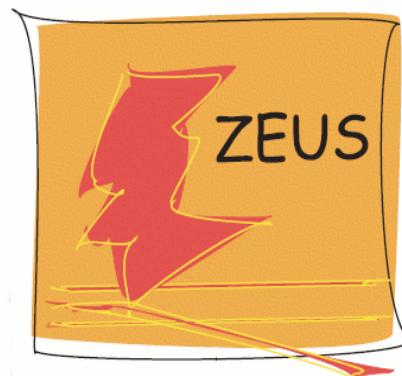


# Charm Fragmentation and Excited Charm Meson Production at HERA

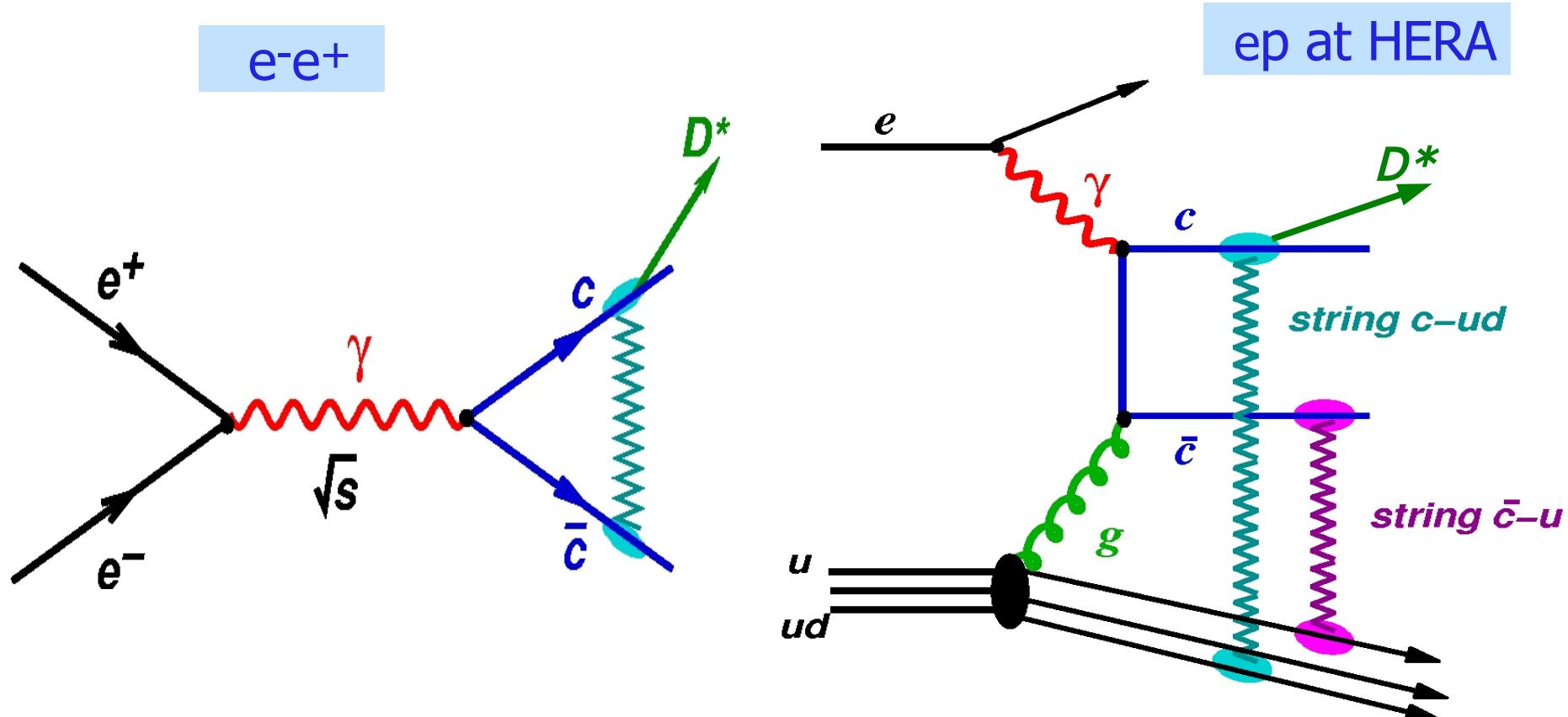
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# 1. Charm Fragmentation: is it universal?

Observable  $z$ : Momentum fraction of c quark transferred to  $D^*$  meson



- Probe different colour configurations
- Study at HERA over wide  $p_T(c)$  range

# Phenomenological models:

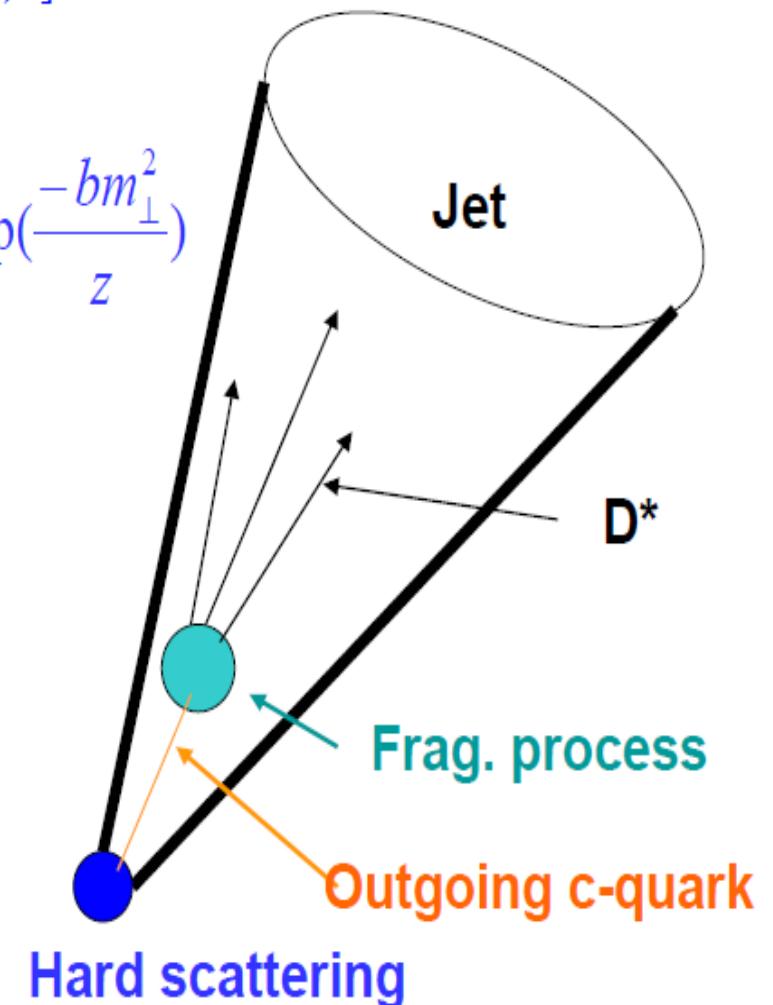
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Peterson function:  $f(z) \propto \frac{1}{[z(1-1/z - \varepsilon/(1-z))^2]}$

