Search for Rare b-Hadron Decays at CDF II

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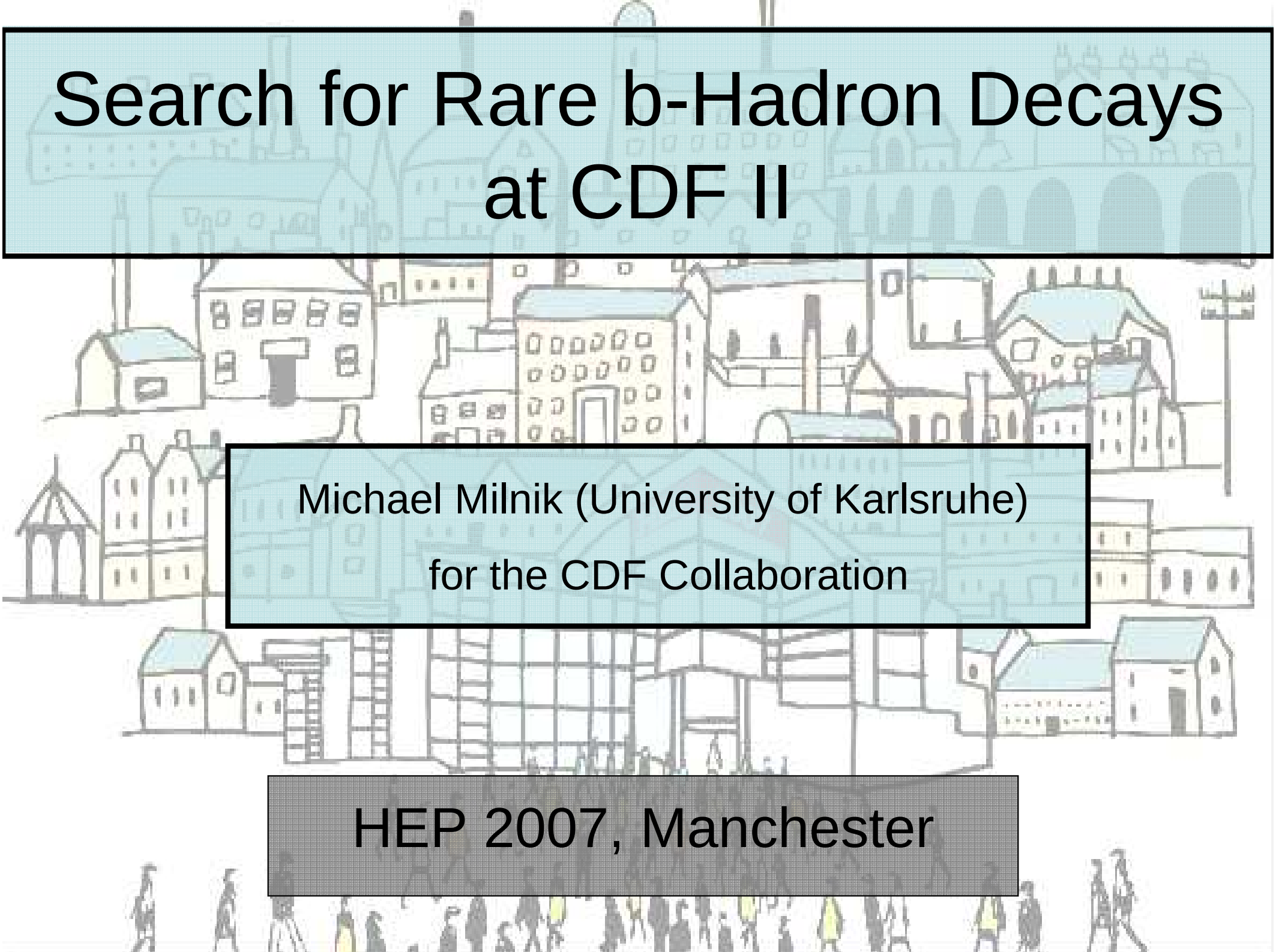


