



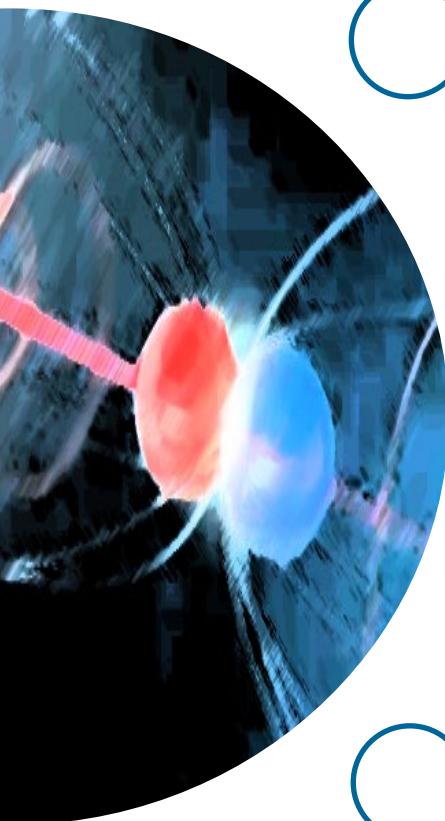
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FCNC searches at BESIII

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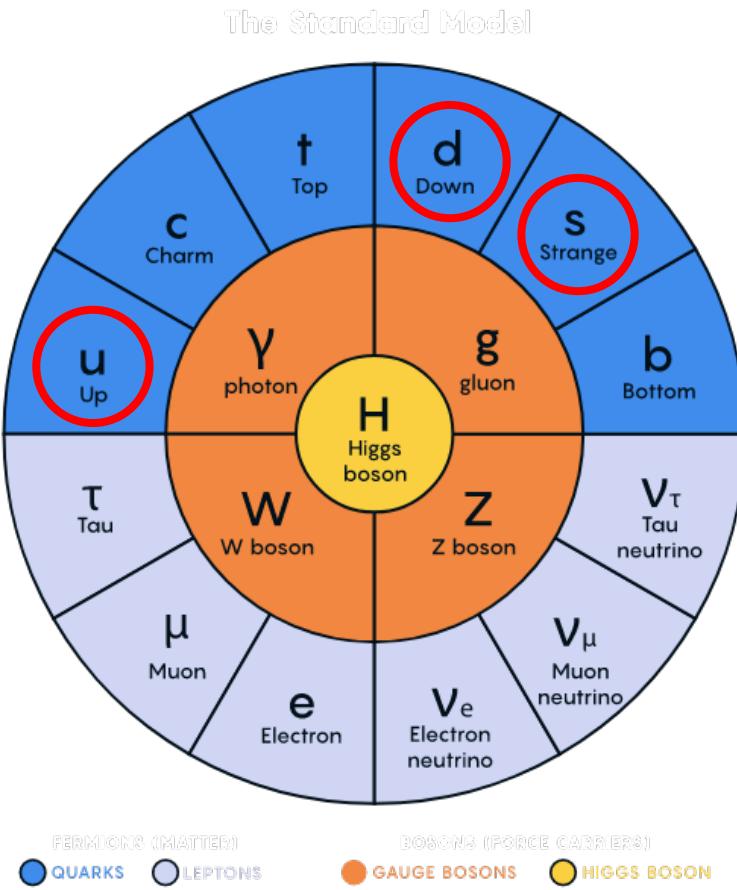
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- Standard Model (SM):



1964, Nicola Cabibbo



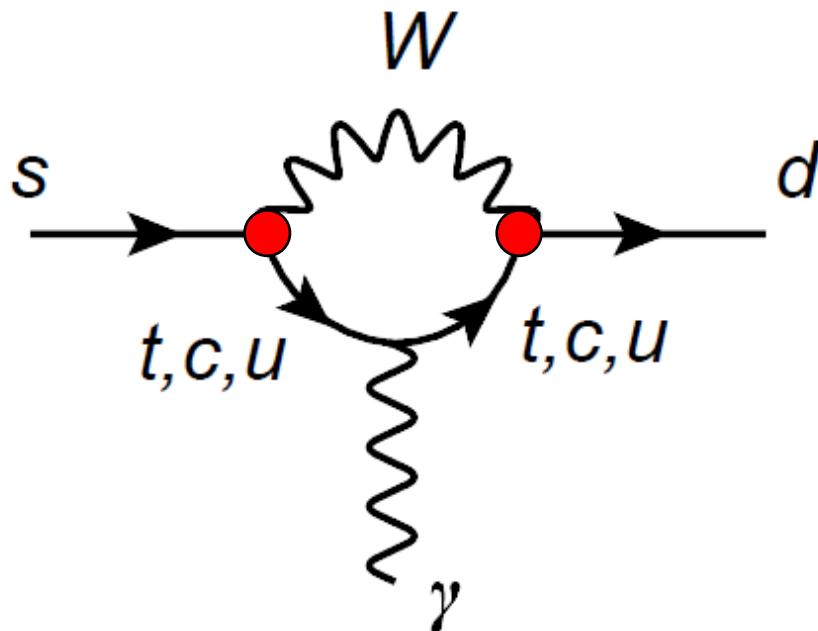
$$\bar{u}u + \bar{d}'d' = \bar{u}u + (\cos^2 \theta_c \bar{d}d + \sin^2 \theta_c \bar{s}s) + \sin \theta_c \cos \theta_c (\bar{d}s + \bar{s}d)$$

1970, S.Glashow, J.Iliopoulos, L.Maiani

$$\bar{u}u + \bar{c}c + \bar{d}'d' + \bar{s}'s' = \bar{u}u + \bar{c}c + \bar{d}d + \bar{s}s$$

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Flavor-changing neutral current (FCNC) process:



$$\mathcal{A}_x \propto (V_{ts}V_{td}^* + V_{cs}V_{cd}^* + V_{us}V_{ud}^*) ,$$

$$V_{ud}^*V_{us} + V_{cd}^*V_{cs} + V_{td}^*V_{ts} = 0 ,$$

$$V_{ud}^*V_{ub} + V_{cd}^*V_{cb} + V_{td}^*V_{tb} = 0 ,$$

$$V_{us}^*V_{ud} + V_{cs}^*V_{cd} + V_{ts}^*V_{td} = 0 ,$$

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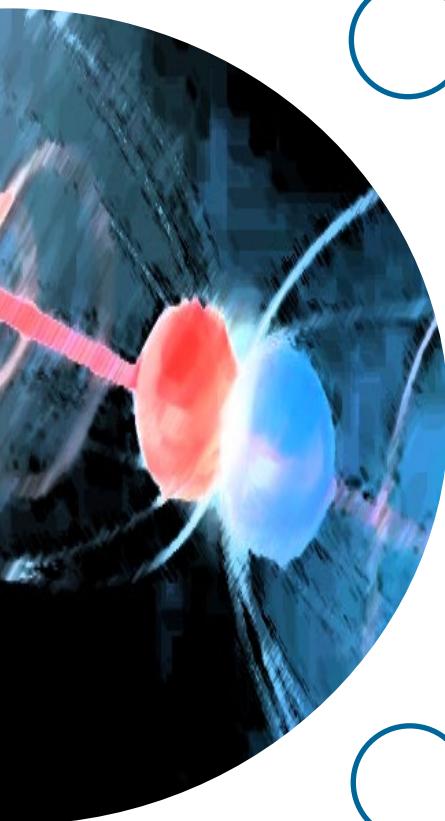
$$V_{ub}^*V_{ud} + V_{cb}^*V_{cd} + V_{tb}^*V_{td} = 0 ,$$

$$V_{ub}^*V_{us} + V_{cb}^*V_{cs} + V_{tb}^*V_{ts} = 0 .$$

- GIM mechanism

$$|V_{CKM}| = \begin{pmatrix} 0.97446 \pm 0.00010 & 0.22452 \pm 0.00044 & 0.00365 \pm 0.00012 \\ 0.22438 \pm 0.00044 & 0.97359^{+0.00010}_{-0.00011} & 0.04214 \pm 0.00076 \\ 0.00896^{+0.00024}_{-0.00023} & 0.04133 \pm 0.00074 & 0.999105 \pm 0.000032 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathcal{A}_y \propto (V_{ts}V_{td}^*G(m_t) + V_{cs}V_{cd}^*G(m_c) + V_{us}V_{ud}^*G(m_u)) ,$
 ↗ $\mathcal{A}_y \sim V_{ts}V_{td}^*G(m_t) \sim V_{ts}V_{td}^*F\left(\frac{m_t^2}{m_W^2}\right)$