Kartvelishvili function:  $f(z) \propto z^\alpha (1-z)$

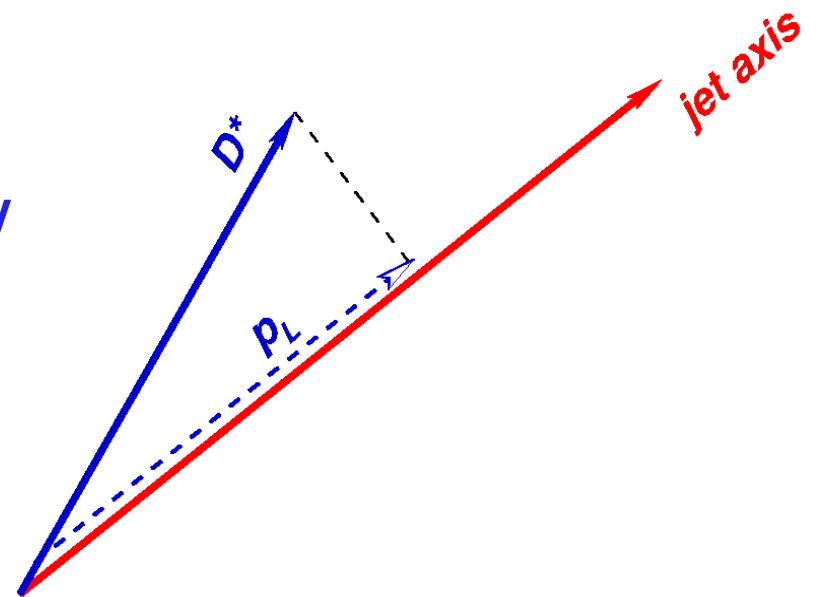
Bowler function:  $f(z) \propto \frac{1}{z^{1+r_Q b m_Q^2}} (1-z)^a \exp\left(\frac{-bm_\perp^2}{z}\right)$

- Experimental definition  $e^+e^-$ :  
 $z \sim E_{D^*}/E_{\text{beam}}$

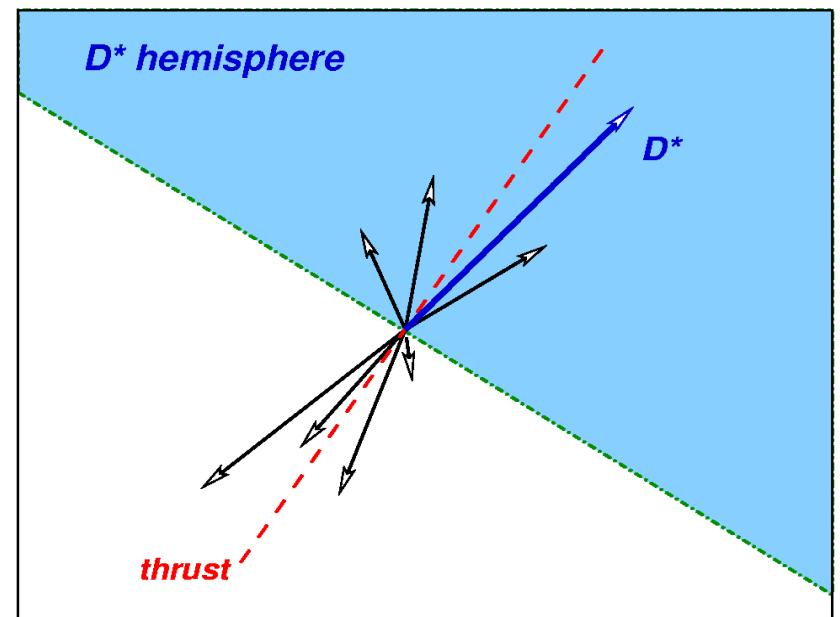


# Experimental definitions at HERA

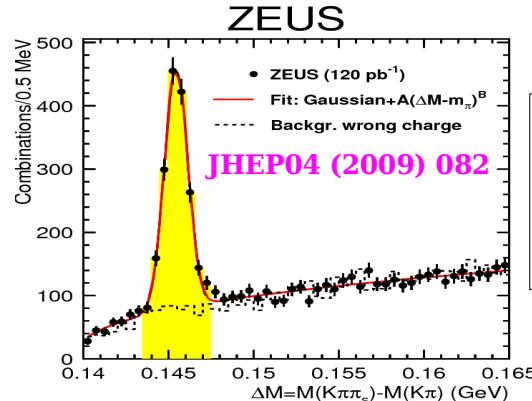
- Jet method (ZEUS, H1):  
energy of c-quark approximated by  
energy of reconstructed  $D^*$  jet  
 $z = (E + p_{||})_{D^*} / (E + p)_{\text{jet}}$



