

# Measurement of Beam Polarization at an $e^+e^-$ B-Factory with New Tau Polarimetry Technique

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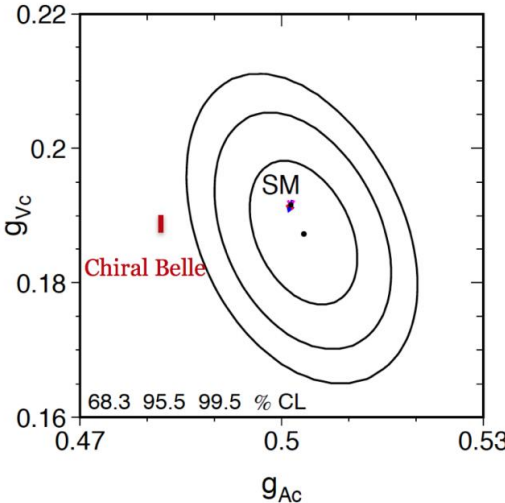
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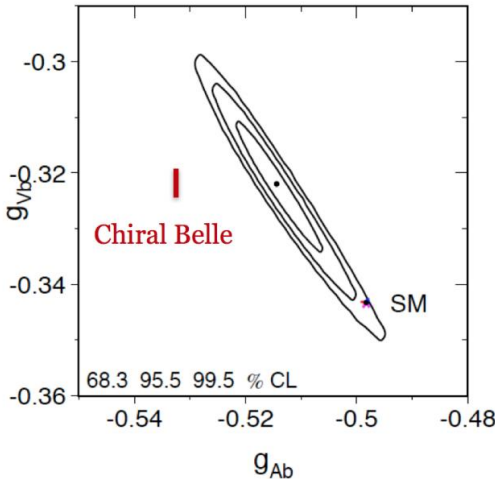
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Red bars show expected +/- 1 sigma uncertainty. Position arbitrary.

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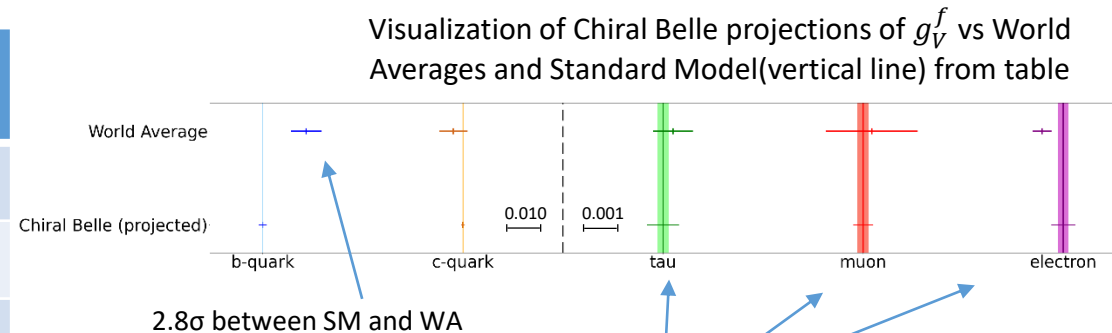
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| Fermion  | Standard Model<br>$g_V^f$ SM | World Average<br>$g_V^f$ WA | Chiral Belle 40ab <sup>-1</sup><br>$\sigma(g_V^f)$ CB |
|----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| b-quark  | -0.3437±0.0001               | -0.3220 ±0.0077             | 0.0020(4x improvement)                                |
| c-quark  | 0.1920±0.0002                | 0.1873 ±0.0070              | 0.0010(7x improvement)                                |
| Tau      | -0.0371±0.0003               | -0.0366 ±0.0010             | 0.0008  |
| Muon     | -0.0371±0.0003               | -0.03667±0.0023             | 0.0005(4x improvement)                                |
| Electron | -0.0371±0.0003               | -0.03816±0.00047            | 0.0006  |