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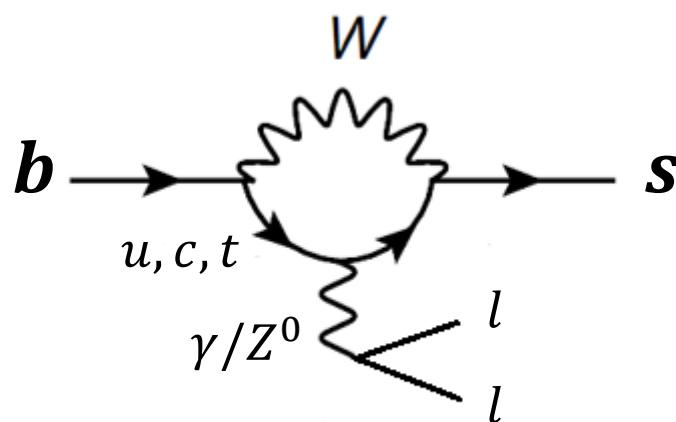
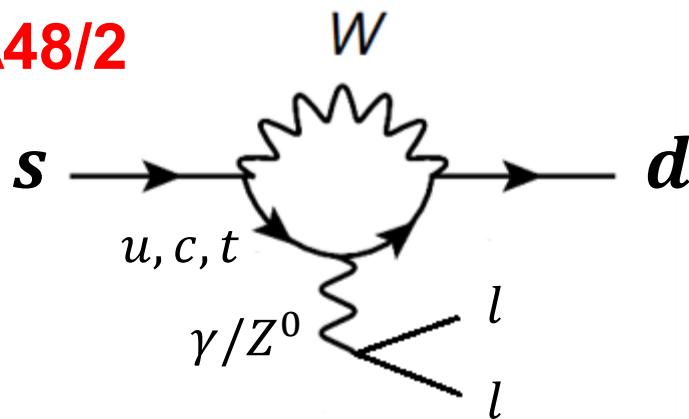
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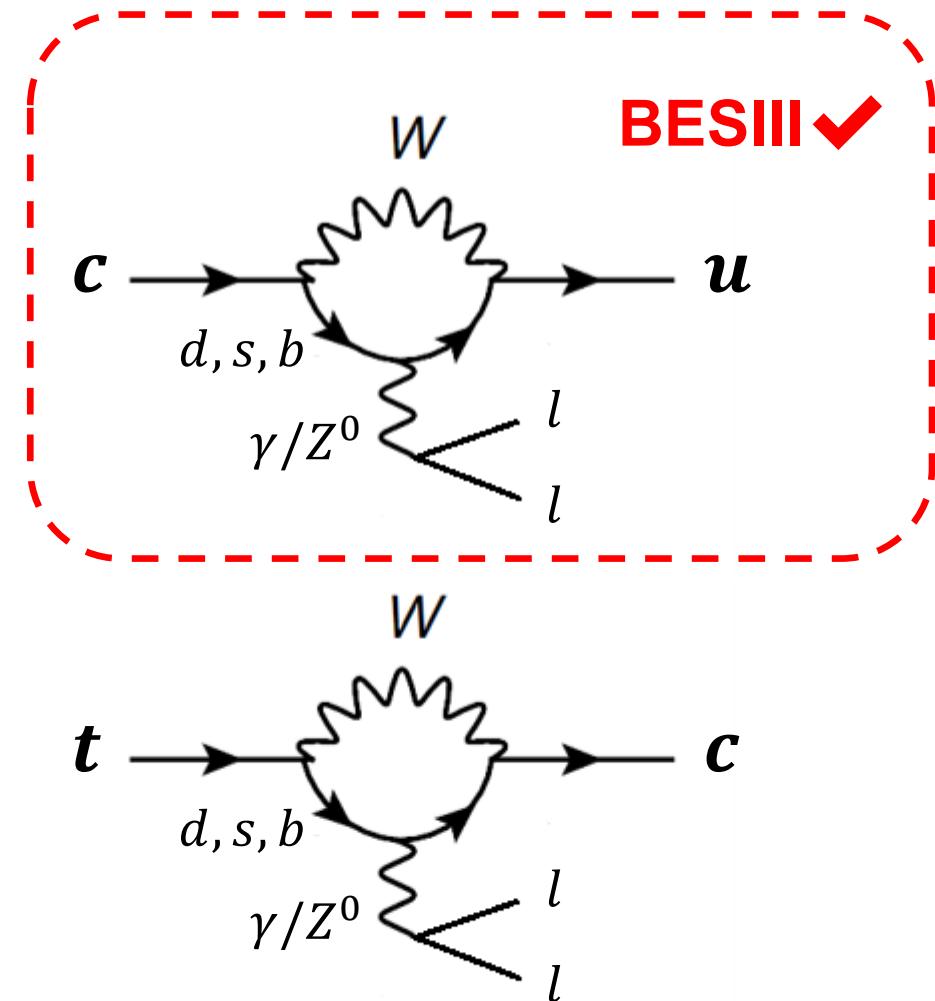
Summary

- FCNC process:

NA48/2



Belle, BaBar





- Features of FCNC:

- Very small Branching fraction:

- $10^{-13} \sim 10^{-10}$ in theoretical prediction in SM.
 - Enhanced to above 10^{-6} in other model, e.g. MSSM, 2HDM.

- Hard to fully reconstruct:

- Contains at least a γ (no tracks, fake γ , FSR).
 - Contains $l^+ l^-$ pairs (identification of l).
 - Contains $\nu_l \bar{\nu}_l$ pairs (invisible).

- Confusable background:

- γ conversion ($\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$).
 - Long-distance process (through vector particle).



- FCNC at BESIII (from [BESIII publication page](#)):

- $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: **PRD 91, 112015 (2015)**
- $J/\psi, \psi(3686) \rightarrow D^0 e^+ e^-$: **PRD 96, 111101(R) (2017)**
- $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} e^+ e^-$: **PRD 97, 091102(R) (2018)**
- $D^+ (D^0) \rightarrow h(h') e^+ e^-$: **PRD 97, 072015 (2018)**

4 FCNC out of 369 papers!

- Techniques in FCNC research:

- Blind analysis

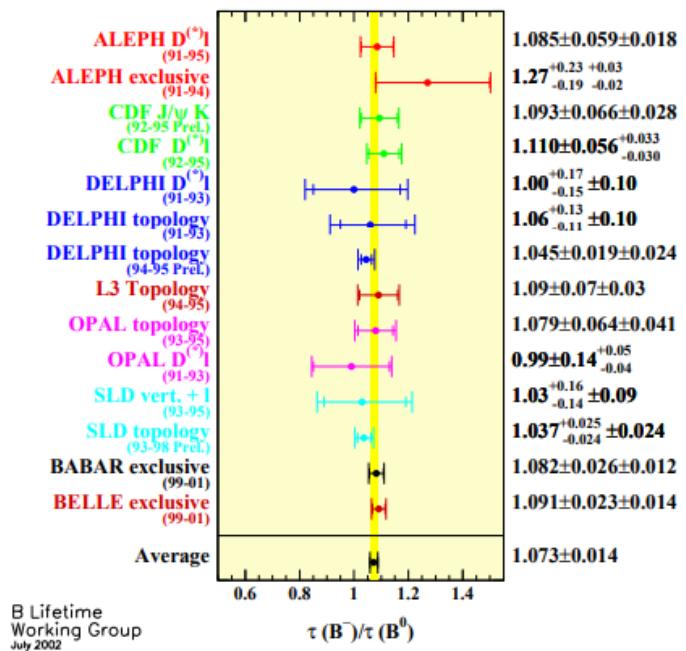
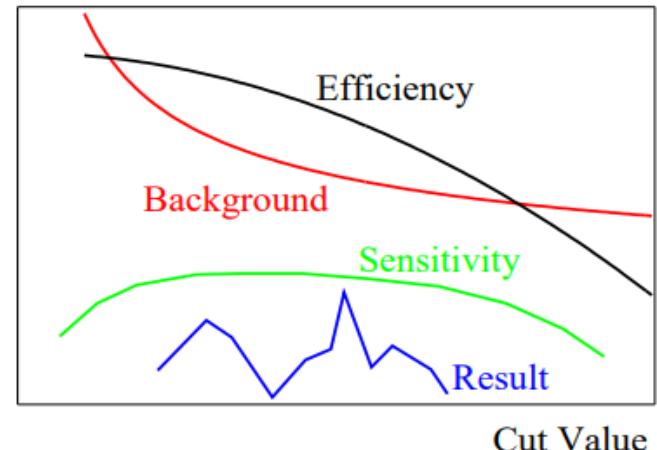


Figure 2: Summary of B meson lifetime ratio measurements. The average has a $\chi^2 = 4.5$ for 13 degrees of freedom.

[“Blind Analysis in Particle Physics”](#)



Hide results to seek the truth

More fields should, like particle physics, adopt blind analysis to thwart bias, urge Robert MacCoun and Saul Perlmutter.

[Nature volume 526, pages 187–189 \(2015\)](#)

- Techniques in FCNC research:

$$N_i^{\text{tag}} = 2N_{D^+D^-} \cdot \mathcal{B}_i^{\text{tag}} \cdot \varepsilon_i^{\text{tag}}$$

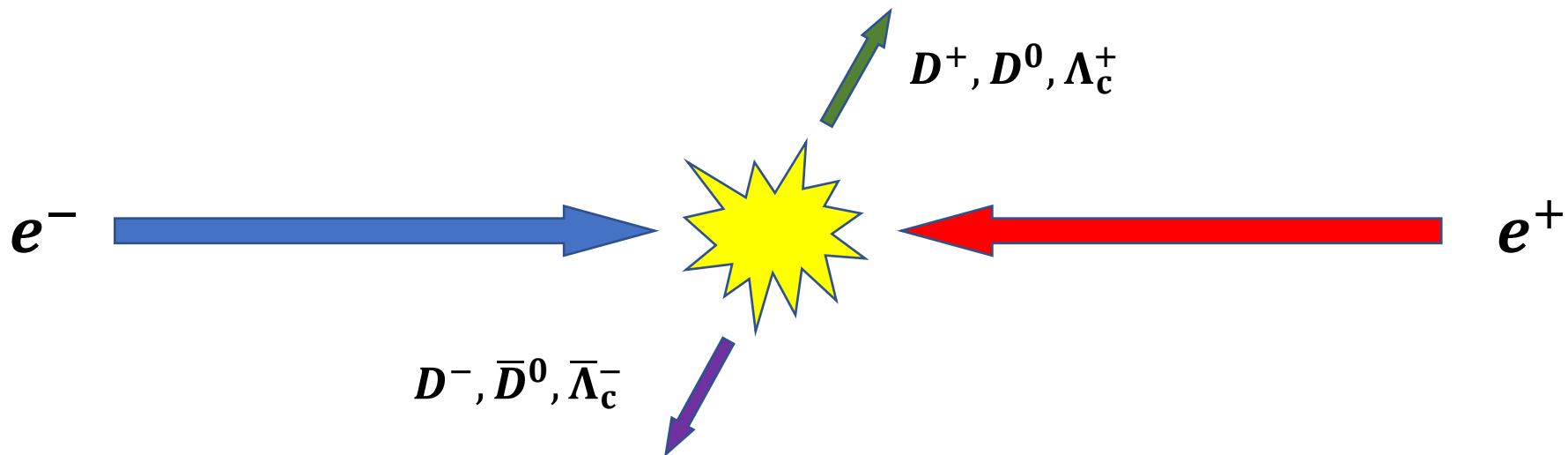
- Single-tag/Double-tag:

$$N_i^{\text{sig}} = 2N_{D^+D^-} \cdot \mathcal{B}_i^{\text{tag}} \cdot \mathcal{B}_i^{\text{sig}} \cdot \varepsilon^{\text{sig}} \cdot \varepsilon_i^{\text{tag}}$$

- Single-tag -> larger sample, higher background

$$\mathcal{B}^{\text{sig}} = \frac{\sum_i N_i^{\text{sig}} / \varepsilon^{\text{sig}}}{\sum_i N_i^{\text{tag}}}$$

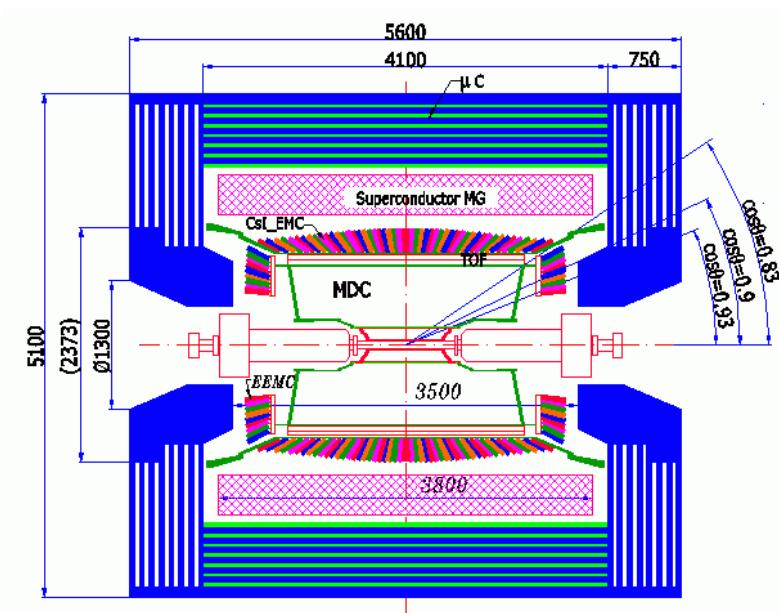
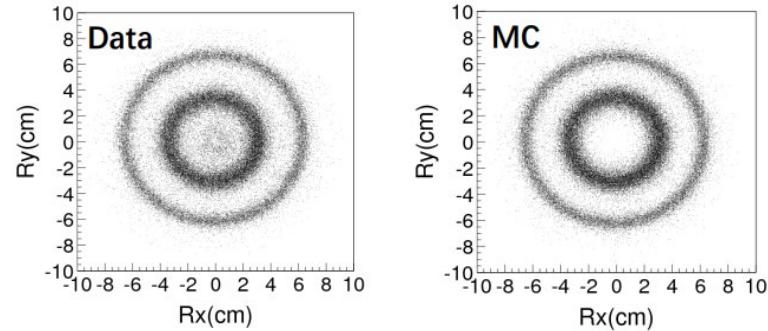
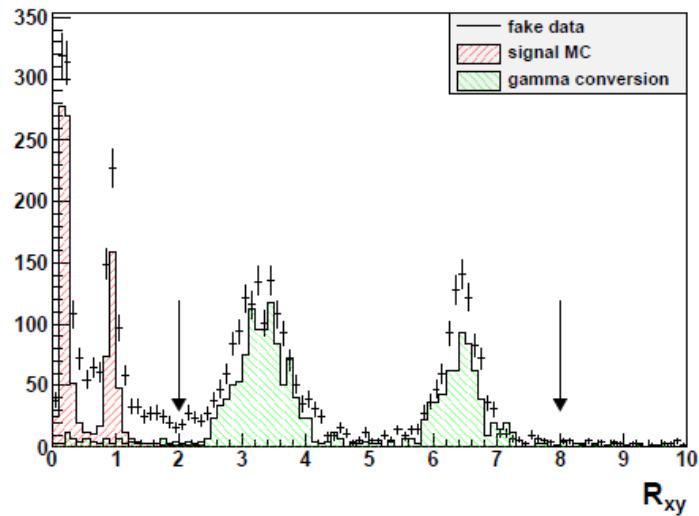
- Double-tag -> smaller sample, lower background



