

Leptonic and rare decays

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Section overview



- Discussion at SLAC workshop regarding which modes belonged where...

C The results and their interpretation

11. B physics

- a. V_{ub} and V_{cb}
- b. V_{td} and V_{ts}
- c. Hadronic B to charm decays
- d. Charmless B decays
- e. Mixing/EPR correlations
- f. beta (a.k.a. ϕ_1)
- g. alpha (a.k.a. ϕ_2)
- h. gamma (a.k.a. ϕ_3)
- i. CPT violation
- j. Radiative and EW penguin decays
- k. Leptonic Decays and B to $D^{(*)} \tau \nu$
- l. rare, exotic and forbidden decays
- m. Baryonic B decays

12. Quarkonium physics

- ...some subsequent rearranging of content, with section was explicitly split into two separate subsections
 - “rare” leptonic and semileptonic modes
 - other rare non-hadronic decays
- $B \rightarrow l \nu$ and $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ use similar experimental methodology and similar new physics sensitivity
- $B \rightarrow K \nu \nu$ belongs with $B \rightarrow K l^+ l^-$, $b \rightarrow s \gamma$ etc.
- $B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$, $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$, $B^0 \rightarrow$ invisible, LFV modes, etc. treated separately

Section Outline



1.1 B physics

Initial page
guestimates

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K. Leptonic Decays and $B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$

I. General theory overview and motivation

(short)

II. $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ ($l = e, \mu, \tau$)

II.i Theory

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II.ii $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ measurements

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II.iii $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ ($l = e, \mu$) measurements

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II.iv $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma$ measurements

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II.v Interpretation of results

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III. $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$

III.i Theory

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III.ii Methodology and experimental results

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IV. Discussion, interpretation and future prospects

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← Radiative/EW section here?

L. Rare, Exotic and Forbidden Decays

I. Motivation and theory overview

(short)

II. Methodology

(short)

III. $B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ (also $\tau^+ \tau^-$ and $l^+ l^- \gamma$)

(3)

IV. $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

(maybe in radiative/EW section?)

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V. $B^0 \rightarrow$ invisible

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VI. Lepton number/flavor violating modes

(2)

Detailed section content



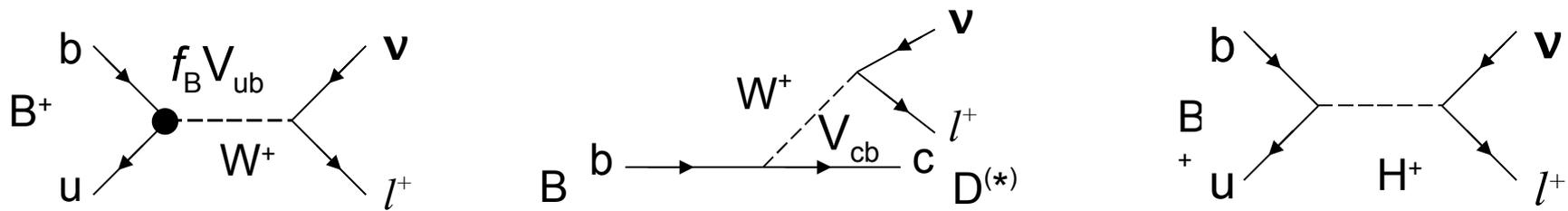
1.1 B physics

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K. Leptonic Decays and $B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$

I. General theory overview and motivation

- Tree level processes in SM with sensitivity to V_{ub} and V_{cb} .
 - In $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ hadronic effects encapsulated in decay constant, while $B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$ has form factor uncertainties.
 - In both cases, new physics sensitivity (e.g. tree-level H^+ contribution) can arise due to suppressed SM rate and 3rd generation coupling
- $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ is theoretically clean but experimentally difficult. $B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$ has advantage of more observables, but also larger theory uncertainties



Leptonic decays



II. $B^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$ ($\ell = e, \mu, \tau$) II.i Theory

- SM theory formalism:

$$\text{Br}(B^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = \frac{G_f^2}{8\pi} |V_{ub}|^2 f_B^2 m_B m_\ell^2 \tau_B \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_B^2}\right)^2$$

- importance of f_B and V_{ub} ; helicity suppression yields larger $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ BF, but more experimentally difficult than e, μ modes
- Effect of non-SM contributions, including H^+ and also possibility of LFV (Paradisi/Isidori).

$$\text{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu)^{2\text{HDM}} = \text{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu)^{\text{SM}} \times [1 - \tan^2 \beta (m_B^2/m_{H^+}^2)]^2$$

W.S.Hou Phys. Rev. D48, 2342 (1993)

- Probably need to also present here some discussion of soft radiation and the relation between $B^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$ and $B^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu \gamma$ (E. Kou et al.)

