

B Decays to $D_s^{(*)}$ and D^*

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Measurements and Data sample

- The data were taken*

- at $Y(4S)$ c.m. energy (on resonance sample), and:
- 40 MeV below the BB threshold (off resonance sample).

Study of inclusive $D_s^{(\ast)}$ production in B Decay.

$L \sim 7.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

on resonance

$L \sim 1.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

off resonance

Measurement of $B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(\ast)+} D^{\ast-}$ -Branching Ratio with a partial reconstruction technique.

$L \sim 5.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Measurement of the Branching Ratios of $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(\ast+)} \pi^-$ and $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(\ast+)} \rho^-$

Introduction

- *Motivation*

- Study the mechanism leading to the creation of $c\bar{s}$ quark pair
- Test the factorization models of B decays to open charm
- Study detector performance
- Validation tests for other measurements, like B^0 lifetime, B^0 mixing and CP study

- *The detector*

- Charged particle tracking :
 - Silicon Vertex Tracker and Drift Chamber.
- Momentum resolution** (p_T/ρ_T)² = $(0.0015\rho_T)^2 + (0.005)^2$ [GeV]
- Particle identification:
 - dE/dx in SVT and DCH; Chernikov angle in DIRC.
 - K identification up to about 3.5 GeV
- Photon detection:
 - CsI(Tl) crystal calorimeter

D_s production in B decay

Decay channel:

$$D_s^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$$

Selection criteria:

- Kaon ID
- $|M(KK) - M_{\phi}| < 8.0$ MeV
- $|\cos\theta_K| > 0.3$

Efficiency: $40.5 \pm 1.0\%$



Signal
 $D_s^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$

$N_{D_s^{\pm}}: 18270 \pm 200$
 $M = 1968.5 \pm 0.1$ MeV
 $\sigma = 5.4 \pm 0.1$ MeV

Cabibbo sup.
 $D^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$



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After continuum subtraction:



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Systematic source	Error %
N_{SB}	3.6
Track efficiency	7.5
Part. id	0.8
$BR(\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-)$	1.6
Other contr.	3.0
Total	9.0

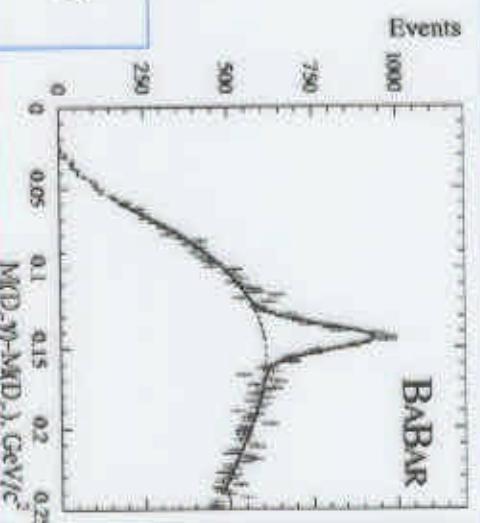
$$BR(B \rightarrow D_s^{\pm} X) = (11.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.1 \pm 3.0) \times 10^{-2} \text{ assuming } BR(D_s^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}) = (3.6 \pm 0.9)\%$$

D_s* production in B decay

Decay channel: D_s*[±] → D_s[±] γ



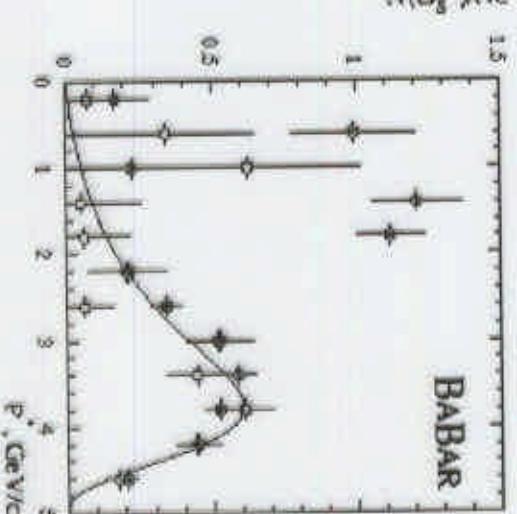
N(D_s) = 3030 ± 151
 $\Delta M = 143.4 \pm 0.3$ MeV
 $\sigma = 7.4 \pm 0.4$ MeV



$$BR(B \rightarrow D_s^{*+} X) = (6.8 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.7) \times 10^{-2}$$

assuming

$$BR(D_s^{*+} \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) = 3.6 \pm 0.9\%$$



