrum:



- Possible to combine  $b \rightarrow u\ell\nu$  and  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$  so that the SF cancels

$$\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_u l \nu) = \frac{|V_{ub}|^2}{|V_{ts}|^2} W(E_\gamma) \frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)}{dE_\gamma} dE_\gamma$$

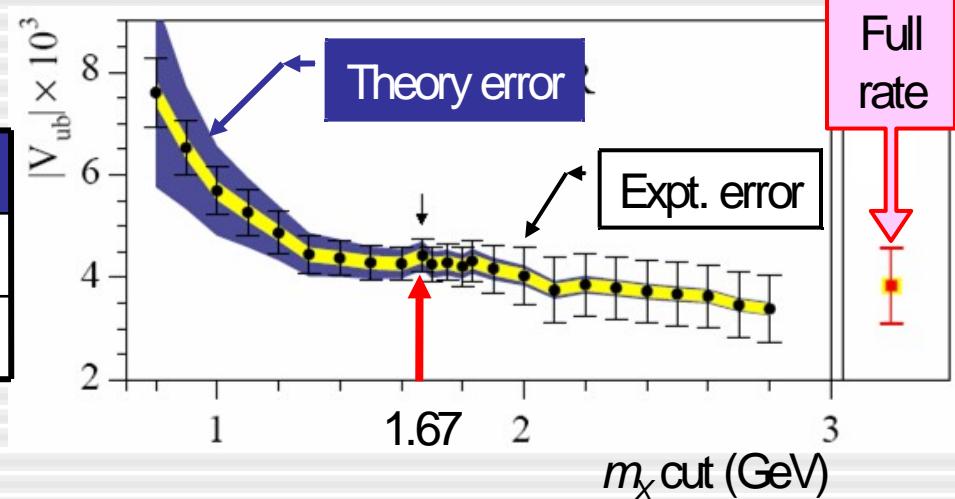
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# SF-Free $|V_{ub}|$ Measurement



- BABAR applied Leibovich, Low, Rothstein  
(PLB 486:86) to 80  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  data

$m_x$ cut	$ V_{ub}  (10^{-3})$
1.67 GeV	$4.43 \pm 0.45_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.29_{\text{theo}}$
2.5 GeV	$3.84 \pm 0.76_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.10_{\text{theo}}$



- Trade SF error  $\rightarrow$  Stat. error
- $m_x < 2.5$  GeV is almost (96%) fully inclusive  $\rightarrow$  Theory error reduces to  $\pm 2.6\%$

# Inclusive $|V_{ub}|$ : comparisons

HQ parameters from  $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$  and  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$

HFAG Ave. (BLNP)

$$4.45 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.26$$



HFAG Ave. (DGE)

$$4.41 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.20$$



BABAR (LLR) hep-ph/0601046

$$4.43 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.29$$



HQ parameters from  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$  only

$m_b$  input from  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$  moments

BLNP (Phys. Rev. D72:073006 (2005))

$$4.75 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.39$$



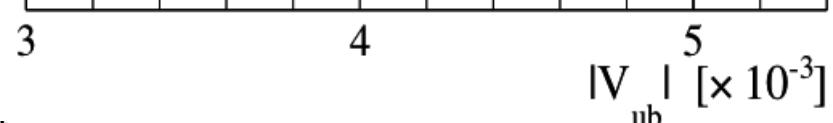
DGE (JHEP 0601:097 (2006))

$$4.49 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.20$$



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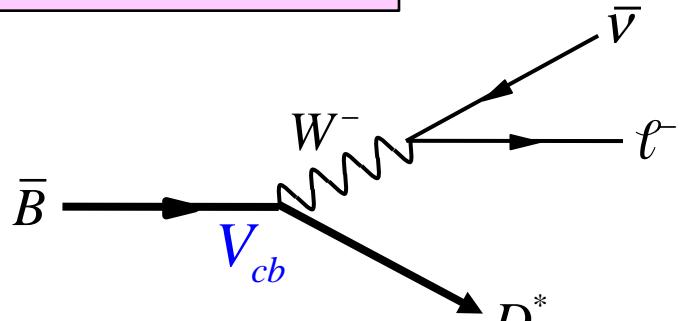


# Exclusive Decays

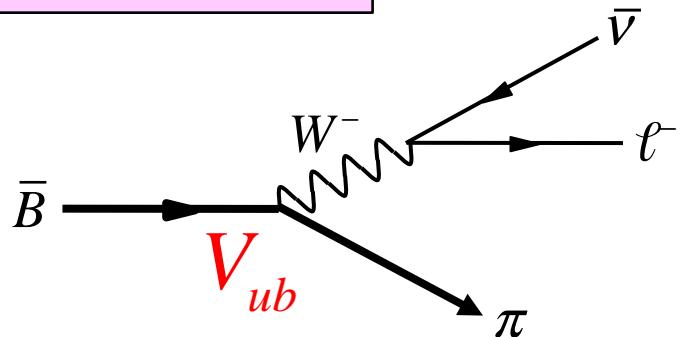
# Exclusive Measurements

- Exclusive rates determined by  $|V_{cb}|$  and **Form Factors (FF)**
  - Theoretically calculable at **kinematical limits**
    - Lattice QCD works if  $D^*$  or  $\pi$  is ~ at rest relative to  $B$
  - **Empirical extrapolation** is necessary to extract  $|V_{cb}|$  from measurements
- Measure differential rates to constrain the FF shape, then use FF normalization from the theory for  $|V_{ub}|$

Exclusive  $B \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell \bar{\nu}$

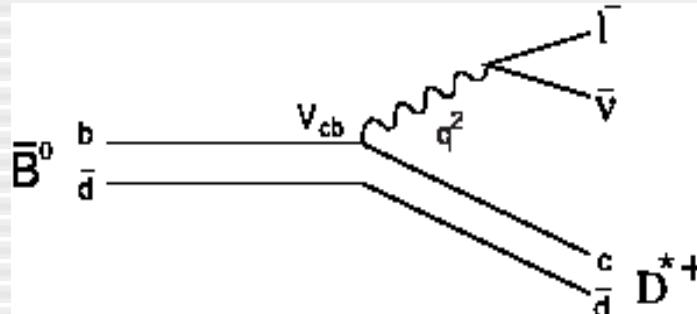


Exclusive  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}$



# $|V_{cb}|$ from Exclusive Decays

# Exclusive $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$



- Decay rate is

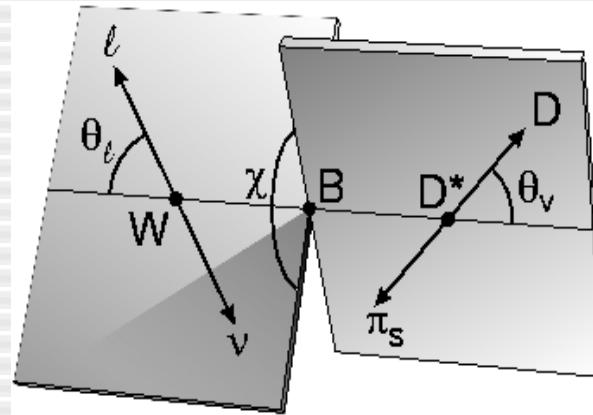
$$\frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu)}{dw} = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2}{48\pi^3} F(w)^2 G(w)$$

D\* boost in the B rest frame
form factor
phase space

- $F(1) = 1$  in the heavy-quark limit; lattice QCD :  $F(1) = 0.919^{+0.030}_{-0.035}$   
Hashimoto et al,  
PRD 66 (2002) 014503
- $F(w)$  shape expressed by  $p^2$  (slope at  $w=1$ ) and  $R_1, R_2$  (form factor ratios)
  - Curvature constrained by analyticity  
Caprini, Lellouch, Neubert  
NPB530 (1998) 153