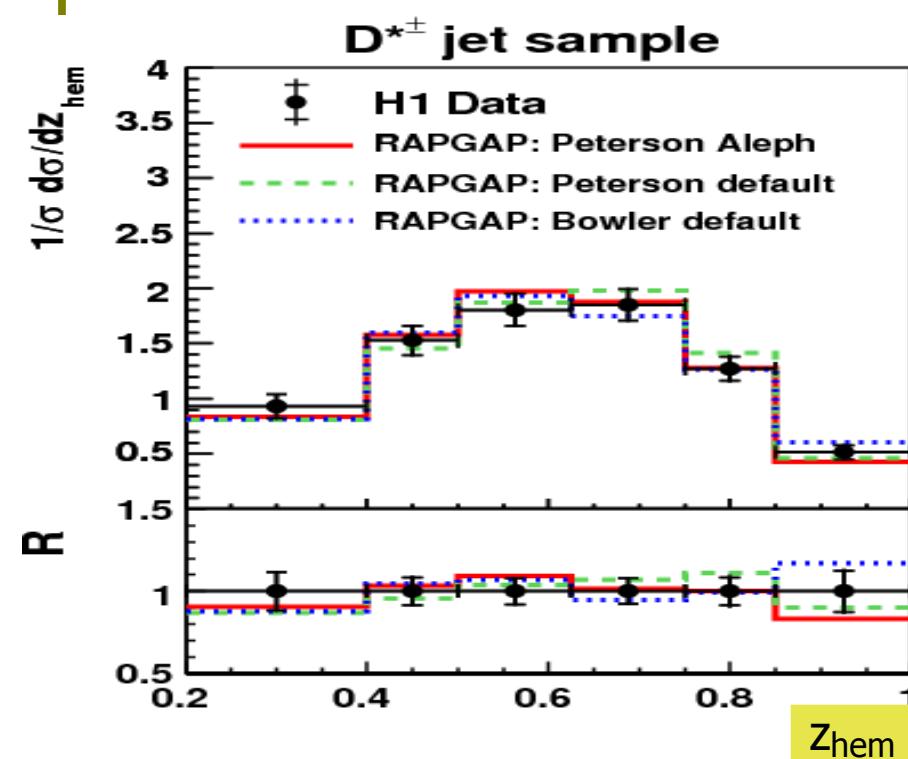
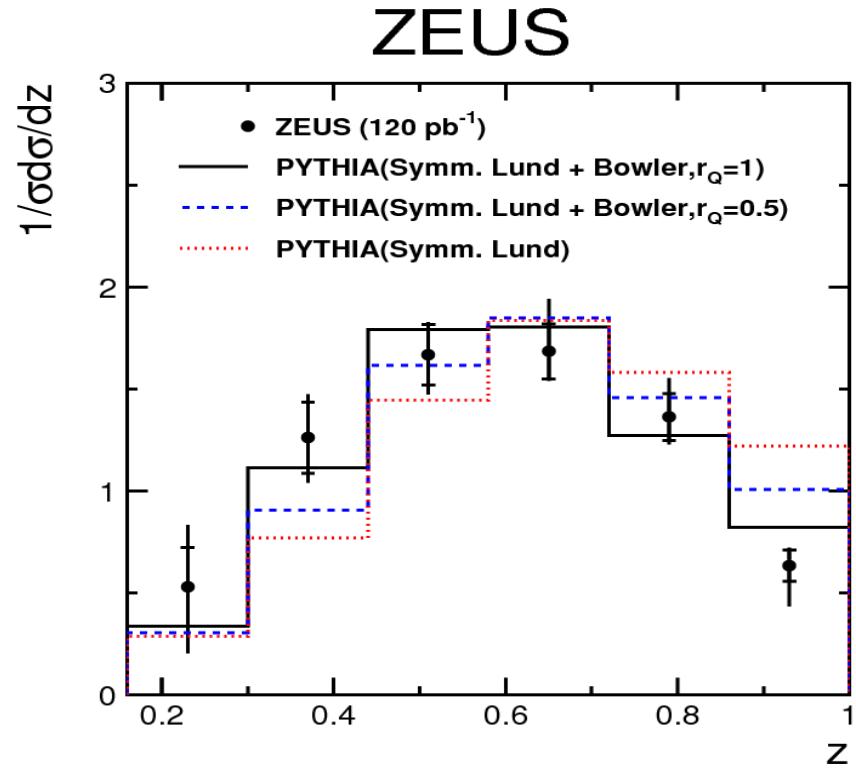
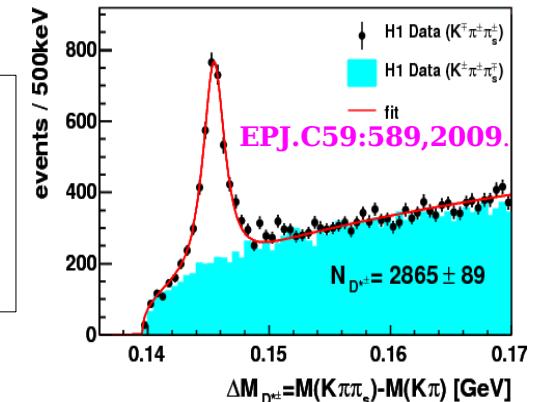
- Hemisphere method (H1):  
energy of c-quark approximated  
by energy of reconstructed  
 $D^*$ -hemisphere  
 $z_{\text{hem}} = (E + p_{||})_{D^*} / \sum (E + p)_i$



# Results and comparison with LO+PS+Jetset (standard tunes) MC simulations



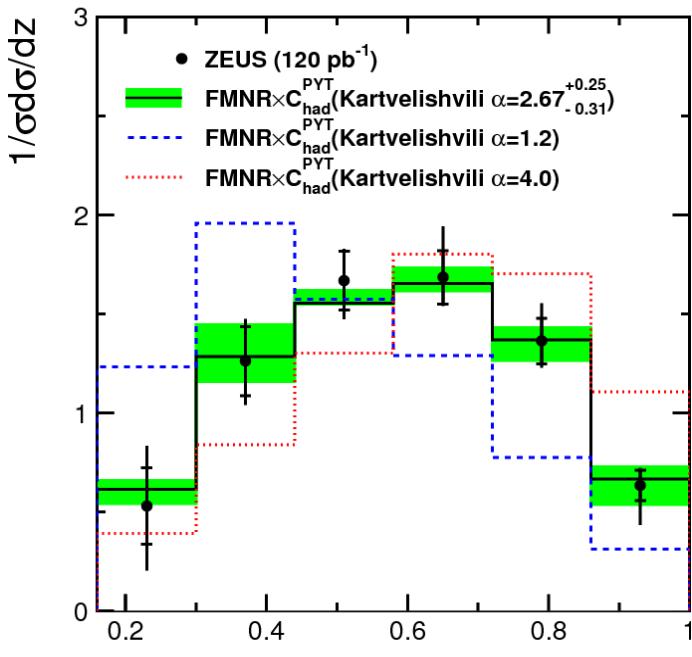
ZEUS:  
 $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$   
 $E_T(\text{jet}) > 9 \text{ GeV}$



→ HERA results agree with MC models with fragmentation tuned to e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> data ⇒ universality