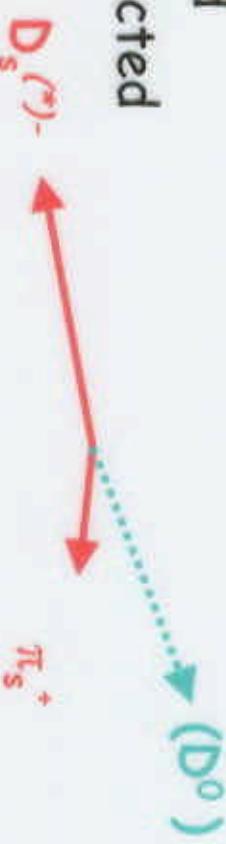
Systematic Sources	Error %
N _{bb}	3.6
Track efficiency	7.5
Photon effic.	2.5
Part. id	0.8
BR(φ → K ⁺ K ⁻)	1.6
BR(D _s [*] → D _s γ)	2.7
Other contrib.	7.7
total	12.0

$B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(\ast)+} D^{*-}$ Branching Ratios

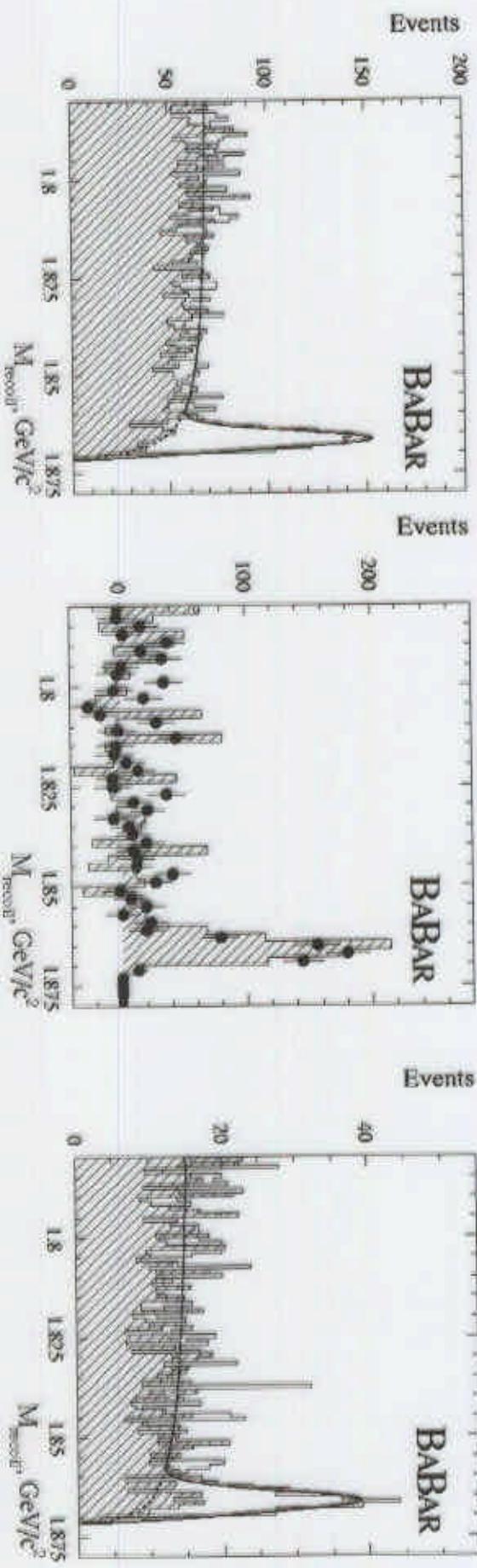
Method:

fully reconstructed

$D_s^{(\ast)-}$
 $D^{*\ast+} \rightarrow (D^0) \pi_s^+$ partially reconstructed



$D_s^{(\ast)-} - \pi$ missing mass \longrightarrow Bkgd subtracted



$B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} D^{*-}$

Branching Ratios

Yield from the missing mass after background subtraction:

$N_{B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D^{*-}} : 628 \pm 55$

Efficiency: $32.8 \pm 1.8\%$

Feed through: $14.9 \pm 1.2\%$

from $B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D^{*-}$ to $D_s^{*+} D^{*-}$

$B^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D^{*-}$

$BR = (7.1 \pm 2.4 \pm 2.5 \pm 1.8^*) \times 10^{-3}$

PDG: $BR = (9.6 \pm 3.4) \times 10^{-3}$

* due to $BR(D_s^{*+} \rightarrow \phi \pi^+) = 3.6 \pm 0.9\%$

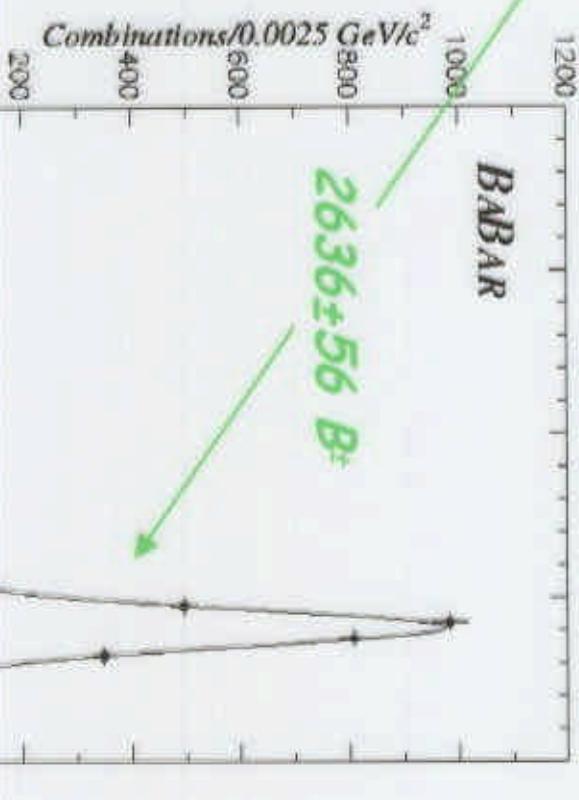
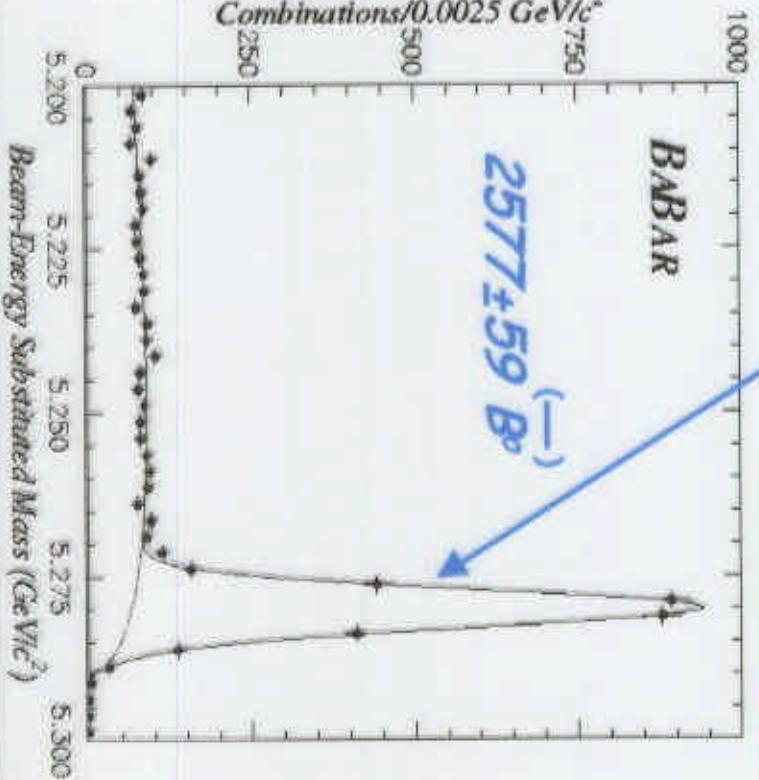
Exclusive modes reconstructed

