

Rare Decays with Missing Energy at SuperB

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Golden Matrix for B-Physics

	H^+ high $\tan\beta$	Minimal FV	Non-Minimal FV (1-3)	Non-Minimal FV (2-3)	NP Z-penguins	Right-Handed currents
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)$		X		O		O
$A_{CP}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)$				X		O
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu)$	X-CKM					
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s l^+ l^-)$				O	O	O
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu})$				O	X	
$S(K_S \pi^0 \gamma)$			X-CKM			X
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- X The GOLDEN channel for the given scenario
○ Not the GOLDEN channel for the given scenario,
 but can show experimentally measurable deviations from SM.

Rare decays with missing energy

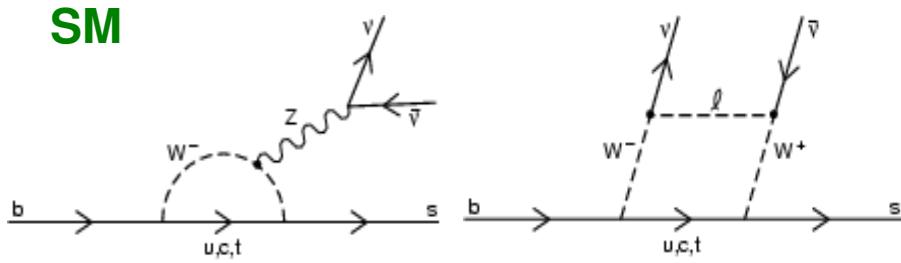
Super B specifics

- Inclusive analyses
- Channels with $\pi^0, \gamma, \nu, K_S \dots$

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θ (helicity) = angle between:

- K^* direction in B rest frame
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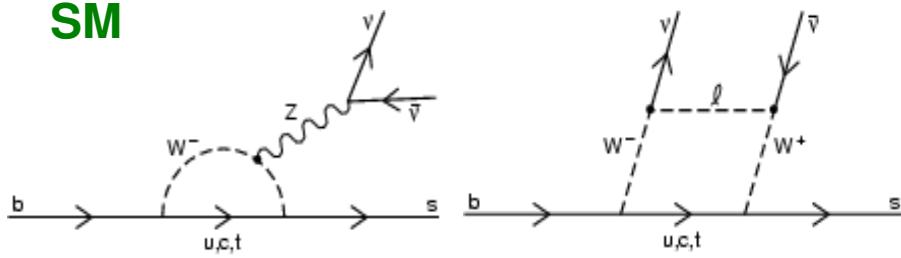
$$\epsilon = \frac{\sqrt{|C_L^v|^2 + |C_R^v|^2}}{|(C_L^v)^{SM}|}$$