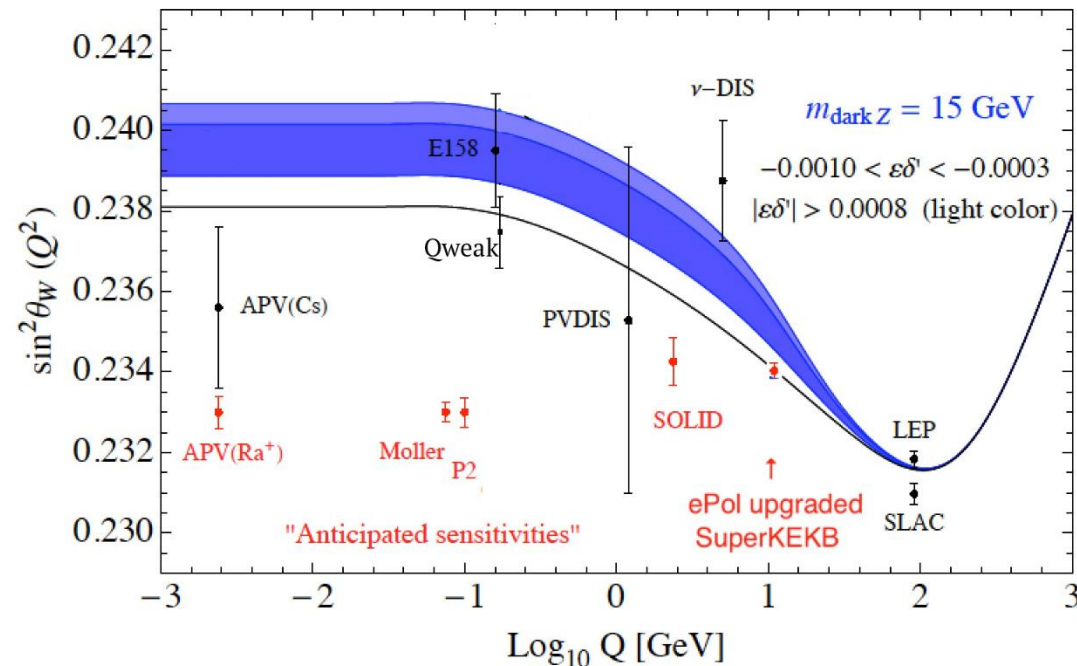


Assuming universality a combined lepton analysis reaches a uncertainty of  $0.00033_{stat} \pm 0.00018_{sys}$  compared to a SM uncertainty of 0.0003

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Chiral Belle expects:  
 $\sigma(\sin^2 \theta_W) \approx 0.0002$  ( $40 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ )

adapted from figure 3 of H. Davoudiasl, H.S. Lee and W.J. Marciano, Phys.Rev.D 92(5),2015

# Beam Polarization Motivation

- Recent theory work suggests a measurement of the tau magnetic moment could be sensitive to new physics<sup>1</sup>
- Results from Fermilab see a large deviation from the Standard Model in g-2 for muons

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = (251 \pm 59) \times 10^{-11} [4.2\sigma] \quad \text{from April 2021 g-2 publication}$$

- Under a Minimal Flavour Violation assumption the anomaly scales with the square of the lepton masses:

$$a_{\tau}^{\text{BSM}} \sim a_{\mu}^{\text{BSM}} \left( \frac{m_{\tau}}{m_{\mu}} \right)^2 \sim 10^{-6}$$

- Tau magnetic moment anomaly may be larger under other models
- Polarized beams would give Belle II the ability to probe the tau magnet moment with particular asymmetries in tau hadronic decays with unprecedented precision
- Will require more precise theory calculations for Standard Model values

<sup>1</sup>A. Crivellin, M.Hoferichter, M. Roney, arXiv:2111.10378 (2021)

# Beam Polarization Motivation

For these future measurements we expect the dominant systematic uncertainty to be the precision with which the average beam polarization,  $\langle P \rangle$ , is known

Compton polarimeters, have an uncertainty associated with modelling the spin transport from the polarimeter to the interaction point (IP)