$B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+} \pi^-$
 $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+} \rho^-$
 $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+} a_1^-$
 $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \, K^0$

$B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)0} \pi^-$
 $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)0} \rho^-$
 $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)0} a_1^-$
 $B^- \rightarrow J/\psi \, K^-$
 $B^- \rightarrow \psi(2S) \, K^-$

$D^{\ast 0} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$
 $D^{\ast -} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^-$
 $J/\psi \rightarrow l^+ l^-$
 $\psi(2S) \rightarrow l^+ l^- \pi^+ \pi^-$

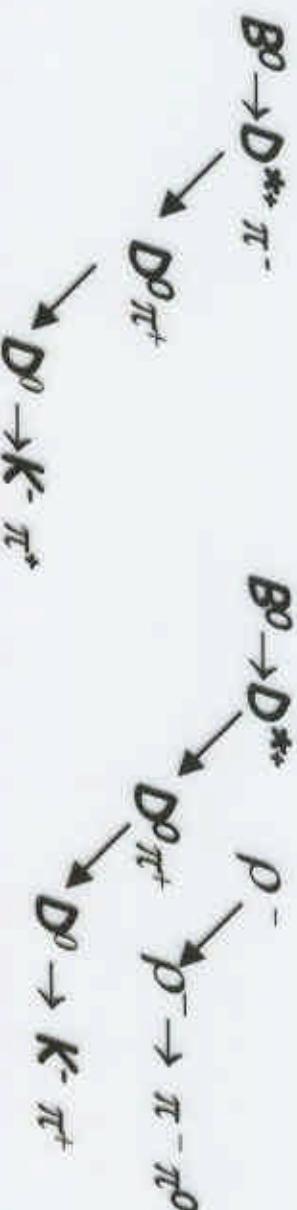
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+, \, K^- \pi^+ \pi^0,$
 $D^+ \rightarrow K_s \pi^- \pi^+, \, K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$



$B^0 \rightarrow D^{**+} \pi^-$ and $B^0 \rightarrow D^{**+} \rho^-$ selection

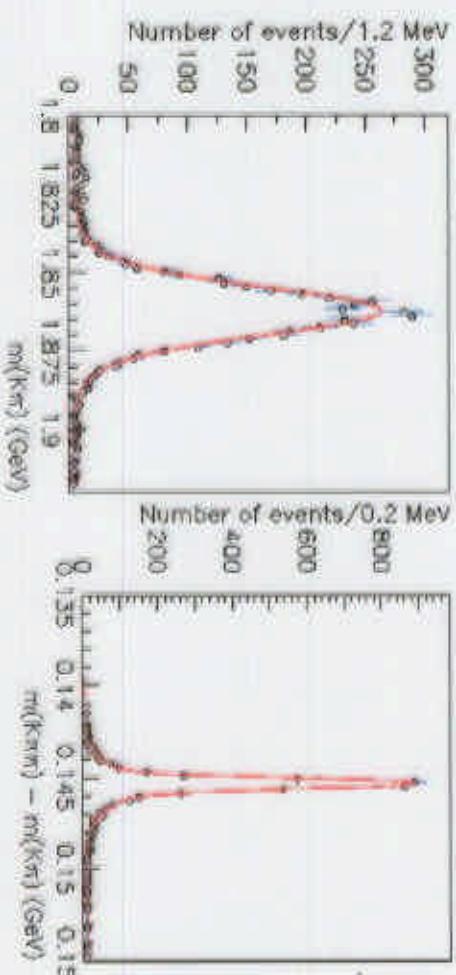
Exclusively reconstructed

Decay chain:



Simple selection:

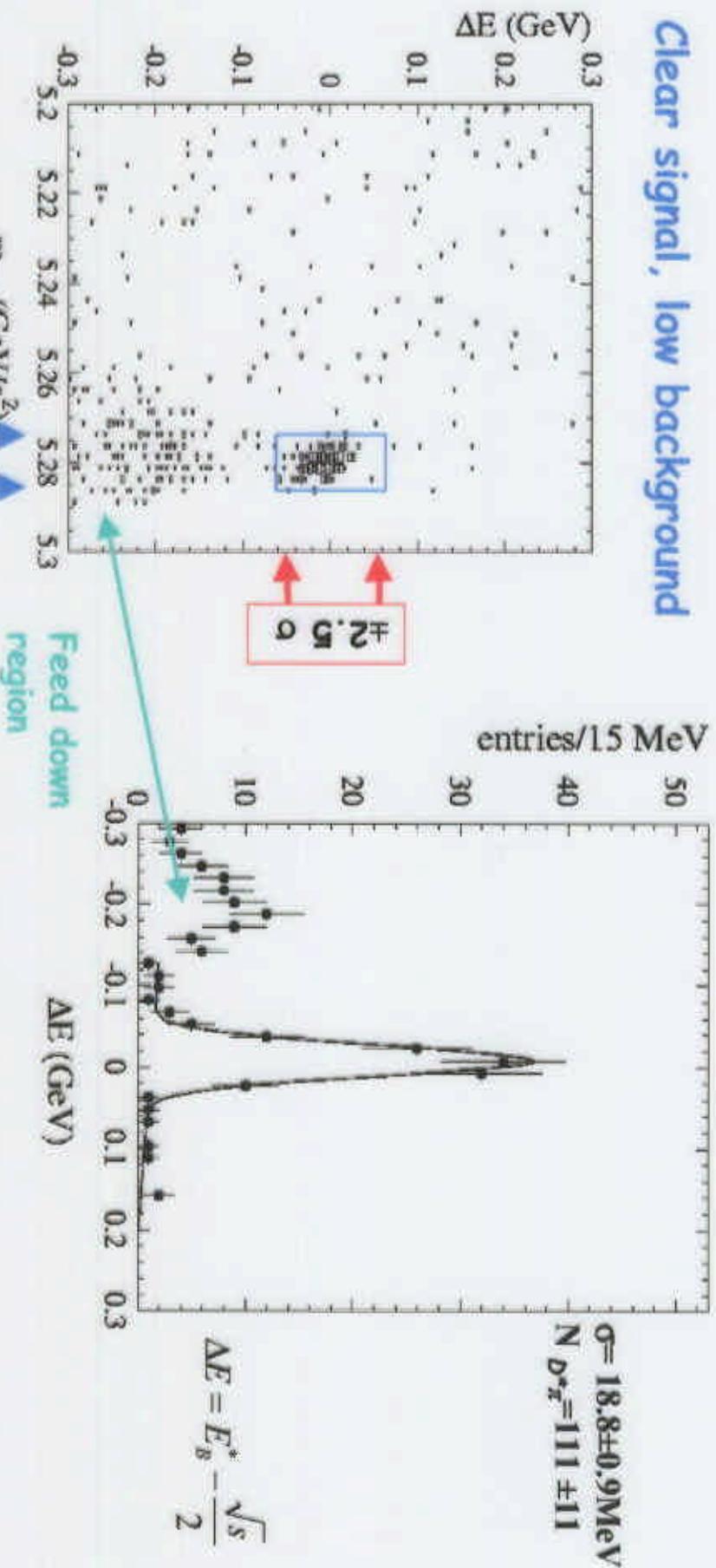
- $R2 < 0.5$ second Fox-Wolfram moment
- $P_T(\pi_s) > 70$ MeV
- 2.5σ $m(K\pi)$
- 2.5σ $m(K\pi\pi) - m(K\pi)$



$$\begin{aligned}
 BR(D^* \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0) &= (68.3 \pm 1.4)\% \\
 BR(D^0 \rightarrow K\pi) &= (3.83 \pm 0.09)\%
 \end{aligned}$$

