

Search for the Rare Leptonic Decay $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ at BaBar

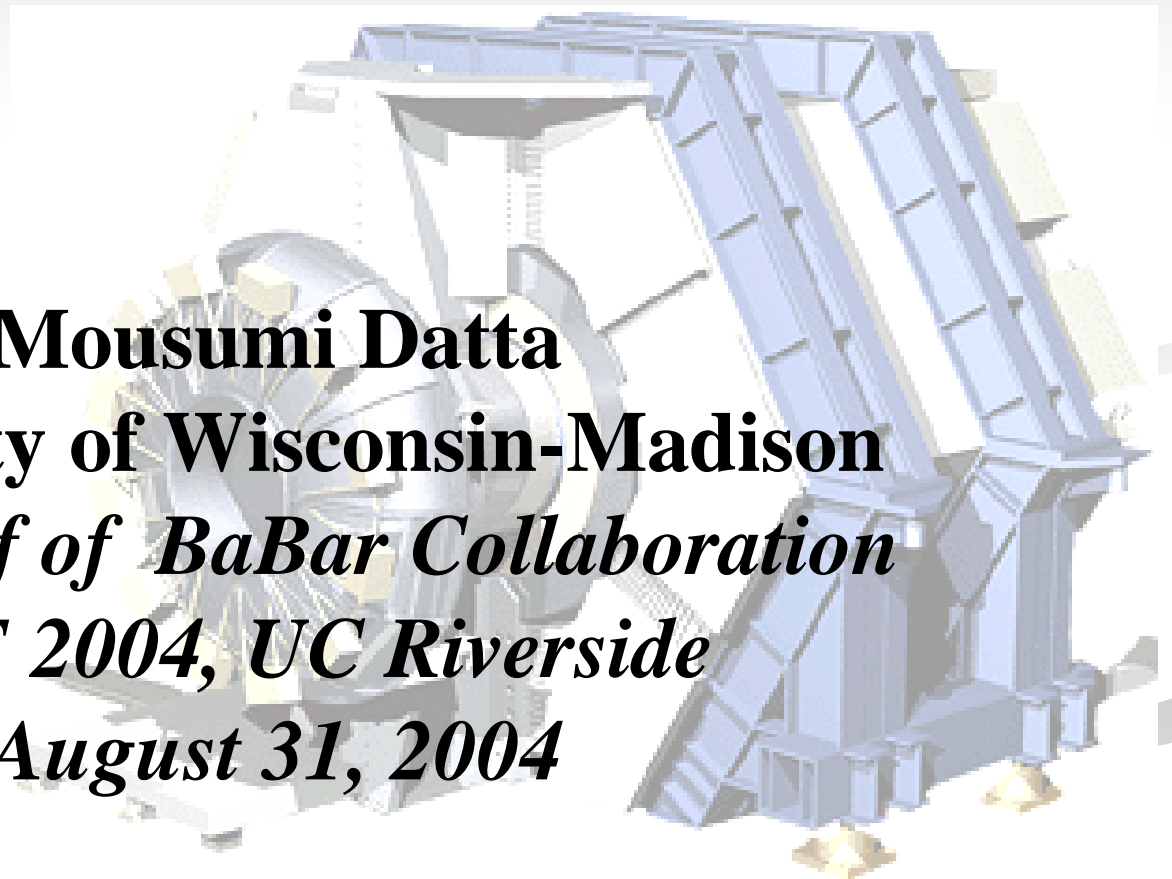
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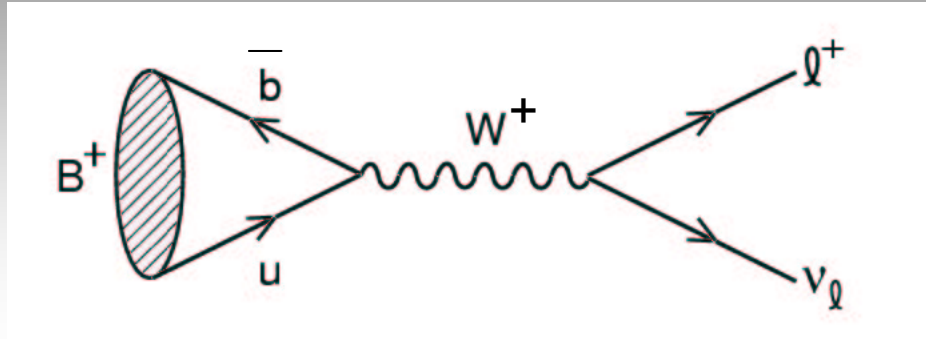


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Physics Motivation



- Purely leptonic B decay. Standard Model branching ratio

$$BR(B \rightarrow \ell \nu) = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2}{8\pi} f_B^2 \cdot \tau_B \cdot m_B \cdot m_\ell^2 \cdot \left[1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_B^2} \right]^2$$

- Provide direct measurement of B meson decay constant f_B

$$f_B = 0.196 \pm 0.032 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{PDG 2004, Lattice QCD})$$

- Extract $|V_{ub}| / |V_{td}|$ by combining branching ratio measurement with results from B mixing

- Sensitive to charged Higgs



Branching Ratio Expectations

- Helicity Suppressed: $BR(B \rightarrow \ell \nu) \propto m_\ell^2$

$$\tau : \mu : e = 1 : 5 \times 10^{-3} : 1 \times 10^{-7}$$

- Standard model estimate using 2004 PDG values:

$$f_B = 0.196 \pm 0.032 \text{ GeV}$$
$$|V_{ub}| = (3.67 \pm 0.47) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$BR(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) = (9.3 \pm 3.9) \times 10^{-5}$$