$$\eta = \frac{-\text{Re}(C_L^v C_R^v*)}{|C_L^v|^2 + |C_R^v|^2}$$

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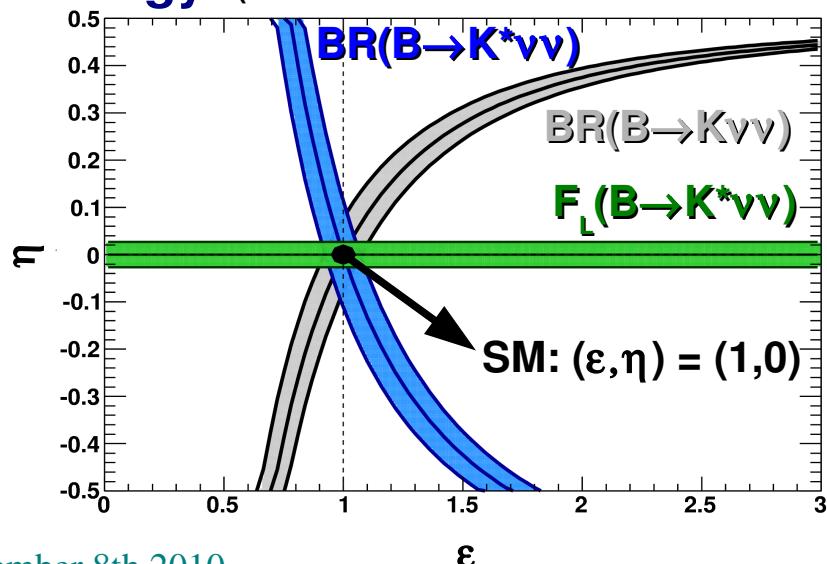
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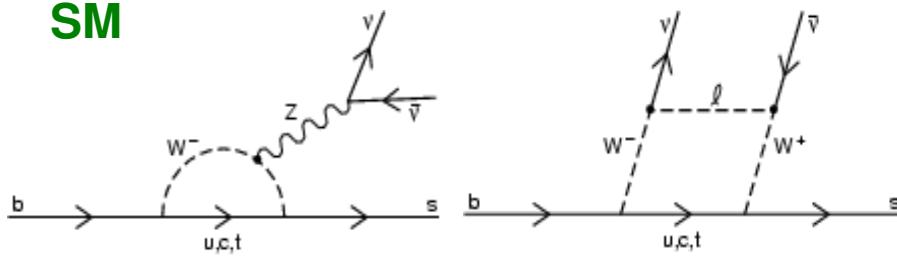
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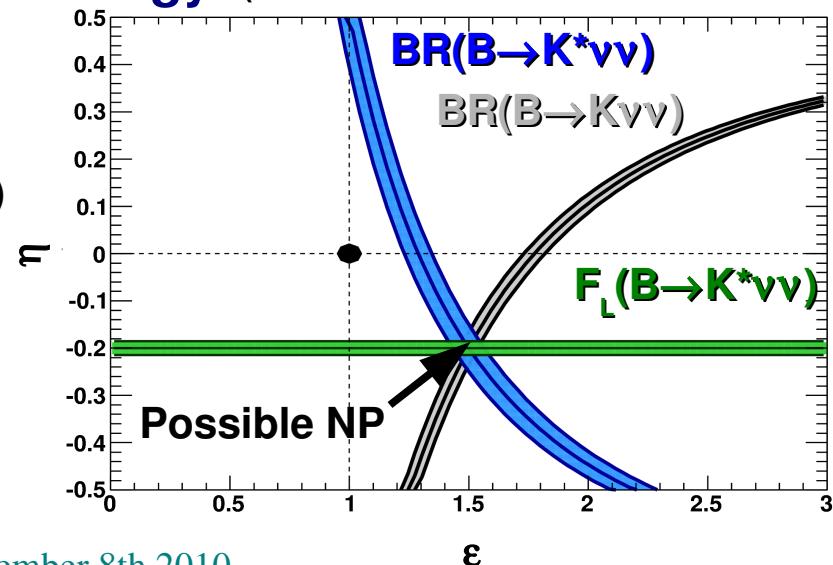
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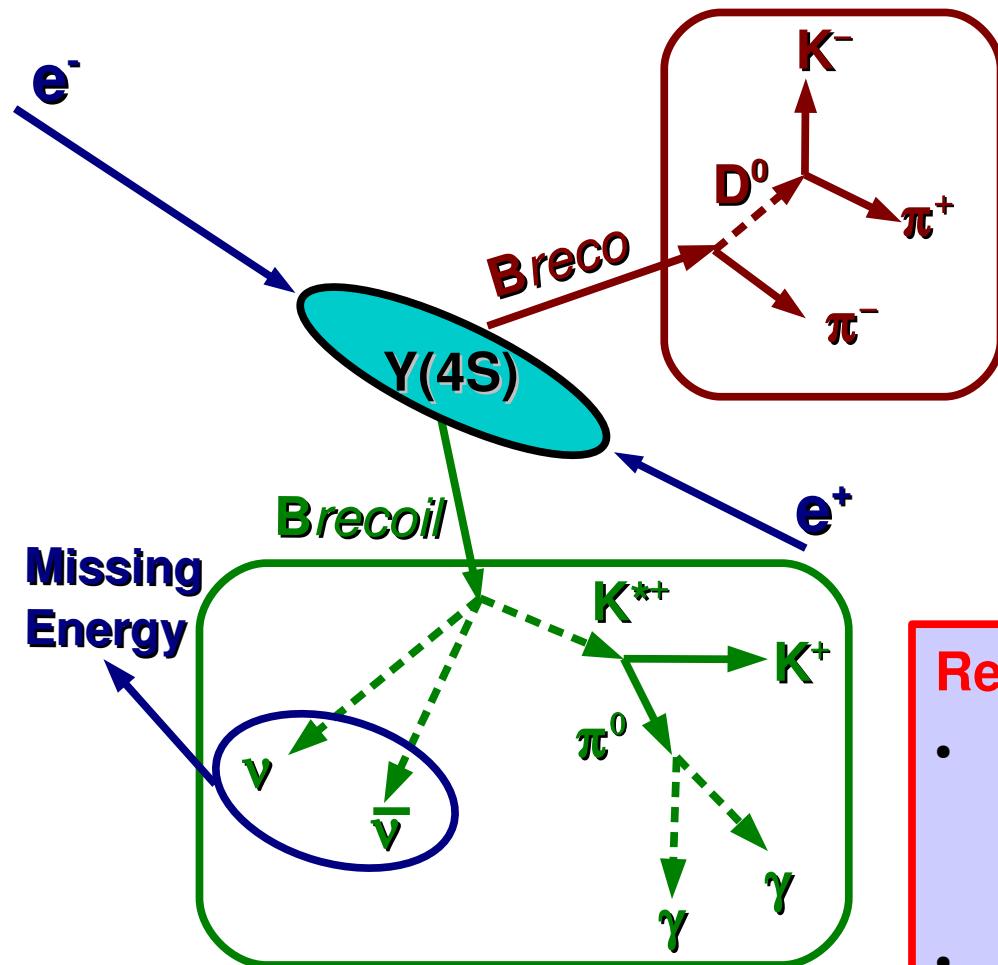
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Recoil Analysis Technique (I)

- Most of the searches for rare B decays exploit the **Recoil Technique**:



Breco: full (partial) reconstruction of one B into a hadronic (semi-leptonic) final state

Brecoil: look for the signal signature, e.g. $K^{(*)}$ not accompanied by additional (charged+neutral) particles + **Missing Energy**

Recoil technique at B-Factories:

- search for rare decays ($\sim 10^{-5}$) with missing energy
(Not possible at hadronic machines)
- Several benchmark channels at SuperB: $B \rightarrow \tau\nu$, $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\nu\bar{\nu}$, ...

Recoil Analysis Technique (II)

- Aim: collect as many as possible fully/partially reconstructed B mesons in order to study the properties of the Brecoil
- 1st step: reconstruction $D \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

$$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+$$

$$D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$$

$$D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \gamma$$

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

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^0 (\gamma\gamma)$$

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

$$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$$

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2nd step:

Hadronic Breco: $B \rightarrow DX$

- Use D as a seed and add X to have system compatible with B hypothesis ($X = n\pi^\pm mK^\pm rK_s^0 q\pi^0$ and $n+m+r+q < 6$)
- Sample of 1100 B decay modes with different purities
- Kinematics completely constrained
- Low reconstruction efficiencies (~0.4%)

Semi-Leptonic Breco: $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} l \bar{\nu}$

- Use D as a seed and a lepton to form a Dl pair ($l = e^\pm, \mu^\pm$)
- Sample of 14 B decay modes
- Kinematics is unconstrained due to neutrino
- Higher reconstruction efficiencies (~2.0%)

Experimental Status



SL Recoil (90 million BB pairs)²:

$$BF(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) < 5.2 \times 10^{-5}$$

Had Recoil (351 million BB pairs)³:

$$BF(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) < 4.2 \times 10^{-5}$$

Had+SL Recoil (454 million BB pairs)⁴:

$$BF(B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \nu \bar{\nu}) < 8.0 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$BF(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \nu \bar{\nu}) < 12.0 \times 10^{-5}$$



Had Recoil (535 million BB pairs)¹:

$$BF(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) < 1.4 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$BF(B^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) < 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$BF(B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \nu \bar{\nu}) < 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$BF(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \nu \bar{\nu}) < 3.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

All measurements
are upper limits!
Still consistent with
SM expectation

¹ K. F. Chen et al. [BELLE Collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. 99, 221802 (2007).

