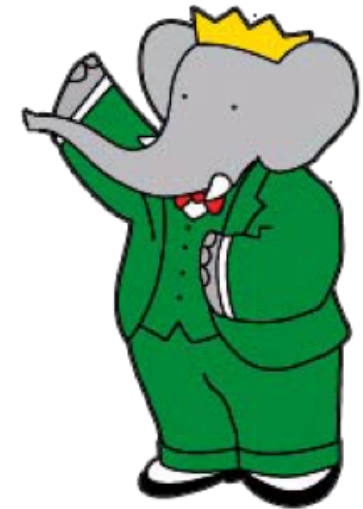


## Determination of $\gamma$ from $B \rightarrow K^* \pi$ decays and related modes



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# Overview

- Motivation
- Experimental issues
- Recent results in  $K^+\pi^-\pi^0$  and  $K_S\pi^+\pi^-$
- Issues with interpretation
  - Phase conventions
  - EW penguin contributions
- Conclusion

# Measuring $\gamma$ in $B \rightarrow K^* \pi$ decays

- At tree level  $B \rightarrow K^* \pi$  sensitive to  $\gamma$ :

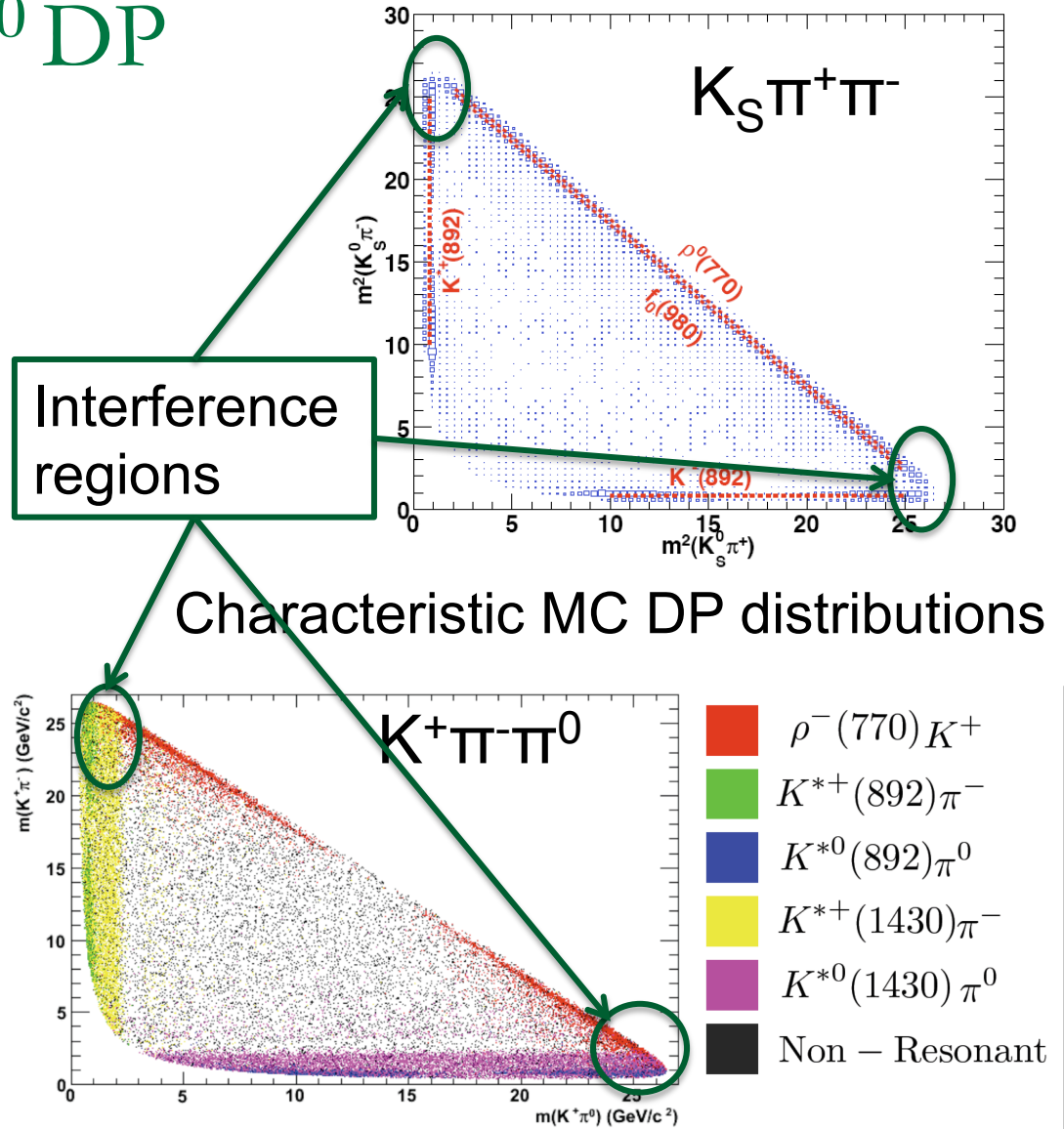
$$e^{-2i\gamma} = \frac{A(K^{*-} \pi^+) + \sqrt{2} A(\bar{K}^{*0} \pi^0)}{A(K^{*+} \pi^-) + \sqrt{2} A(K^{*0} \pi^0)}$$

- Need to measure magnitude and phases of amplitudes

- In  $B \rightarrow K \pi \pi$  can measure interference pattern in Dalitz plot (DP) from  $B \rightarrow K^* \pi$  and  $B \rightarrow K \rho$  to determine:
  - Magnitude of amplitudes,
  - Relative phases between amplitudes.