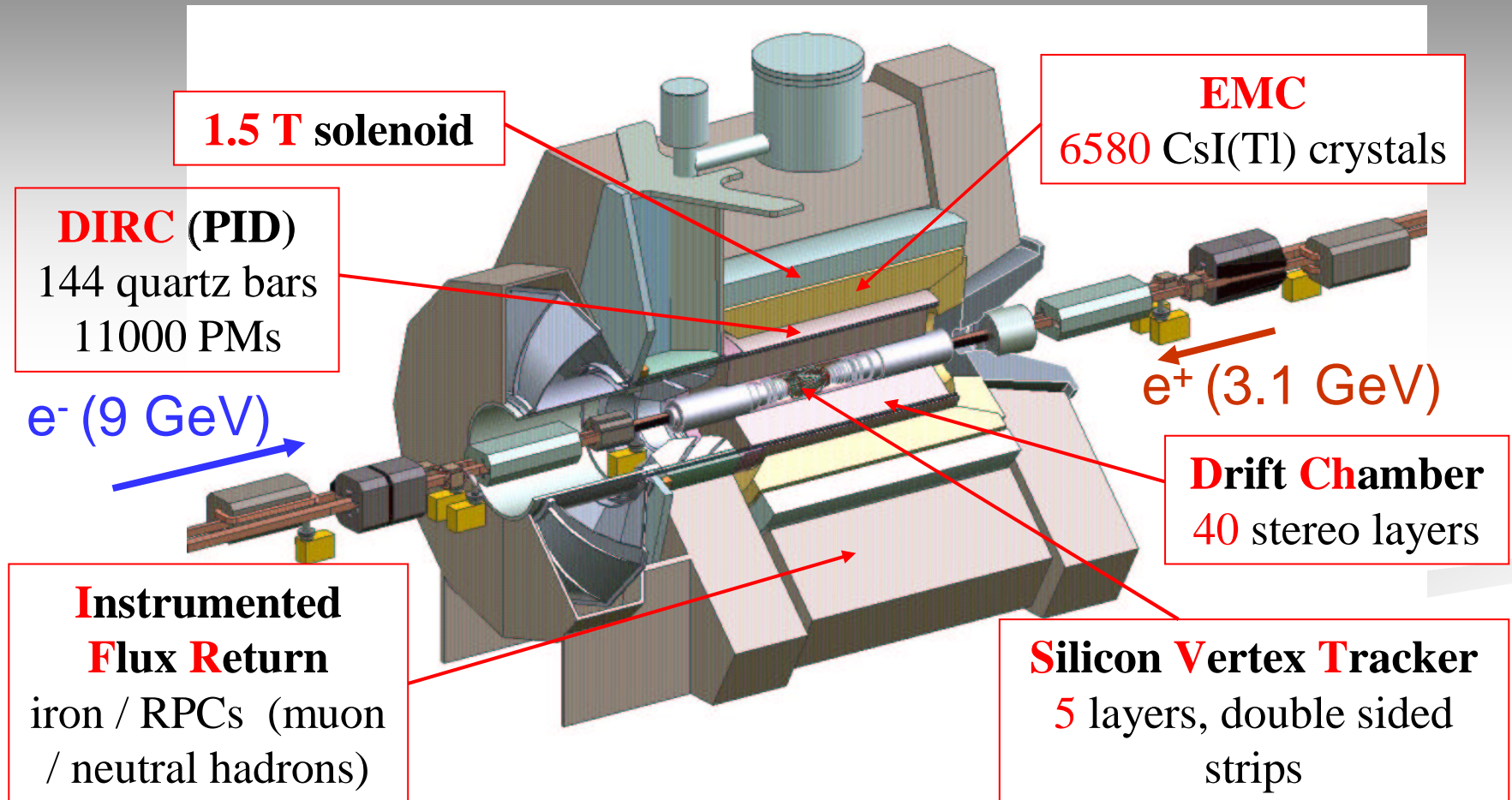
- Existing upper limits from other experiments at 90% CL

$$\text{LEP (L3): } BR(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 5.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (Phys. Lett. B 396, 327 (1997))}$$

$$\text{Belle: } BR(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 2.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (Preliminary (2004), on } 140 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ on-resonance data)}$$



The BaBar Detector



- SVT: 97% efficiency, 15 mm z hit resolution (inner layers, perp. tracks)
- SVT+DCH: $\sigma(p_T)/p_T = 0.13 \% \times p_T + 0.45 \%$
- DIRC: K- π separation 4.2σ @ 3.0 GeV/c $\rightarrow 2.5 \sigma$ at 4.0 GeV/c
- EMC: $\sigma_E/E = 2.3 \% \cdot E^{-1/4} \oplus 1.9 \% \rightarrow 3\%$ for $E \approx 1$ GeV, 6% for $E \approx 20$ MeV



Analysis Strategy

- In B-factory environment

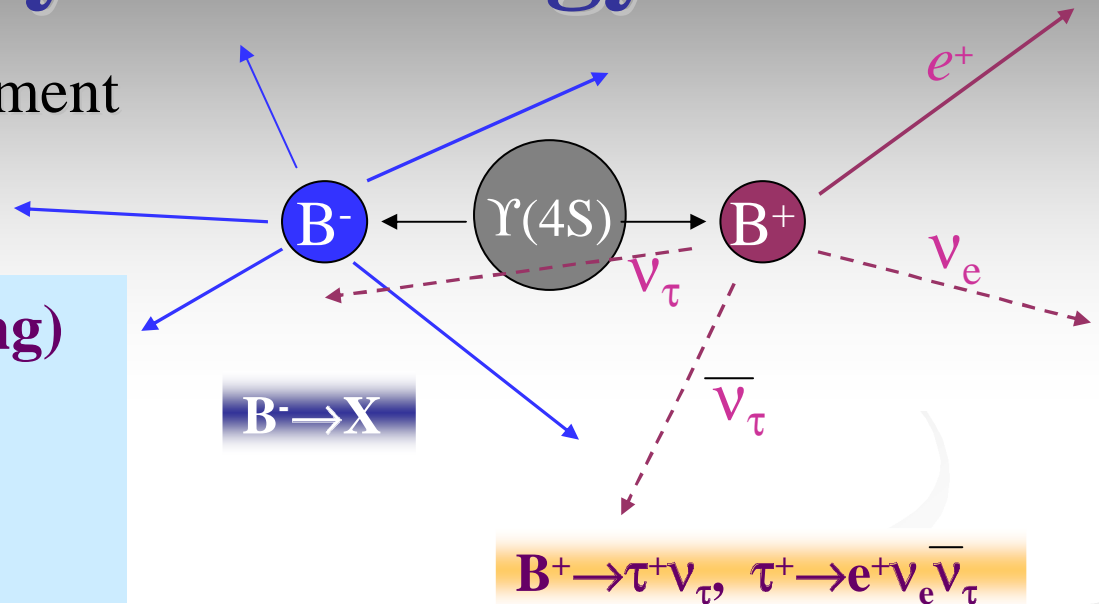
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B^+B^-$$

$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$, $B \rightarrow X$ (X =anything)

Main τ decay modes

$$\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$$

$$\tau \rightarrow (\pi, \pi\pi^0, \pi\pi\pi) \nu$$



- First reconstruct one of the B-mesons, referred as “tag B ” or “tag side”.
- Make requirements on the remaining tracks/neutrals that constrain them to be consistent with τ decay. This remaining part of the event is referred as “signal side”.