Covered in This Talk

- $B_{s/d} \rightarrow \mu\mu$

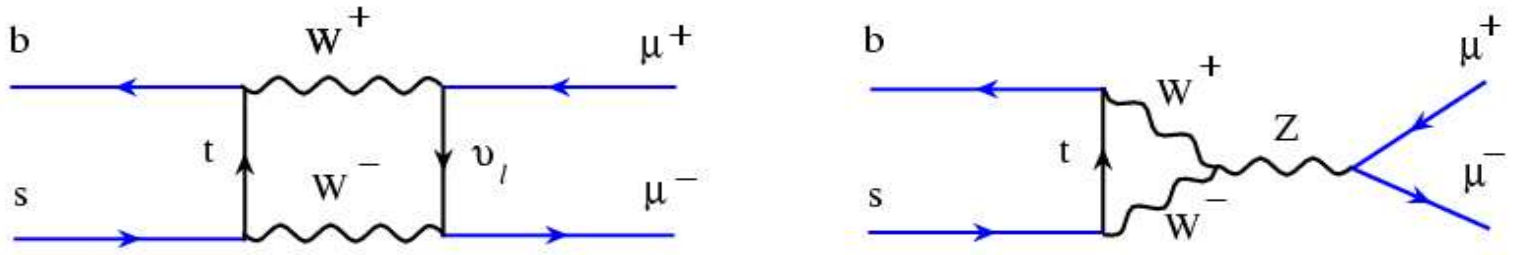
- $B \rightarrow \mu\mu\ h$
  - $B_u \rightarrow \mu\mu\ K$
  - $B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu\ K^*$
  - $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\ \phi$

Results from CDF on $B^0, B_s \rightarrow h^+h^-$' covered by M. Morello later in this session

Search for $B_{s/d} \rightarrow \mu\mu$

Motivation:

- In the SM, $B \rightarrow \mu\mu$ heavily suppressed (need FCNC)



expectation: $BR(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = (3.42 \pm 0.54) \times 10^{-9}$

A.J. Buras, Phys. Lett. B566, 115 (2003)

- $B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$ further Cabbibo-suppressed
- Expect to see nothing, if something seen → new physics

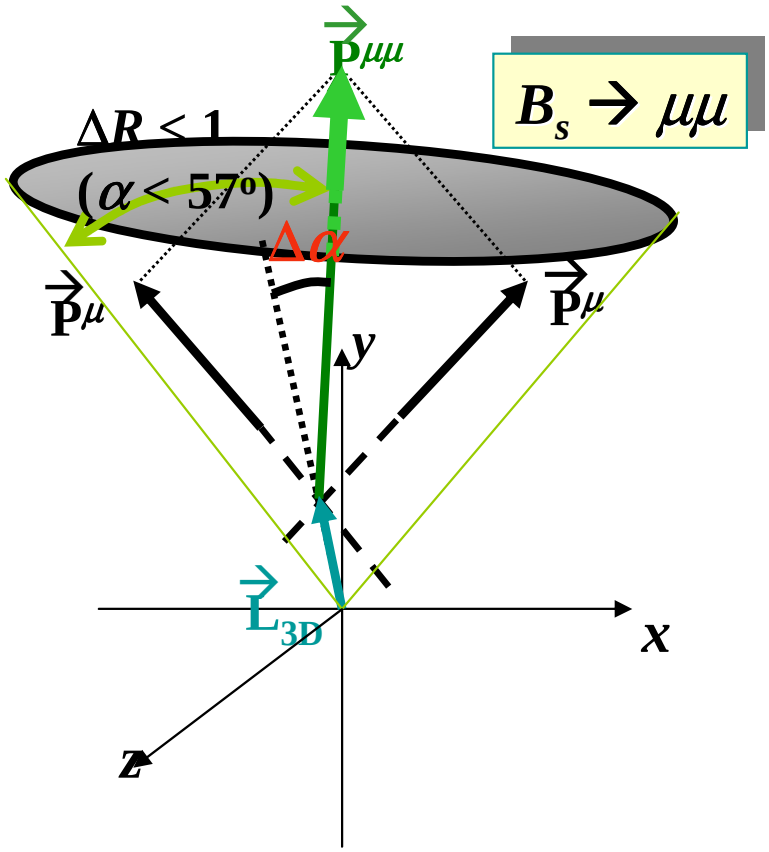
Search Methodology

1. Unbiased (blinded) selection optimisation using
   - signal event sample: MC simulation
   - background sample: data sidebands
2. Normalize to well-known B → J/ψ K decay
   → cancellation of many systematic effects

$$\frac{BR(B_s \to \mu^+\mu^-)}{BR(B^+ \to J/\psi K^+)BR(J/\psi \to \mu^+\mu^-)} = \frac{N_{Bs}}{N_{B+}} \frac{\alpha_{B+} \cdot \varepsilon_{B+}^{total}}{\alpha_{Bs} \cdot \varepsilon_{Bs}^{total}} \frac{f_{b\to B+}}{f_{b\to Bs}}$$