# BaBar Exclusive $|V_{cb}|$ Measurement

- Measure decay angles  $\theta_\ell, \theta_V, \chi$ 
  - Fit 3-D distribution in bins of  $w$  to extract  $p^2, R_1, R_2$
- Multi-Dimensional fit to helicity amplitudes for  $p^2$  (slope parameter) and  $R_1, R_2$  (FF ratios), all functions of  $H_{+,-,0}(w)$ .



$$W = V_B \cdot V_{D^*}$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_\ell d\cos\theta_V d\chi} = \frac{3G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2 \rho_{D^*} q^2}{8(4\pi)^4 M_B^2} \mathcal{B}_{D^* D} \times$$

$$[H_+^2 (1 - \cos\theta_\ell)^2 \sin^2\theta_V +$$

$$H_-^2 (1 + \cos\theta_\ell)^2 \sin^2\theta_V +$$

$$4H_0^2 \sin^2\theta_\ell \cos^2\theta_V$$

$$-2H_+ H_- \sin^2\theta_\ell \sin^2\theta_V \cos 2\chi$$

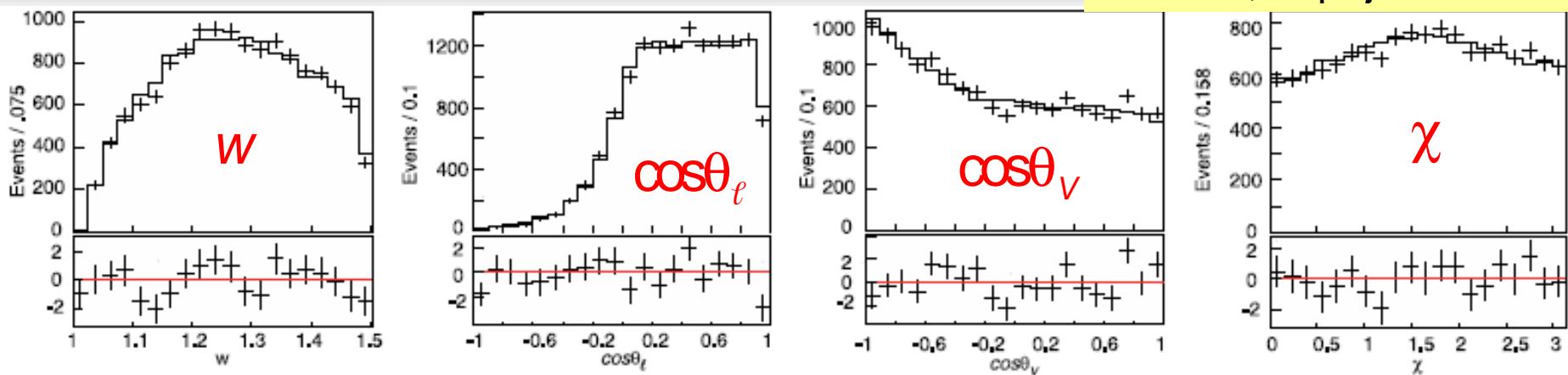
$$-4H_+ H_0 \sin\theta_\ell (1 - \cos\theta_\ell) \sin\theta_V \cos\theta_V \cos\chi]$$

$$+4H_- H_0 \sin\theta_\ell (1 + \cos\theta_\ell) \sin\theta_V \cos\theta_V \cos\chi]$$

# B → D<sup>\*</sup>ℓν Form Factors



Signal MC vs. bkgd.-subtracted  
data, 1D projections



$$R_1 = 1.396 \pm 0.060_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.044_{\text{syst}}$$

$$R_2 = 0.885 \pm 0.040_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.026_{\text{syst}}$$

$$\rho^2 = 1.145 \pm 0.059_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.046_{\text{syst}}$$

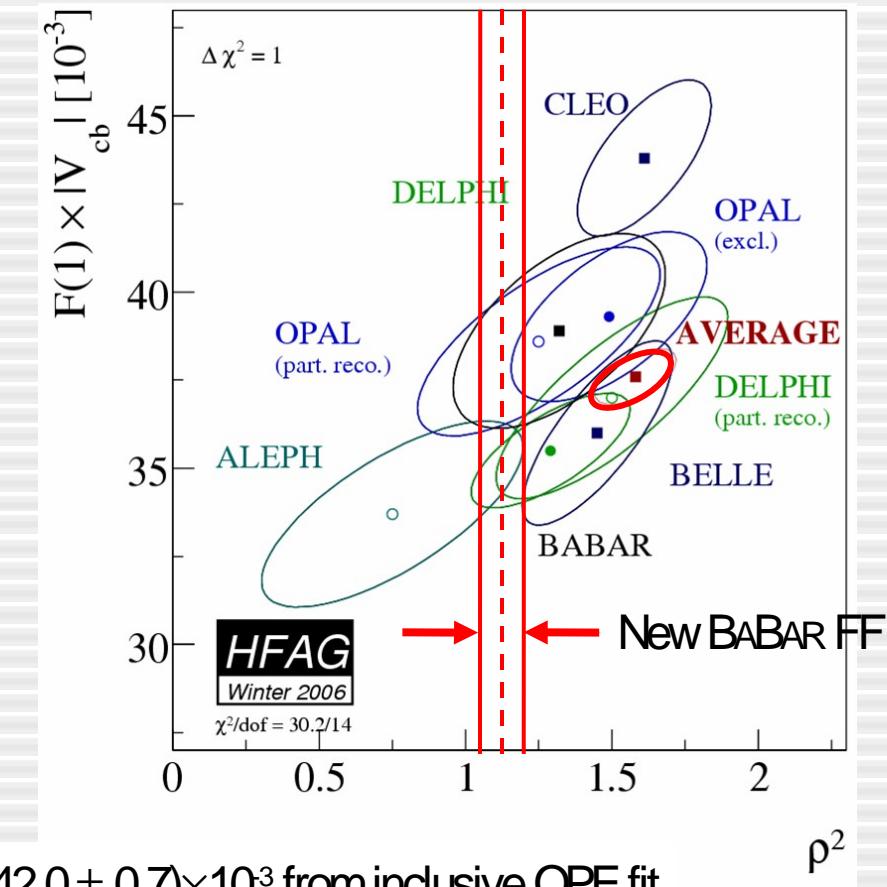
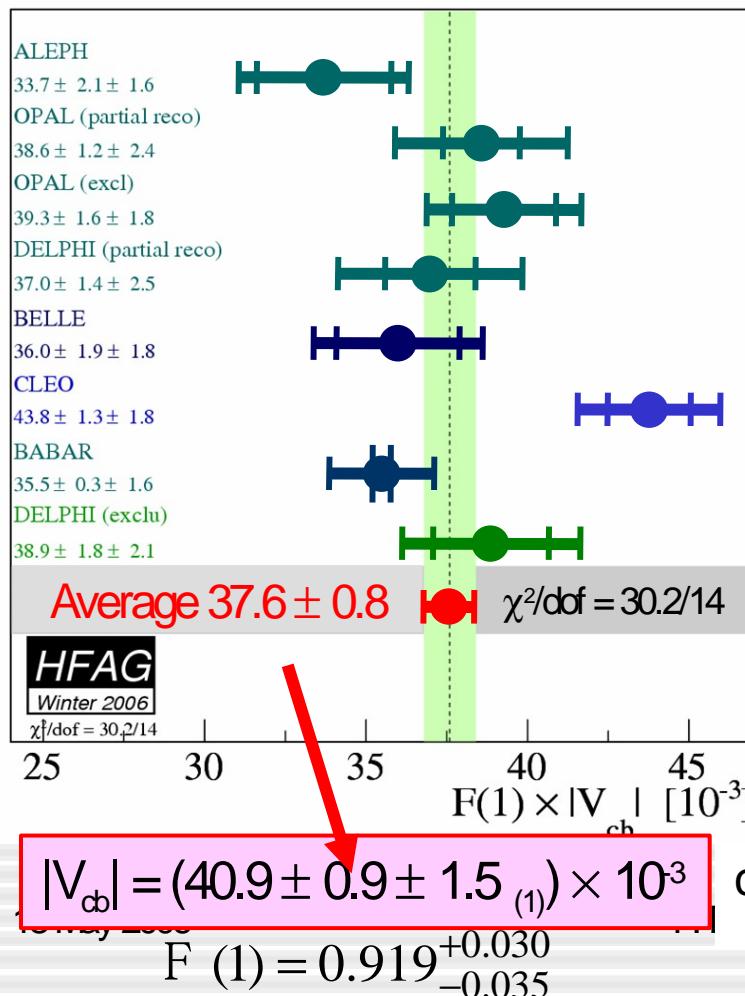
- $R_1$  and  $R_2$  improved by a factor 5 over previous CLEO measurement [PRL 76 \(1996\) 3898](#)
- Will improve all measurements of  $B \rightarrow D^*\ell\nu$