$B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$



II.ii $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ measurements

- There is a subsection under "Tools" which will present a description of the tag reconstruction method
 - focus of this section will be on issues specific to these analyses
- BABAR and Belle both perform separate “hadronic” and “semileptonic” tag analyses, so four independent measurements

BABAR refs:

PRD-RC 77, 011107 (2008)

Hadronic tag (to be updated to full data set)

PRD-RC 81, 051101 (2010)

SL tag (final)

Belle refs:

PRL 97, 251802 (2006)

Hadronic tag (to be updated to full data set)

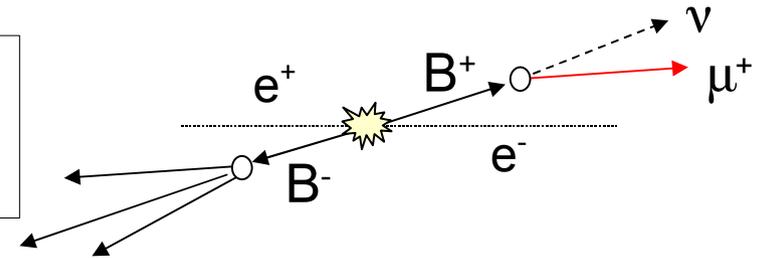
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SL tag (to be submitted)

$B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$



II.iii $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ ($l = e, \mu$) measurements



- “Usual” method is an inclusive search based on the high- p lepton, however BABAR has published (and Belle is working on) “tagged” analyses using methodology similar to $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$

⇒ need a short explanation of what the conceptual difference is between the “inclusive” and “tagged” methods

BABAR refs:

PRD-RC 79, 091101 (2009)	(full dataset, inclusive)
PRD-RC 77, 091104 (2008)	(hadronic tag)
PRD-RC 81, 051101 (2010)	(SL tag)

Belle refs:

PLB 647, 67 (2007)	(inclusive; update in progress)
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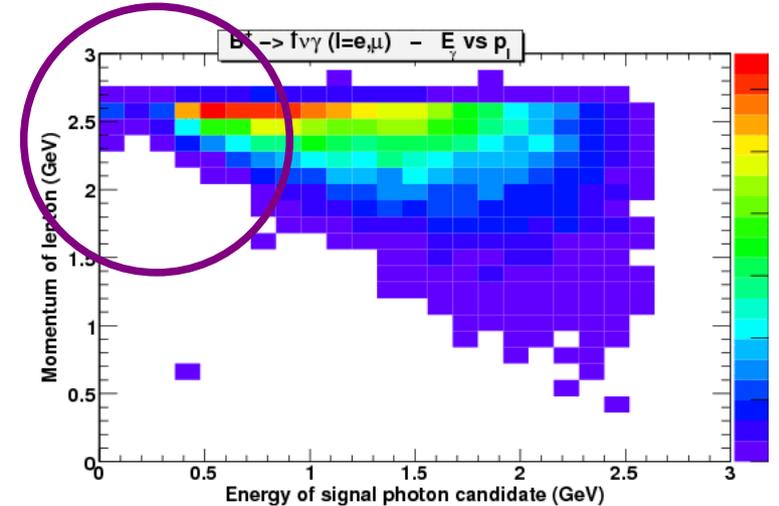
Tagged analyses in progress, results expected in ~six months

$B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma$



II.iv $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma$ measurements

- Radiation of hard photon removes helicity suppression of $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ modes with consequence that e, μ modes are experimentally accessible



$$\Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma) = \alpha \frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2 m_B^5}{288\pi^2} f_B^2 \left(\frac{Q_u}{\lambda_B} - \frac{Q_b}{m_b} \right)^2$$

In practice, can extract λ_B which is related to B light cone wave function

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$$B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu_l \gamma$$



II.iv $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu_l \gamma$ measurements

- B factories seem to have had difficulties with this mode...

BABAR refs:

PRD-RC 80, 111105 (2009) hadronic tag, full dataset

0704.1478 [hep-ex] inclusive search, likely will never be published

Belle ref:

arXiv:hep-ex/0408132 (2004) only a very old (2004) prelim

- Experimental issue has been understanding of continuum (untagged) and exclusive semileptonic B background (tagged)