3. Apply cuts on search mode and normalization mode
4. Estimate Backgrounds
5. Unblind

Selection Procedure

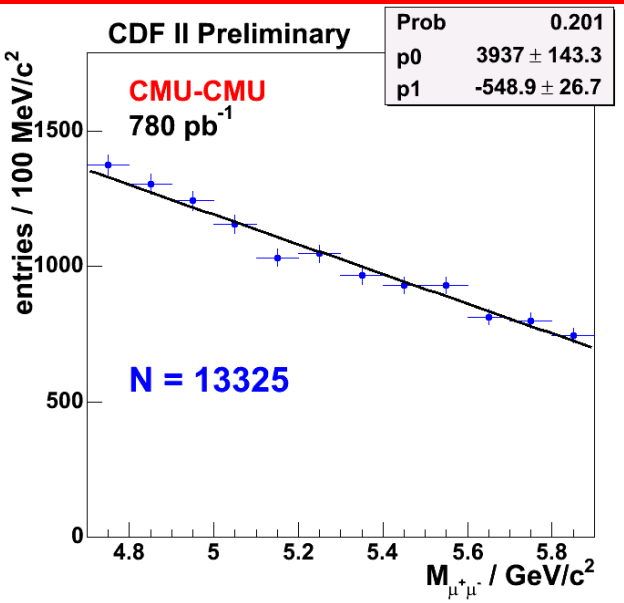


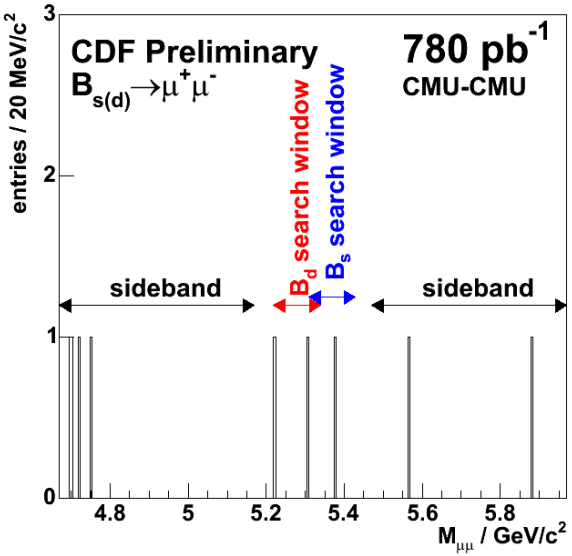
Form likelihood ratio from following discriminating variables:

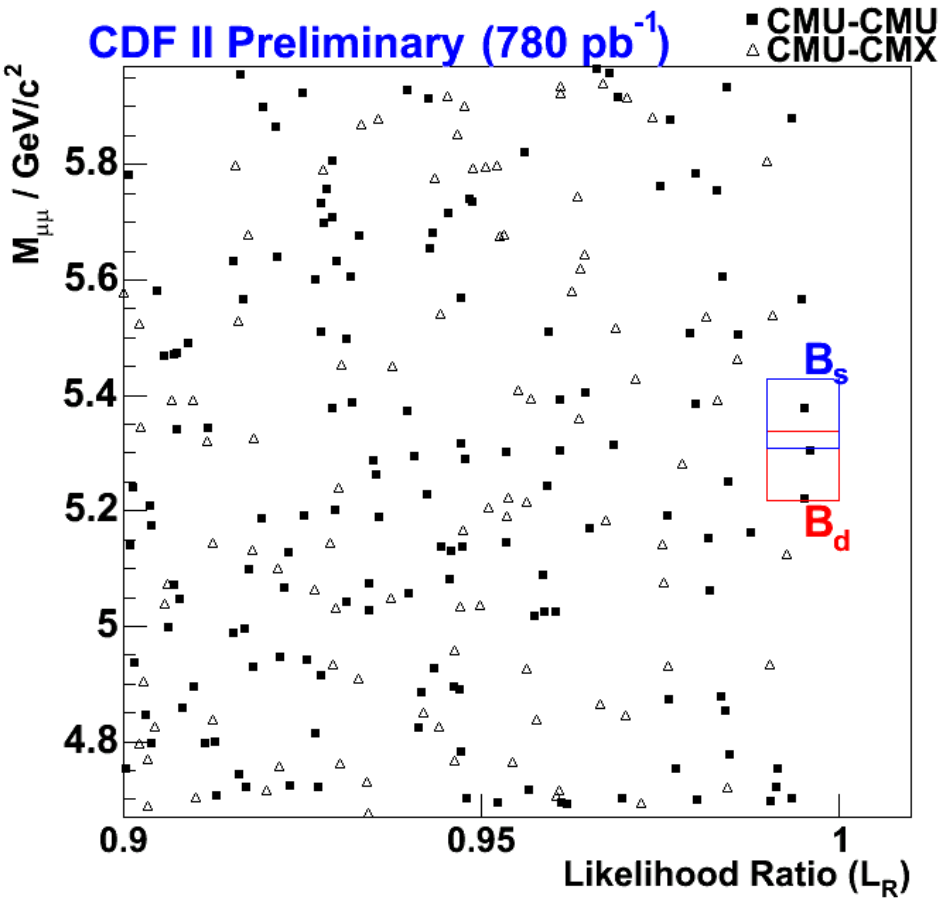
- displacement of reconstructed B vertex (long B lifetime)
- isolation (expect B to be isolated)
- "pointing angle" between reconstructed B momentum and direction to primary vertex (should be small)