$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \pi^-$ signal

Clear signal, low background



Efficiency: $\epsilon = 27.0 \pm 1.0 \%$

$$m_{KS} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}\right)^2 - p_B^{*2}}$$

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Results: $BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \pi^-)$

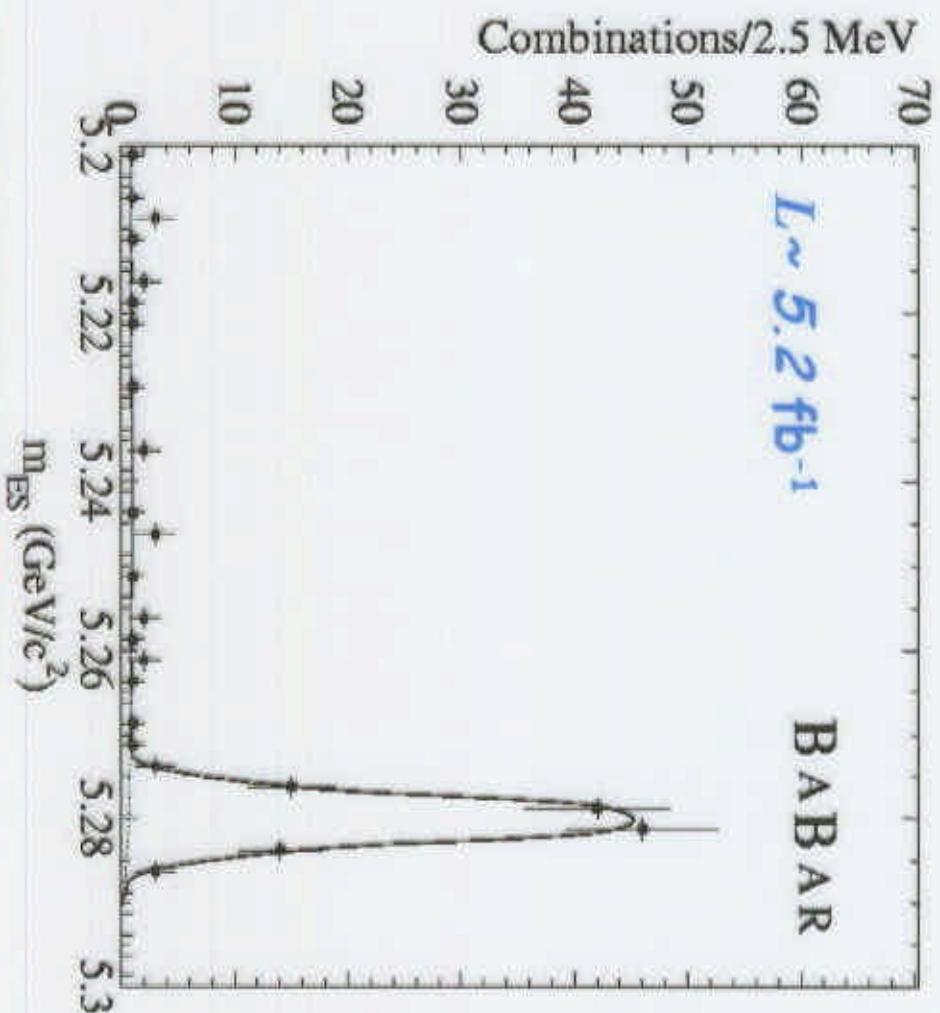
$$\sigma_{m_{ES}} = 2.45 \pm 0.18 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Observed Yield: 119 ± 11 events