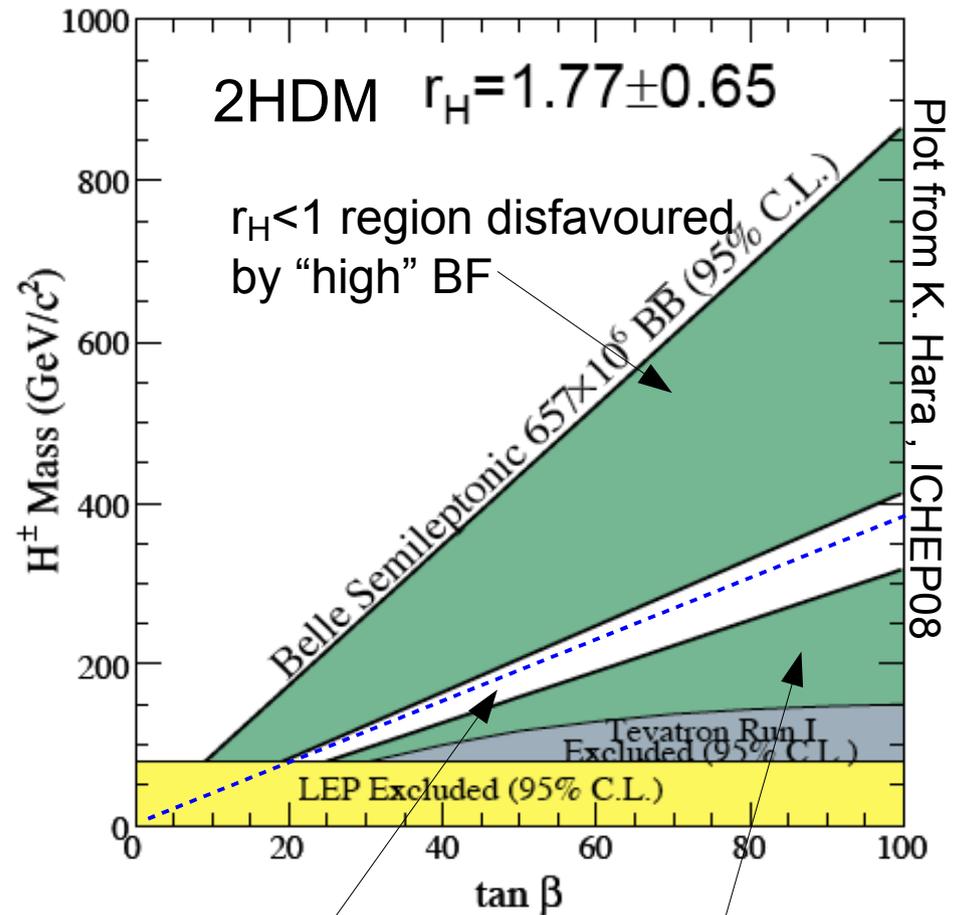
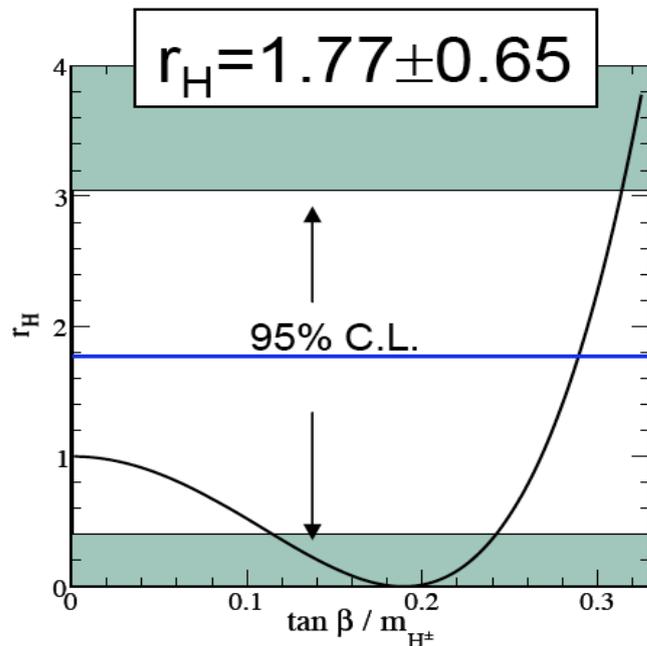
- discussion should include some comparison of consistency with respect to $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu_l$, comments on extraction of QCD parameters and (maybe) discussion of effect of $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 l^+ \nu_l$ form factors on background determination

New Physics Constraints



II.v Interpretation of results

- Interpretation of measurements in context of SM and new physics models (2HDM Type II H^+)
 - effect of SUSY corrections (i.e. model dependence of bounds)



“Pathological” case where Higgs contribution is exactly double the SM contribution