Using *BaBar* measurements only

→  $|V_{cb}| = 37.6 \pm 0.3(\text{stat}) \pm 1.3(\text{syst}) {}^{+1.5}_{-1.3}(\text{theory}) \times 10^{-3}$

# $|V_{cb}|$ from $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$

- HFAG average still uses FF from CLEO



c.f.  $(42.0 \pm 0.7) \times 10^3$  from inclusive OPE fit

# $|V_{ub}|$ from Exclusive Decays

# Exclusive $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$

- $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  rate is given by

$$\frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow \pi l \nu)}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2}{24\pi^3} |V_{ub}|^2 p_\pi^3 |f_+(q^2)|^2$$

One FF for  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  with massless lepton

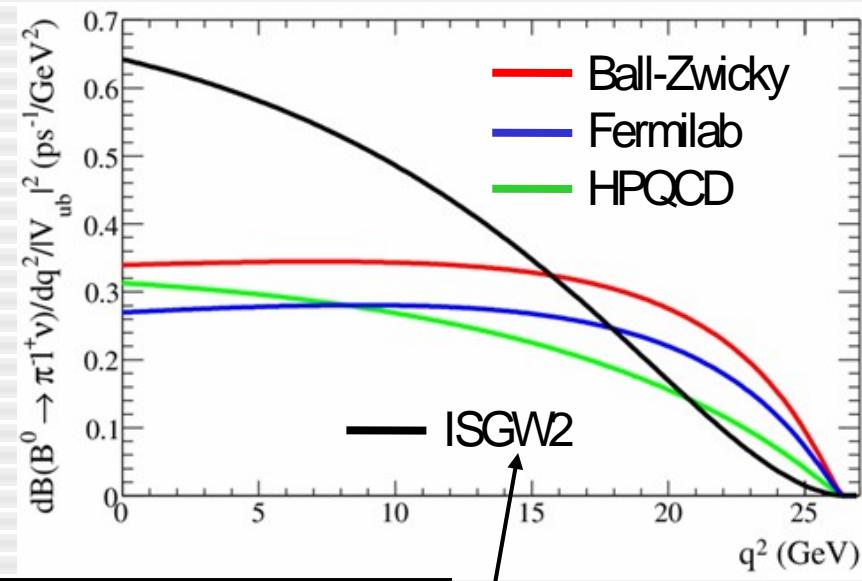
- Form factor  $f_+(q^2)$  has been calculated using

- Lattice QCD

- Unquenched calculations by Fermilab ([hep-lat/0409116](#)) and HPQCD ([PRD73:074502](#))
  - $\pm 12\%$  for  $q^2 > 16 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Light Cone Sum Rules

- Ball & Zwicky ([PRD71:014015](#))
  - $\pm 13\%$  for  $q^2 < 16 \text{ GeV}^2$



# Approaches to Measuring $B \rightarrow \pi \ell^- \nu$

## Untagged

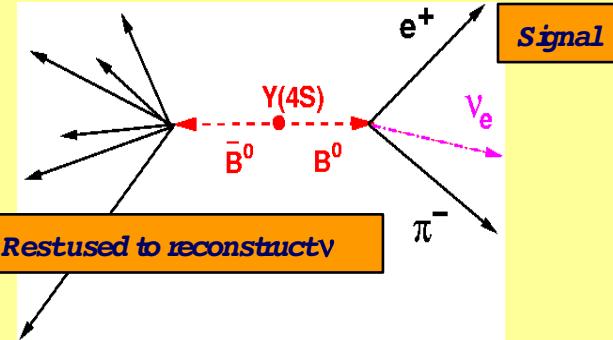
- initial 4-momentum known
- missing 4-momentum =  $\nu$
- Reconstruct  $B \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^- \nu$  using  $m_B$  (beam-constrained) and  $\Delta E = E_B - E_{\text{beam}}$

### Pros

- High efficiency

### Cons

- $\nu$  resolution problematic
- Rel. high backgrounds (rel. low purity)



## Semileptonic (SL) Tag

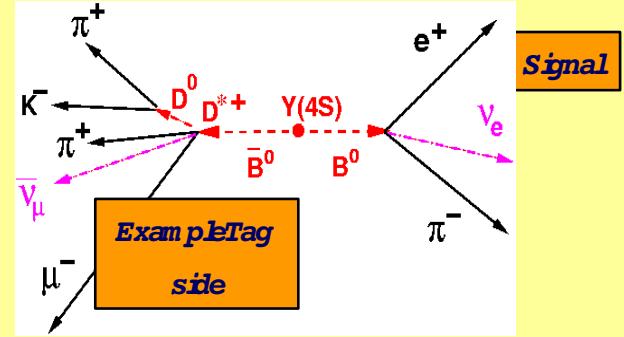
- One  $B$  reconstructed in a selection of  $D^{(*)} \ell^- \nu$  modes
- Two missing  $\nu$  in event  
Use kinematic constraints

### Pros

- Lower backgrounds (higher purity)

### Cons

- Rel. low efficiency



## Full Recon Tag

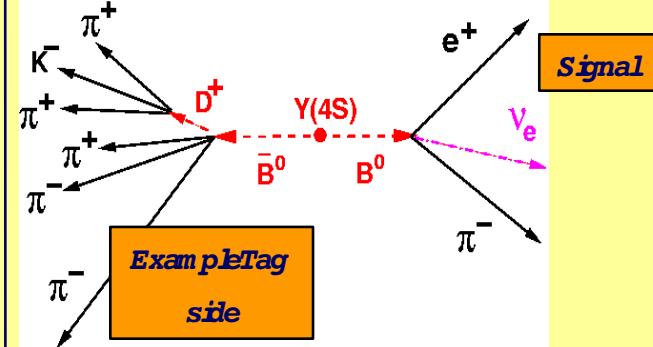
- One  $B$  reconstructed completely in known  $b \rightarrow c$  mode.  
Many modes used.