**By using Tau Polarimetry we can extract the average beam polarization directly from the data at the IP**

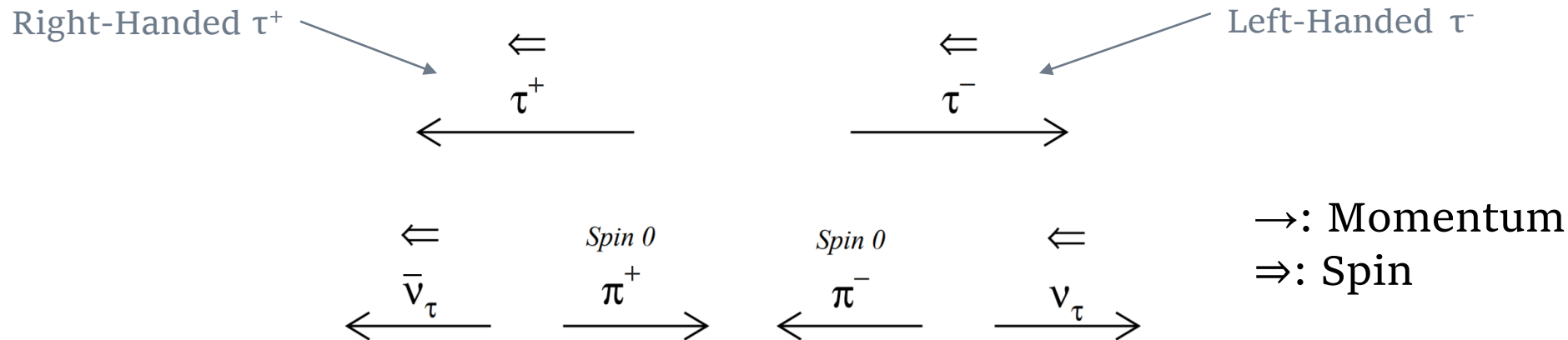
# Tau Polarimetry

- The polarization of tau's ( $P_\tau$ ) produced in  $e^+e^-$  collisions at 10.58 GeV is related to the electron beam polarization ( $P_e$ ) through:

$$P_{\tau^-} = P_e \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \cos^2 \theta} - \frac{8G_F s g_V^\tau}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \left( g_A^\tau \frac{|\vec{p}|}{p^0} + 2g_A^e \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \cos^2 \theta} \right)$$

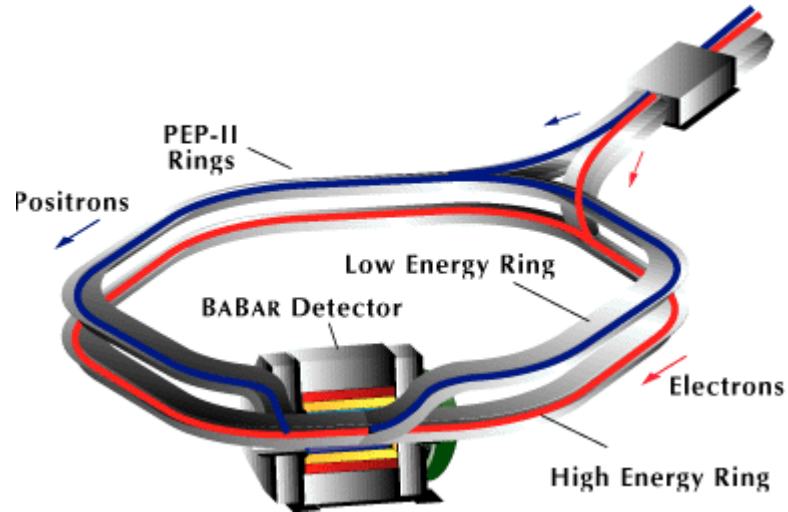
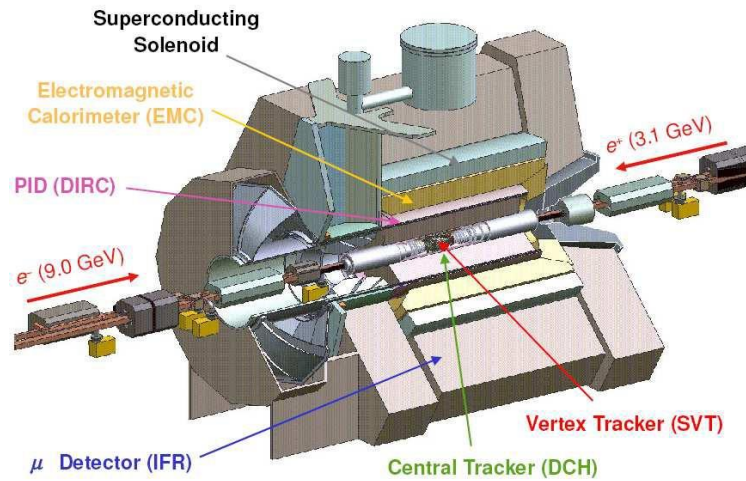
Note:  $\cos\theta$  defined as the polar angle of the  $\tau$  with respect to the electron beam