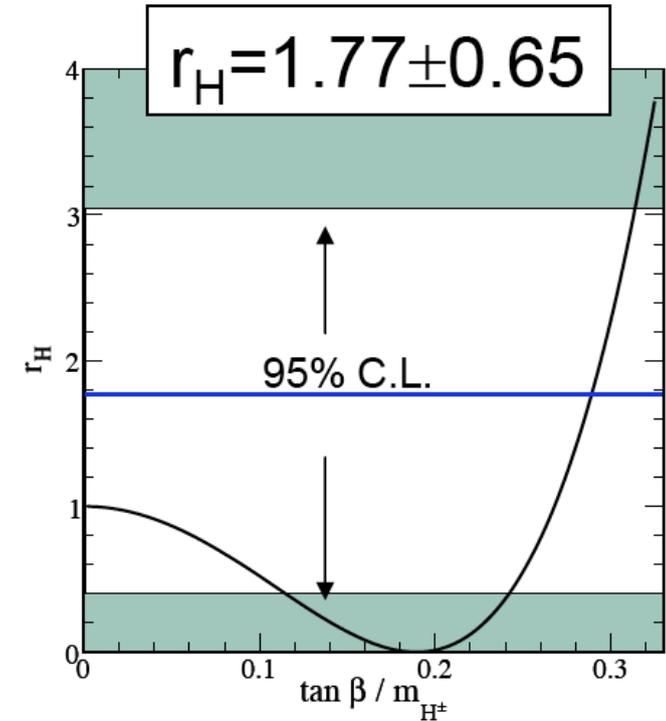
Large - r_H region (ruled out by BF upper limits)

New Physics Constraints



II.v Interpretation of results

- Would be interesting to compare with $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$; current limits on $B^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$ are approaching SM sensitivity, hence might be some tension with “high” value of $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$
- Ratio of leptonic branching fractions very interesting both as a consistency test and as a new physics test for LFV



$$\left(R_B^{\ell/\tau}\right)_{\text{LFV}}^{\text{MSSM}} = \left(R_B^{\ell/\tau}\right)^{\text{SM}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{R_{B\tau\nu}} \left(\frac{m_B^4}{M_{H^\pm}^4}\right) \left(\frac{m_\tau^2}{m_\ell^2}\right) |\Delta_R^{\tau\ell}|^2 \frac{\tan^6 \beta}{(1 + \epsilon_0 \tan \beta)^2} \right]$$

G. Isidori and P. Paradisi hep-ph/0605012

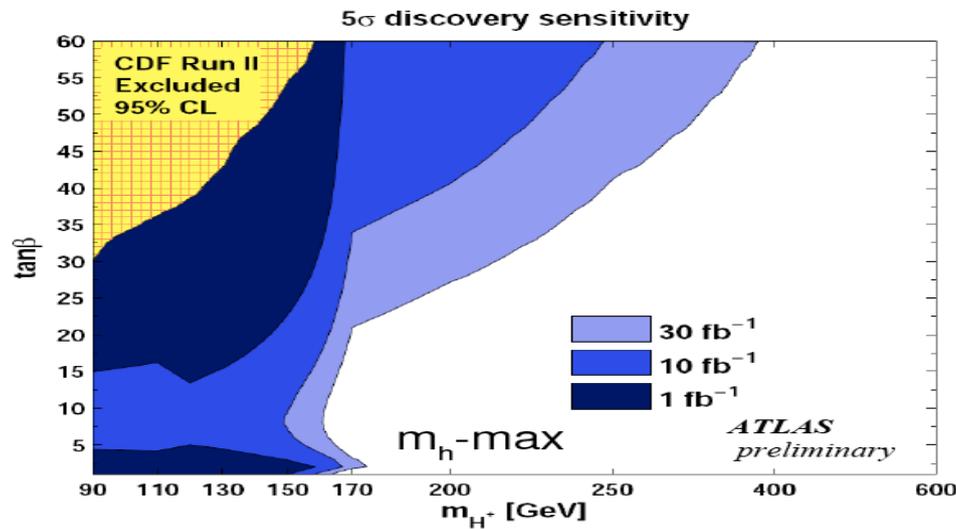
A. Masiero, P. Paradisi and R. Petronzio hep-ph/0511289