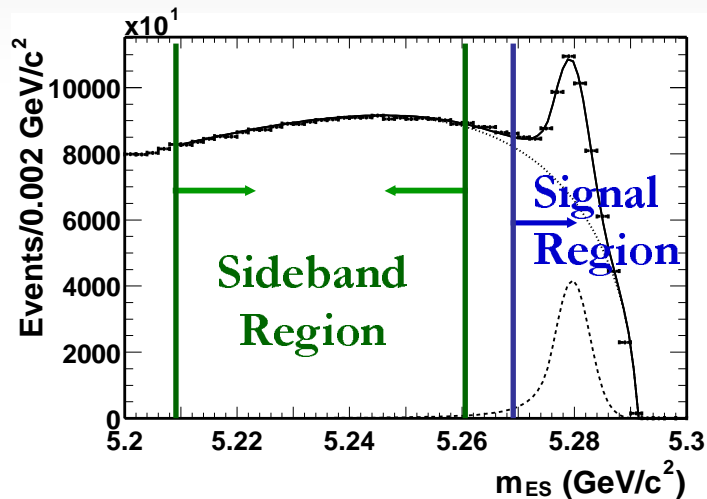


Search for $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ using Hadronic B Tags

Tag B reconstructed in a set of hadronic final states: $B^\pm \rightarrow D^{(*)0} X_{\text{had}}$

$$X_{\text{had}} = n_1 \pi^\pm + n_2 K^\pm + n_3 \pi^0 + n_4 K_s^0 \quad (n_1=1,\dots,5, n_2=0,\dots,2, n_3=0,\dots,2, n_4=0,1)$$

$$D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0, D^0 \rightarrow K \pi, K \pi \pi^0, K 3 \pi, K_s \pi \pi$$



Fit for background and signal in beam energy substituted mass (m_{ES}) distribution to obtain reconstructed B yield:

$$(167.8 \pm 1.2_{\text{stat}} \pm 3.0_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^3$$

Signal τ identified in one of the modes

$$\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$$

$$\tau \rightarrow (\pi, \pi \pi^0, \pi \pi \pi) \nu$$

- Requirement on track and (or) π^0 multiplicity, particle identification, missing momentum, intermediate resonances ($\pi \pi^0 \nu, \pi \pi \pi \nu$).
- Require at most one signal side γ candidate with $50 < E_\gamma < 100(110)$ MeV in lab frame (not associated with π^0).



Physics Results : Hadronic B Tags

| Mode | Signal-side Efficiency (%) | Expected Background | Obs. Events |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|--|-------------|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 3.4 ± 0.1 | $0.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$ | 2 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 1.9 ± 0.1 | $0.9 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.1$ | 0 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 2.6 ± 0.1 | $1.3 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.2$ | 2 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | 0.6 ± 0.1 | $4.3 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.3$ | 4 |
| $\pi\pi\nu$ | 2.0 ± 0.1 | $10.0 \pm 1.6 \pm 1.3$ | 7 |
| all | 10.5 ± 0.2 | $17.2 \pm 2.1 \pm 1.3$ | 15 |

Branching fraction upper limit

$$\mathbf{BR(B \rightarrow \tau\nu) < 4.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ at 90\% CL}}$$

Use statistical techniques based on Higgs searches at LEP.

(A. L. Read, J. Phys. G28, 2693 (2002))



Search for $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ using $D^0 l \nu X$ Tags

- Tag B reconstructed as $D^0 l \nu X$
- $X = \pi^0, \gamma$ or nothing (X not reconstructed). $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi, K\pi\pi^0, K3\pi, K_s\pi\pi$
- Signal τ is identified only in the leptonic modes : $\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$
- Total selection efficiency $(4.19 \pm 0.31_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.36_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$

Branching fraction upper limit

$$\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 6.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ CL}$$

$D^0 l \nu X$ tag sample is combined with statistically independent hadronic tag B sample. Combined upper limit

$$\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 4.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ CL}$$

A new analysis is performed on 112.5 fb⁻¹ on-resonance data using $D^{*0} l \nu$ tags (a cleaner subset of the $D^0 l \nu X$ tags). In the signal side the τ is identified in both leptonic and hadronic modes.



D^{*0}lv Tag Reconstruction

Use 112.5 fb⁻¹ at $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance data $\Rightarrow 124.1 \times 10^6$ B pairs