# $K_S\pi^+\pi^-$ and $K^+\pi^-\pi^0$ DP structure

- Relative phases determined at interference regions
- Overlap region of resonances small
  - Effect on event density is subtle
  - Crucial to understand backgrounds and efficiencies in interference regions.

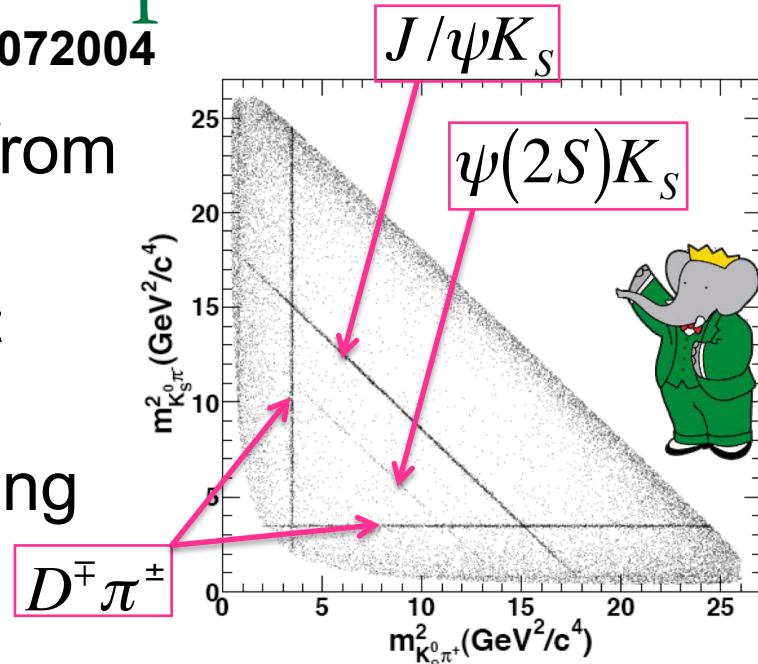




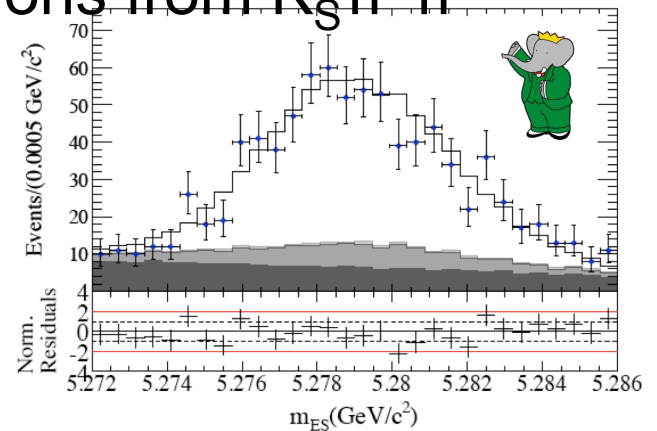
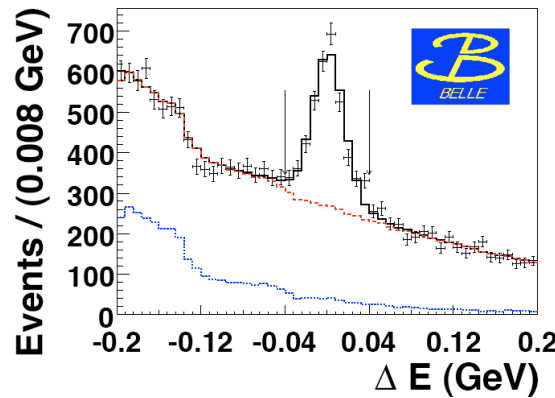
# Signal and background separation

Phys. Rev. D80, 112001 & Phys. Rev. D79, 072004

- Main background contribution from continuum events
  - A Neural Network is used to reject most of the continuum
- Main B backgrounds in remaining events from  $D^-\pi^+$ ,  $J/\psi K_S$  and  $\psi(2S)K_S$
- Projection plots for  $m_{ES}$  and  $\Delta E$  after vetoes and event selection