### Pros

- Very good  $\nu$  resolution
- Very low backgrounds

### Cons

- Very low efficiency



# Range of Applicability of Methods



Untagged



$D^{(*)} \ell v$  tag



Full recon tag



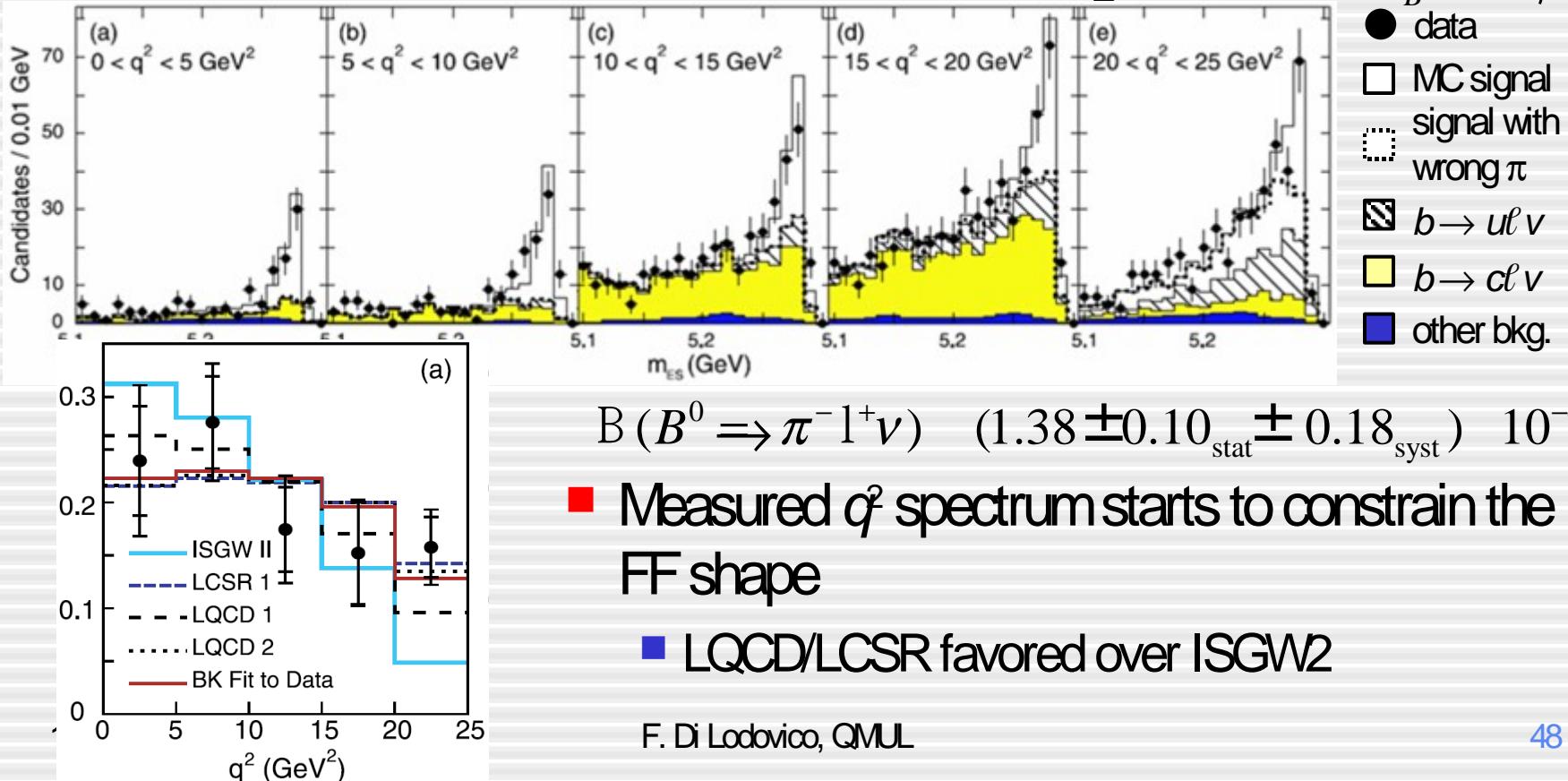
- Boundaries indicative only
- Full recon tag will ultimately become method of choice

# Untagged $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$



- Missing 4-momentum = neutrino

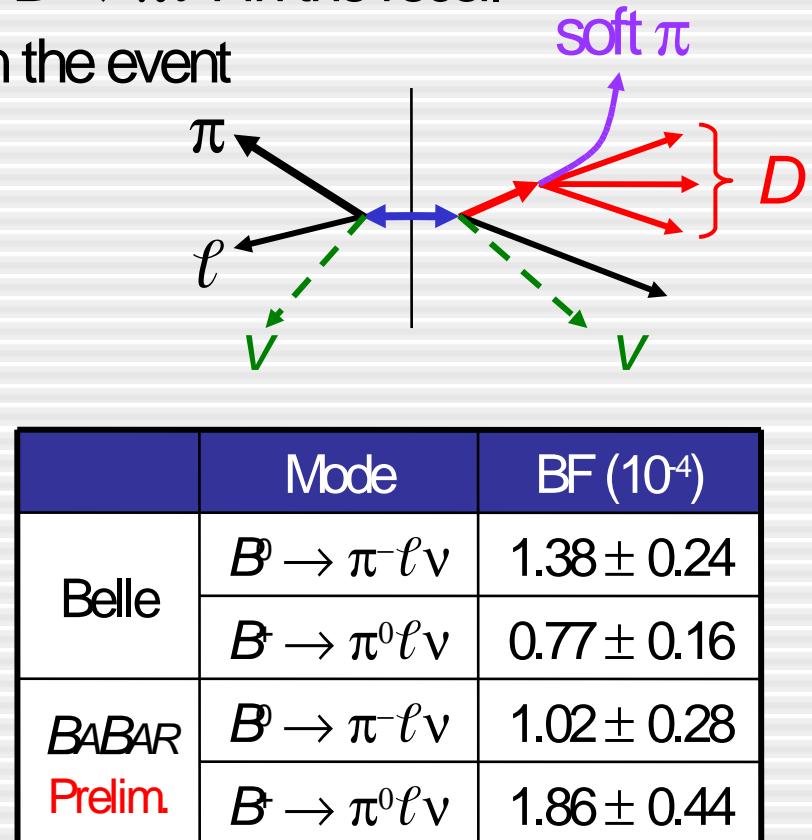
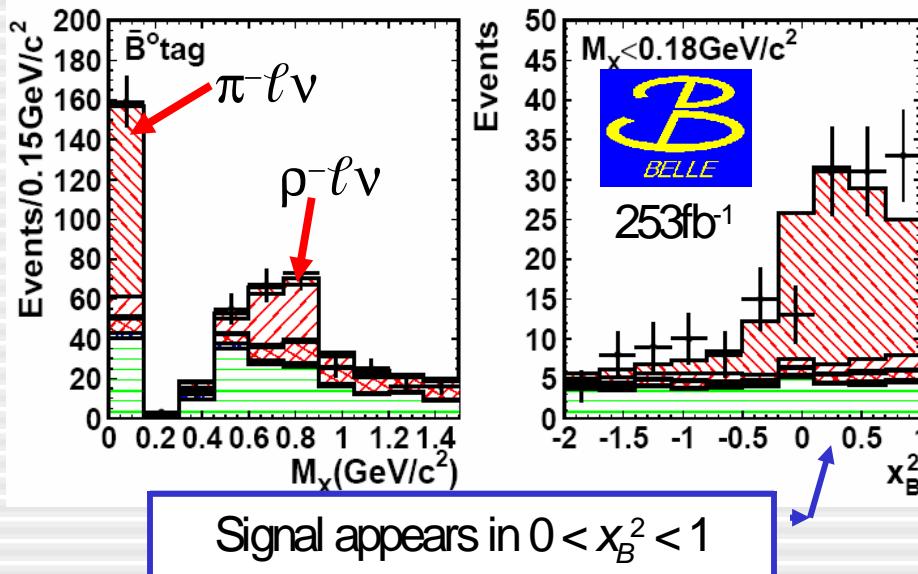
■ Reconstruct  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  and calculate  $m_B$  and  $\Delta E = E_B - \sqrt{s}/2$