Discussion/prospects

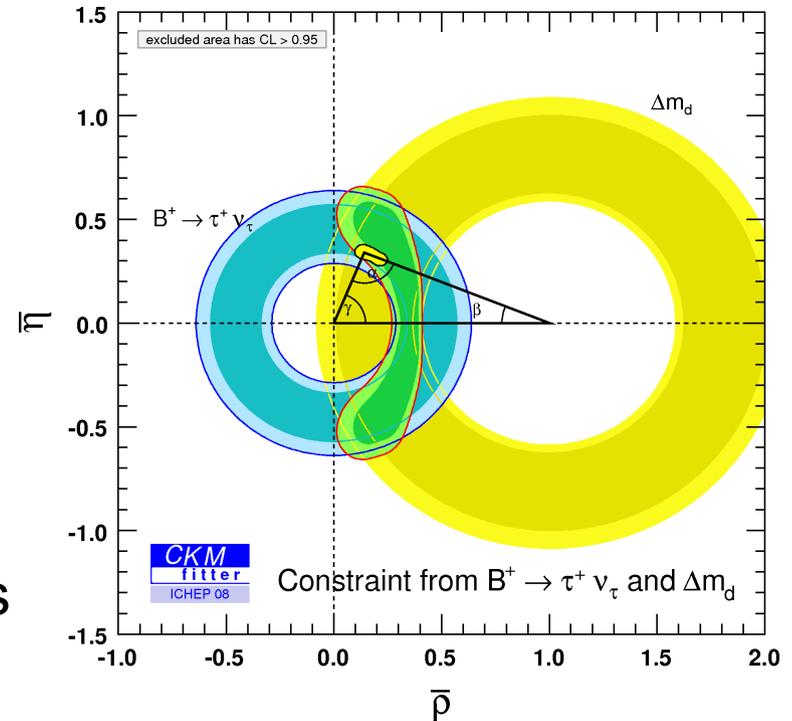


II.v Interpretation of results

- Discussion of tension with respect to SM and the role of V_{ub} and f_B
- Comparison of sensitivity with LHC/Tevatron;



- Not clear at this point how much of this will go here, or directly in individual subsections



$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$



III. $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$

III.i Theory

III.ii Methodology and experimental results

- Useful to have a fairly extensive theory description; theorist input here?
- Hadronic tag analyses

BABAR refs:

PRD 79, 092002 (2009)

PRL 100, 021801 (2008) first BABAR result

Belle refs:

PRL 99, 191807 (2007)

arXiv:0910.4301 preliminary

- $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$ results have only become available in the past few years and are still an active topic of study; “final” results expected to be available on time scale of book

Discussion



IV. Discussion, interpretation and future prospects

- Overall summary of Leptonic Decays and $B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^+ \nu$ section
 - Interpretation in context of SM and possible new physics constraints
 - Avoid redundancy with material previously presented in subsections e.g. m_H vs $\tan\beta$; not clear at this point where discussion will fit best
 - Many analyses are statistics limited; useful to comment on possible limitations/issues for high luminosity B factories

Rare B decays



- L. Rare, Exotic and Forbidden Decays
 - I. Motivation and theory overview
 - II. Methodology

- General motivation for rare decay searches
 - typical “benchmark” scenarios (e.g. MSSM large $\tan\beta$), but not necessarily relevant to all modes; cite review articles and theory references, maybe also elsewhere in Book
- Methodology is also not common to these searches; mainly need to distinguish between “tagged” and “inclusive” searches
 - ⇒ Both subsections anticipated to be short, with details relevant to specific modes discussed elsewhere

$B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ and related modes



III. $B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ (also $\tau^+ \tau^-$ and $l^+ l^- \gamma$)

- Generic theory motivation is straightforward, and can refer to EW/radiative penguin section if necessary. Probably need separate short theory motivations individual modes

BABAR refs:

PRD 77, 032007 (2008)	$B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$	full dataset
PRD-RC 77, 011104 (2008)	$B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$	full dataset
PRL 96, 241802 (2006)	$B^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	old result, but will not be updated

Belle refs:

PRD 68, 111101(R) (2003)	$B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$	very old!
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- $B^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ is most stringent constraint, but new physics reach superseded by Tevatron $B_s^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$

Other rare modes



- IV. $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- V. $B^0 \rightarrow$ invisible
- VI. Lepton number/flavor violating modes

- $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $B^0 \rightarrow$ invisible sections short, with clear motivations and straightforward methodology

BABAR refs:

PRL 87, 241803 (2001) very old $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$; update to full dataset expected soon

PRL 93, 091802 (2004) $B^0 \rightarrow$ invisible with SL tag (update?)

Belle refs:

PRD 73, 051107 (2006) $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- $B^0 \rightarrow$ invisible study is in progress and expected to be ready in time for book

- LFV modes mostly published with related modes, with two exceptions:

BABAR refs:

PRD-RC 77, 091104 (2008) $B^0 \rightarrow l^+ \tau^-$ (essentially full dataset)

PRL 99, 201801 (2007) $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau^+ \mu^-$ (might be updated/extended)

Conclusions



- Basic section(s) outline is available and notional content sketched out. Individual contributors not yet specifically identified, but not anticipated to be problematic
- Several key analysis topics are still lacking “final” BABAR and/or Belle results; many anticipated within the next six months (we'll see...)
- Some modest theory input might be useful for interpretation of new physics bounds and theory uncertainties