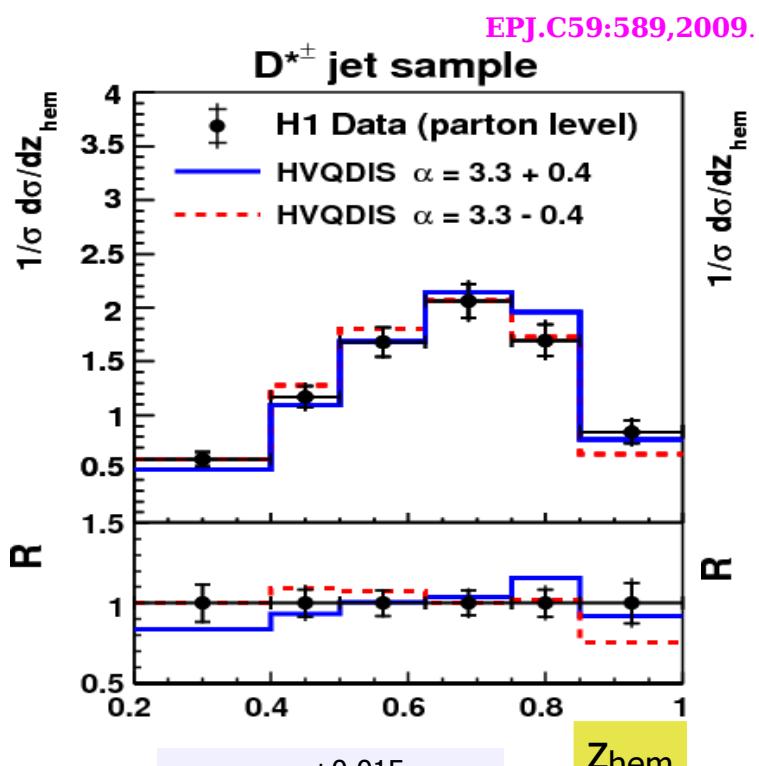
# Results and Fits to NLO QCD

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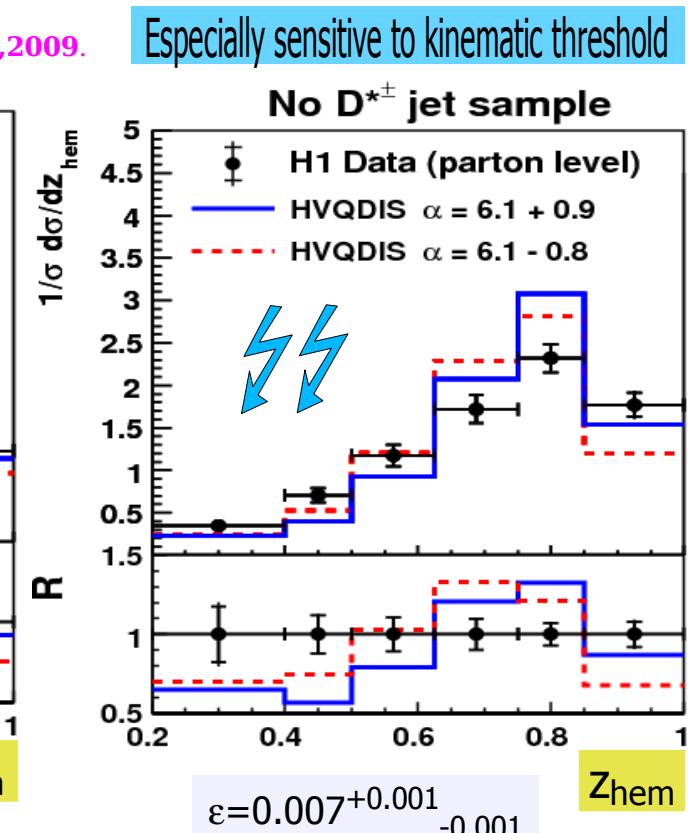


Alternative fits  
with Peterson FF

$$\epsilon = 0.079^{+0.013}_{-0.009}$$



$$\epsilon = 0.068^{+0.015}_{-0.013}$$



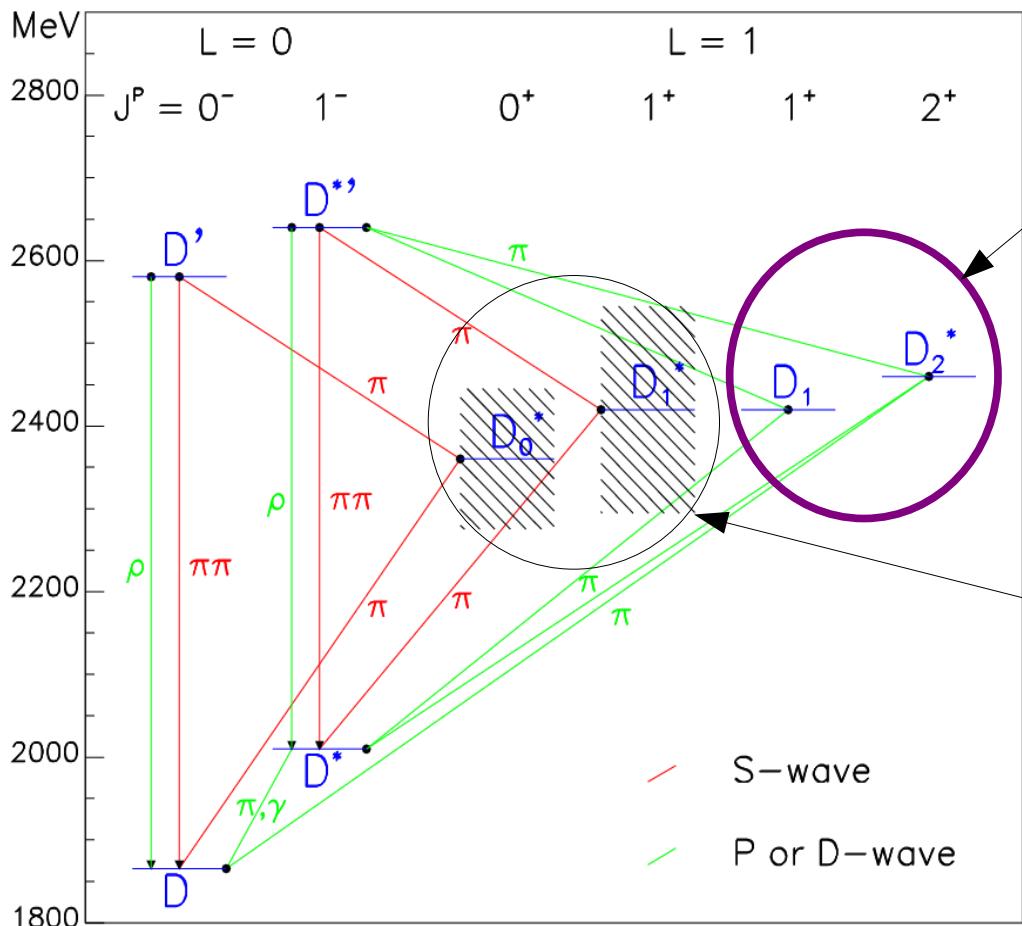
$$\epsilon = 0.007^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$$

Compare to typical value obtained from  
NLO fit to e+e- data:  $\epsilon = 0.035$  (Nucl.Phys.B565:245-266,2000)

- Jet samples vs NLO x Fragmentation functions: ⇒ fitted parameters somewhat different compared to parameters obtained from corresponding NLO fits to e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> data (could be due to NLO being different/meaning different things for ep and ee)
- No D<sup>\*</sup> jet sample ⇒ results differ! ⇒ need refined theory treatment at charm production threshold!