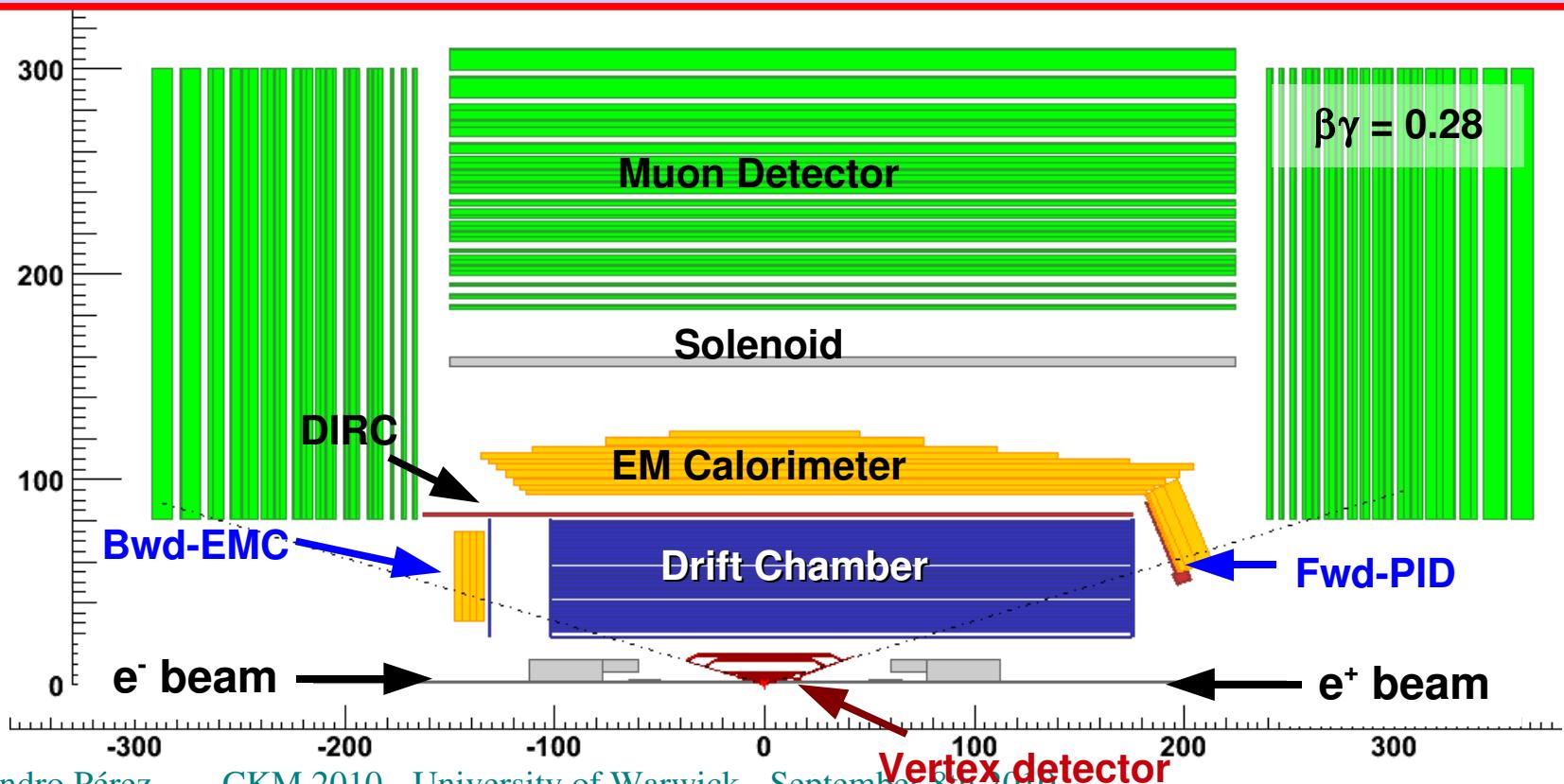
² B. Aubert et al. [BaBar collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 181 (2005)

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SuperB Detector Layout

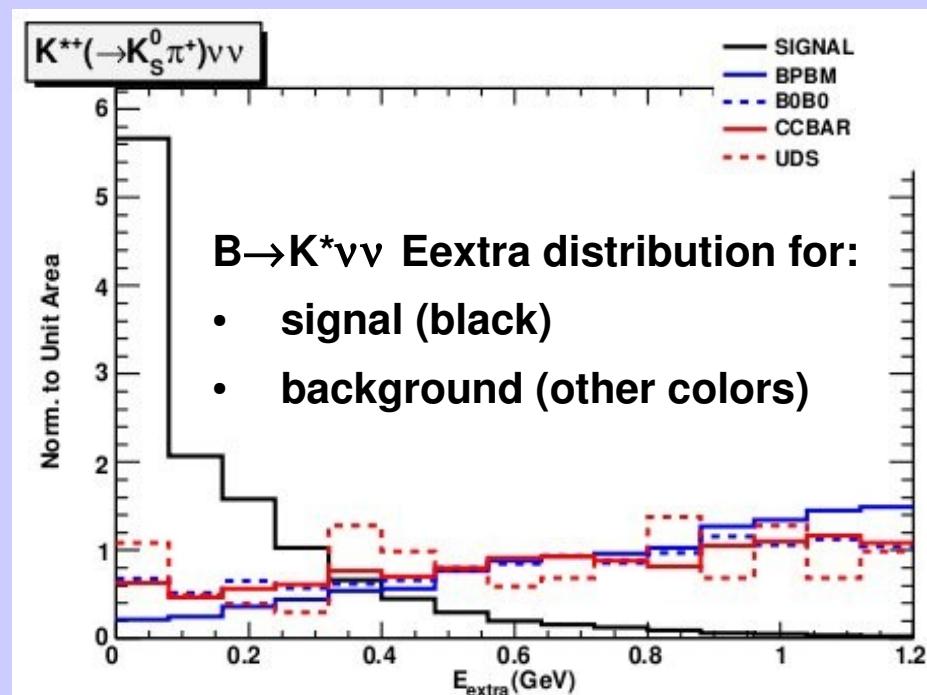
- Baseline configuration: BaBar with a reduced boost ($\beta\gamma = 0.28$ instead of 0.56)
⇒ higher geometrical acceptance ⇒ higher efficiency
- Additional detector components proposed:
 - Forward particle identification device (Fwd-PID)
 - Backward electromagnetic calorimeter (Bwd-EMC)