- Techniques in FCNC research:

- γ conversion veto:

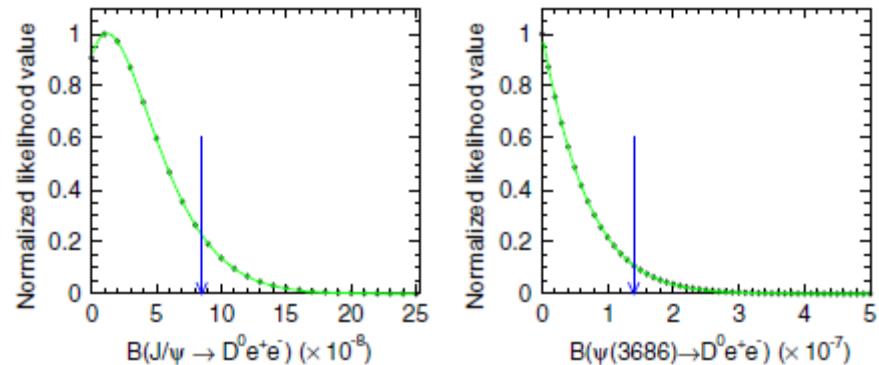
- Occurs when γ through matter.
(Beam pipe and inner wall of MDC)
 - Veto through vertex fit of e^+e^- .



- Techniques in FCNC research:

- Calculate upper limits:

- Likelihood scan.



- TRolke package.

TRolke Class Reference

[Math](#) » [Physics Vectors](#)

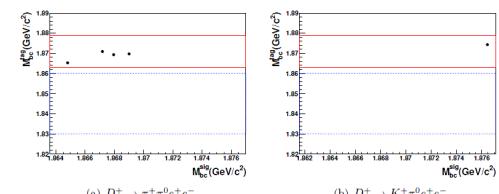
This class computes confidence intervals for the rate of a Poisson process in the presence of uncertain background and/or efficiency.

The treatment and the resulting limits are fully frequentist. The limit calculations make use of the profile likelihood method.

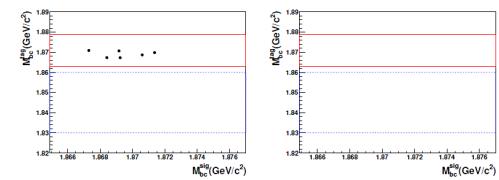
Author

Jan Conrad (CERN) 2004, Updated: Johan Lundberg (CERN) 2009

For a full list of methods and their syntax, and build instructions, consult the header file `TRolke.h`.



(a) $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ (b) $D^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0 e^+ e^-$



(c) $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 e^+ e^-$ (d) $D^+ \rightarrow K^+ K_S^0 e^+ e^-$

- $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: PRD 91, 112015 (2015)

[Hajime Muramatsu, Xianghu Zhao and Daniel Ambrose et al.]

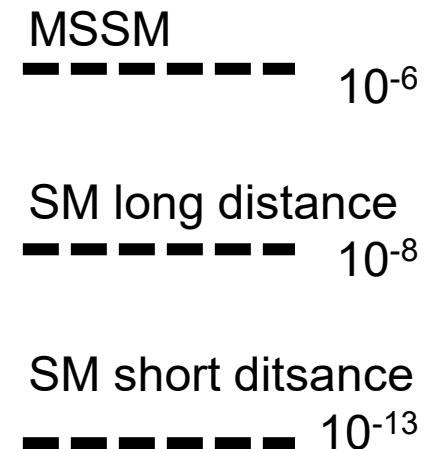
- Theoretical prediction:

- BaBar previous result:

- $< 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$, based on 250 million D^0 .

- This analysis:

- Using 2.92 fb^{-1} data taken at $\sqrt{s} = 3.773 \text{ GeV}$, 20 million D^0 .
 - Double-tag.



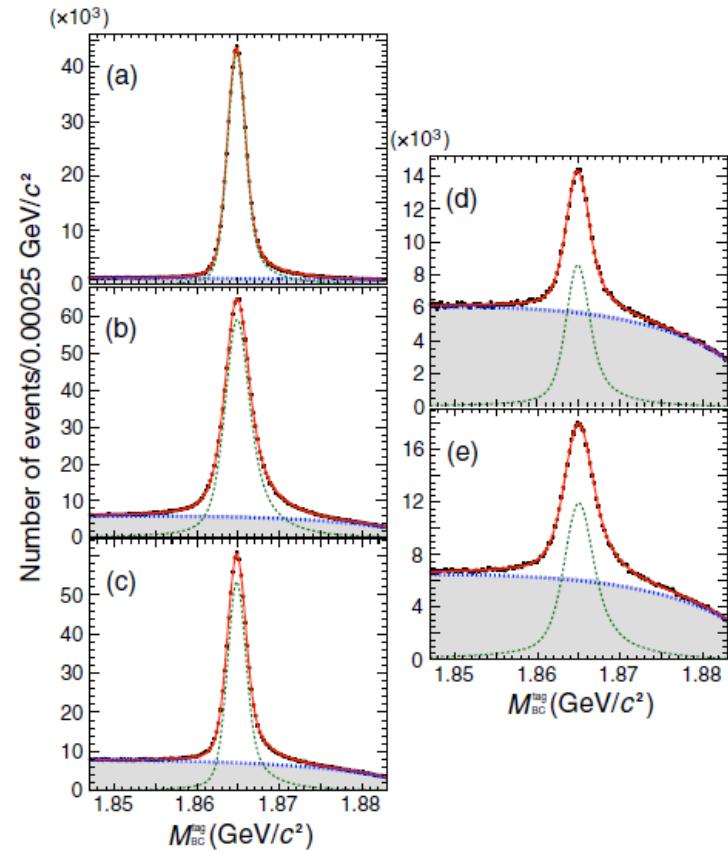
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- Analysis strategy:

- Tag reconstruction: 5 tag modes.

modes	ϵ_{tag}^i (%)	N_{tag}^i	$\epsilon_{\text{tag},\gamma\gamma}^i$ (%)
$K^+\pi^-$	66.12 ± 0.04	551800 ± 936	44.8 ± 0.4
$K^+\pi^-\pi^0$	35.06 ± 0.02	1097113 ± 1386	24.5 ± 0.1
$K^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$	39.70 ± 0.03	734825 ± 1170	24.7 ± 0.2
$K^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	15.32 ± 0.04	155899 ± 872	9.6 ± 0.1
$K^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$	15.23 ± 0.04	268832 ± 976	8.9 ± 0.1
All Tags		2808469 ± 2425	