## 2. Excited charm mesons

Spectroscopy of D mesons



HQET predicts 2 doublets of excited D mesons ( $Q\bar{q}$ ) with  $L=1$ :

**Doublet with  $j=L+s_q = 3/2$**   
D-wave decays  $\Rightarrow$  narrow states

$D_1(2420)^0$  and  $D_2^*(2460)^0$  known since  $\sim 1990$ ,  
but parameters are being re-established,  
e.g.  $\Gamma(D_2^{*0})$  updated significantly in PDG2006

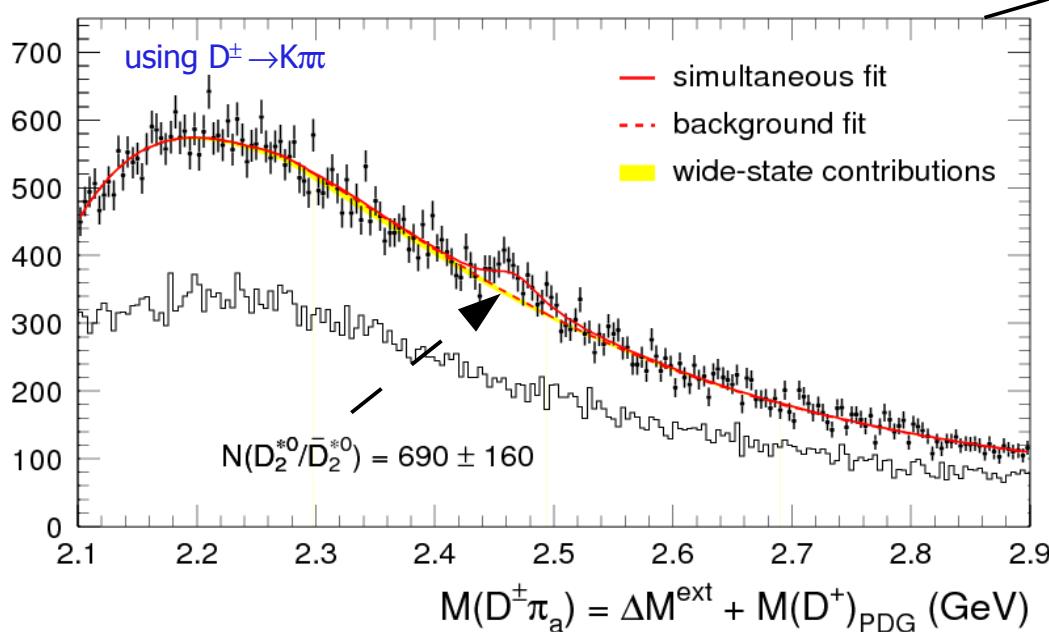
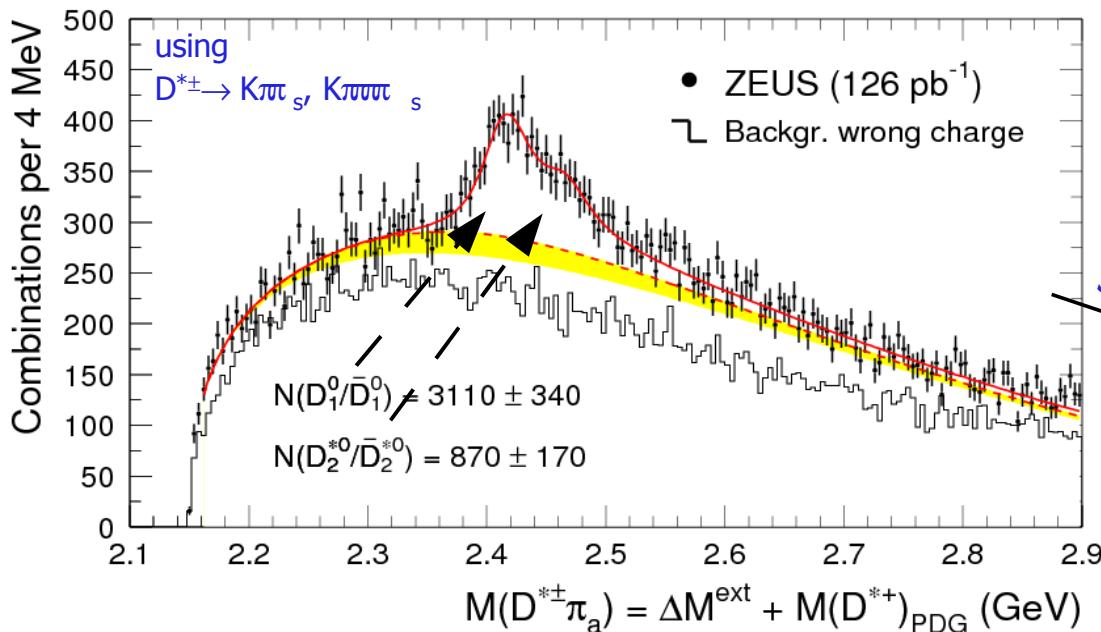
**Doublet with  $j=L+s_q = 1/2$**   
s-wave decays  $\Rightarrow$  wide states

Available results in PDG 2010:  
Belle and Focus on  $D_0^*(2400)^0$   
Belle and Babar on  $D_1(2430)^0$   
large parameter uncertainties!