# $D^{(*)}\ell\nu$ -tagged $B \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu$

BABAR hep-ex/0506064  
 BABAR hep-0506065  
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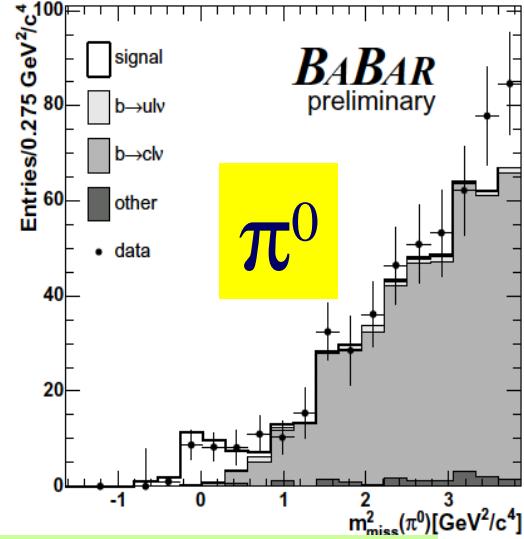
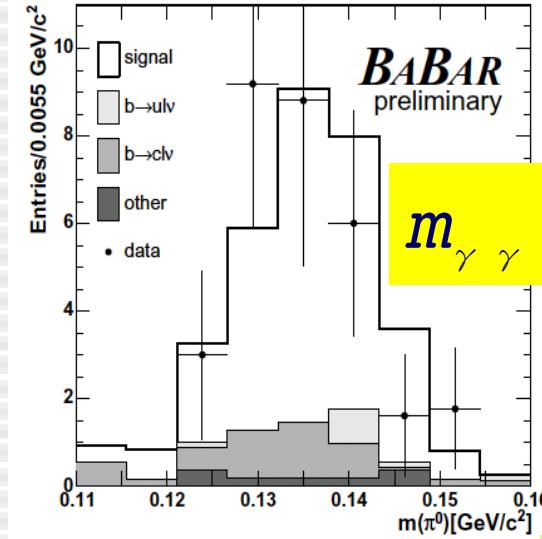
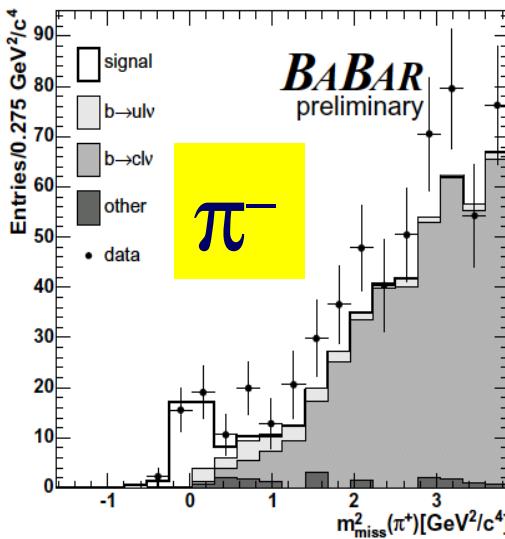
- Reconstruct one  $B$  in  $D^{(*)}\ell\nu$  and look for  $B \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu$  in the recoil
  - $B \rightarrow D^*\ell\nu$  BF large; two neutrinos in the event
- Event kinematics determined assuming known  $m_B$  and  $m_\nu = 0$



# BaBar Full Recon Tag $B \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \nu$



- Tag : Fully reconstructed  $B \rightarrow D$  decays (Breco tag)
- Select using  $\Delta E$ ,  $m_{ES}$  (beam constrained  $B$  candidate mass)



$$B(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu) = (1.14 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$B(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu) = (0.86 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$B(B \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \nu) = (1.28 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.16) \times 10^{-4}$$

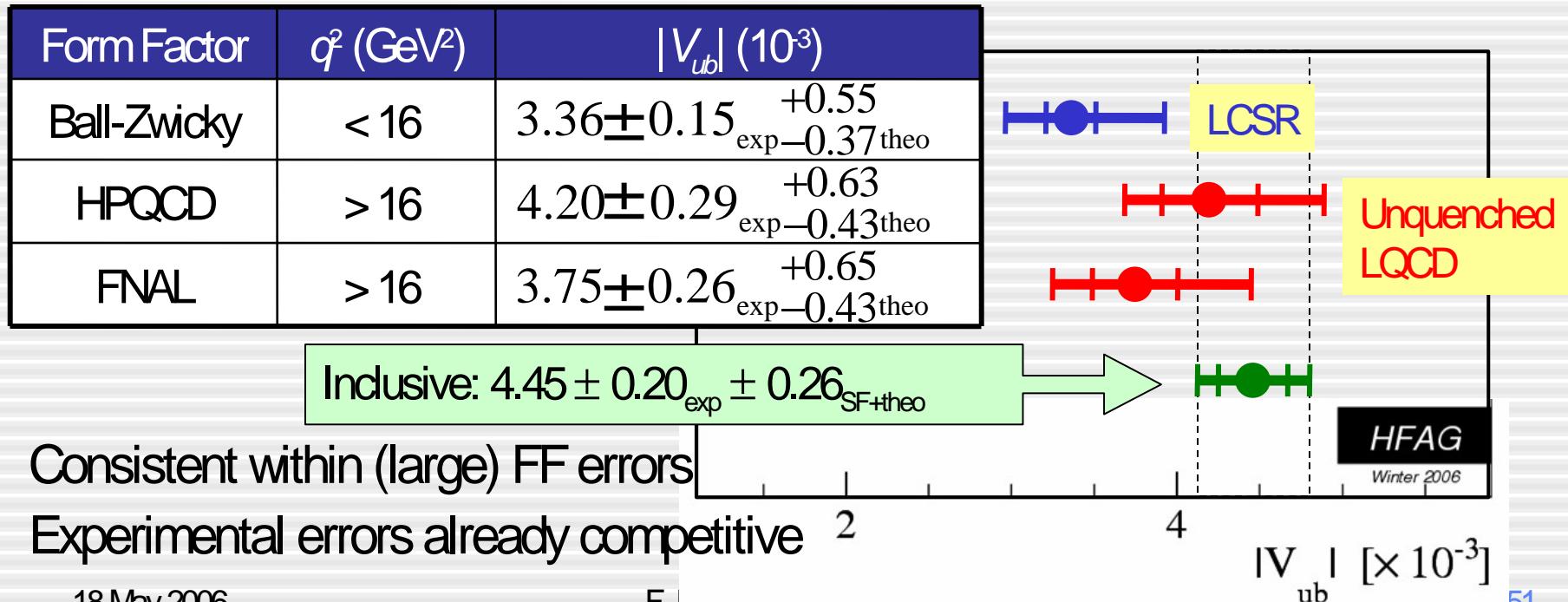
Yield  $36 \pi \ell^- \nu$ ,  $34 \pi^0 \ell^- \nu$