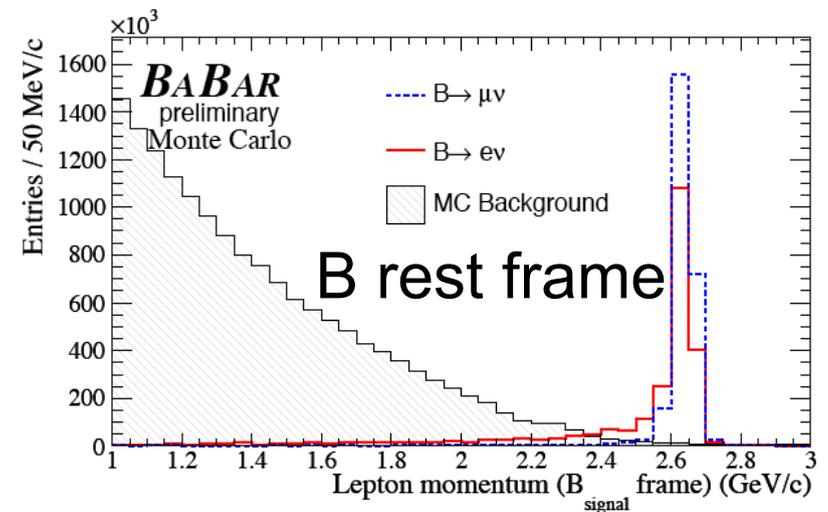
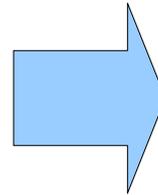
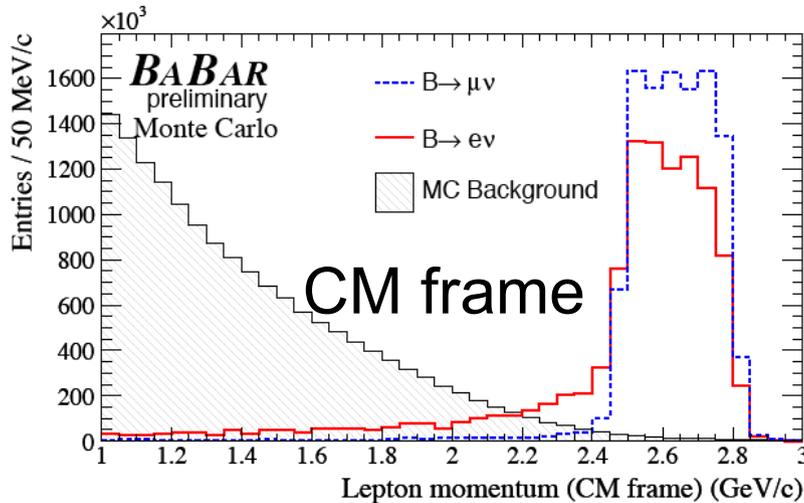
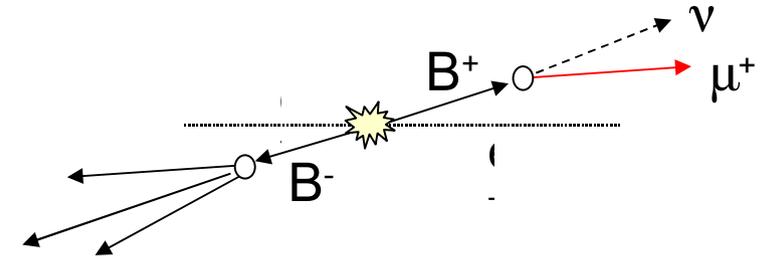
Backup slides

Tagged $B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$ ($l = e, \mu$)



Can use the hadronic B reconstruction method to search for other leptonic modes (e, μ) as well as τ mode

- only 1 neutrino, so reconstruction of tag B completely constrains event kinematics
- Signal B rest frame estimated from tag B 4-vector, permitting 2-body signal kinematics to be exploited