$B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$ Analysis strategy (I)

Signal-side selection:

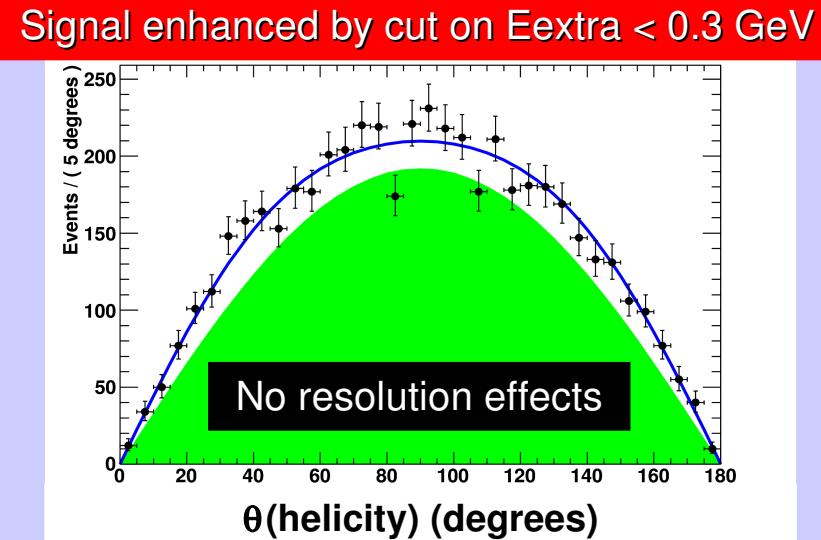
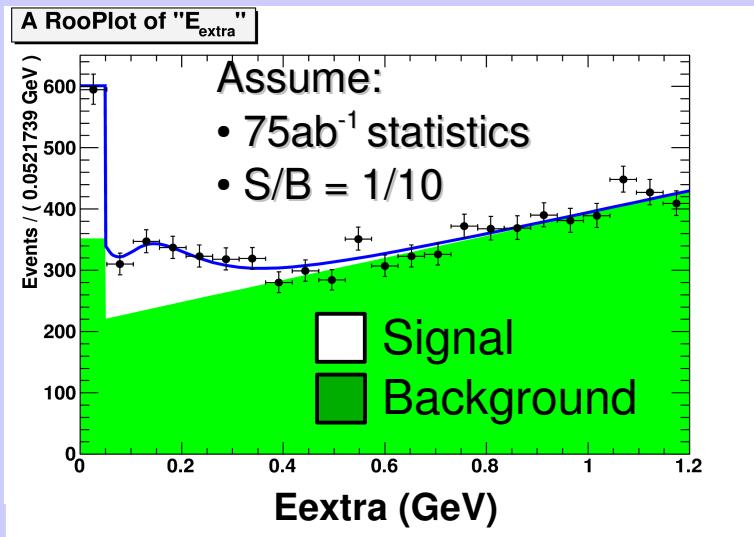
- $B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu}$: look for a single K^+ (K_s^0) in *Brecoil*
- $B^* \rightarrow K^* \nu \bar{\nu}$: look for a K^{*+} (K^*0) in *Brecoil*. Several modes:
 $K^{*+} \rightarrow K_s^0 (\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) \pi^+$, $K_s^0 (\rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) \pi^+$, $K^+ \pi^0$ (charged); $K^*0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ (neutral)
- Opposite (same) charges of *Breco* and *Brecoil* for charged (neutral) modes
- No extra tracks in the event
- Kinematic cuts: K_s^0 and K^* mass
- Kaon (K^+, K_s^0) K^* CM momentum
- Missing energy ($E_{\text{beams}} - \text{energy of charged and neutral objects in event}$)
- Main discriminant variable:
 $E_{\text{extra}} = \sum (\text{extra neutrals in the EMC})$



B \rightarrow K $^{(*)}\nu\nu$ Analysis strategy (II)

Fit strategy for B \rightarrow K $^*\nu\nu$ analysis:

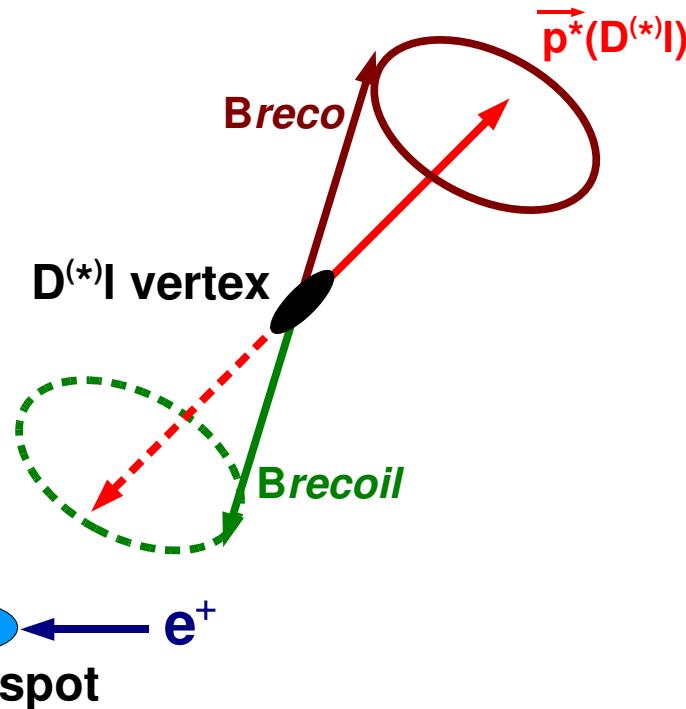
- The plan is to extract BR and F_L by performing a 2D fit on Eextra and $\theta(\text{helicity})$