$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} l^- \nu$

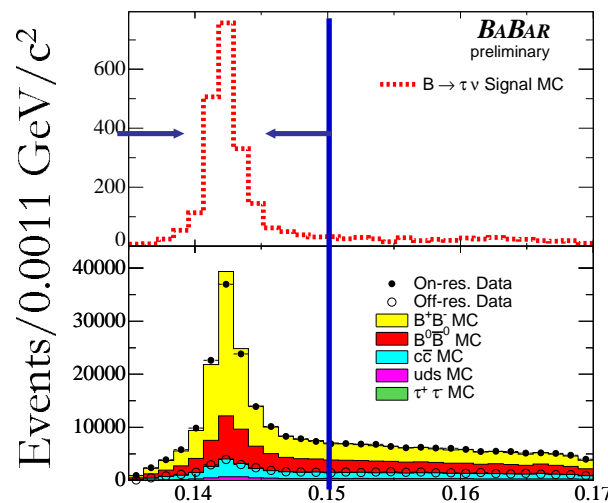
$D^0 \pi^0/\gamma$

$K^- \pi^+$

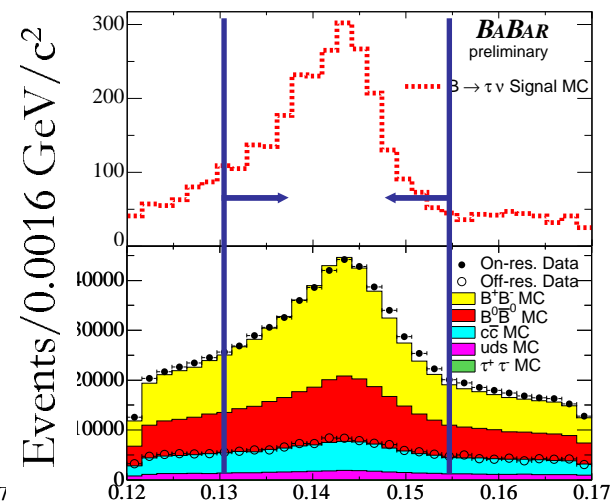
$K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$

$K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$

$K_s^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$



ΔM (GeV/c²): (D⁰ π^0)ev



ΔM (GeV/c²): (D⁰ γ)ev

➤ $\Sigma Q_{\text{event}} = 0$

➤ Requirement on ΔM
(D^{*0}-D⁰ mass difference)

➤ Lepton $P^* > 1$ GeV

➤ $-1.1 < \cos\theta_{B,D^{*0}l} < 1.1$

$$\cos\theta_{B,D^{*0}l} = \frac{(2E_B E_{D^{*0}l} - m_B^2 - m_{D^{*0}l}^2)}{2|\vec{p}_B| |\vec{p}_{D^{*0}l}|}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{tag}} = (1.82 \pm 0.074 \pm 0.055) \times 10^{-3}$$



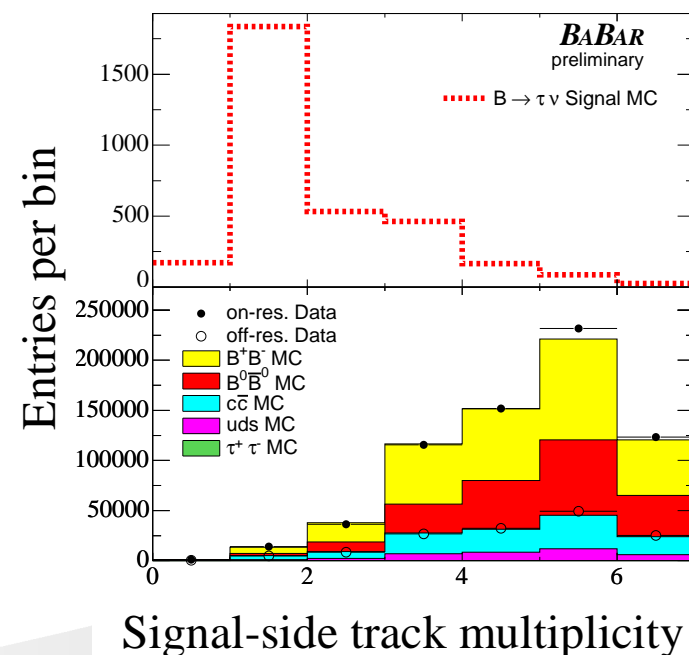
$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ Signal Selection: $D^{*0} l \nu$ Tags

In the signal side the τ is identified in one of the following modes $\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$, $\tau \rightarrow (\pi, \pi\pi^0, \pi\pi\pi) \nu$

- Signal-side track and (or) π^0 multiplicity
- Signal track(s) identified as e, μ or π , as appropriate.
- Missing mass requirements
- Electron $P^* < 1.4$ GeV for $\tau \rightarrow e \nu \nu$ mode
- Requirements on intermediate resonances

$$\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu, \rho \rightarrow \pi\pi^0$$

$$\tau \rightarrow a_1 \nu, a_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi, \rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$$



E_{extra} : $D^{*0}l\nu$ Tags

E_{extra} is the total energy in CM frame of all the neutrals, which are not associated with the tag side, or the signal τ in case of $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\nu$ decay.

➤ E_{extra} is the most powerful variable to separate signal from background

• Signal events peaks at low E_{extra} value

• Extra neutrals only from beam-background, hadronic split-offs, bremsstrahlung etc.

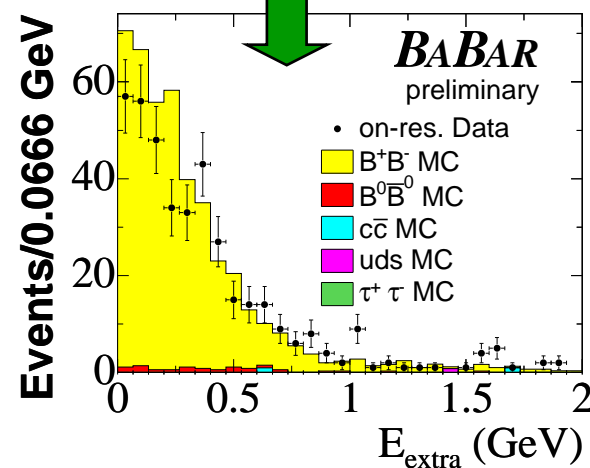
• Background events peaks towards higher E_{extra} value

➤ Signal region: $E_{\text{extra}} < 0.3 \text{ GeV}$

➤ Use “double-tagged” events for validation of E_{extra} simulation in the signal MC:

$$B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell, \quad B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \ell^+ \nu_\ell$$

407 reconstructed double-tagged events at 112.5 fb⁻¹ on-resonance data



Systematic Uncertainties

- Estimation of number of $B\bar{B}$ pair (1.1%)
- Determination of tagging efficiency (3.1%)
 - Obtained using yield of double-tagged events in data and MC.
- Signal-side selection efficiency.
 - Tracking efficiency
 - Particle identification
 - Simulation of neutral clusters contributing to E_{extra} distribution
- Background estimation.