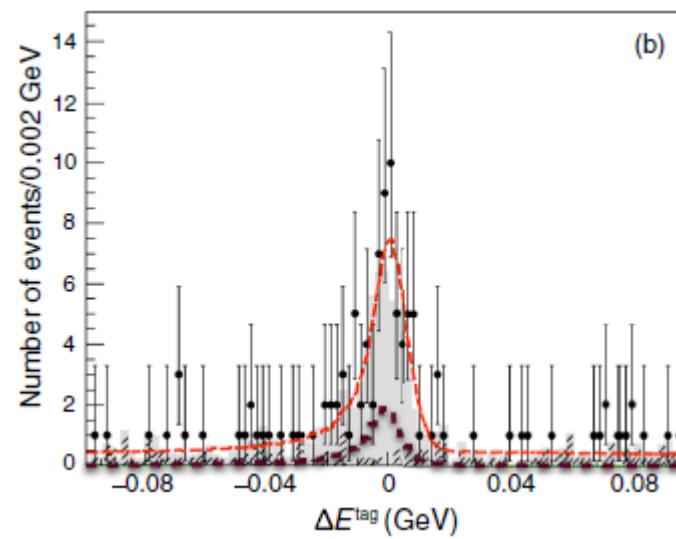
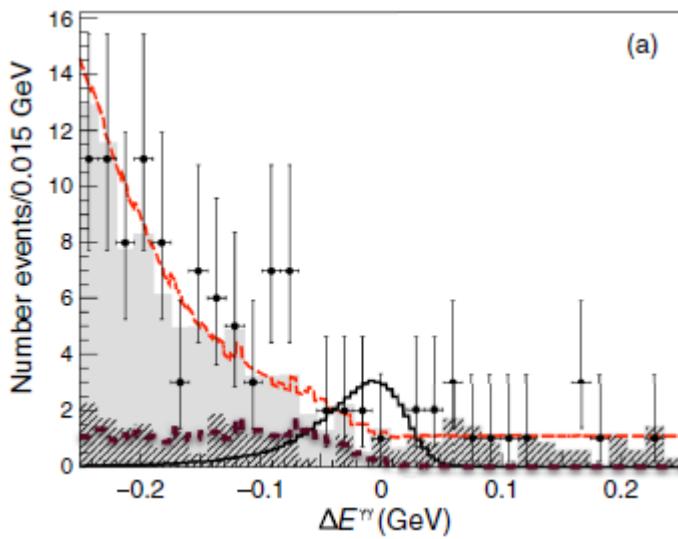


- $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: PRD 91, 112015 (2015)

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- Analysis strategy:

- Signal reconstruction: $\Delta E_{\gamma\gamma}$, ΔE_{tag} .



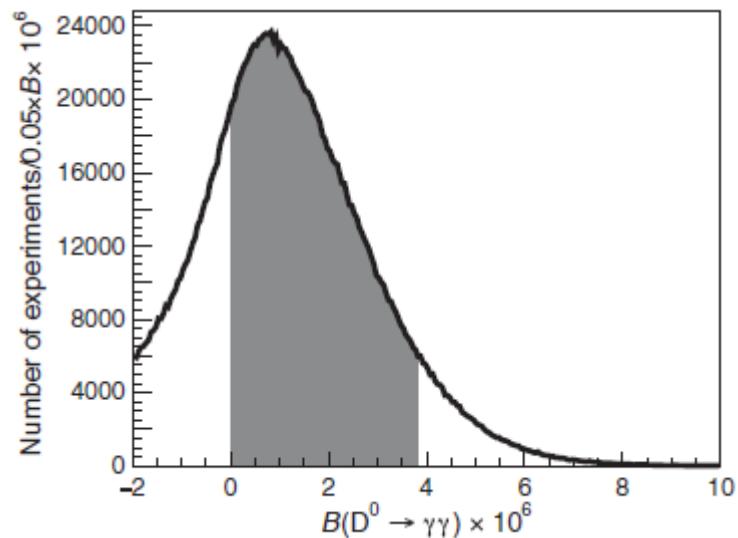
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• Results:

- Likelihood scan.
- Systematic uncertainties & upper limits.

Uncertainties independent of fitting procedure	
Source	Relative uncertainty (%)
Photon reconstruction	2.0
$M_{BC}^{\gamma\gamma}$ requirement	3.1
ST D^0 yields	1.0
Total	3.8



$$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 3.8 \times 10^{-6}$$

- $J/\psi, \psi(3686) \rightarrow D^0 e^+ e^-$: PRD 96, 111101(R) (2017)
[Yateng Zheng et al.]

- Theoretical prediction: $10^{-13} \sim 10^{-10}$

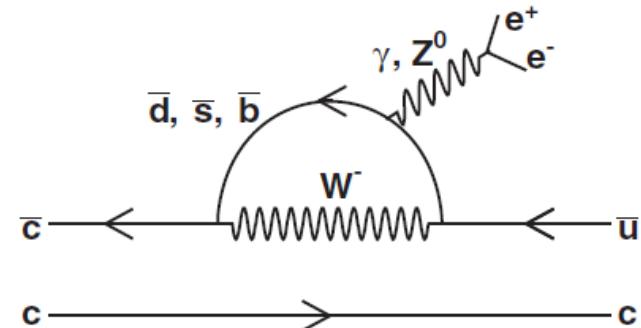
- MSSM/2HDM prediction:
enhance 2~3 order

- BESIII previous result:

- To the order of 10^{-5} , based on $58 \times 10^6 J/\psi$ data.

- This analysis:

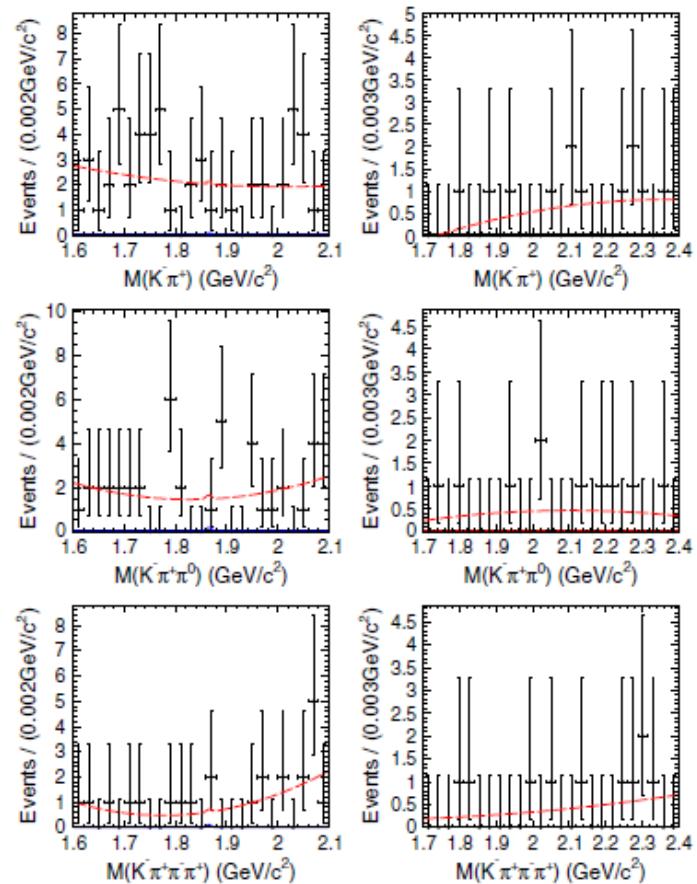
- Using $1310 \times 10^6 J/\psi$ data and $448 \times 10^6 \psi(3686)$ data.
 - Single-tag.



- $J/\psi, \psi(3686) \rightarrow D^0 e^+ e^-$: PRD 96, 111101(R) (2017)
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- Analysis strategy:

- Fully single-tag reconstruction.
- Reconstruction of D^0 .
- Require a pair of $e^+ e^-$ to be found.