Distributions from  $K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$



# Determining $\gamma$ from $K\pi\pi$ DPs

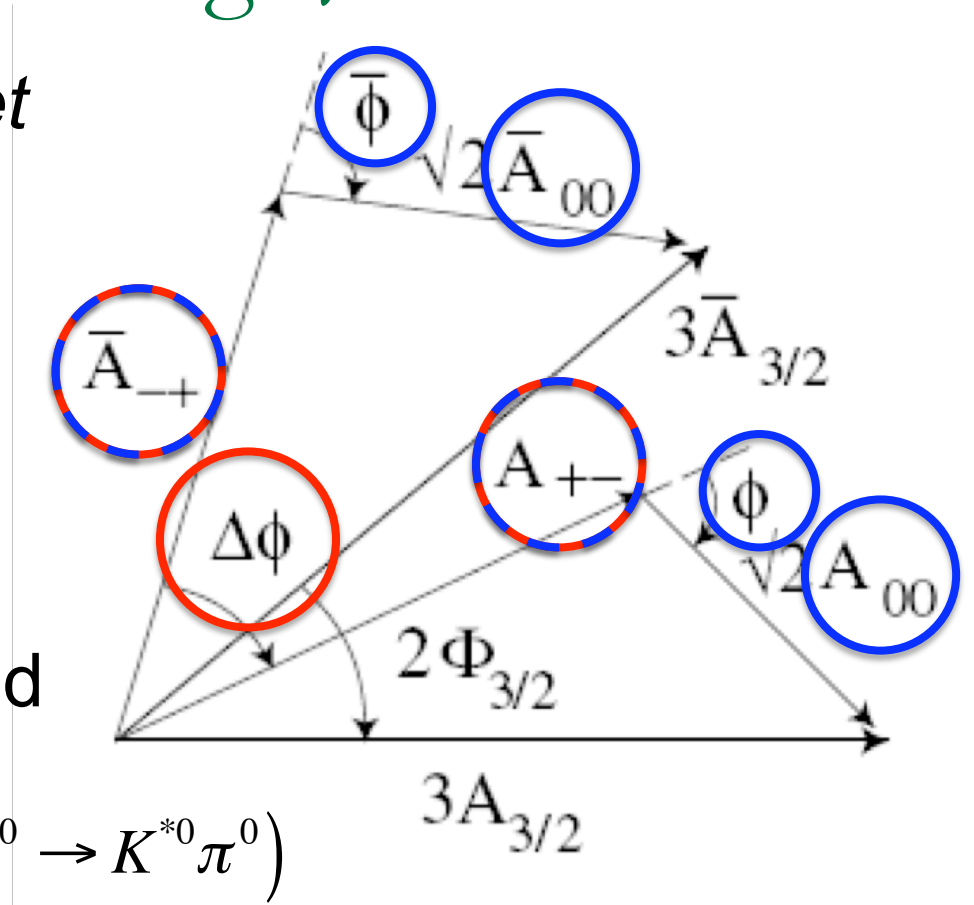
- Main method involves  $K^+\pi^-\pi^0$  and  $K_S\pi^+\pi^-$  DPs
  - Ciuchini et al., Phys. Rev. D74, 051301 (2006)
  - Gronau et al., Phys. Rev. D75, 014002 (2007)
  - Gronau et al., Phys. Rev. D77, 057504 & D78, 017505 (2008)
  - Gronau et al., Phys. Rev. D81, 094011 (2010)
- Other methods use  $K_S\pi^+\pi^0$ ,  $K^+\pi^+\pi^-$  &  $K_S\pi^+\pi^-$ , and  $B_s$  decays to  $K^+\pi^-\pi^0$  &  $K_S\pi^+\pi^-$ 
  - Ciuchini et al., Phys. Rev. D74, 051301 (2006)
  - Bediaga et al., Phys. Rev. D76, 073011 (2007)
  - Ciuchini et al., Phys. Lett. B645, 201 (2007)

# Method for determining $\gamma$ from $K\pi\pi$

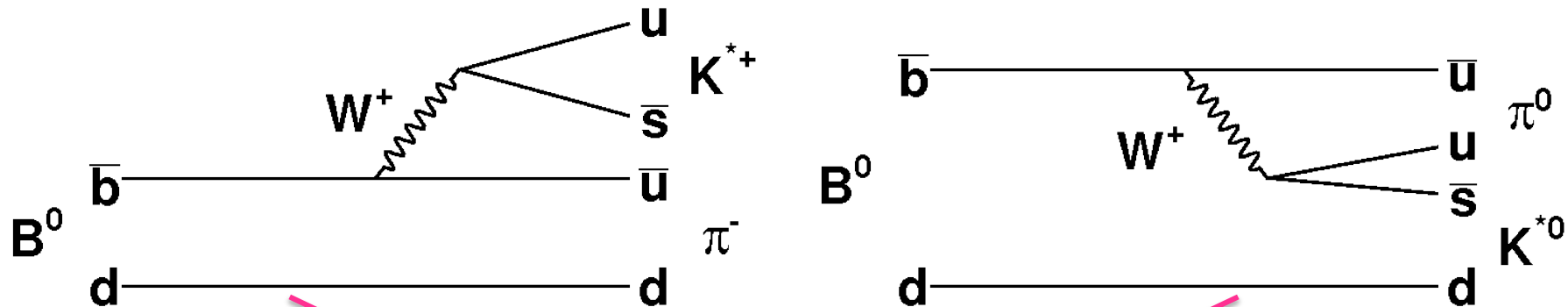
- Method from Ciuchini *et al.* and Gronau *et al.*
- Form isospin triangles from  $K^*\pi$  modes:
  - From  $B^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^0$
  - From  $B^0 \rightarrow K_S\pi^+\pi^-$
- Resultant amplitude and phase:

$$3A_{\frac{3}{2}} = A(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*+}\pi^-) + \sqrt{2}A(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\pi^0)$$

$$\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}(\phi - \bar{\phi} - \Delta\phi_{K^*\pi}) \approx \gamma \text{ up to correction from EW penguins}$$