→ What can we learn at HERA? ⇒ ZEUS studies on narrow  $D_1(2420)^0$  and  $D_2^*(2460)^0$  states

# $M(D^{*\pm}\pi)$ and $M(D^\pm\pi)$ distributions in HERA I

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split signals in four helicity bins

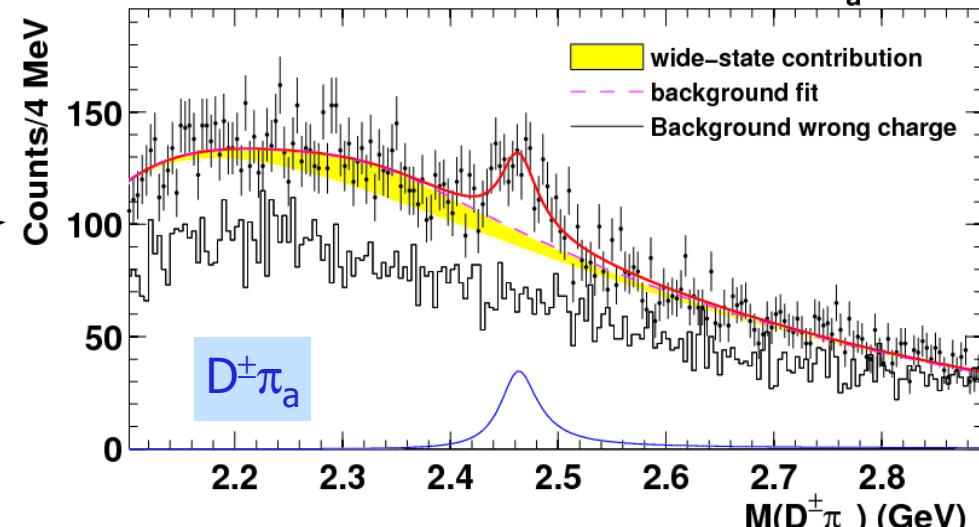
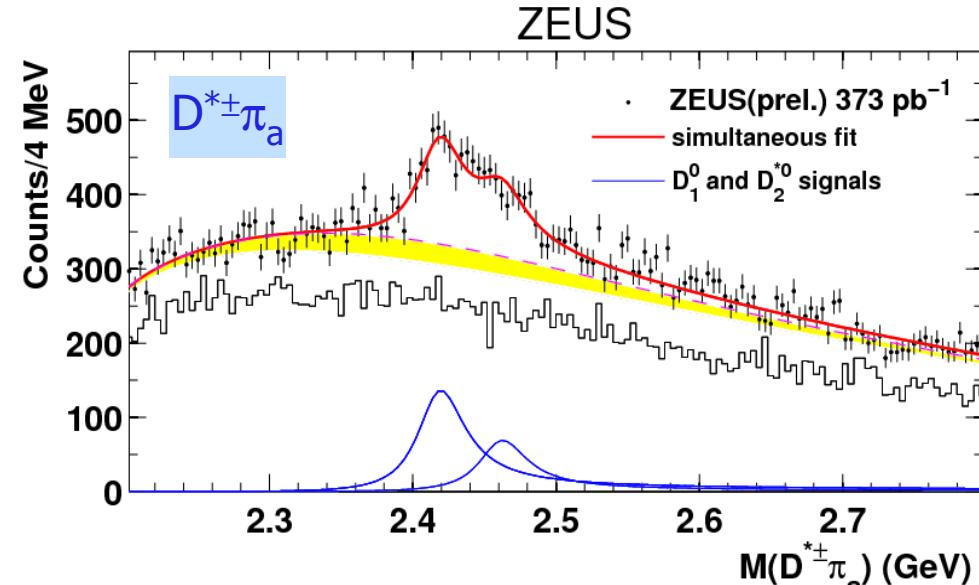
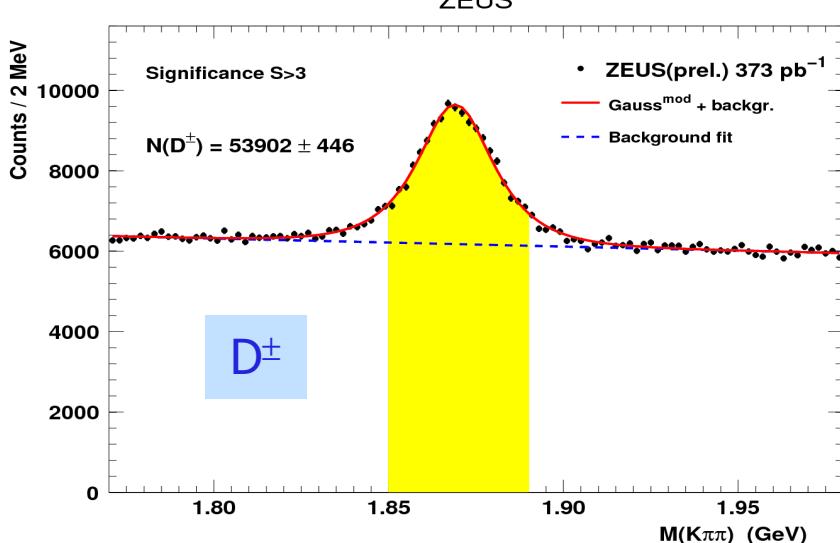
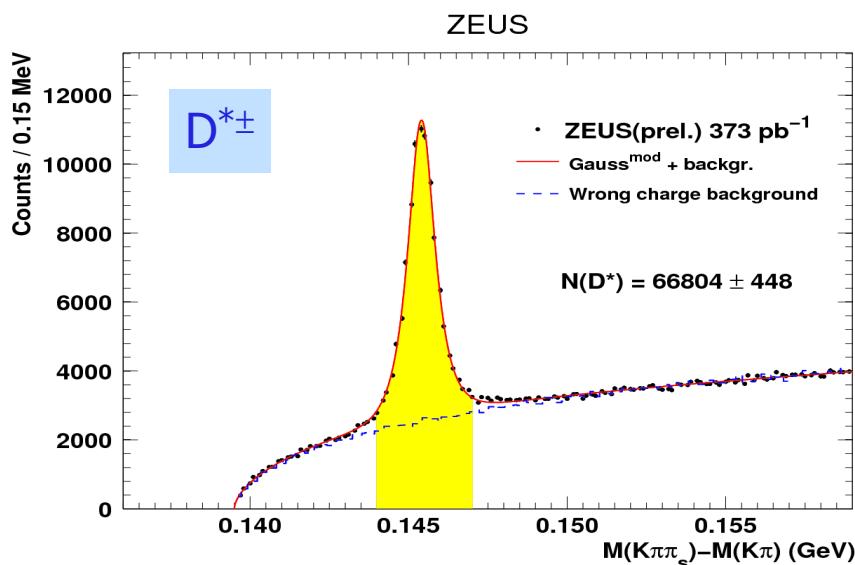
Simultaneous fit

Fitted  $D_1(2420)^0$  mass and helicity parameters agree well with other measurements, but width  $\Gamma(D_1) = 53.2 \pm 7.1(\text{stat})^{+3.3}_{-4.9} (\text{syst.})$  MeV is higher than PDG average of  $20.4 \pm 1.7$  MeV

→ Can we confirm with HERA II ?