$$B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma \quad (l = e, \mu)$$



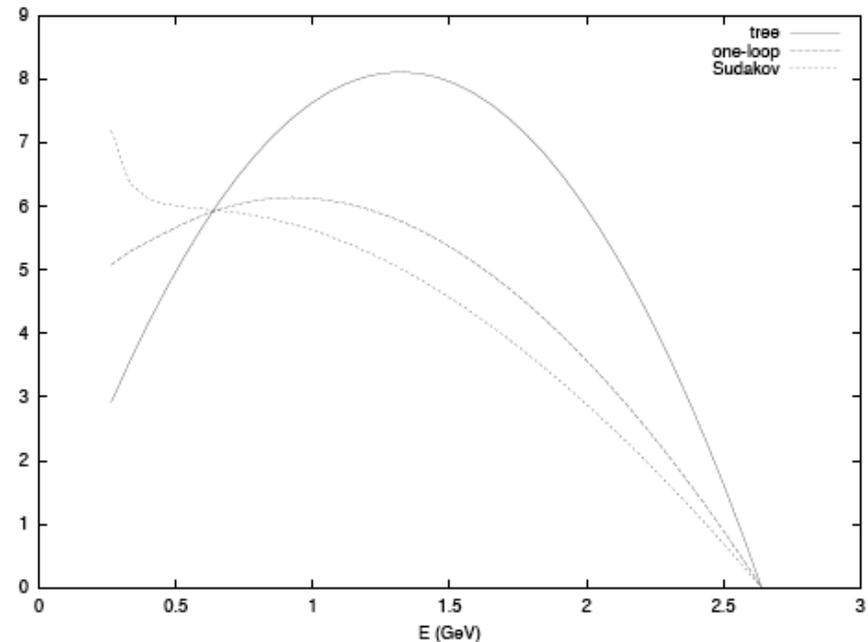
Presence of (hard) photon removes helicity suppression in purely leptonic decay modes, but adds factor of α and form factor uncertainties:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{\alpha G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2}{48\pi^2} m_B^4 [f_A^2(E_\gamma) + f_V^2(E_\gamma)] x(1-x)^3$$

$B(B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma) \sim (1-5) \times 10^{-6}$ for all three modes

In practice, can extract λ_B which is related to B light cone wave function

$$\Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma) = \alpha \frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2 m_B^5}{288\pi^2} f_B^2 \left(\frac{Q_u}{\lambda_B} - \frac{Q_b}{m_b} \right)^2$$



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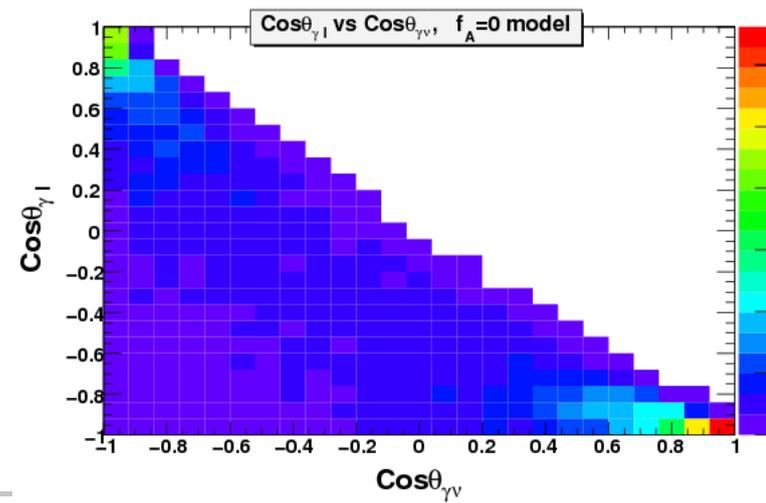
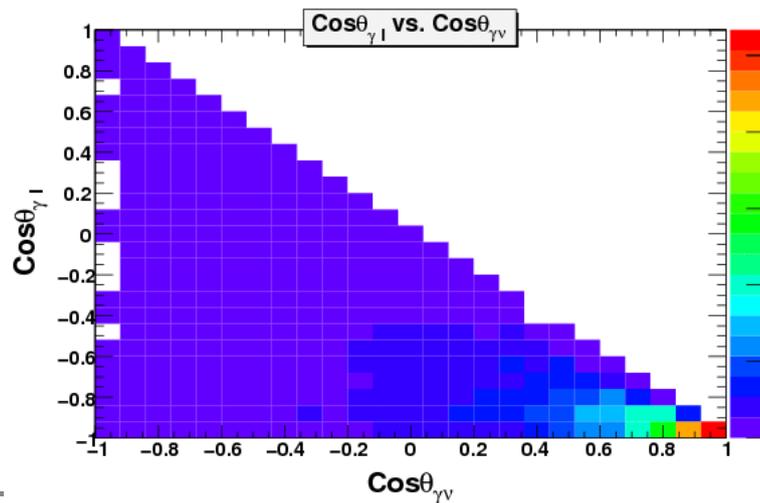
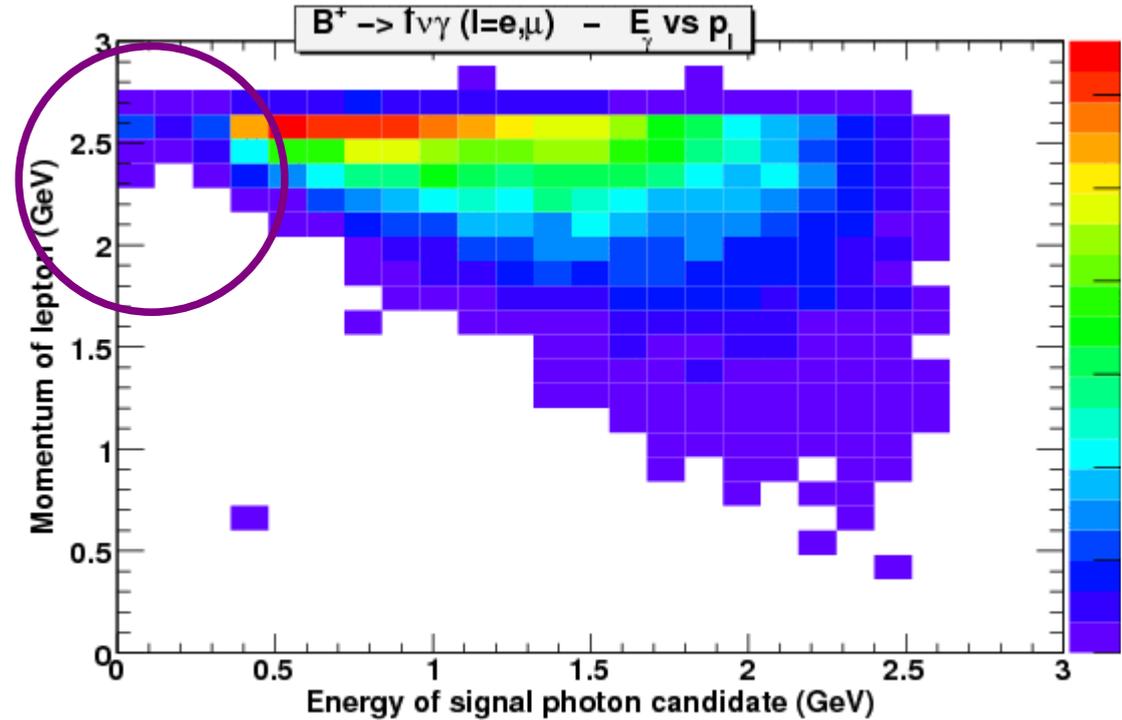
$$B^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu \gamma \quad (l = e, \mu)$$