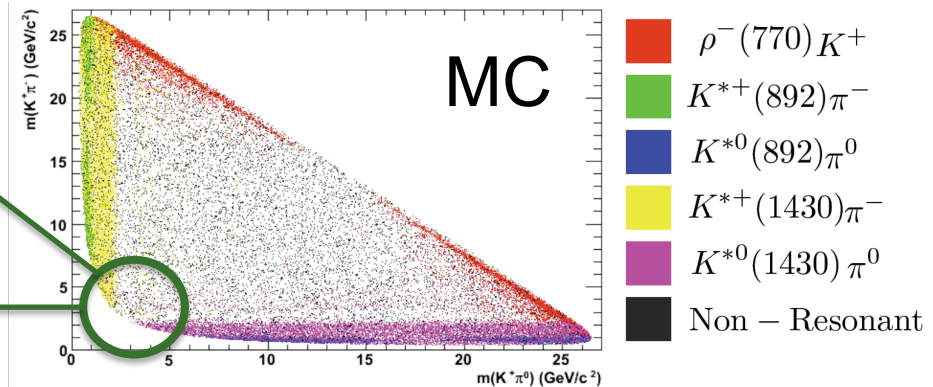


# $K^{*0} \pi^0$ and $K^{*+} \pi^-$ phase difference

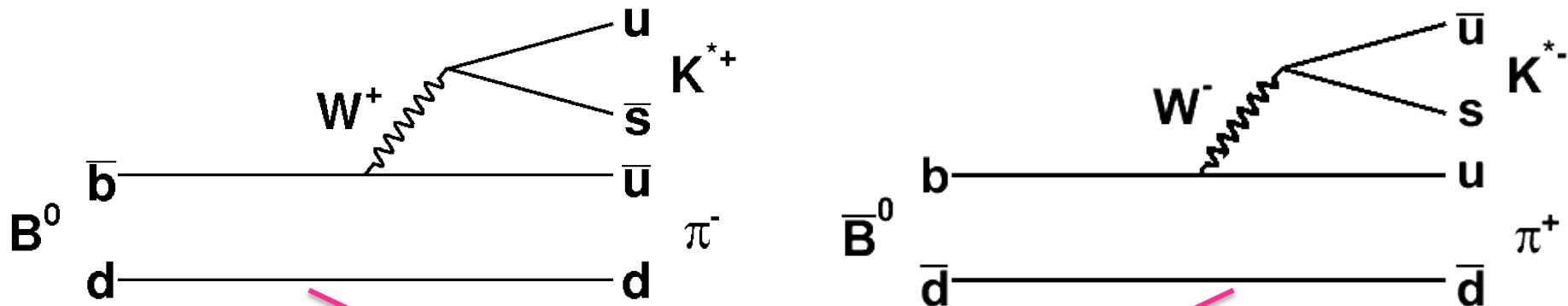


$$\bar{\phi} = \bar{\phi}_{K^{*0} \pi^0} - \bar{\phi}_{K^{*-} \pi^+}$$

$$\phi = \phi_{K^{*0} \pi^0} - \phi_{K^{*+} \pi^-}$$

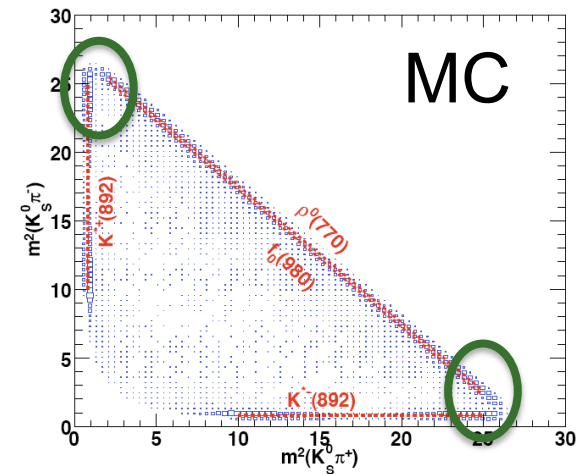


# $K^{*+} \pi^-$ and $K^{*-} \pi^+$ phase difference



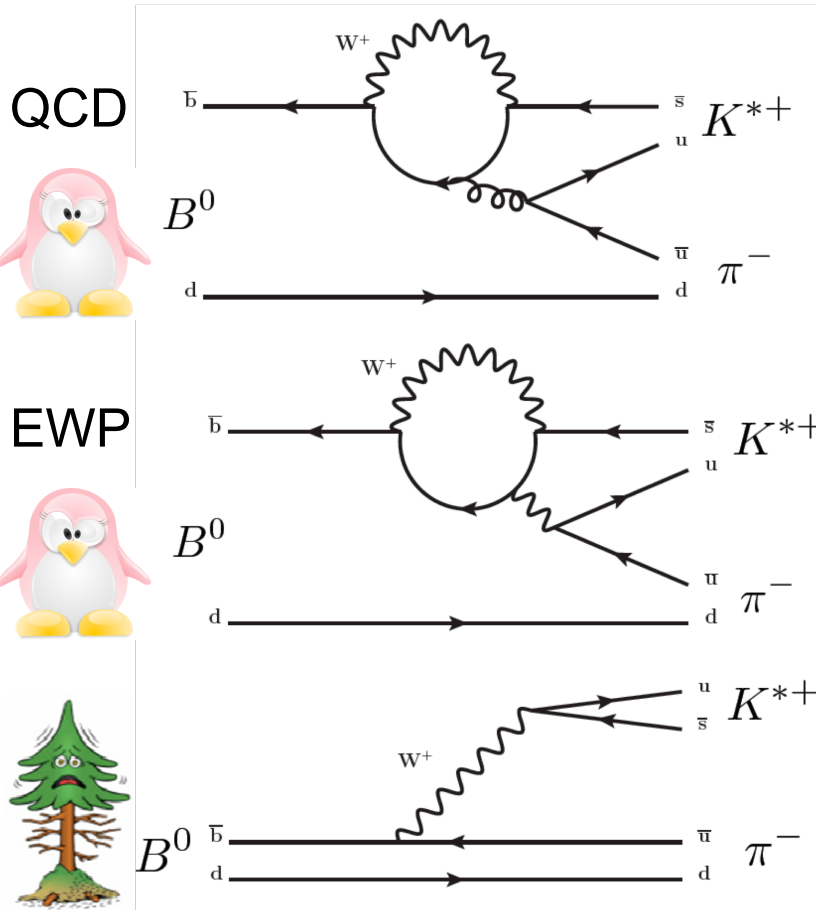
$$\Delta\phi_{K^* \pi} = \bar{\phi}_{K^{*-} \pi^+} - \phi_{K^{*+} \pi^-}$$