Background estimation is performed by extrapolating the number of events in the E_{extra} side band in data in the signal region, using the shape of the variable from MC.

 - Systematic correction due to modeling of E_{extra} variable in background MC.

| Selection Mode | Systematic error on signal-side efficiency (%) |
|-------------------|--|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 3.4 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 4.0 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 6.1 |
| $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | 8.3 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | 6.3 |

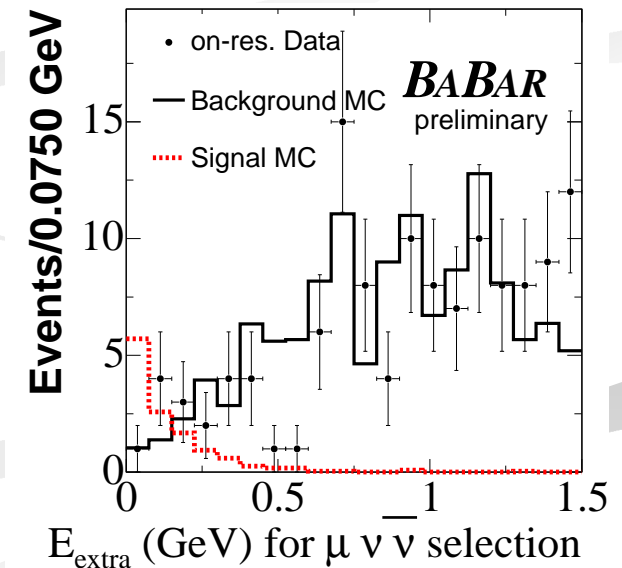
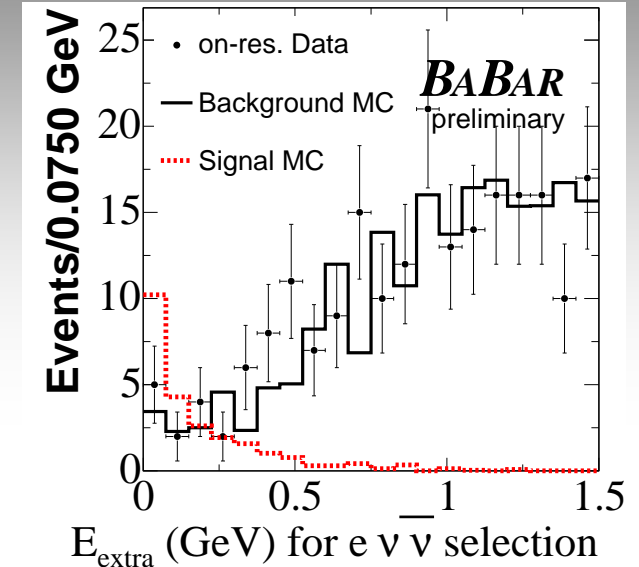
| Selection Mode | Systematic correction on bkg. estimation |
|-------------------|--|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 1.02 ± 0.04 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 1.13 ± 0.06 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 1.12 ± 0.03 |
| $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | 1.09 ± 0.04 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | 1.07 ± 0.03 |



| Mode | Signal-side Efficiency (%) | Expected Background | Obs. Events |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $8.36 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.28$ | 15.15 ± 3.14 | 13 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $4.30 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.17$ | 8.05 ± 2.07 | 10 |
| $\pi\nu$ | $22.34 \pm 0.72 \pm 1.36$ | 55.30 ± 7.37 | 72 |
| $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | $3.01 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.25$ | 29.80 ± 5.10 | 30 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | $2.07 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.13$ | 25.10 ± 3.87 | 26 |
| all | $40.08 \pm 0.93 \pm 1.43$ | 133.4 ± 10.46 | 151 |

For $BR(B \rightarrow \tau\nu) = 10^{-4}$, signal to background ratios are $\sim 1:6$ for $e\nu\bar{\nu}$, $\sim 1:8$ for $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$, $\sim 1:9$ for $\pi\nu$, $\sim 1:34$ for $\pi\pi^0\nu$, and $\sim 1:51$ for $\pi\pi\pi\nu$.

Background events contain K_L and/or neutrino, frequently tracks and (or) neutrals pass outside detector acceptance.



Branching Ratio Upper Limit : D^{*0}lv Tags

➤ Use statistical techniques based on Higgs searches at LEP.

(A. L. Read, J. Phys. G28, 2693 (2002). Use same statistical method in hadronic tag analysis and D^{*0}lv tag analysis)

➤ Define an estimator “Q” : monotonically increasing for increasing signal

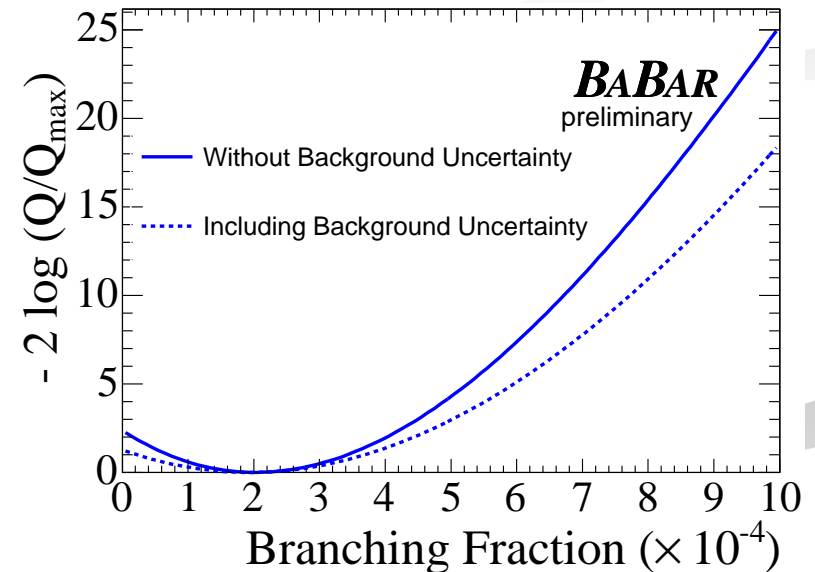
$$CL_s = CL_{s+b} / CL_b \quad CL_{s+b} = P_{s+b}(Q \leq Q_{obs}) \quad CL_b = P_b(Q \leq Q_{obs})$$