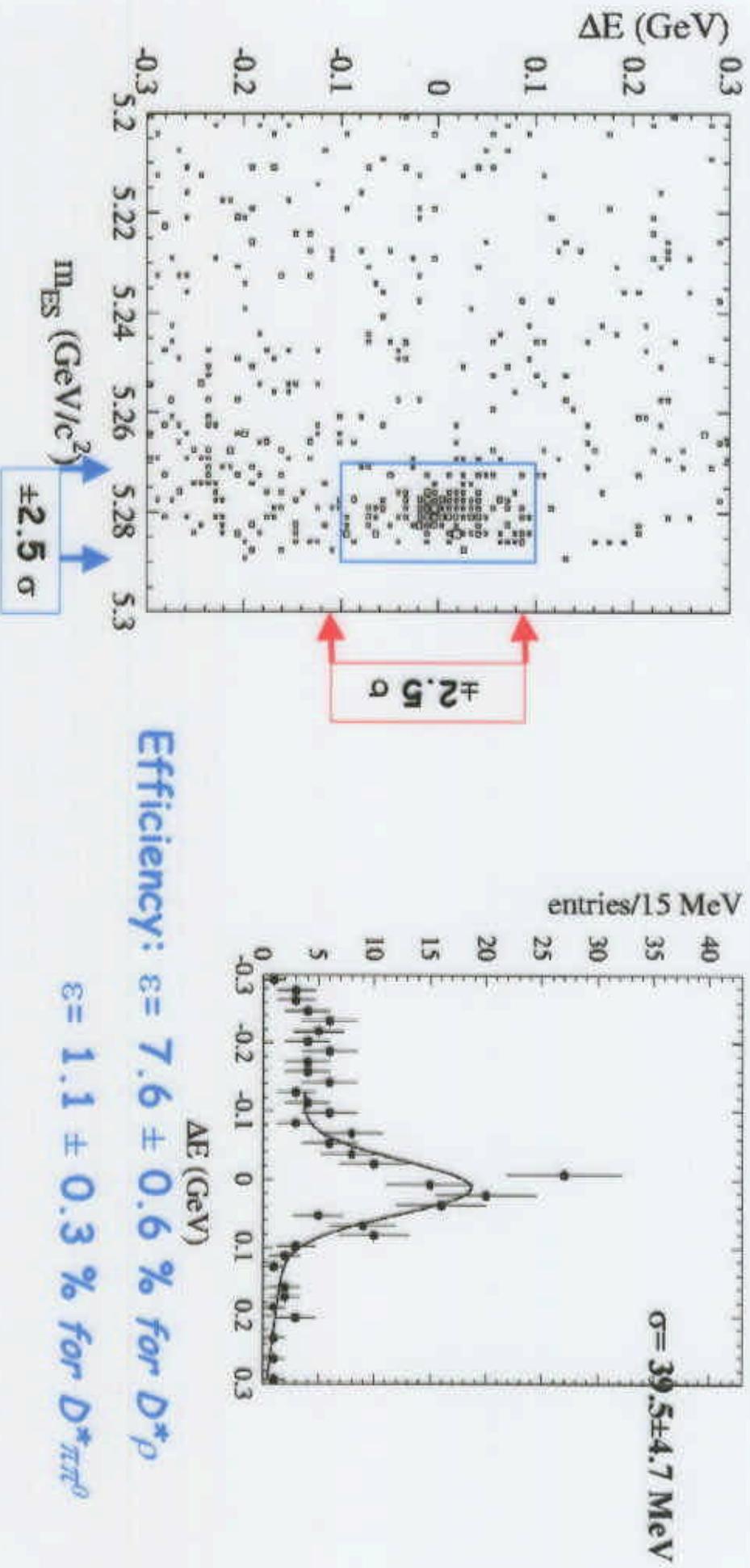
$$L \sim 5.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

Systematic Sources	Error%
N_{bb}	3.6
Track efficiency	7.9
Monte Carlo stat.	4.0
Selection criteria variation	3.0
Daughter BR	2.5
<i>Total</i>	10.3 %



$$BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \pi^-) = (2.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$$

$B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \rho^-$ Signal



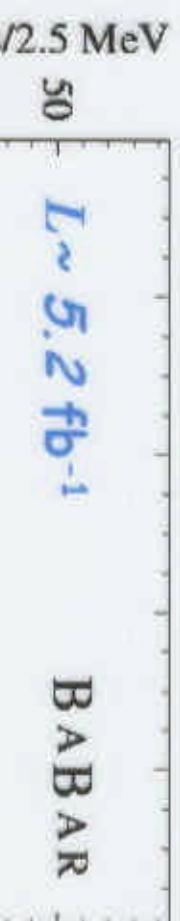
A Dalitz analysis of $D^* \pi \pi^0$ will be produced on the full statistics of the year 2000 run.