- Drawback for angular analysis: need to know Brecoil reference frame (RF)
 - Hadronic Breco: constrained kinematics \Rightarrow Brecoil RF can be inferred from Breco reconstruction and beams information
 - Semi-leptonic Breco: unconstrained kinematics due to neutrino
 - Still can use the available information to build an estimator for $\theta(\text{helicity})$
 - Expect worse resolution effects w.r.t Hadronic Breco

Angular Analysis: SL recoil (I)

- Available experimental information for θ (helicity) measurement:
 - $D^{(*)}l$ vertex in Lab RF and 4-momentum in CM
 - Module of Breco 3-momentum in CM
 - Cosine of the angle between the Breco and $D^{(*)}l$ in CM: **Breco is in a cone around $D^{(*)}l$**

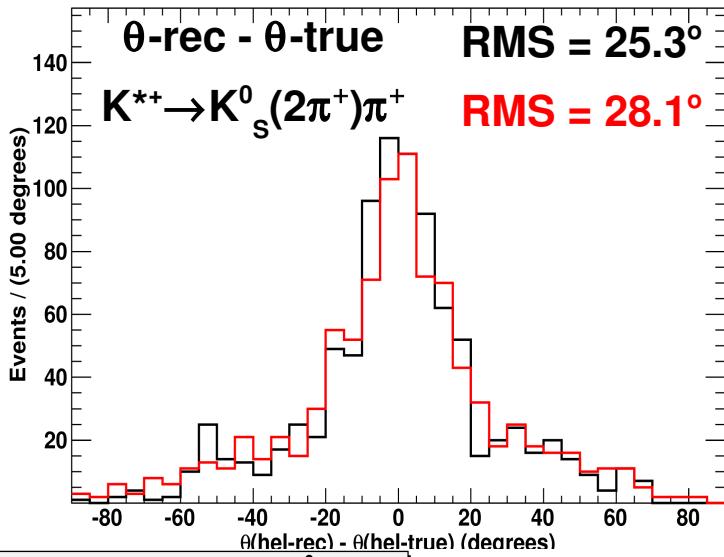


Two estimators for θ :

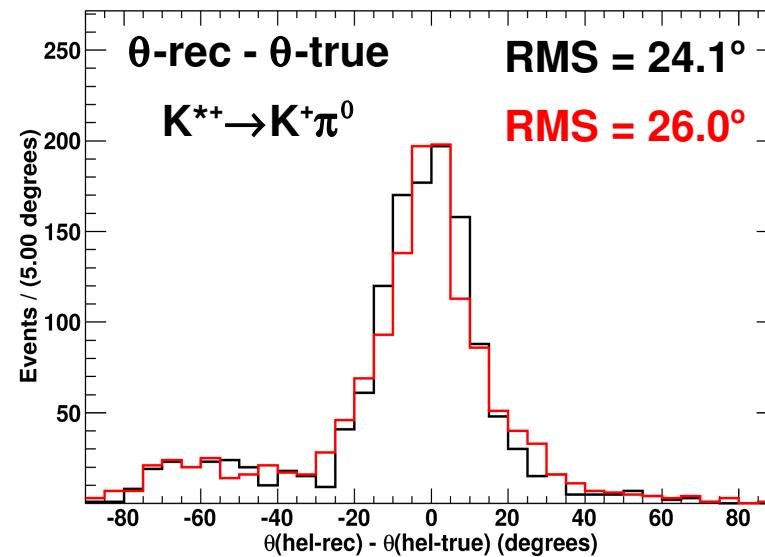
- Average:
use all possible Brecoil vectors around $D^{(*)}l$ cone to calculate θ . Then average out.
- Beam spot:
for each Brecoil vector obtain the min-distance (d_{min}) between the beam spot and the line through the DI vertex with Brecoil direction. θ (helicity) calculated with the Brecoil giving the smallest d_{min}