- Measure  $K^* \pi$  phases relative to each other due to mixing
  - Additional phase of  $-2\beta$  needs to be accounted for.

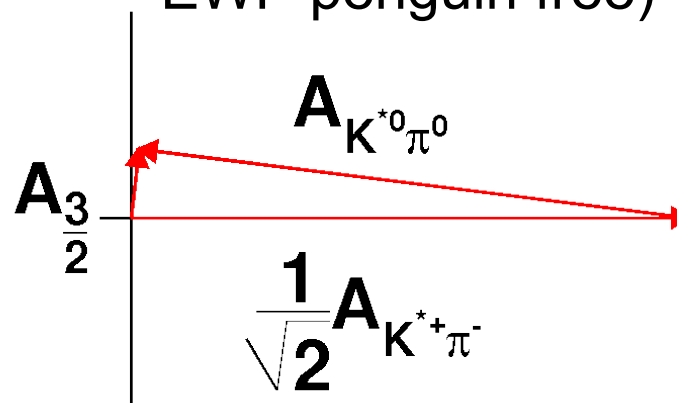


# $K^* \pi$ Amplitudes and penguins

$$A_{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*+} \pi^-) + A(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \pi^0)$$



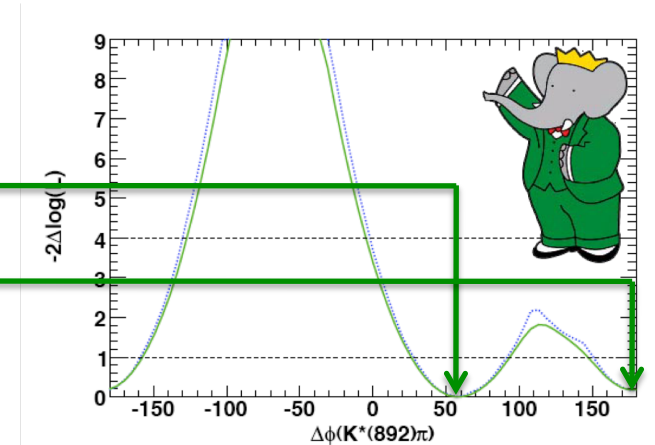
- Tree component expected to be small compared to dominant QCD penguin in  $K^* \pi$  amplitudes
- QCD penguin contributions cancel in the sum of  $A_{K^* \pi}$ 
  - $A_{3/2}$  is QCD penguins free (not EWP penguin free)



# Results from time dependent $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$

- BaBar result from 383 million  $B\bar{B}$  events gives:

- $\Delta\phi = (58.3 \pm 32.7 \pm 4.6 \pm 8.1)^\circ$
- $\Delta\phi = (176.6 \pm 28.8 \pm 4.6 \pm 8.1)^\circ$   
(errors are stat, syst, model)

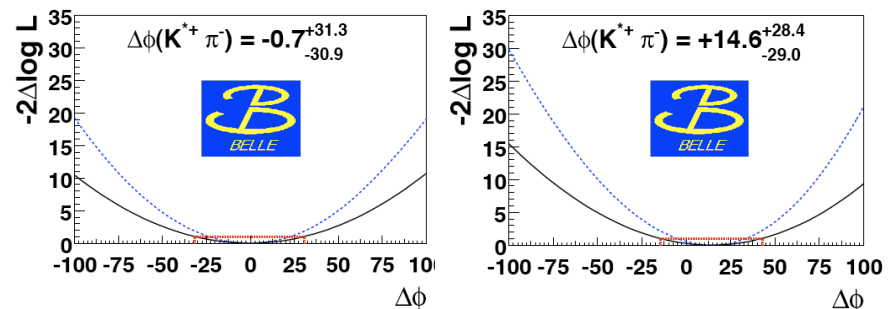


- Belle results from 657 million  $B\bar{B}$ :

- $\Delta\phi = (-0.7 \pm {}^{24}_{23} \pm 11 \pm 18)^\circ$
- $\Delta\phi = (+14.6 \pm {}^{19}_{20} \pm 11 \pm 18)^\circ$   
(errors are stat, syst, model)

B.Aubert *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D80, 112001

- Difference between solutions is interference between  $K_0^{*\pm}(1430)$  and NR