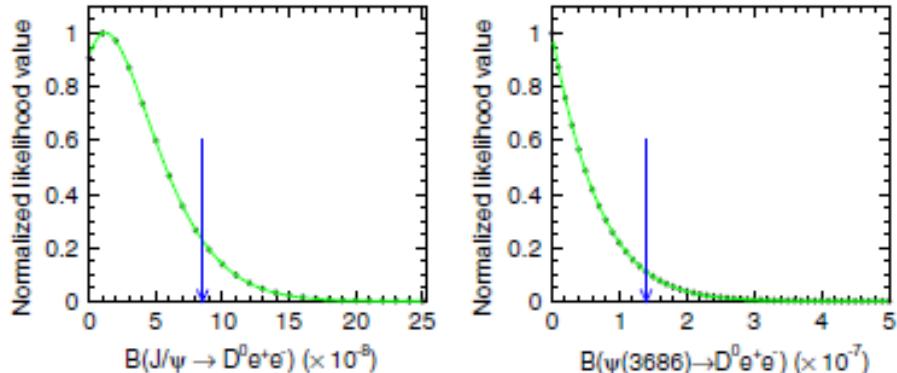


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	$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$		$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^0$		$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$	
	J/ψ	$\psi(3686)$	J/ψ	$\psi(3686)$	J/ψ	$\psi(3686)$
Tracking*	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	6.0	6.0
PID*	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	8.0
γ detection	...	...	1.2	1.2	...	...
Kinematic fit	1.7	1.6	1.1	1.8	2.2	2.0
Veto γ conversion*	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Veto $K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$	...	...	0.6	...	...	...
Veto $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$	...	...	...	...	2.1	2.2
Veto $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$	...	0.1	...	...	...	...
Branching fraction	1.3	1.3	3.6	3.6	2.6	2.6
ψ total number*	0.55	0.62	0.55	0.62	0.55	0.62
Others	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Total	7.8	7.8	8.5	8.7	11.0	10.9



$$\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow D^0 e^+ e^-) < 8.5 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \rightarrow D^0 e^+ e^-) < 1.4 \times 10^{-7}$$

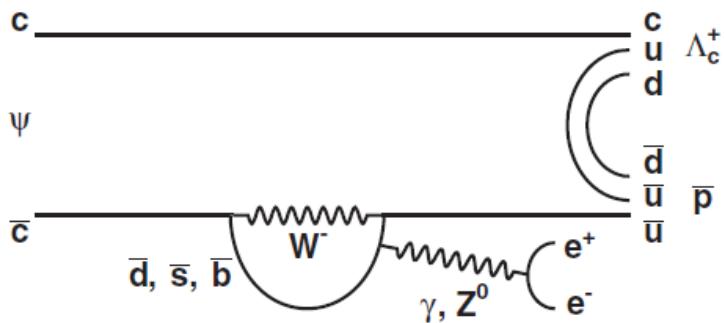
- $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} e^+ e^-$: PRD 97, 091102(R) (2018)
[Yang Zhang et al.]

- Theoretical prediction: $10^{-14} \sim 10^{-10}$

- MSSM/2HDM prediction:
enhance 2~3 order

- This analysis:

- First search.
 - Using 448×10^6 $\psi(3686)$ data.
 - Single-tag.



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- Analysis strategy:

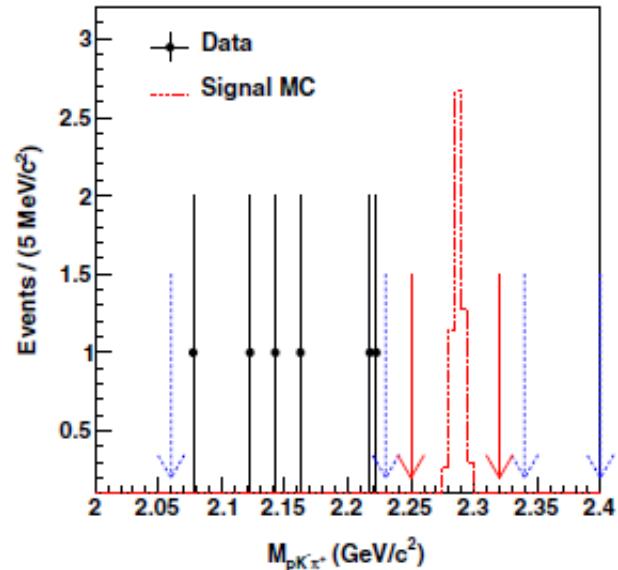
- Fully reconstruct 6 charged tracks.
- Looking at $m_{pK^-\pi^+}$.

- Results:

- Using TRolke package.

$$\mathcal{B} \leq \frac{N_{\text{up}}}{N_{\psi(3686)} \times \text{BF}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)},$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\psi(3686) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} e^+ e^-) < 1.7 \times 10^{-6}$$



Sources	Systematic uncertainty (%)
Number of $\psi(3686)$ decays	0.6
Track reconstruction	9.0
Particle identification	9.0
4C kinematic fit	1.0
BF of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$	5.2
Signal region	4.0
$M_{p\pi^-}/M_{\bar{p}\pi^+}$ criteria	1.0
Physics model	34.3
Total	37.2

- $D^+(D^0) \rightarrow h(h')e^+e^-$: PRD 97, 072015 (2018)

[Dong Xiao, Yu Zhang et al.]

- Theoretical prediction: $<10^{-9}$

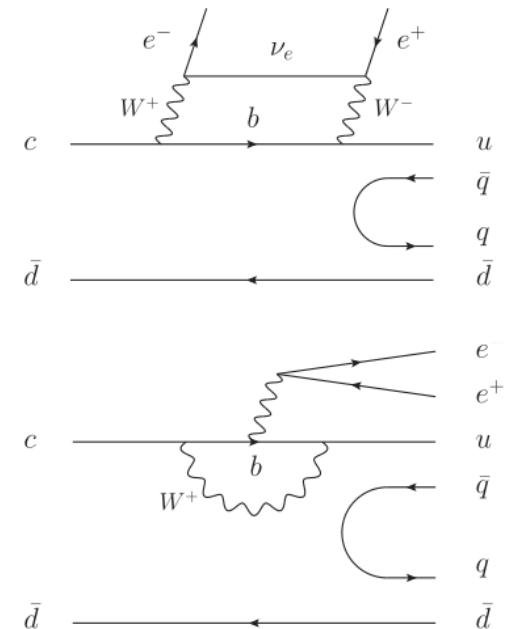
- MSSM/2HDM prediction: 10^{-6}

- CLEO2 previous results:

- $\sim 10^{-5}$

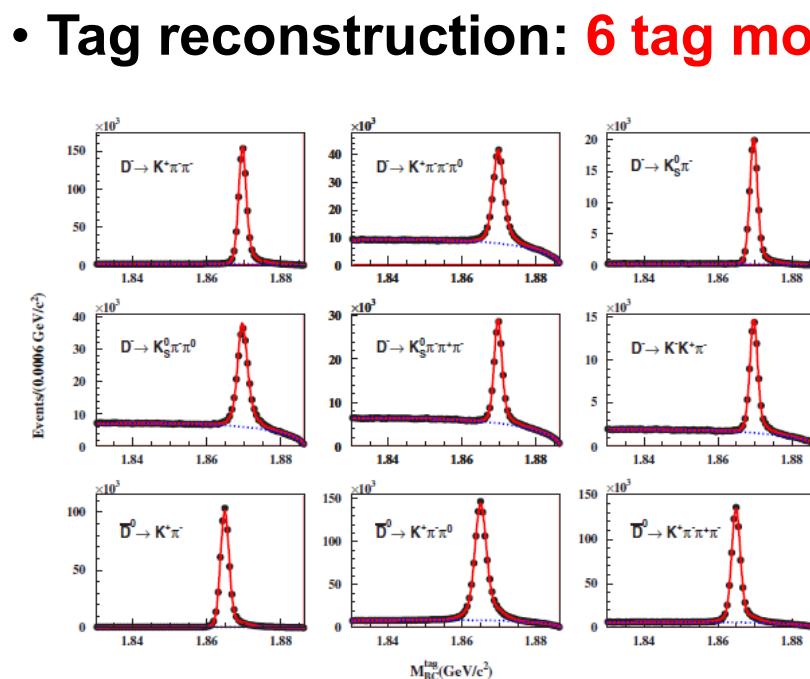
- This analysis:

- First search for D^+ .
- Using 2.93 fb^{-1} data at $\sqrt{s} = 3.773 \text{ GeV}$.
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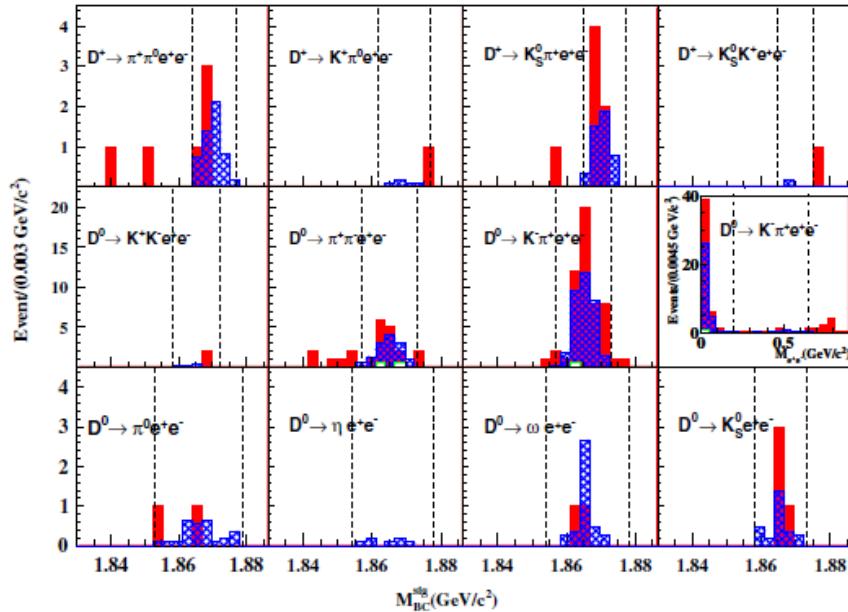
D^- decays	ΔE_{tag} (GeV)	$\epsilon_{\text{tag}}^{i,\text{MC}}$ (%)	n_{tag}^i
$K^+\pi^-\pi^-$	(-0.022, 0.021)	50.47 ± 0.06	755661 ± 922
$K^+\pi^-\pi^-\pi^0$	(-0.060, 0.034)	24.65 ± 0.05	231322 ± 729
$K_S^0\pi^-$	(-0.019, 0.021)	54.44 ± 0.17	95346 ± 330
$K_S^0\pi^-\pi^0$	(-0.071, 0.041)	27.44 ± 0.06	210535 ± 638
$K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-\pi^-$	(-0.025, 0.023)	31.80 ± 0.09	119249 ± 451
$K^+K^-\pi^-$	(-0.019, 0.018)	40.71 ± 0.16	64904 ± 259

\bar{D}^0 decays	ΔE_{tag} (GeV)	$\epsilon_{\text{tag}}^{i,\text{MC}}$ (%)	n_{tag}^i
$K^+\pi^-$	(-0.023, 0.022)	64.64 ± 0.03	523265 ± 763
$K^+\pi^-\pi^0$	(-0.064, 0.035)	33.60 ± 0.01	1022697 ± 1448
$K^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$	(-0.026, 0.023)	38.26 ± 0.02	707936 ± 1129

- $D^+(D^0) \rightarrow h(h')e^+e^-$: PRD 97, 072015 (2018)
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- Analysis strategy:

- Signal reconstruction: count & sideband subtraction & MC.



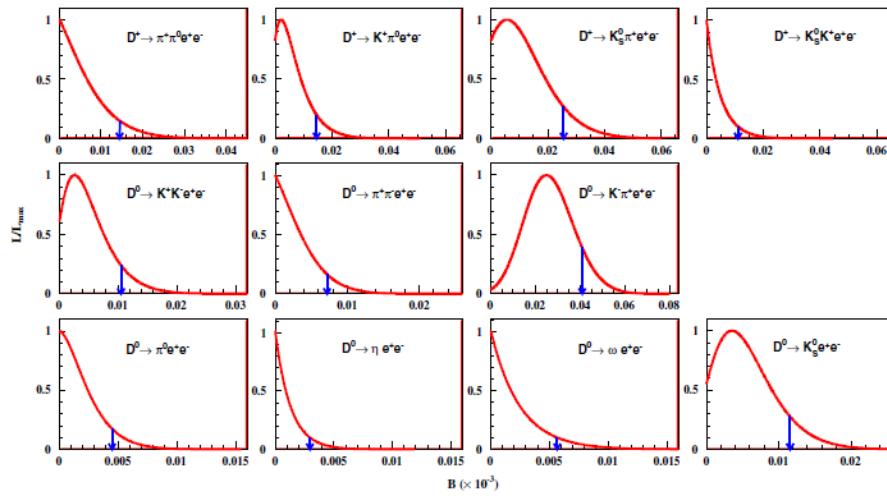
D^+ decays	ΔE_{sig} (GeV)	$M_{\text{BC}}^{\text{sig}}$ (GeV/c ²)	n_{obs}	$n_{\text{bkg1}}^{\text{SB}}$	$n_{\text{bkg2}}^{\text{MC}} \pm \sigma_{\text{bkg2}}^{\text{MC}}$
$\pi^+\pi^0e^+e^-$	(-0.060, 0.030)	(1.864, 1.877)	4	0	5.3 ± 0.7
$K^+\pi^0e^+e^-$	(-0.063, 0.037)	(1.862, 1.877)	1	0	0.5 ± 0.2
$K_S^0\pi^+e^+e^-$	(-0.038, 0.020)	(1.865, 1.877)	6	0	4.6 ± 0.7
$K_S^0K^+e^+e^-$	(-0.038, 0.021)	(1.865, 1.875)	0	0	0.2 ± 0.1
D^0 decays	ΔE_{sig} (GeV)	$M_{\text{BC}}^{\text{sig}}$ (GeV/c ²)	n_{obs}	$n_{\text{bkg1}}^{\text{SB}}$	$n_{\text{bkg2}}^{\text{MC}} \pm \sigma_{\text{bkg2}}^{\text{MC}}$
$K^-K^+e^+e^-$	(-0.044, 0.015)	(1.858, 1.872)	2	0	0.9 ± 0.3
$\pi^-\pi^+e^+e^-$	(-0.053, 0.020)	(1.857, 1.873)	11	2	11.8 ± 1.1
$K^-\pi^+e^+e^-$	(-0.040, 0.018)	(1.857, 1.873)	49	1	32.4 ± 1.7
$\pi^0e^+e^-$	(-0.043, 0.020)	(1.853, 1.879)	2	0	2.1 ± 0.4
ηe^+e^-	(-0.094, 0.031)	(1.854, 1.878)	0	0	0.6 ± 0.3
ωe^+e^-	(-0.086, 0.035)	(1.854, 1.878)	2	0	4.0 ± 0.6
$K_S^0e^+e^-$	(-0.078, 0.035)	(1.858, 1.873)	4	0	2.2 ± 0.5