Branching fraction upper limit at 90% C.L.

$$BR(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 4.3 \times 10^{-4}$$

Central Value

$$BR(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) = 1.9_{-1.7}^{+1.8} \times 10^{-4}$$



Combined Results

- The hadronic tag sample is statistically independent of the semileptonic $D^{*0}l\nu$ tag sample.
- A combined likelihood ratio estimator is created by taking the product of the semileptonic (Q_{sl}) and hadronic (Q_{had}) likelihood ratio estimator: $Q_{comb} = Q_{sl} \times Q_{had}$

Hadronic Tag and $D^{*0}l\nu$ Tag Samples

Presented at ICHEP 2004 (hep-ex/0408091)

$BR(B \rightarrow \tau\nu) < 3.3 \times 10^{-4}$ at 90% CL

Central Value $BR(B \rightarrow \tau\nu) = 1.6_{-1.2}^{+1.3} \times 10^{-4}$

$f_B < 0.48$ GeV at 90% CL



Summary and Outlook

| Tag side | $D^{*0}l\nu$ | $D^{(*)0}X_{\text{had}}$ | $D^0l\nu X$ |
|-------------|---|--|--|
| Signal side | $\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$ $\tau \rightarrow (\pi, \pi\pi^0, \pi\pi\pi) \nu_{\tau}$ | $\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$ $\tau \rightarrow (\pi, \pi\pi^0, \pi\pi\pi) \nu$ | $\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}$ |
| Dataset | 112.5 fb ⁻¹ | 81.9 fb ⁻¹ | 81.9 fb ⁻¹ |
| Results | $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 4.3 \times 10^{-4}$ at 90% CL | $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 4.2 \times 10^{-4}$ at 90% CL | $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 6.7 \times 10^{-4}$ at 90% CL |

- ✓ Combined upper limit from $D^{*0}l\nu$ and hadronic tag sample
 $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 3.3 \times 10^{-4}$ at 90% CL (Preliminary)
- ✓ Combined upper limit from $D^0l\nu X$ and hadronic tag sample
 $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 4.2 \times 10^{-4}$ at 90% CL (Submitted to PRL)

The analyses using $D^{*0}l\nu$ and hadronic B tags will be updated on the $\sim 220 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ on-resonance dataset.



Backup Slides



Summary of Signal-Side Selection : D^{*0}lv Tags

| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $\pi\nu$ | $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ |
|---|----------------------|--|---|---|
| One signal track | | | | 3 signal tracks |
| Electron ID | Muon ID | Electron veto | | Pion ID |
| Muon veto | Electron veto | Muon veto | | Veto Electron, |
| Kaon veto | Kaon veto | Kaon veto | | Muon, Pion |
| N/A | N/A | zero signal π^0 | Non-zero signal π^0 | N/A |
| Missing mass > 4 GeV | | Missing mass > 3 GeV | | Missing Mass > 2 GeV |
| P* of e < 1.4 GeV | N/A | P* of π < 2.7 GeV | P* of $\pi\pi^0$ < 2.7 GeV | P* of 3π < 2.7 GeV |
| N/A | N/A | N/A | ρ^\pm selection | a_1^\pm selection |
| $E_{\text{extra}} < 0.3 \text{ GeV}$ | | | | |



Signal-Side Selection Efficiency : $D^{*0}l\nu$ Tags

| Decay mode in MC | Selection efficiency (%) | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------|-----------|
| | $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $\pi\nu$ | $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | $3\pi\nu$ |
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 48.6 | 0.1 | 11.9 | 0.1 | 0 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 0.1 | 25.8 | 53.3 | 0.7 | 0 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 0 | 0.5 | 57.5 | 2.6 | 0 |
| $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | 0 | 0.3 | 12.1 | 8.8 | 0 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | 0 | 0 | 1.1 | 0 | 27.6 |
| $\pi\pi^0\pi^0\nu$ | 0 | 0 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 0 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\pi^0\nu$ | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 4.1 |
| Other | 1.2 | 2.1 | 10.0 | 2.5 | 1.0 |
| Total (ϵ_i) | 8.4 | 4.8 | 21.9 | 3.2 | 2.1 |
| $\sum \epsilon_i$ | 40.4 | | | | |

Total signal-side efficiency for each selection

$$\epsilon_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{decay}=8} \epsilon_i^j f_j$$

ϵ_i^j is the efficiency of the selection i for the MC τ decay mode j ,
 $f_j = \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow j)$

No systematic correction applied to efficiencies listed in the table



Tagging Efficiency Systematics

- Use double-tag yield in data and MC
- Number of double tag events (N_2) is related to the tag reconstructed efficiency (ϵ) and total number of B^+B^- events (N) as follows

$$N_2 = \epsilon^2 N$$

- From double tag yield in data (407.0 ± 20.2) and MC (434.4 ± 12.4) obtain correction factor for tagging efficiency:

$$\epsilon_{\text{data}}/\epsilon_{\text{MC}} = 0.969 \pm 0.029$$

- The **3.1%** error obtained from double-tag method is used as the systematic error.

$$\epsilon_{\text{tag}} = (1.82 \pm 0.074 \pm 0.055) \times 10^{-3}$$



Limit Setting Procedure used in $D^{*0}lv$ and Hadronic Tag Analyses

- Using a likelihood ratio estimator to combine different channels :

$$Q = \frac{L(s+b)}{L(b)}$$

$$L(s+b) = \prod_{i=1}^{n_{\text{channels}}} \frac{e^{-(s_i+b_i)} (s_i+b_i)^{n_i}}{n_i!}, \quad L(b) = \prod_{i=1}^{n_{\text{channels}}} \frac{e^{-b_i} b_i^{n_i}}{n_i!}$$

$$s_i = N_{B\bar{B}} \cdot BR(B \rightarrow \tau\nu) \epsilon_{\text{tag}} \cdot \epsilon_i$$

- Statistical and systematic uncertainties on expected backgrounds are included in the likelihood definition by convoluting with a Gaussian $G(b_i, \sigma_{b_i})$, where b_i is the expected background and σ_{b_i} is the uncertainty on background expectation.

$$L(s_i + b_i) \rightarrow L(s_i + b_i) \otimes G(b_i, \sigma_{b_i})$$

- Branching fraction upper limit calculated by running toy MC for different branching fraction hypothesis.