- Optimize on best limit with 90% C.L.

Apply Selection







- Observation in agreement with background expectation
- Set limits

Results

$$BR(B_s \to \mu^+\mu^-) < 1.0 \cdot 10^{-7} @ 95\% C.L.$$

World's best limit

$$BR(B_d \to \mu^+\mu^-) < 3.0 \cdot 10^{-8} @ 95\% C.L.$$

Search for B→μμh

- Non-resonant decays B → μμh via box or penguin diagrams
  - → new physics may be observable through interference with SM amplitudes

- Already observed (BaBar, Belle):
  - $B_u \rightarrow \mu\mu K$
  - $B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu K^*$

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- Missing:
  - $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu \phi$
  - prediction: $BR(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\phi)=1.6\times10^{-6}$

C.Q. Geng and C.C. Liu, J. Phys. G 29, 1103 (2003)

Search Methodology

- Similar method than for $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Unbiased (blinded) selection optimisation using
  - signal event sample: MC simulation
  - background sample: data sidebands
- Normalize to analogous resonant B → J/ψ h decay

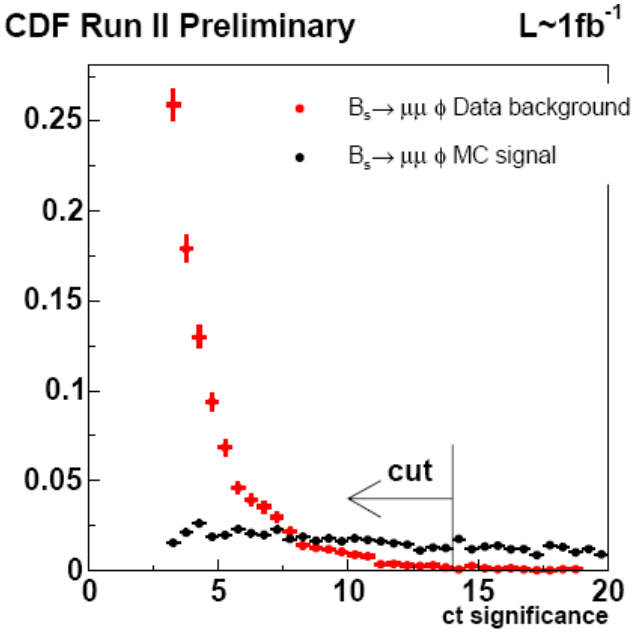
$$\frac{BR(B \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- h)}{BR(B \rightarrow J/\psi h) \cdot BR(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} = \frac{N_{\mu\mu h}}{N_{J/\Psi h}} \frac{\varepsilon^{total}_{J/\Psi h}}{\varepsilon^{total}_{\mu\mu h}}$$