# HERA II: Mass peaks

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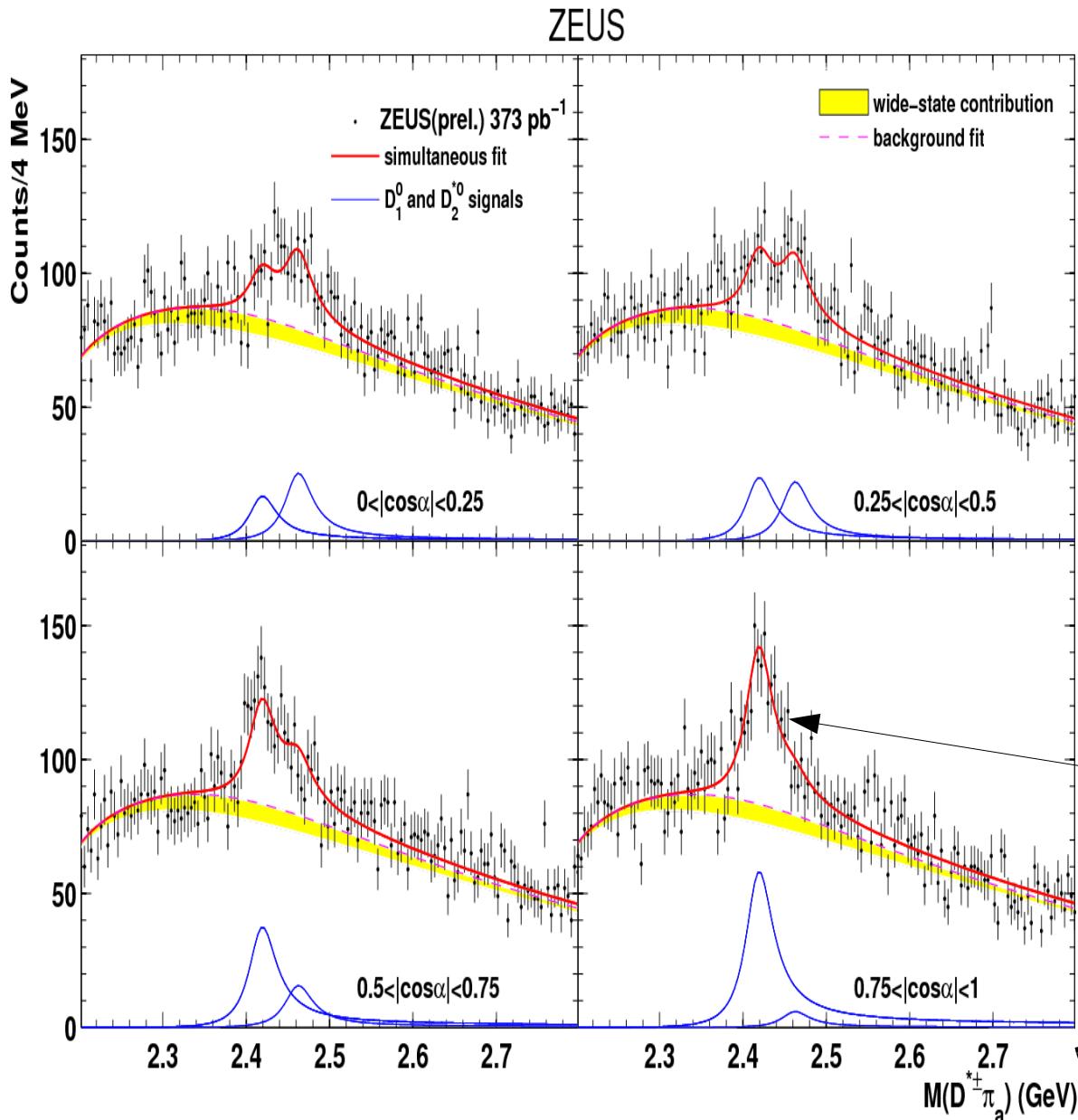


Improved  $D^\pm$  signal in HERA II  
with lifetime tag (Si-tracker)

→ Clear signals for  $D_1(2420)^0$  and  $D_2^{*\pm}(2460)^0$   
 → Very well described by fit (described in the following)

# HERA II: $M(D^{*\pm}\pi)$ in 4 helicity intervals

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Helicity angle  $\alpha$  – between  $\pi_s$  and  $\pi_a$  in  $D^{*\pm}$  rest frame

$$dN/d\cos \alpha \sim 1 + h \cos^2 \alpha, h=?$$

HQET predicts:

$h = 3$  for  $D_1(2420)^0$

$h = -1$  for  $D_2^*(2460)^0$

$h = 0$  for  $D_1(2430)^0$   
(wide state)

$D_1(2420)^0$  contributions increases with  $|\cos \alpha|$ , dominates bump for  $|\cos \alpha| > 0.75$

Make simultaneous  $\chi^2$  fit of these four and  $M(D^\pm\pi)$  histograms  
fix  $(\Gamma(D_2^{*0}) = 43 \text{ MeV}$  and  $h(D_2^{*0}) = -1)$

# $D_1^0, D_2^{*0}$ fit results

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	HERA I	HERA II	PDG
$M(D_1^0)$ MeV	$2420.5 \pm 2.1 \pm 0.9$	$2422.2 \pm 1.7^{+1.2}_{-2.8}$	$2422.3 \pm 1.3$
$\Gamma(D_1^0)$ MeV	$53.2 \pm 7.2^{+3.3}_{-4.9}$	$43.4 \pm 6.2^{+7.3}_{-10.4}$	$20.4 \pm 1.7$
$h(D_1^0)$	$5.9^{+3.0+2.4}_{-1.7-1.0}$	$3.5^{+1.6+2.0}_{-1.0-0.8}$	
$M(D_2^{*0})$ MeV	$2469.1 \pm 3.7^{+1.2}_{-1.3}$	$2465.0 \pm 3.3^{+1.2}_{-2.9}$	$2461.1 \pm 1.6$
$\Gamma(D_2^{*0})$ MeV	43 fixed	43 fixed	$43 \pm 4$
$h(D_2^{*0})$	-1 fixed	-1 fixed	