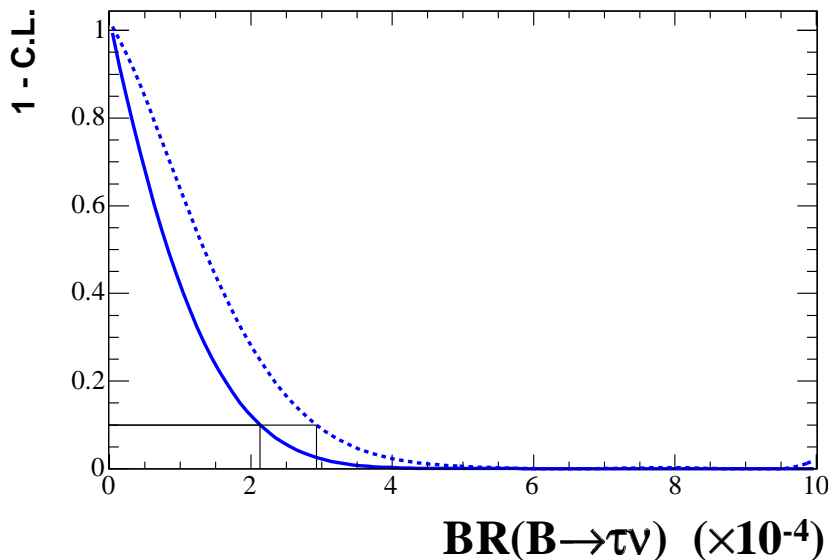
- The confidence level (C.L.) for certain signal hypothesis is computed as:

$$C.L._s = \frac{C.L._{s+b}}{C.L._b} = \frac{N_{Q_{s+b} < Q_{obs}}}{N_{Q_b < Q_{obs}}}$$



Nominal Upper Limit at 90% C.L.

- Upper limit is calculated for the case when observed number of events in data is equal to the expected number of background events
- Including modes with worse signal to background ratio actually slightly improves sensitivity.

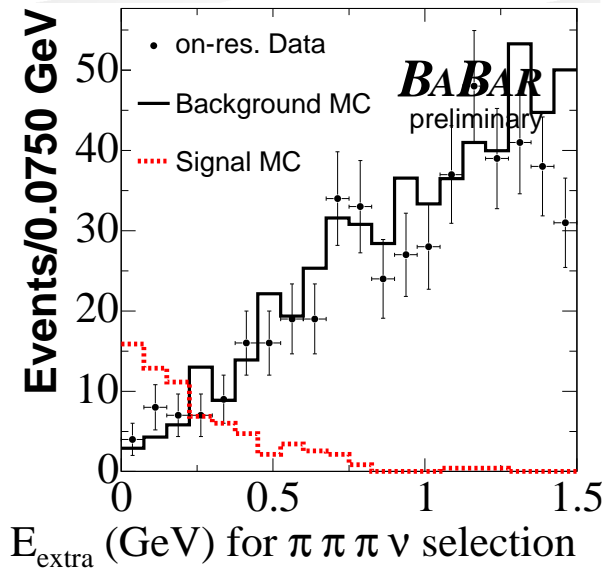
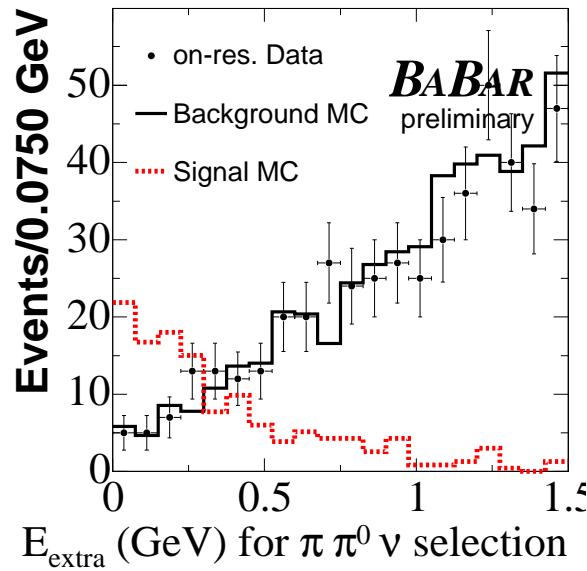
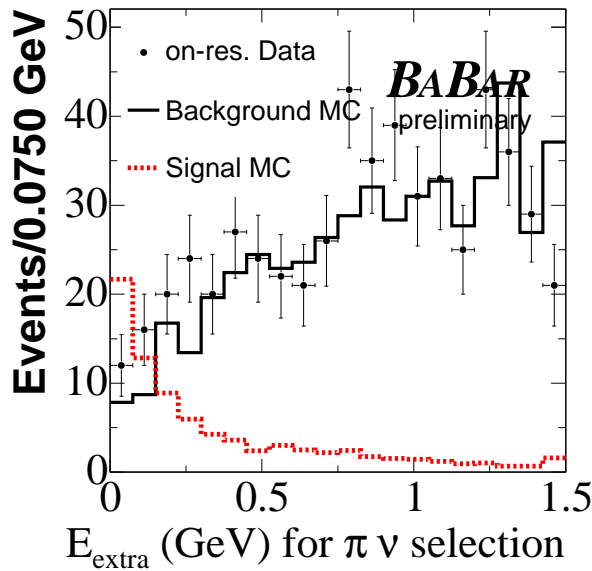


| Modes | UL at 90% C.L. without Background Uncertainties $\times 10^{-4}$ | UL at 90% C.L. including Background Uncertainties $\times 10^{-4}$ |
|---|---|---|
| All | 2.13 | 2.93 |
| Ex. $3\pi\nu$ | 2.15 | 2.95 |
| Ex. $\pi\pi^0\nu$, $3\pi\nu$ | 2.17 | 2.98 |
| Ex. $\pi\nu$, $\pi\pi^0\nu$, $3\pi\nu$ | 3.37 | 4.27 |
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 4.37 | 5.25 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 7.11 | 8.11 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 3.04 | 4.29 |