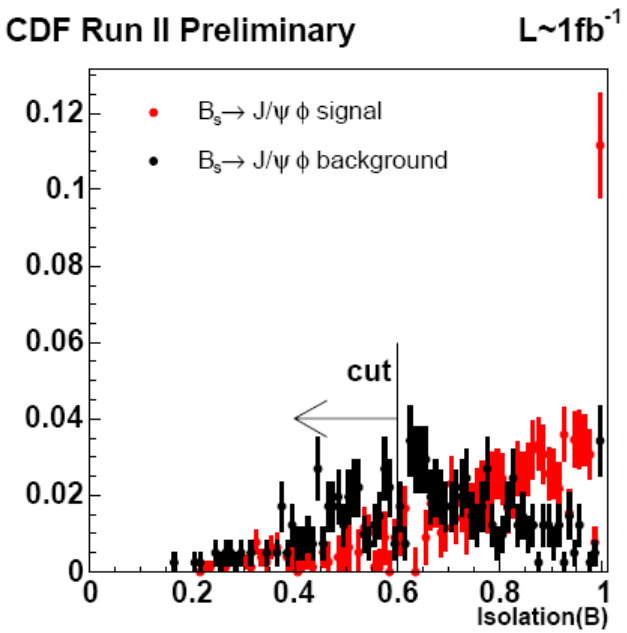
- Apply cuts on search mode and normalization mode
- Remove resonant μμ by cutting out J/ψ / ψ(2S) mass ranges
- Unblind

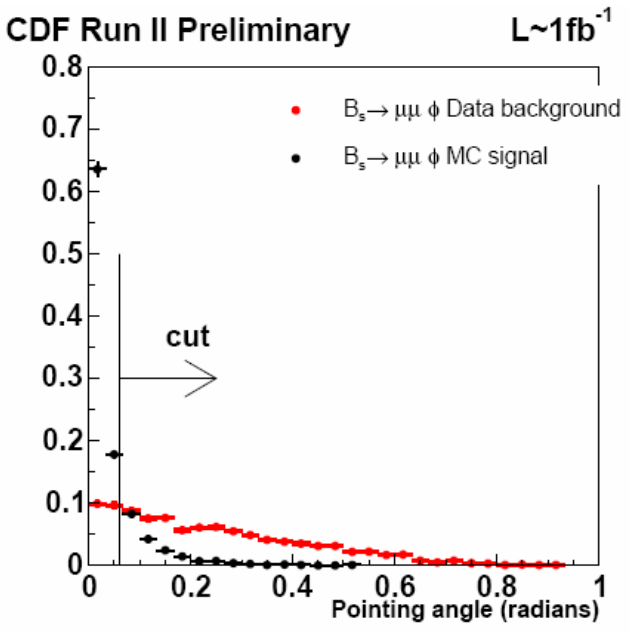
Selection Strategy

Optimize selection based on cuts on similar quantities as used for $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (decay length, isolation, pointing angle)

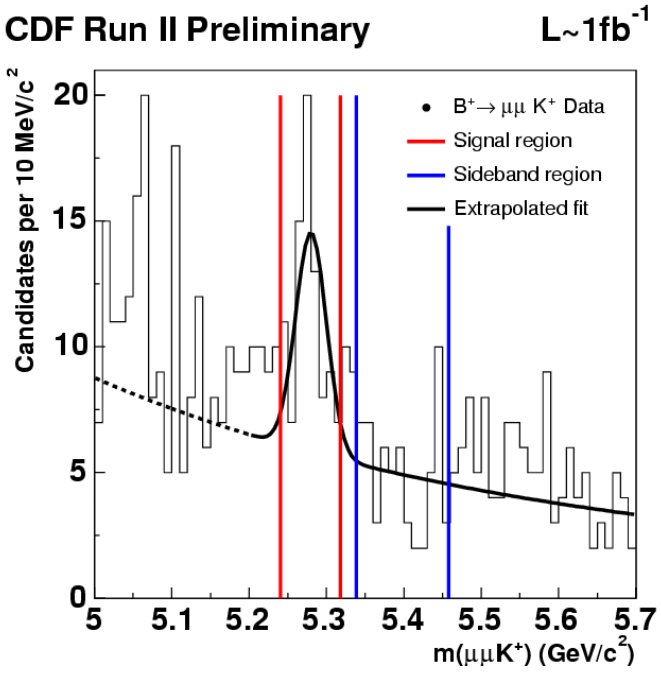
Optimize on best value for $\frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}}$