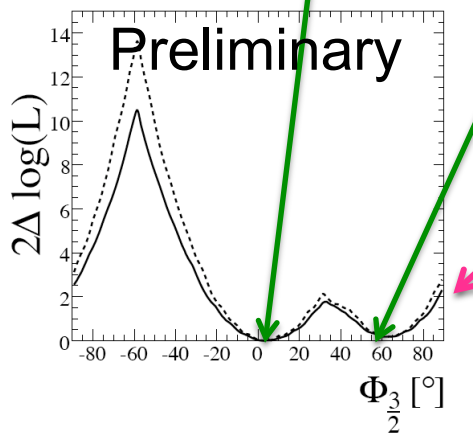
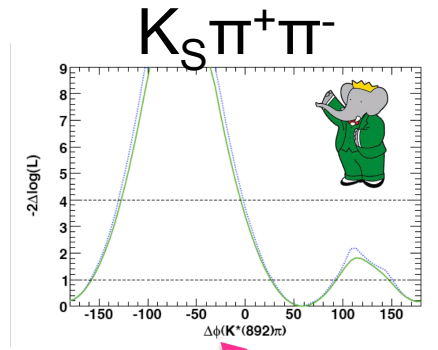
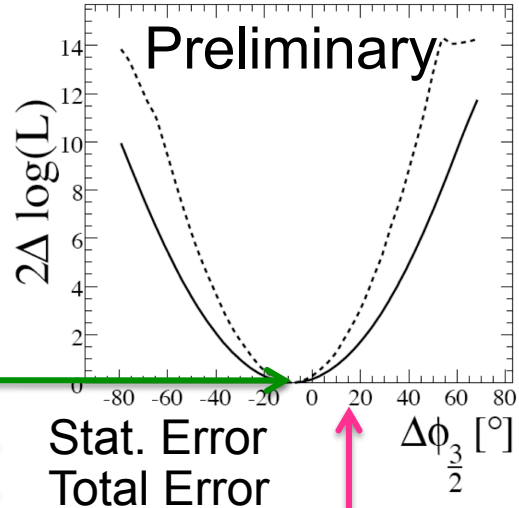
- This phase difference includes the  $B^0\bar{B}^0$  mixing phase ( $-2\beta$ )

J.Dalseno *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D79, 072004

# Preliminary results from $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

- Results taken from A. Wagner, PhD Thesis, BaBar graduate student, SLAC-R-942
- From BaBar data of 454 million BB events gives:

- $\Delta\Phi_{3/2} = (-7^{+15}_{-18} \pm 15)^\circ$
- $\Phi_{3/2} = (1 \pm 21)^\circ, (60 \pm 18)^\circ$



$$\Phi_{3/2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \arctan \frac{\sin \Delta\Phi}{\frac{|A_{K^{*+}\pi^-}|}{\sqrt{2}|A_{K^{*0}\pi^0}|} + \cos \Delta\Phi} - \arctan \frac{\sin \Delta\bar{\Phi}}{\frac{|\bar{A}_{K^{*+}\pi^-}|}{\sqrt{2}|\bar{A}_{K^{*0}\pi^0}|} + \cos \Delta\bar{\Phi}} \right] - \Delta\phi_{K^*\pi}$$

- Two bands in  $\Phi_{3/2}$  from ambiguity in  $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$

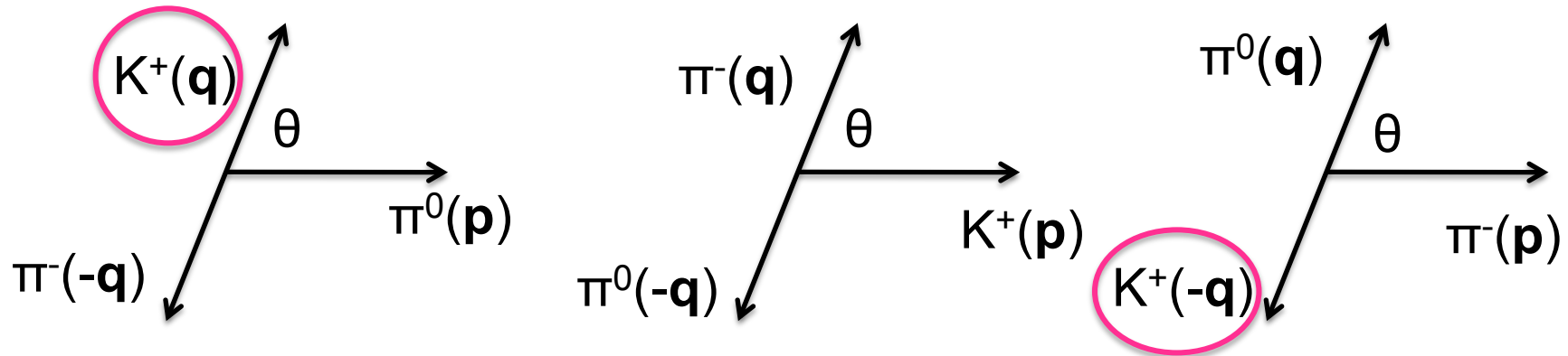


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# Issue 1 - Phase conventions

- Each quasi-two body subsystem of  $K\pi\pi$  in the vector meson rest frame contains:
  - Two pseudoscalar decay products with momentum  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $-\mathbf{q}$
  - The bachelor pseudoscalar with momentum  $\mathbf{p}$
- Choice of which resonance daughter is defined to have positive momentum defines the phase convention
- Alternative choice induces a  $180^\circ$  flip of the phase
- Whichever choice is made it must be correctly accounted for when combining amplitudes to obtain the constraint on the UT apex
- See Gronau *et al.*, Phys.Rev.D**81**, 094026(2010)

# Phases in $K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$



Helicity convention  $180^\circ$  out of phase for  $K^*$  resonances.