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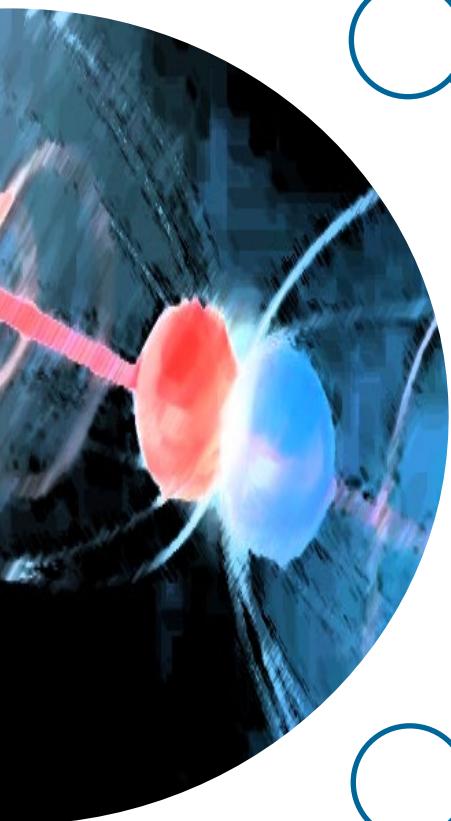
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Source (%)	$K^-K^+e^+e^-$	$\pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$	$K^-\pi^+e^+e^-$	$\pi^0e^+e^-$	ηe^+e^-	ωe^+e^-	$K_S^0e^+e^-$	$\pi^+\pi^0e^+e^-$	$K^+\pi^0e^+e^-$	$K_S^0\pi^+e^+e^-$	$K^0K^+e^+e^-$
K^\pm/π^\pm tracking	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	...	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
K^\pm/π^\pm PID	1.0	1.0	1.0	...	...	1.0	...	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
e^\pm	6.9	2.8	4.5	0.8	1.8	3.6	2.0	3.9	5.2	5.2	6.7
K_S^0	...	...	...	...	...	1.5	...	...	1.5	1.5	1.5
π^0	...	...	...	2.0	...	2.0	...	2.0	2.0	...	...
η	...	...	...	...	1.2	...	...	...	...	...	...
γ -conversion veto	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
MC modeling	3.0	12.8	24.6	12.6	13.6	13.1	6.6	2.1	5.6	4.9	4.9
B_{inter}}	...	...	...	0.1	0.5	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	8.0	13.4	25.2	12.9	13.9	14.0	7.3	5.3	8.2	7.5	8.6

Signal decays	$\mathcal{B} (\times 10^{-5})$	PDG [9] ($\times 10^{-5}$)
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0e^+e^-$	< 1.4	...
$D^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^0e^+e^-$	< 1.5	...
$D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+e^+e^-$	< 2.6	...
$D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0K^+e^+e^-$	< 1.1	...
$D^0 \rightarrow K^-K^+e^+e^-$	< 1.1	< 31.5
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$	< 0.7	< 37.3
$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+e^+e^-$	< 4.1	< 38.5
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0e^+e^-$	< 0.4	< 4.5
$D^0 \rightarrow \eta e^+e^-$	< 0.3	< 11
$D^0 \rightarrow \omega e^+e^-$	< 0.6	< 18
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0e^+e^-$	< 1.2	< 11
[†] in $M_{e^+e^-}$ regions:		
[0.00, 0.20) GeV/c^2	< 3.0 (1.5 ^{+1.0} _{-0.9})	...
[0.20, 0.65) GeV/c^2	< 0.7	...
[0.65, 0.90) GeV/c^2	< 1.9 (1.0 ^{+0.5} _{-0.4})	...



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- BESIII data set: (from [BESIII physics page](#))

FOR J/ψ

Sample type	Ecms (GeV)	Run ID	Event number (Int. luminosity)
On- J/ψ (2009)	3.097	9947-10878	$224.0 \pm 1.3M$ (80 pb-1)
On- J/ψ (2012)	3.097	27255-28236	$1088.5 \pm 4.4M$ (315 pb-1)
On- J/ψ (2017-2019)	3.097	52940-54976 55861-56546 56788-59015	$8774.0 \pm 39.4M$ (2571 pb-1)

FOR $\psi(3686)$

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Sample type	Ecms (GeV)	Run ID	Event number (Int. luminosity)
On- $\psi(3686)$ (2009)	3.686	8093-9025	$107.0 \pm 0.8M$ (161.63 ± 0.13 pb-1)
On- $\psi(3686)$ (2012)	3.686	25338-27090	$341.1 \pm 2.1M$ (506.92 ± 0.23 pb-1)

For above 4.6 GeV:

Sample type	Ecms (GeV)	Run ID	Int. luminosity
On- $\psi(3770)$ (2010)	3.773	11414-13988 14395-14604	$2931.8 \pm 0.2 \pm 13.8$ pb-1
On- $\psi(3770)$ (2011)	3.773	20448-23454	

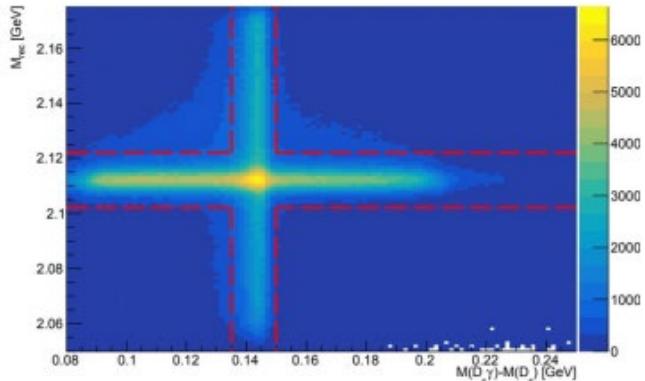
Energy points	4.600 GeV	4.612 GeV	4.628 GeV	4.641 GeV	4.661 GeV	4.682 GeV	4.698 GeV
Lumi(pb^{-1})	566.90	103.45	519.93	548.15	527.55	1664.34	534.40

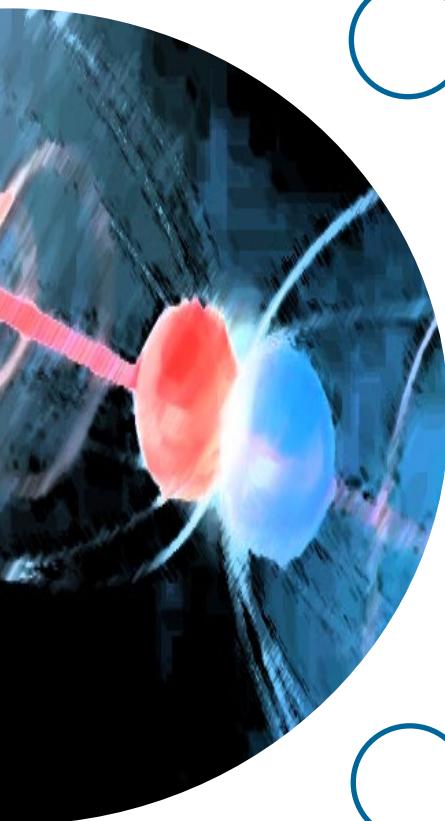
- On-going analysis:

- $D_s^+ \rightarrow h(h')e^+e^-$, [Liang Sun, WHU]
[NPG Group meeting Report]

- Analysis suggest in future:

- Update of $J/\psi \rightarrow D^0 e^+e^-$: more data sample
- Update of $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} e^+e^-$: more data sample
- Search for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p e^+e^-$: large data sample + sufficient tag modes
- Other suggestion ? ...





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- BESIII has advantages in search for $c \rightarrow u$ FCNC process.
- 4 Analysis of different kind FCNC have been carried out at BESIII, 4 papers produced.
 - $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: PRD 91, 112015 (2015)
 - $J/\psi, \psi(3686) \rightarrow D^0 e^+ e^-$: PRD 96, 111101(R) (2017)
 - $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{p} e^+ e^-$: PRD 97, 091102(R) (2018)
 - $D^+ (D^0) \rightarrow h(h') e^+ e^-$: PRD 97, 072015 (2018)
- Techniques are mature for FCNC analysis at BESIII.
- More data sample is needed.
- More analysis can be studied in future.

Thanks for your attention!