Upper limit on the continuum contribution by ALEO: <9% at 90% α .

Results $BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \rho^-)$

$$\sigma_{mES} = 3.5 \pm 0.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Observed Yield: 131 ± 13 erts



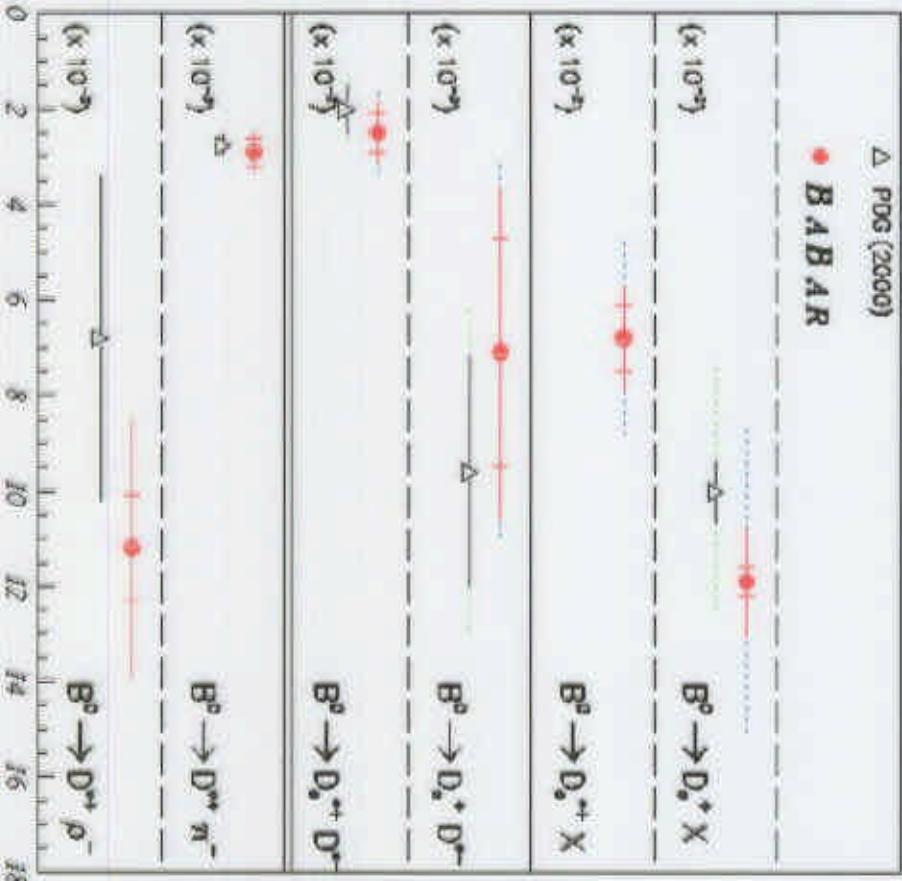
Systematic Sources	Error%
N_{BB}	3.6
Track efficiency	7.9
Monte Carlo stat.	8.0
π^0 efficiency	5.0
Selection criteria variation	3.0
Daughter BR	2.5
Selected ΔE range variation	10.
Two Hemisphere ρ helicity angle	15.
total	22.5

Assuming (on the basis of existing limits) that the BR is dominated by the $D^ \rho$ channel, our determination of BR is*

$$BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \rho^-) = (11.2 \pm 1.1 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-3}$$

Summary

Preliminary results on BR of hadronic B decays to open charm have been presented



With the luminosity accumulated so far, BABAR measured these BR with good precision.

More exclusive B modes have been reconstructed and can be used to study the hadronic B decay dynamics.