In limit of zero photon energy
(actually, below a few 100 MeV) “signal” is helicity suppressed leptonic modes

- KPY model only valid down to
~few hundred MeV

- Difference in models mainly impacts angular distributions



$$B^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$$



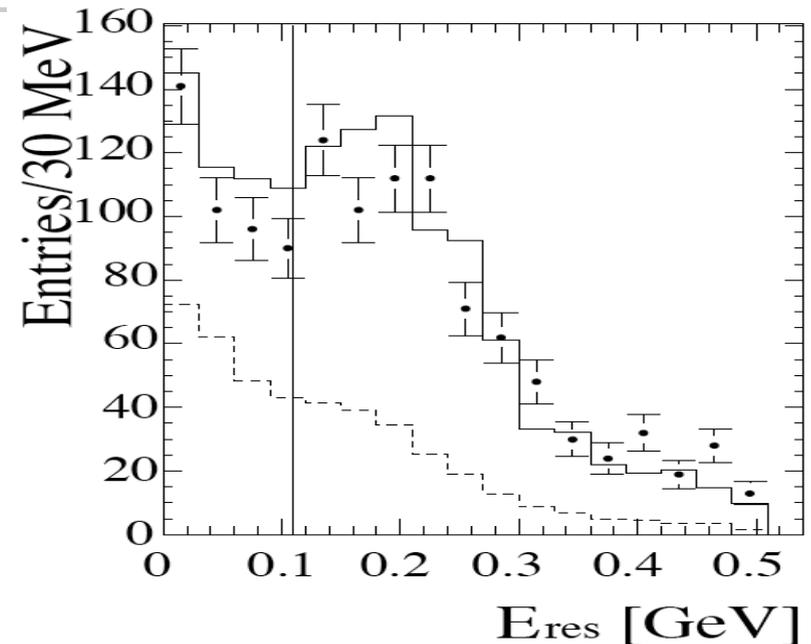
Is unfortunately not a particularly good prospect...

- Only experimental results to date is from BABAR (PhD thesis of Chris Potter, Oregon):

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-) < 3.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (90\%CL)}$$

PRL 96 241802 (2006)

(SM expectation is $\sim 1 \times 10^{-7}$)



- hadronic tagged analysis using neural net selection (Run 1-4 data)
 - with 254 background events observed in the signal region

The issue is irreducible background from $b \rightarrow c$ containing a K_L and (usually) one or more leptons

- Naïve scaling to 75 ab^{-1} yields $\sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$, but any real progress would require a very good detector and some additional experimental insight