Combined  $\pi^+ + \pi^0$

# $|V_{ub}|$ from $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$

- Average BF measurements and apply FF calculations

$\Delta B(q^2 < 16) (10^{-4})$	$\Delta B(q^2 > 16) (10^{-4})$	Total B ( $10^{-4}$ )
$0.94 \pm 0.06_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{syst}}$	$0.39 \pm 0.04_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.04_{\text{syst}}$	$1.34 \pm 0.08_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.08_{\text{syst}}$



- Consistent within (large) FF errors

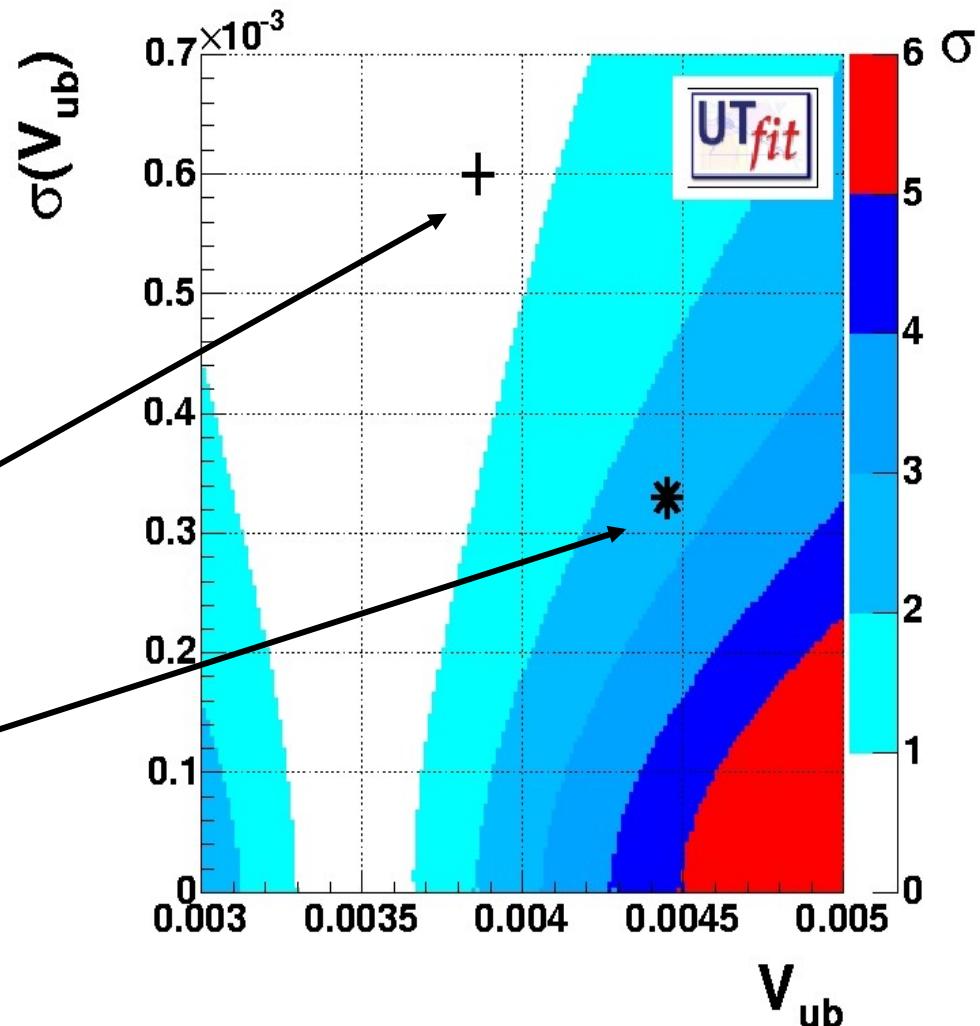
- Experimental errors already competitive

# $|V_{ub}|$ : CKM consistency

Most probable value of  $|V_{ub}|$  from measurements of other CKM parameters Standard Model

$|V_{ub}|$  from exclusive measurements

$|V_{ub}|$  from inclusive measurements



# Other $B \rightarrow X_u \ell^- \nu$ Exclusive Modes

<i>Expt</i>	<i>Mode</i>	<i>Tag</i>	<i>BF</i> [ $10^4$ ]	<i>Reference</i>
<i>CLEO</i>	$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^- \nu$	<b>Untagged</b>	$2.17 \pm 0.34^{+0.47}_{-0.54} \pm 0.41$	<i>PRD 68 (2003) 072003</i>
<i>CLEO</i>	$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^- \nu$	<b>Untagged</b>	$2.69 \pm 0.41^{+0.35}_{-0.47} \pm 0.50$	<i>PRD 61 (2000) 052001</i>
<i>BaBar</i>	$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^- \nu$	<b>Full</b>	$2.57 \pm 0.52 \pm 0.59$	<i>hep-ex/0408068</i>
<i>BaBar</i>	$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^- \nu$	<b>Untagged</b>	$3.29 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.47 \pm 0.60$	<i>PRL 90 (2003) 181801</i>
<i>BaBar</i>	$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^- \nu$	<b>Untagged</b>	$2.14 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.28$	<i>PRD 72 (2005) 051102</i>
<i>Belle</i>	$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^- \nu$	<b>SL</b>	$2.17 \pm 0.54 \pm 0.31 \pm 0.08$	<i>hep-ex/0604024</i>
<i>CLEO</i>	$B^+ \rightarrow \eta^- \ell^+ \nu$	<b>Untagged</b>	$0.84 \pm 0.31 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.09$	<i>PRD 68 (2003) 072003</i>
<i>Belle</i>	$B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 \ell^+ \nu$	<b>SL</b>	$1.33 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.05$	<i>hep-ex/06xxxxxx</i>
<i>Belle</i>	$B^+ \rightarrow \omega^- \ell^+ \nu$	<b>Untagged</b>	$1.3 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.3$	<i>PRL 93 (2004) 131803</i>