- Two  $K^*$  resonances have opposite conventions
- Appropriate Clebsch Gordon coefficients should be chosen when constructing the amplitudes from results of the DP fit

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# Defining phase conventions

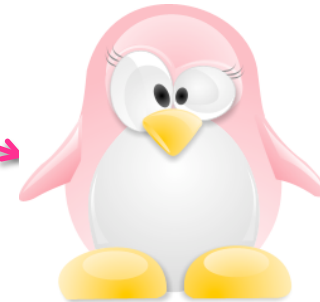
- Can use any phase convention but:
  - important to include phase convention used in documentation
- Provide convention-independent information:
  - Useful cross check for understanding phase conventions and making comparison between experiments.
  - Using interference fraction can help identify constructive or destructive

# Issue 2 - EWP contributions



$$A_{\frac{3}{2}} = T e^{i\gamma} - P_{EWP}$$

EWP



Gronau *et al.*, Phys.Rev.D75, 014002



$$A_{\frac{3}{2}} \propto (\bar{\rho} + i\bar{\eta}) \left( 1 + r_{\frac{3}{2}} \right) + C \left( 1 - r_{\frac{3}{2}} \right)$$

SU(3) decomposition of operators  
gives good approximation:

Wilson coeff,  $\lambda \approx -0.27$

Ratio of hadronic  
matrix elements

$$r_{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{\left[ A_{\rho^+\pi^0} - A_{\rho^0\pi^+} \right] - \sqrt{2} \left[ A_{K^*\bar{K}^0} - A_{K^+\bar{K}^{*0}} \right]}{A_{\rho^+\pi^0} + A_{\rho^0\pi^+}}$$

# Estimating $r_{3/2}$

Decay Mode	BF(x10 <sup>-6</sup> )	A <sub>CP</sub>
$B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^+$	8.3 <sup>+1.2</sup> <sub>-1.3</sub>	0.18 <sup>+0.09</sup> <sub>-0.17</sub>
$B^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \pi^0$	10.9 <sup>+1.4</sup> <sub>-1.5</sub>	0.02 ± 0.11
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \bar{K}^{*0}$	0.68 ± 0.19	-
$B^+ \rightarrow K_S K_S \pi^+$	< 0.51	-

BFs are well measured

Amplitudes small but relative phases unknown

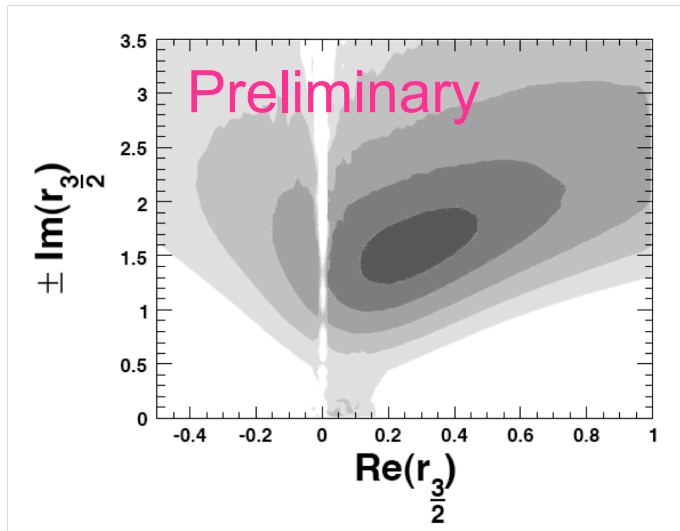
Experimental numbers from HFAG Winter 2010, [www.slac.stanford.edu/xorg/hfag/](http://www.slac.stanford.edu/xorg/hfag/)

Strategy – Separate into well-measured components and systematic uncertainty

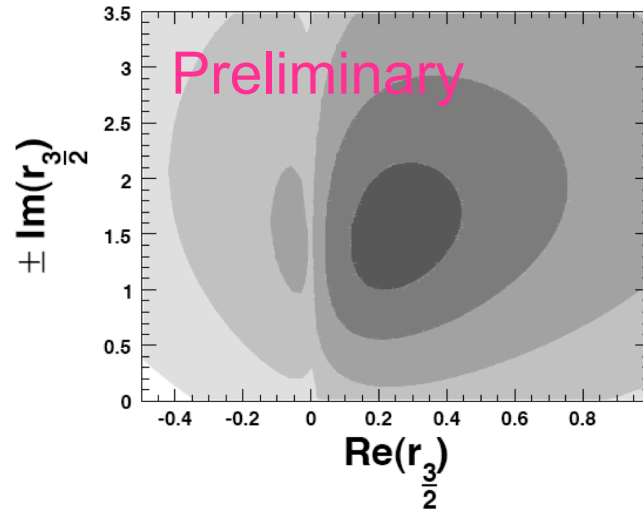
$$r_{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{A_{\rho^+ \pi^0} - A_{\rho^0 \pi^+}}{A_{\rho^+ \pi^0} + A_{\rho^0 \pi^+}} \pm \sqrt{2} \frac{A_{K^{*+} \bar{K}^{*0}} - A_{K^+ \bar{K}^{*0}}}{A_{\rho^+ \pi^0} + A_{\rho^0 \pi^+}} \pm \frac{m_s}{\Lambda_{QCD}} \approx 30\% \text{ } 30\% SU(3)$$