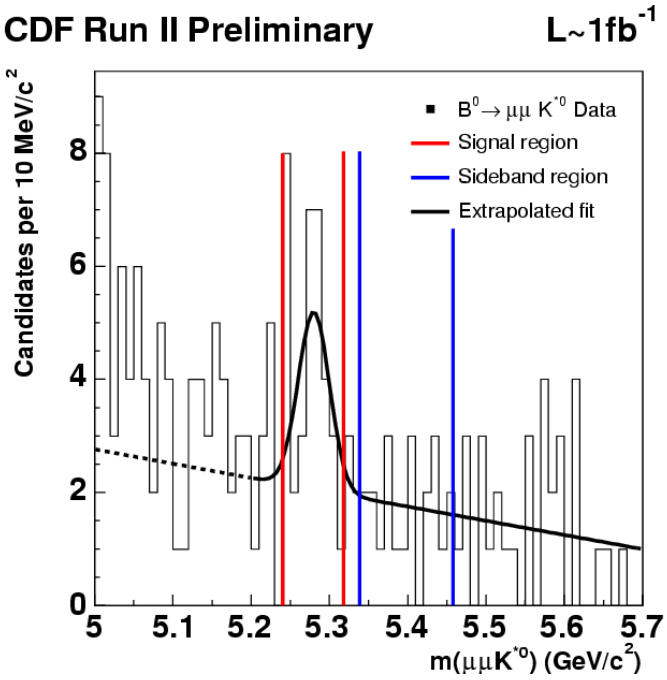


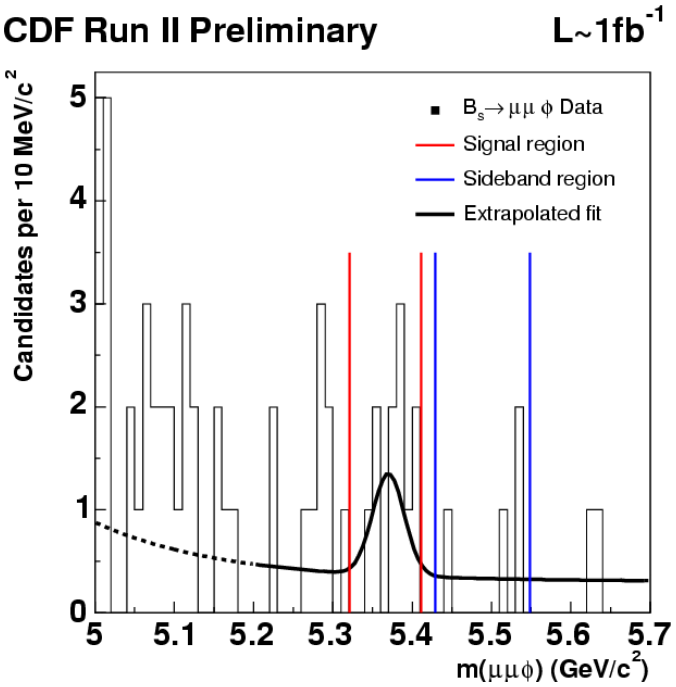




Observations





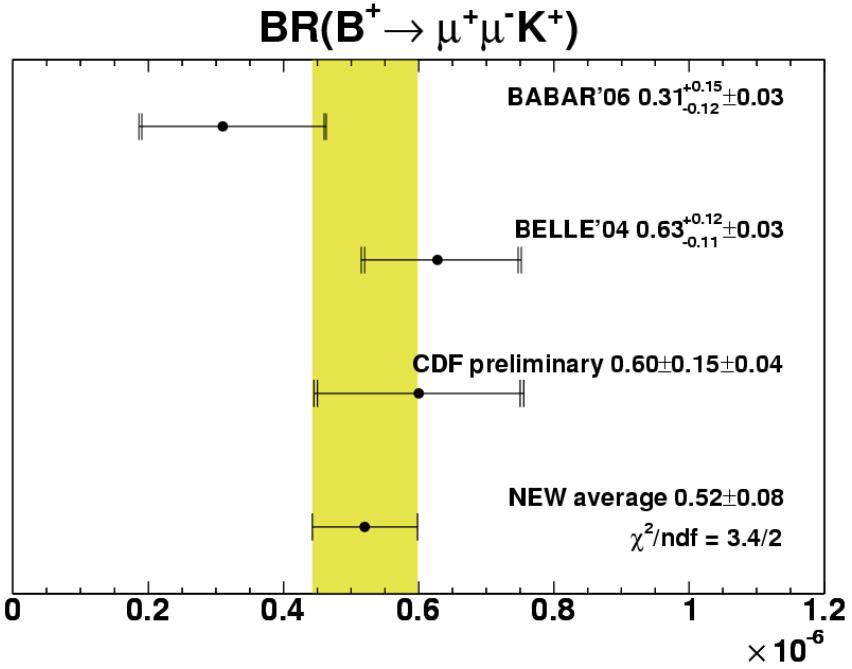


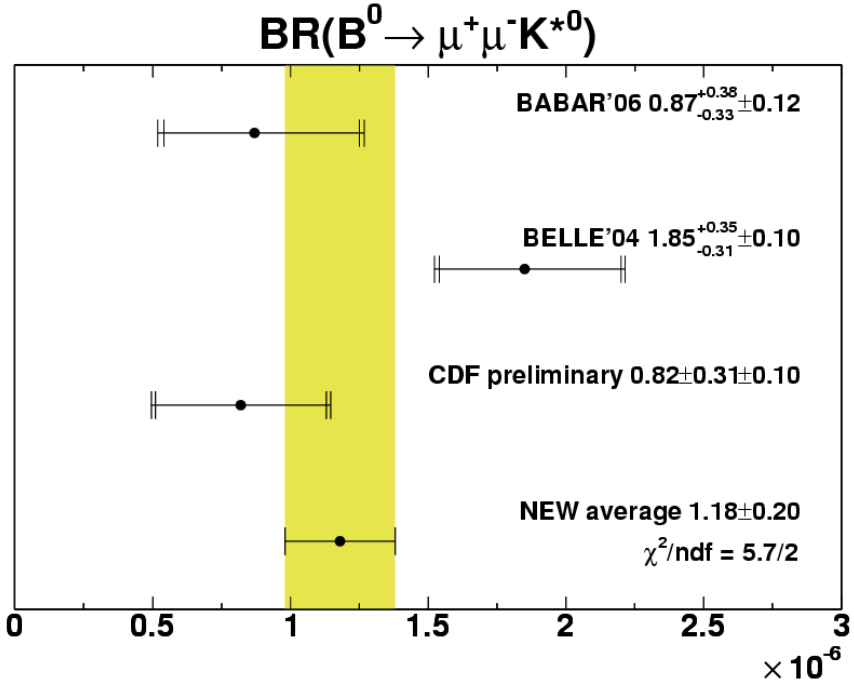
	$B_u \to \mu\mu K$	$B_d \to \mu\mu K^*$	$B_s \to \mu\mu \phi$
# events signal range	90	35	11
# estim. BG events	45.3 ± 5.8	16.5 ± 3.6	3.5 ± 1.5
Significance	4.5 σ	2.9 σ	2.4 σ

Results

$BR(B^+ \to \mu\mu\, K^+) = [0.72 \pm 0.15(stat.) \pm 0.05(syst.)] \times 10^{-6}$

$BR(B^0 \to \mu\mu\, K^*) = [0.82 \pm 0.31(stat.) \pm 0.10(syst.)] \times 10^{-6}$





$$\frac{BR(B_s \to \mu^+\mu^-\phi)}{BR(B_s \to J/\psi\phi)} < 2.61 \cdot 10^{-3} \,@\, 95\% C.L.$$

Summary & Outlook

- CDF set limits for $B_{s/d} \rightarrow \mu\mu$
  - currently probe the 10^{-8} level
  - limits severely constrain new physics models
  - growing dataset will allow deeper probing in the future
- CDF investigating B $\rightarrow \mu\mu$ h modes
  - results in agreement with those of b-factories
  - most stringent limit on $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\phi$
- More data – better results: watch out!

Backup

$B_{s/d} \rightarrow \mu\mu$ Backgrounds

	B_s^0 Signal Window		B_d^0 Signal Window	
Bkg Source	CMU-CMU	CMU-CMX	CMU-CMU	CMU-CMX
Combinatoric	0.72 ± 0.29	0.36 ± 0.21	0.72 ± 0.29	0.36 ± 0.21
$B \rightarrow h^+h^-$	0.16 ± 0.06	0.03 ± 0.01	1.14 ± 0.16	0.23 ± 0.04
Total	0.88 ± 0.30	0.39 ± 0.21	1.86 ± 0.34	0.59 ± 0.21

Estimate backgrounds from:

- sidebands (combinatoric)
- branching fractions $B \rightarrow h^+ h^-$ and fake rates