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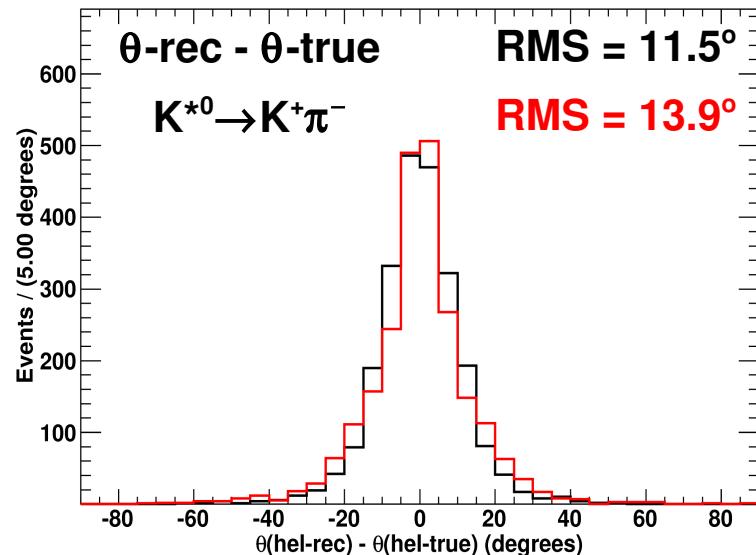
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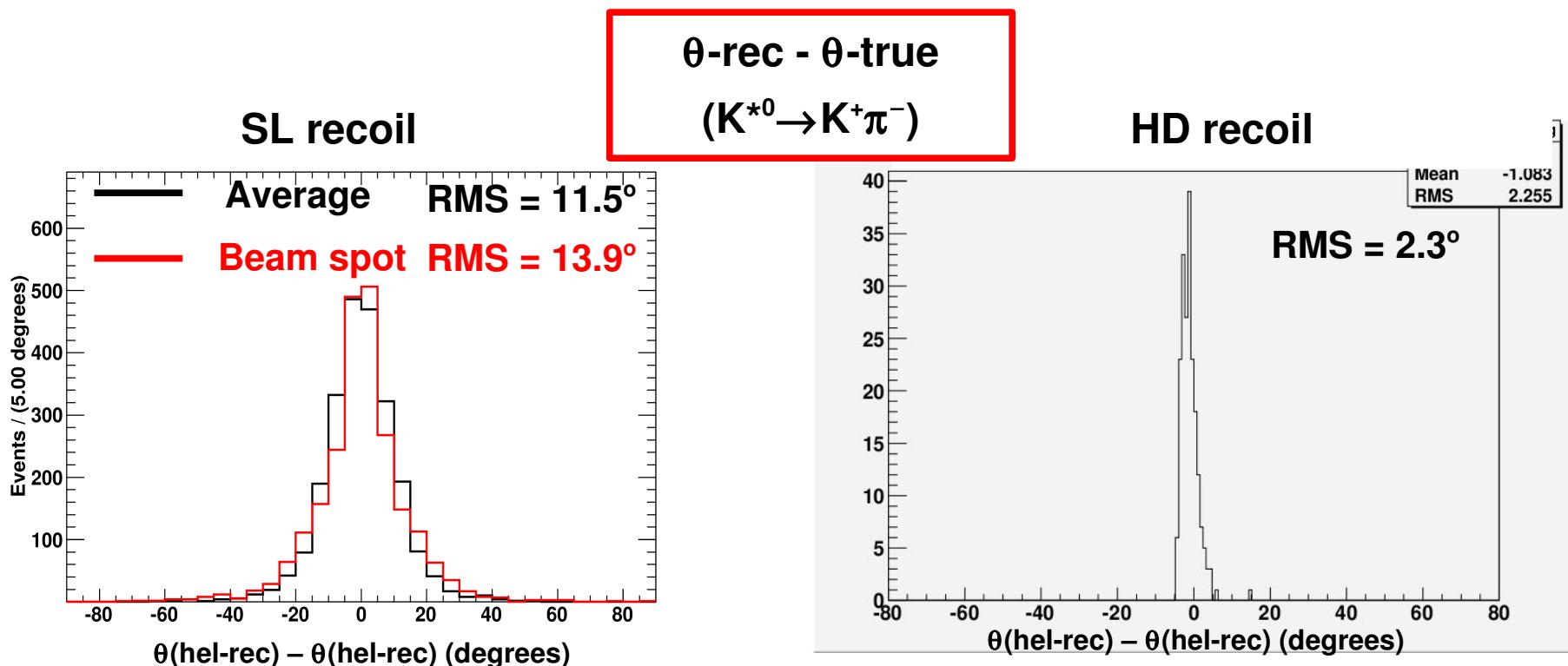


—	Average
—	Beam spot

- Events with $80^\circ < \theta\text{-true} < 100^\circ$
- It seems that average method is slightly better (better resolution) than beam spot method

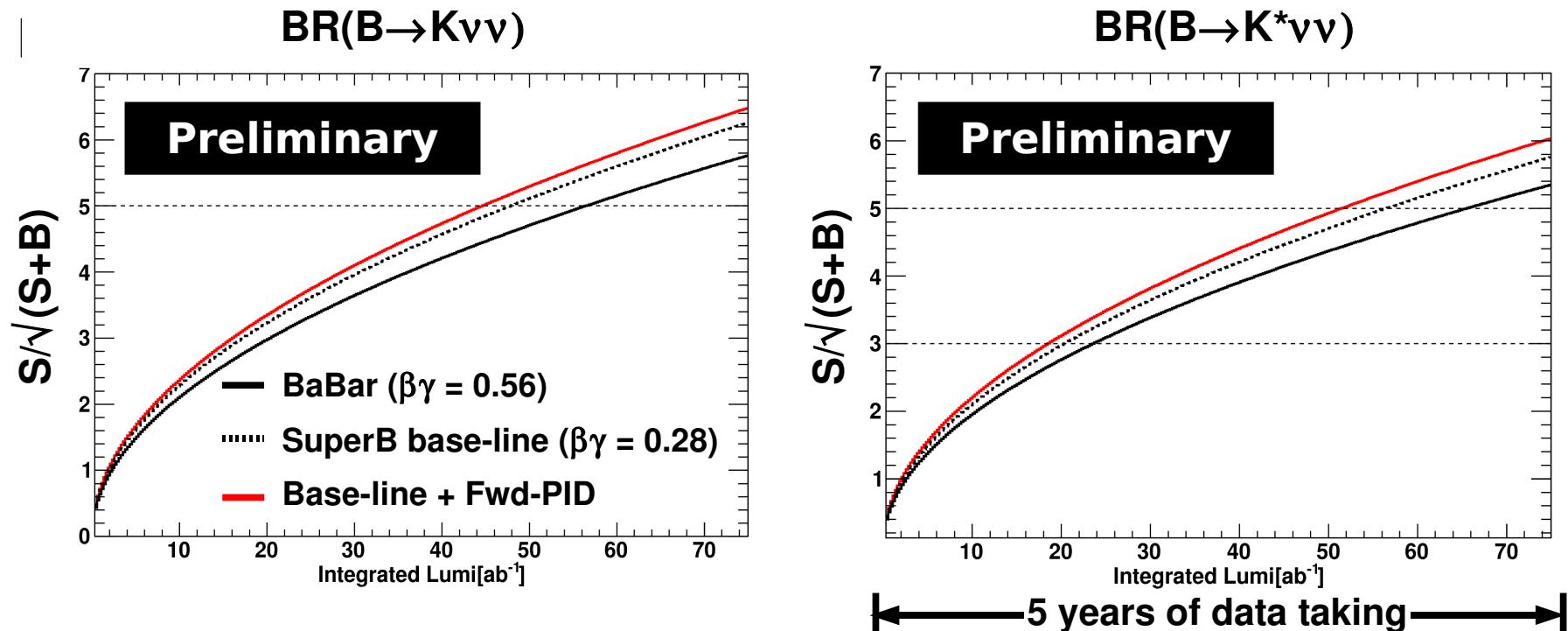
Angular Analysis: SL and HD recoil

- Events with $80^\circ < \theta\text{-true} < 100^\circ$
- Hadronic recoil has a lower resolution (5 times better) due to the constrained kinematics