# Measurement of $r_{3/2}$

**3% SU(3) breaking**



**30% SU(3) breaking**



Contours darkest  
to lightest:  
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 $\sigma$

$$r_{\frac{3}{2}} \equiv \frac{A_{\rho^+\pi^0} - A_{\rho^0\pi^+}}{A_{\rho^+\pi^0} + A_{\rho^0\pi^+}}$$

A. Wagner, PhD Thesis, SLAC-R-942

- $K^*K$  contribution added as a systematic.

# Preliminary results for $r_{3/2}$ and $P_{\text{EWP}}$

A. Wagner, PhD Thesis, SLAC-R-942

- Preliminary results for  $r_{3/2}$ :

$$\text{Re}(r_{\frac{3}{2}}) = 0.21 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.77 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.06 \text{ (theo.)},$$

$$\pm \text{Im}(r_{\frac{3}{2}}) = 1.45 \pm 0.35 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.77 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.44 \text{ (theo.)}.$$

- Preliminary results for the ratio of EW penguin to tree amplitudes:

$$\text{Re}(P_{\text{EWP}}/T) = -0.21 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.29 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.16 \text{ (theo.)},$$

$$\pm \text{Im}(P_{\text{EWP}}/T) = -0.54 \pm 0.05 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.29 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (theo.)}.$$

- Systematic is dominant source of error in this measurement:

- Only eliminated by measuring relative phases for  $K^{*+}\overline{K}^0$  and  $K^+\overline{K}^{*0}$

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# Conclusion

- BaBar results for  $K^+\pi^-\pi^0$  in process of being finalised.
- Results to be combined soon to form CKM constraint.
- Measuring  $\gamma$  from  $B \rightarrow \rho K$  via phase difference of  $\rho K$  and  $K^*\pi$ 
  - Tree/QCD penguin ratio expected to be larger than  $K^*\pi$
  - Potentially better sensitivity to  $\gamma$
- Promising method for future experiments:
  - At a Super B factory errors can expect errors to scale by 7% compared to BaBar results.
  - LHCb could also have potential for these measurements and additionally study the constraint in the  $B_s$  decays.

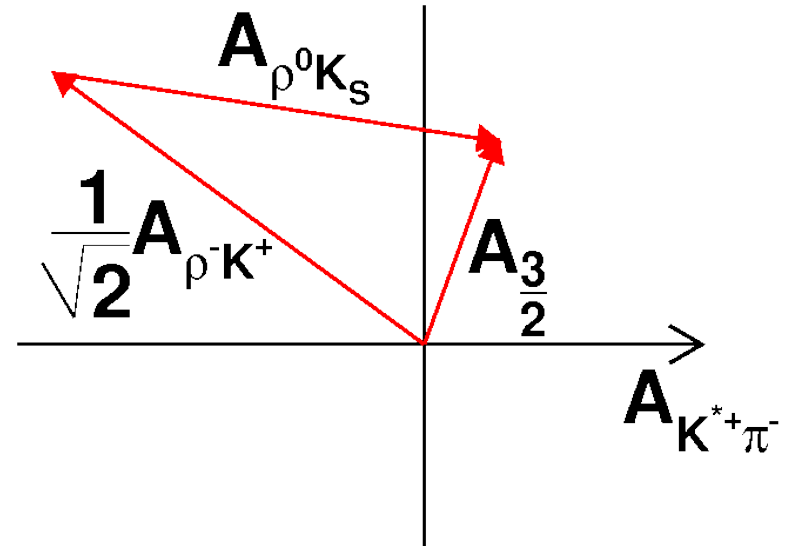




# BACKUP SLIDES

# Determining $\gamma$ from $B \rightarrow \rho K$

- Another method involves using  $B \rightarrow \rho K$  with  $K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$  and  $K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$
- Subtle difference with  $K^* \pi$ : relative phase not measured directly:
  - $\rho^+ K^-$  measured from  $K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
  - $\rho^0 K_S$  measured from  $K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$
- $A_{3/2}$  determined from difference between the phases relative to  $K^{*+} \pi^-$



- EW penguin contributions follow again from  $\rho \pi$  like in  $K^*(892) \pi$  case

# Interference fractions

$$FF_{ij} = \frac{\int_{\text{DP}} 2 \operatorname{Re} [c_i c_j^* F_i(m_+^2, m_-^2) F_j^*(m_+^2, m_-^2)] d(m_+^2) d(m_-^2)}{\int_{\text{DP}} \left| \sum_j c_j F_j(m_+^2, m_-^2) \right|^2 d(m_+^2) d(m_-^2)}$$

- Gives the extent of the interference effect between two resonances as measured in the fit.
- It's a convention independent representation of the event population of the DP
  - $+FF_{ij}$  = constructive interference
  - $-FF_{ij}$  = destructive interference