*HFAG Compilation, except with updated Belle SL result included*

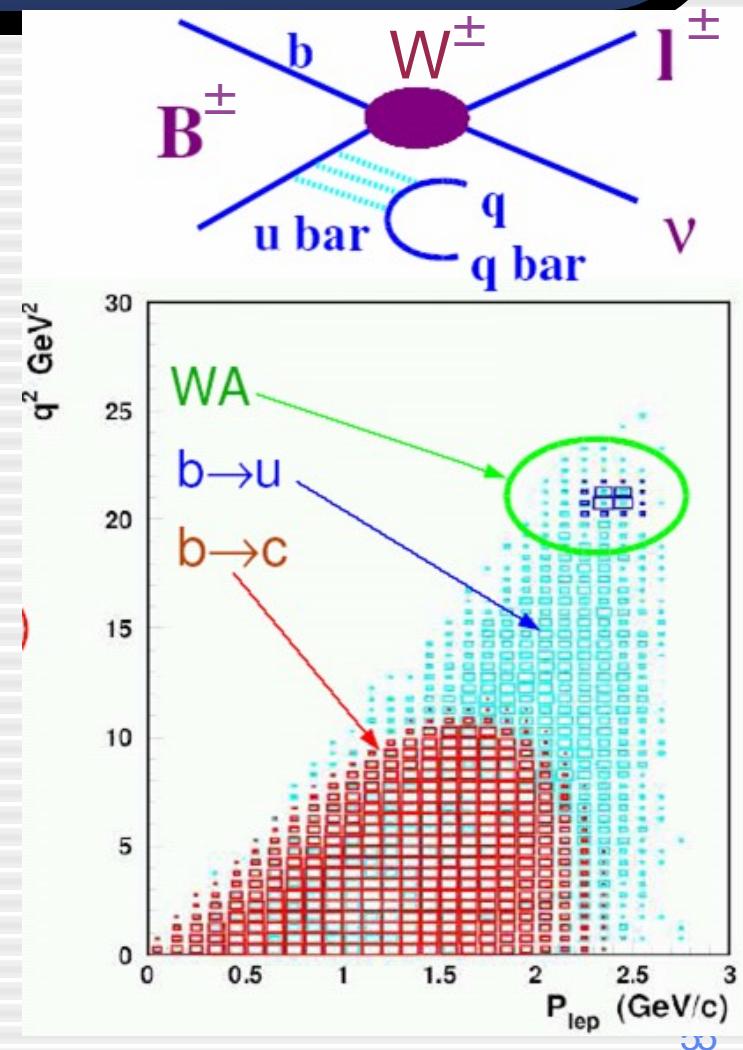
# Weak Annihilation

# Weak Annihilation

- WA turns  $B^+$  into  $\ell v + \text{soft hadrons}$
- Size and shape of WA poorly known
- Minimize the impact
  - Measure  $X_\nu \ell v$  with v. loose cuts
  - Cut away large  $q^2$  region
- Measure WA contribution
  - $\Gamma_{\text{sl}}(D^*)$  vs.  $\Gamma_{\text{sl}}(D_s)$ 
    - CLEO-c
  - Distortion in  $q^2$ 
    - CLEO hep-ex/0601027
  - $\Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow X_\nu \ell v)$  vs.  $\Gamma(B^0 \rightarrow X_\nu \ell v)$ 
    - Work in progress in BaBar/BELLE

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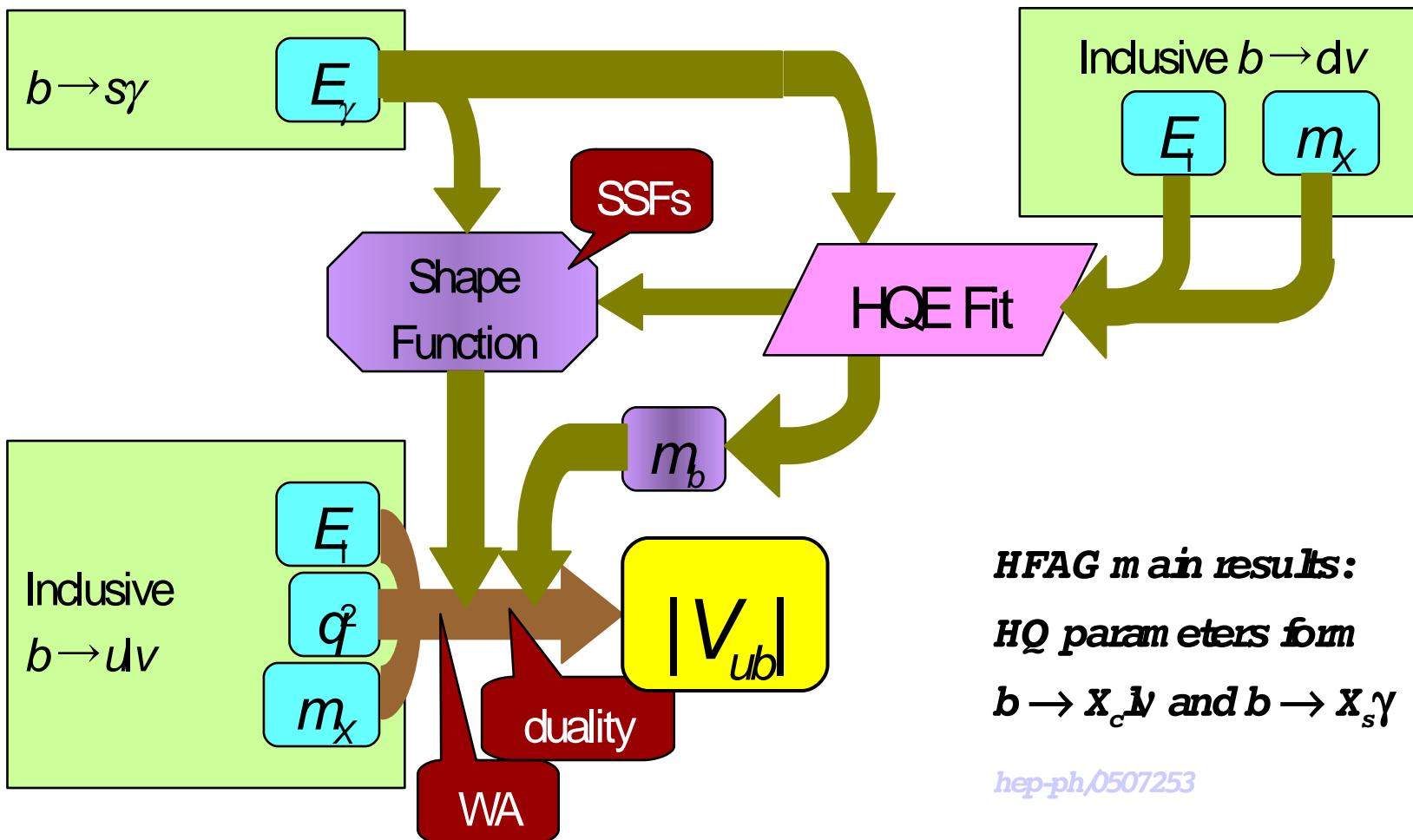
# Conclusions

# Summary

- Semileptonic  $B$  decays offer exciting physics opportunities
  - $|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$  complements  $\sin 2\beta$  to test (in)completeness of the SM
- Challenge of hadronic physics met by close collaboration between theory and experiment
  - Inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$  &  $X_s \gamma$  fit precisely determines  $|V_{cb}|$ ,  $m_b$ , etc.
  - Dramatic progress in both measurement and interpretation of inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$  in the last 2 years
- Inclusive  $|V_{ub}|$  achieved  $\pm 7.4\%$  accuracy
  - Room for improvements with additional data statistics
- $B \rightarrow D \ell \nu$  form factors have improved by a factor 5
- Measurements of  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  becoming precise (better FF needed!)