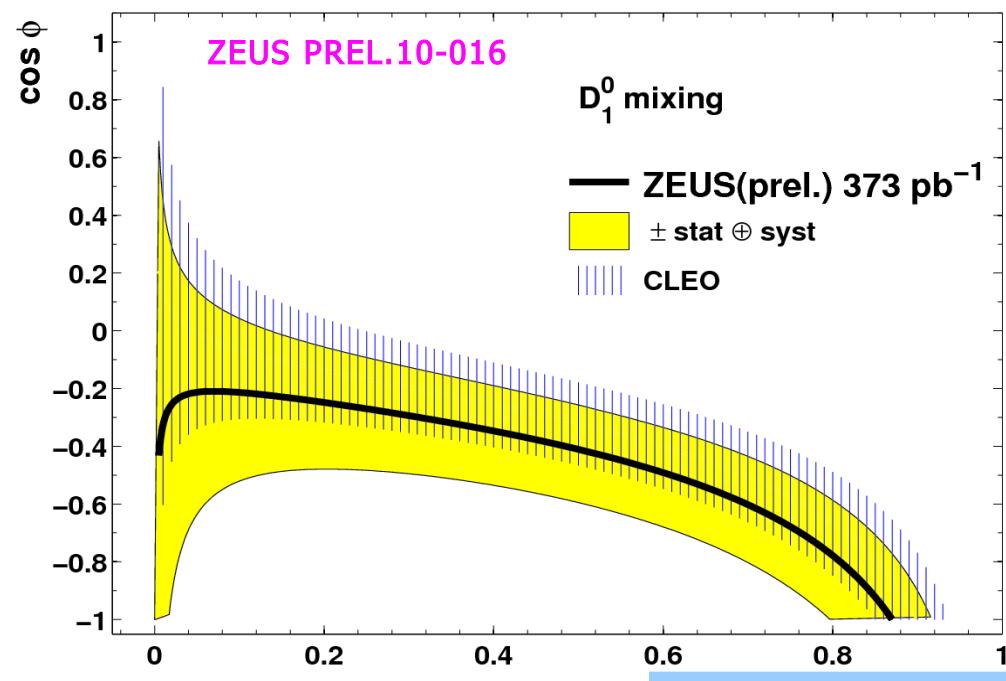
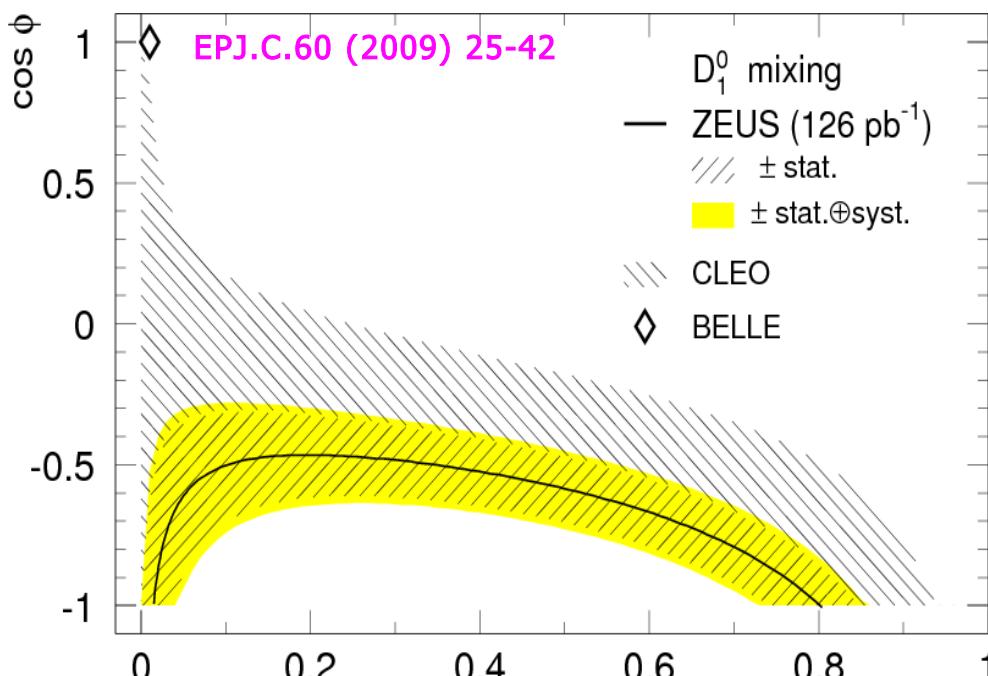


- HERA II prel. results confirm HERA I:
- Masses  $M(D_1^0), M(D_2^{*0})$ : agree with PDG2008 values
- Helicity parameter  $h(D_1^0)$ :
  - inconsistent with pure S-wave decay,  $h=0$
  - Consistent with HQET prediction for a pure D-wave decay,  $h=3$
- Width  $\Gamma(D_1(2420)^0)$ : significantly above PDG2008 value
  - ⇒ One possible explanation: larger s-wave admixture at ZEUS with respect to that in measurements with restricted phase space (e.g. Belle)

# Mixing of D- and S-waves for $D_1(2420)^0$

Relative phase  $\phi$  between D and S wave amplitudes can be expressed for given ratio of partial widths  $r = \Gamma_S/(\Gamma_S + \Gamma_D)$  as function of measured helicity  $h$

$$\cos \phi = \frac{(3 - h)/(3 + h) - r}{2\sqrt{2r(1 - r)}}$$



$$r = \Gamma_S/(\Gamma_S + \Gamma_D)$$

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→ ZEUS measurements favour negative  $\cos \phi$

# Conclusion

## 1. Measurements of charm fragmentation function ( $D^{*\pm}$ ) at HERA:

- For events with hard scale: results & parameters ~consistent with  $e^-e^+$  data
  - ⇒ Fragmentation 
- For events at kinematic threshold: ⇒ results & parameters differ, poor description by NLO QCD + standard fragmentation functions
  - ⇒ need for refined theory description

## 2. Excited charm mesons at HERA

- New HERA II results on  $D_1(2420)^0$  and  $D_2^*(2460)^0$  consistent with HERA I
- $\Gamma(D_1^0)$  is larger than in measurements at other colliders/environments
  - (larger S-wave admixture?)