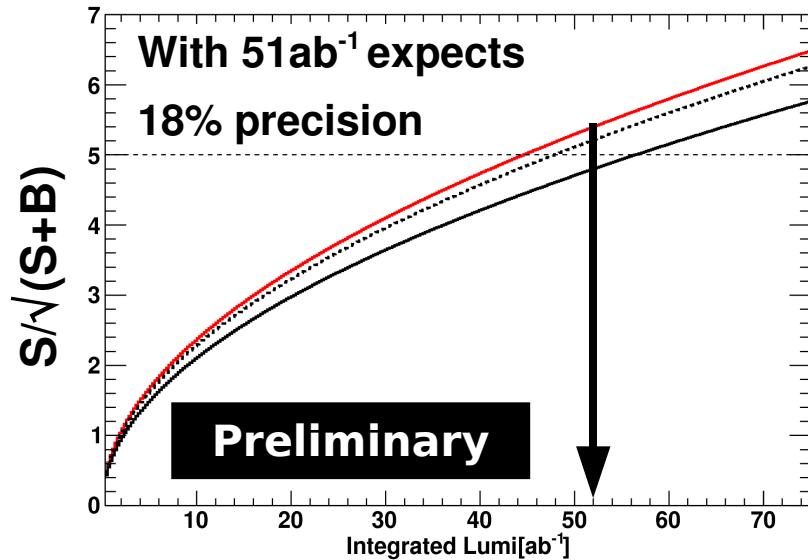
$B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$ (SL): Expected Sensitivity

- Performed a very simple cut and count analysis
- Not enough statistics for background samples for studying background reduction
- Only estimate efficiency gains on signal samples: ~5% to 10%
- Pessimistic assumption: backgrounds increases in efficiency such that S/B ratio stays constant \Rightarrow overall increase in statistics for all samples

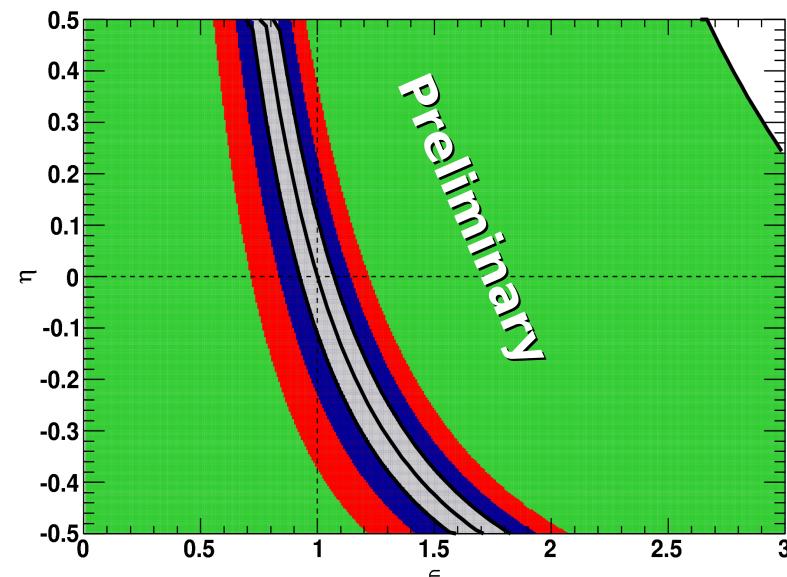
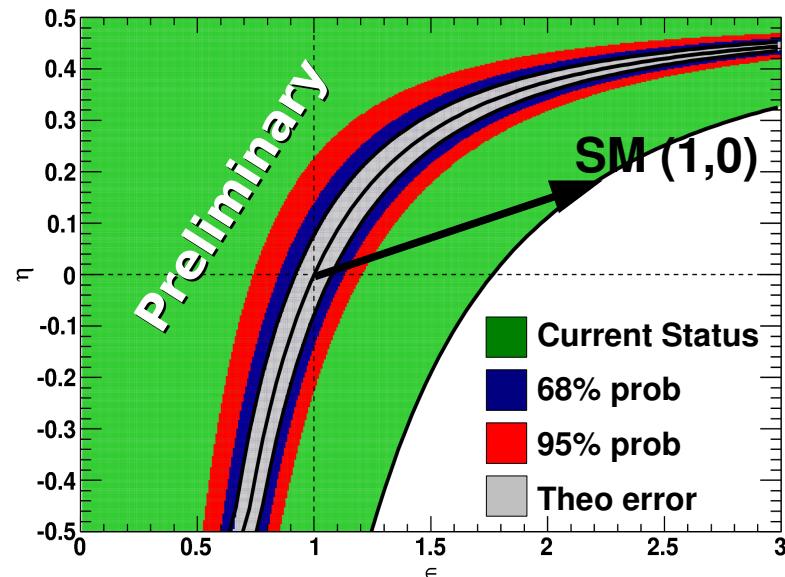
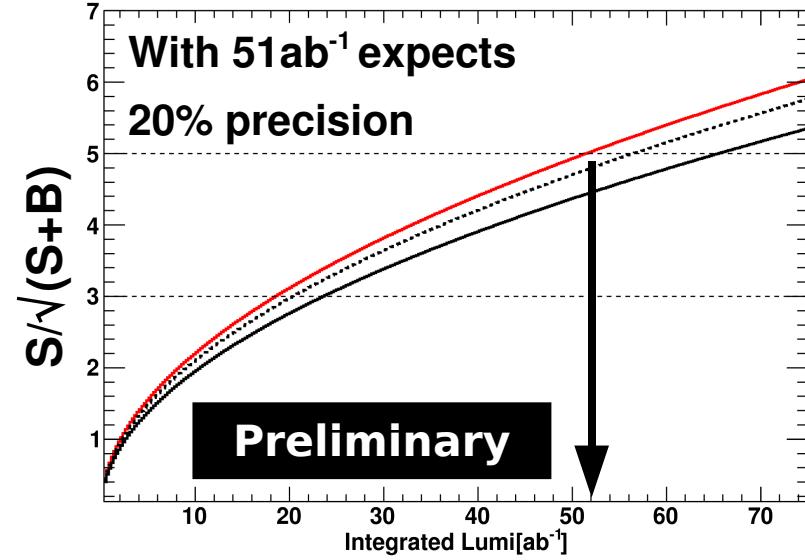