# Backup Slides

# Tuning $\Delta$ into $|V_{ub}|$



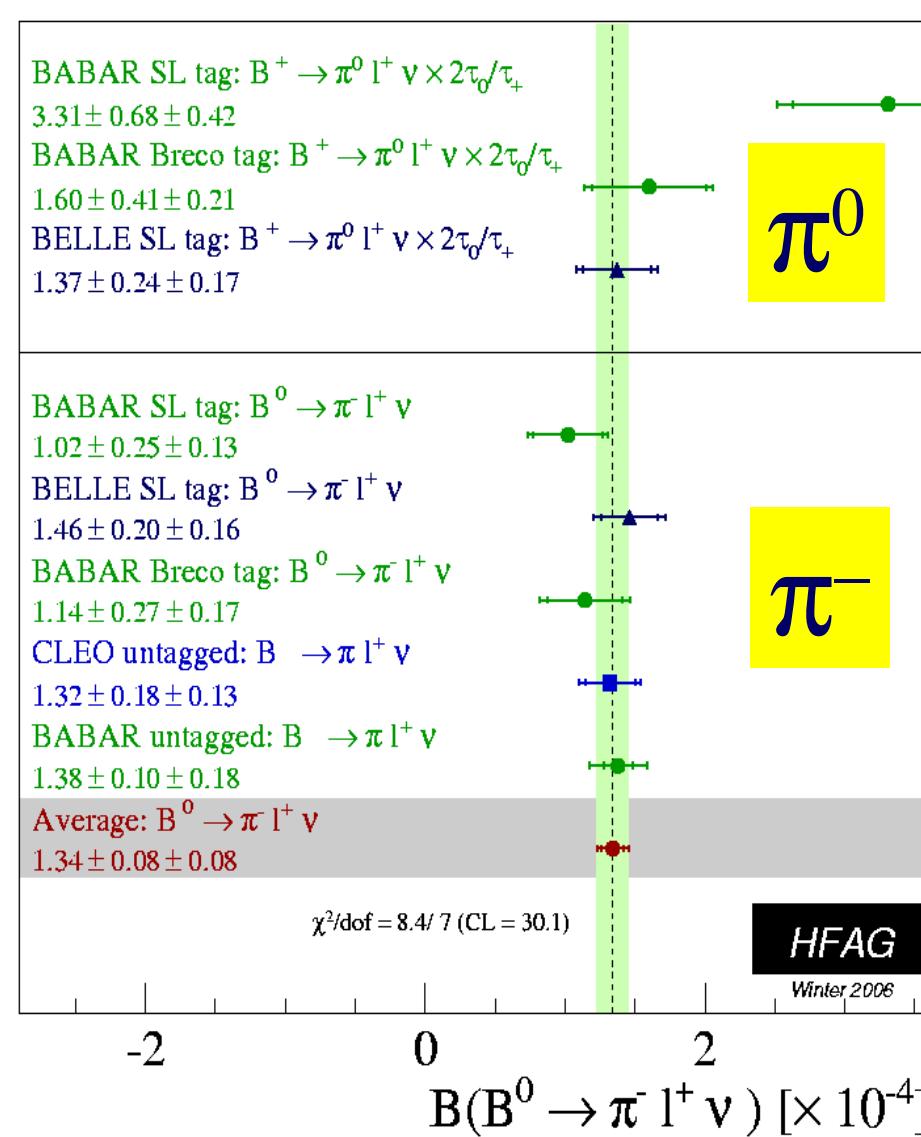
**HFAG main results:**  
**HQ parameters from**  
 $b \rightarrow X_c \bar{\nu}$  and  $b \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

*hep-ph/0507253*

# Determining the Form Factor $f_+(q^2)$

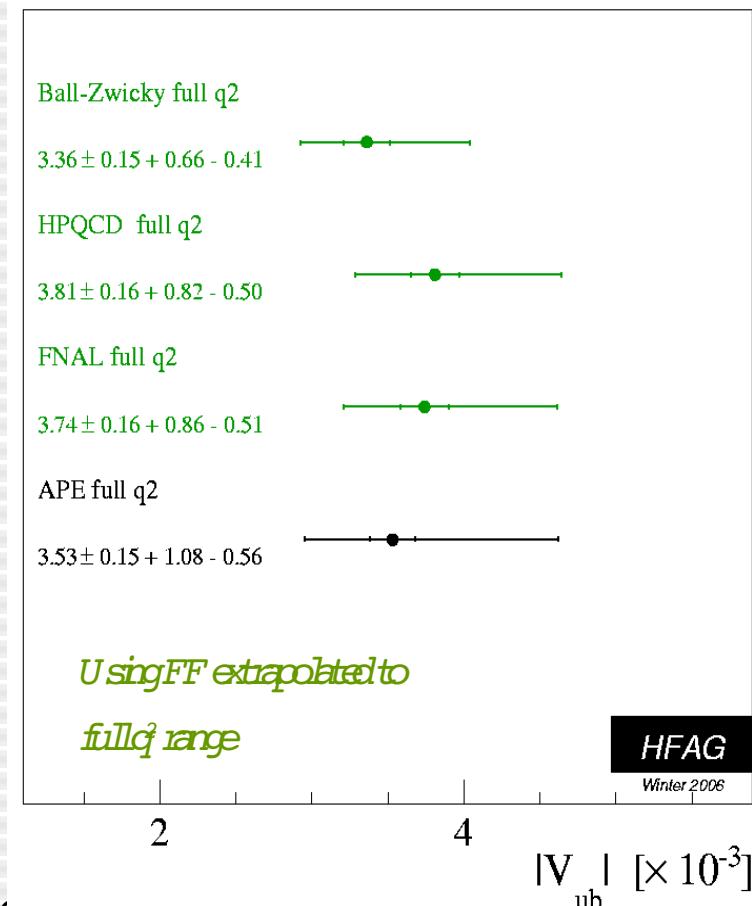
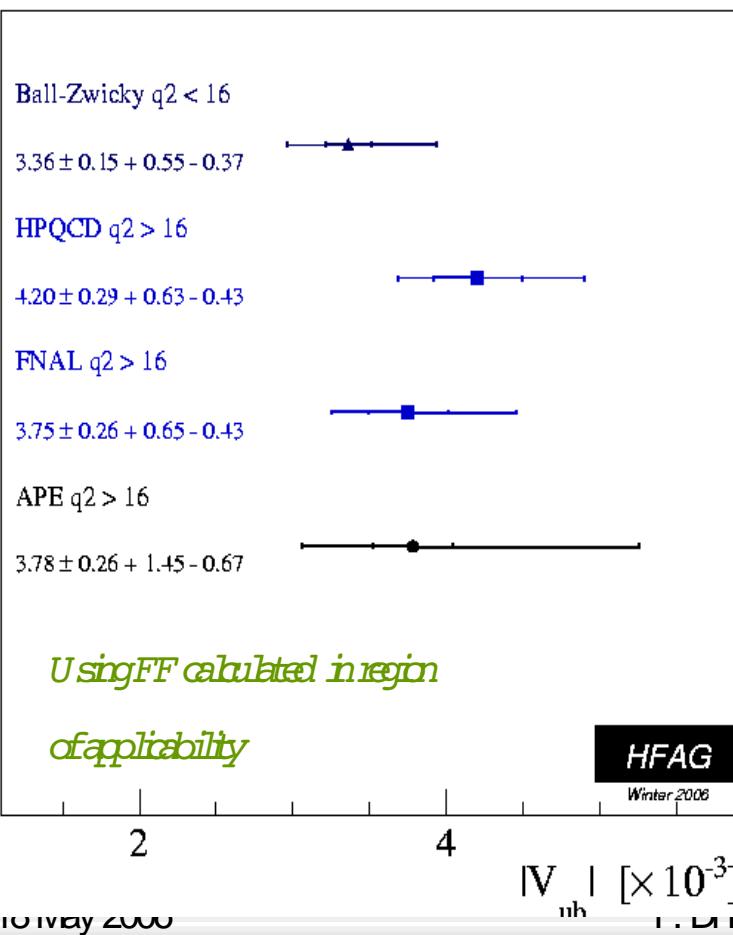
- Earlier predictions made with quark models, e.g. ISGW2
- Lattice QCD
  - makes predictions at high  $q^2$  ( $q^2 > \sim 16 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
  - unquenched calculations have become available in recent times
  - e.g. HPQCD [\*hep-lat/0601201\*](#)
  - FNAL [\*hep-lat/0409116\*](#)
- Light Cone Sum Rules
  - makes predictions at low  $q^2$  ( $q^2 < \sim 14 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
  - e.g. Ball & Zwicky [\*PRD 71 \(2005\)014015\*](#)
- Parametrization has traditionally been used to extend LQCD or LCSR to full  $q^2$  range
- FF normalization main issue when extracting  $|V_{ub}|$
- How much theory input needed for  $|V_{ub}|$  measurement? [\*hepph/0509090\*](#)

# Summary of $B \rightarrow \pi \ell^- \nu$



# $|V_{ub}|$ from Exclusive $B \rightarrow \pi^- \nu$

*Experimental q shape input not used (yet)*



# $|V_{ub}|$ : inclusive vs exclusive