Physics Results : $D^{*0}lv$ Tags

| | Signal-side Efficiency (%) | Expected Bkg. | Obs. Evt. | BR UL ($\times 10^{-4}$) |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $8.36 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.28$ | 15.15 ± 3.14 | 13 | 4.5 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | $4.30 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.17$ | 8.05 ± 2.07 | 10 | 10.2 |
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| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | $2.07 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.13$ | 25.10 ± 3.87 | 26 | 21.9 |
| combined | $40.08 \pm 0.93 \pm 1.43$ | 133.4 ± 10.46 | 151 | 4.3 |



Search for $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ using $D^0 l \nu X$ Tags

Tag B reconstructed as $D^0 l \nu X$

$X = \pi^0, \gamma$ or nothing (X not reconstructed), $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi, K\pi\pi^0, K3\pi, K_s\pi\pi$

- D^0 mass $< 3\sigma$ of fitted mean
- Lepton $P^* > 1$ GeV
- $-2.5 < \cos\theta_{B,D^0l} < 1.1$

$$\cos\theta_{B,D^0l} = \frac{(2E_B E_{D^0l} - m_B^2 - m_{D^0l}^2)}{2|\vec{p}_B||\vec{p}_{D^0l}|}$$

- Signal τ is identified only in the leptonic modes : $\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu)\nu_{(e, \mu)}\nu_\tau$
- One signal side track
- Signal track identified as e or μ
- Signal track $P^* < 1.2$ GeV
- $E_{\text{extra}} < 1$ GeV

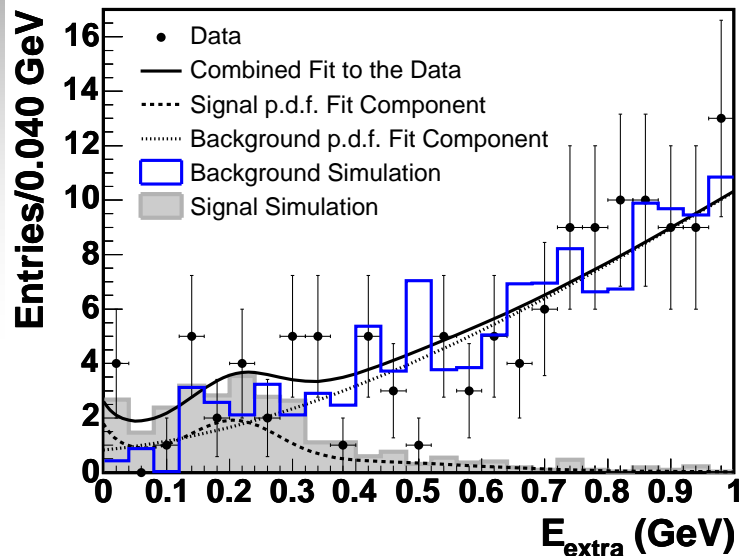
Total selection efficiency

$$(4.19 \pm 0.31_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.36_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

A maximum likelihood fit is performed on the E_{extra} distribution in data to extract signal and background contributions



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| | Fitted Yield |
|------------|--------------|
| Signal | 14.8±6.3 |
| Background | 115.2±11.8 |

2.3 σ significance (statistical only) on signal yield.

- Upper limit on branching fraction obtained using “CLs method”.
- Likelihood estimator Q is defined to be the fitted signal yield

$$\mathbf{BR(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) < 6.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ at 90\% CL}}$$



Comparison of BaBar and Belle Results

- Belle has preliminary results on $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ searches on a data set of 140 fb^{-1}
- For tag side hadronic B decay modes are used
- On the recoil both leptonic and hadronic τ decay modes are looked for

$$\tau \rightarrow (e, \mu) \nu \bar{\nu}, \tau \rightarrow (\pi, \pi\pi^0, \pi\pi\pi) \nu$$

- Belle's analysis is similar to BaBar's hadronic tag analysis.
- Here we compare the efficiencies, background estimations and yields between the two analyses.

| | BaBar | Belle |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| Dataset (fb^{-1}) | 81.9 | 140 |
| Tag B Yield | 1.68×10^5 ($\sim 2051/\text{fb}^{-1}$) | 2.40×10^5 ($\sim 1714/\text{fb}^{-1}$) |



Comparison of BaBar and Belle Results (cont')

BaBar (81.9 fb⁻¹)

| Mode | Signal-side efficiency (%) | Expected Bkg. | Obs. Events |
|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 3.4 ± 0.1 | $0.7 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$ | 2 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 1.9 ± 0.1 | $0.9 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.1$ | 0 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 2.6 ± 0.1 | $1.3 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.2$ | 2 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | 0.6 ± 0.1 | $4.3 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.3$ | 4 |
| $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | 2.0 ± 0.1 | $10.0 \pm 1.6 \pm 1.3$ | 7 |
| all | 10.5 ± 0.2 | $17.2 \pm 2.1 \pm 1.3$ | 15 |

Belle (140 fb⁻¹)

| Mode | Signal-side Efficiency (%) | Expected Bkg. | Obs. Events |
|-------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| $e\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 8.8 ± 0.3 | 9.4 ± 2.9 | 10 |
| $\mu\nu\bar{\nu}$ | 9.2 ± 0.3 | 9.8 ± 2.9 | 6 |
| $\pi\nu$ | 4.1 ± 0.2 | 5.4 ± 2.1 | 6 |
| $\pi\pi\pi\nu$ | 1.6 ± 0.2 | 4.8 ± 1.6 | 3 |
| $\pi\pi^0\nu$ | 1.8 ± 0.1 | 4.1 ± 1.6 | 3 |
| all | 25.5 ± 0.52 | 33.5 ± 5.0 | 28 |



Belle Results (ICHEP 2004)