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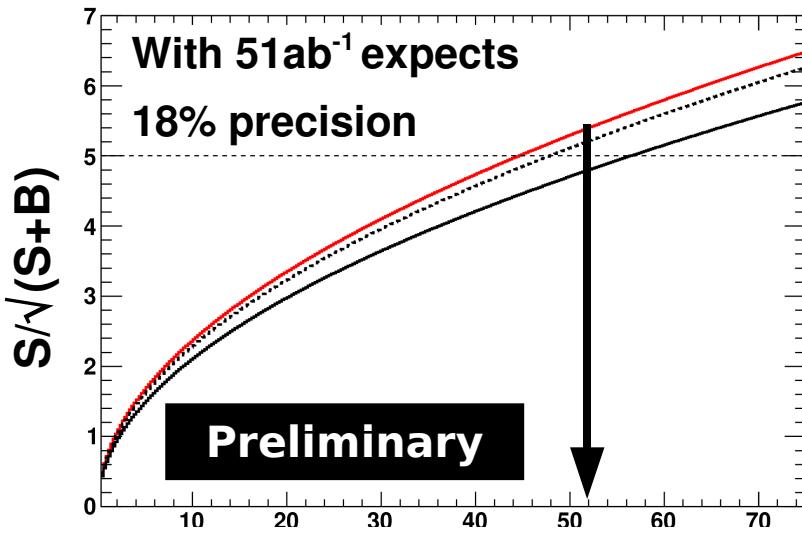


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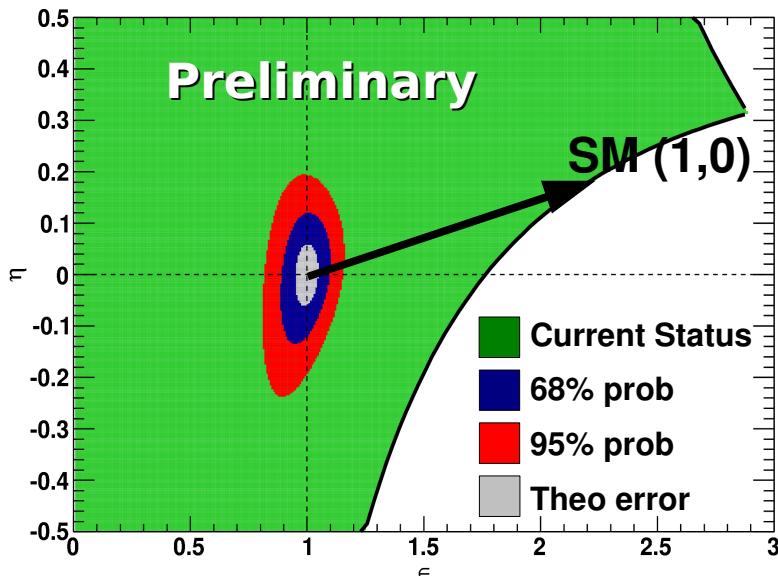
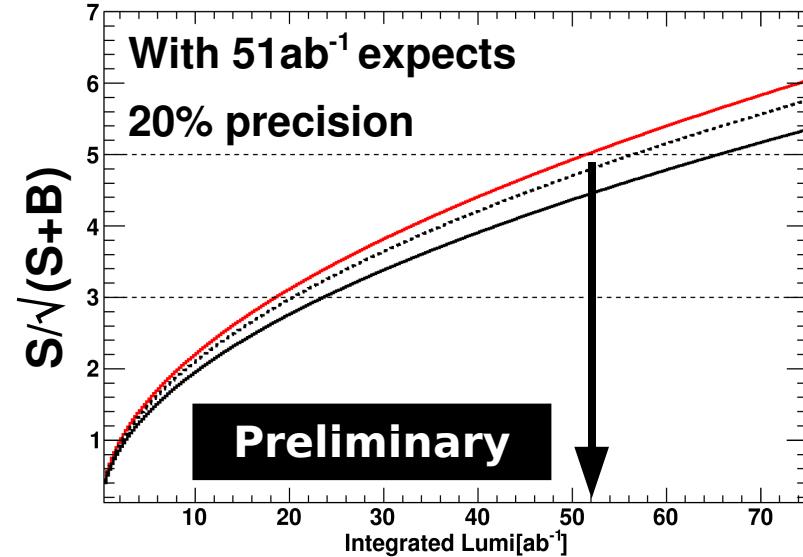


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- Warning: very preliminary results
- Still need to quantify the effect of:
 - Bwd-EMC on background rejection
 - SuperB machine backgrounds rates

Summary and outlook

- Rare decays with missing energy are golden modes for spotting NP
- SuperB clean experimental environment allows to study those decays
(not possible at hadronic machines)

- **$B \rightarrow K^{(*)}vv$ modes have potential for NP searches:** overconstrained model independent phenomenology \Rightarrow 3 observables and 2 parameters (ε, η)
- SuperB will be able to significantly reduce NP parameter space with a reduced fraction of its total dataset ($51\text{ab}^{-1} \Leftrightarrow \sim 3.4$ years of data taking)
- Expect better results with additional detector improvements (Bwd-EMC)

- Still some work to do
 - Simultaneous extraction of $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)}vv)$ and $F_L(B \rightarrow K^{(*)}vv)$ with a 2D fit on Eextra and $\theta(\text{helicity})$
 - Additional FL measurement should improve constrain on (ε, η) plane
- **Hopefully NP effects will be spotted after a couple of years of running!**

Backup