- Tau polarization information can be extracted from the kinematics of the tau decay



# BABAR and PEP-II

BABAR and PEP-II operated at SLAC from 1999-2008

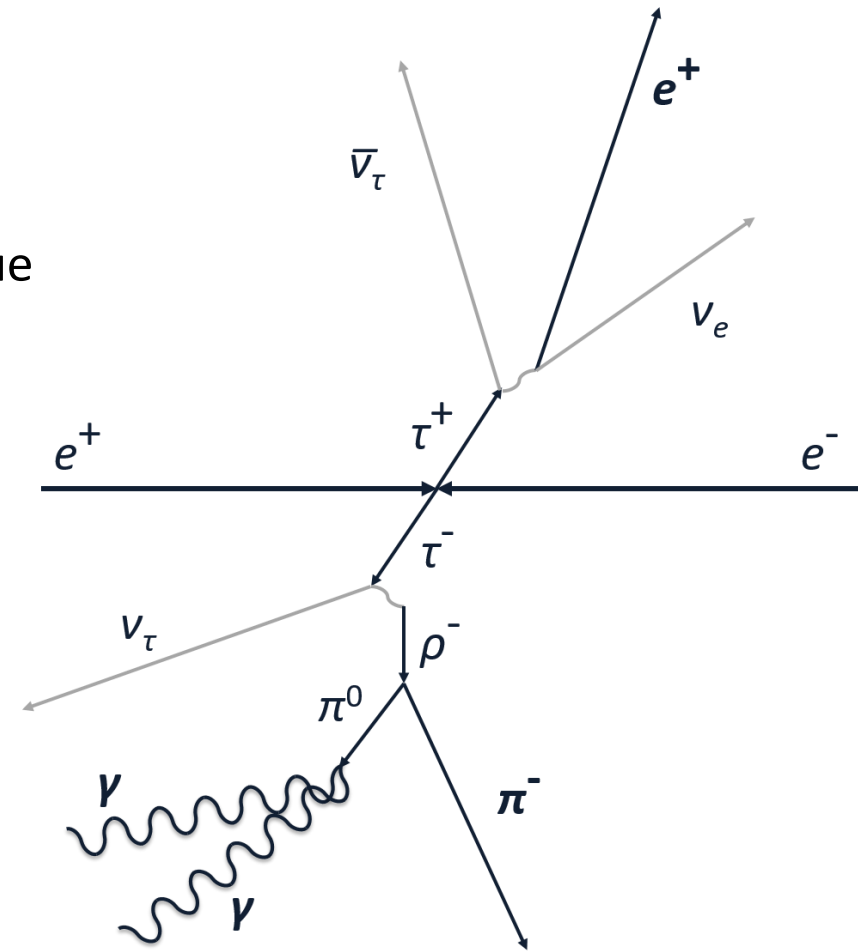


- Over 6 run periods *BABAR* collected  $432 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data on the  $\Upsilon(4S)$  resonance
- PEP-II collided electrons and positrons together at 9.0 and 3.1 GeV
- No beam polarization is expected at PEP-II



# Tau Event Selection

- As a proof of concept we have developed Tau Polarimetry at *BABAR* using  $\tau^\pm \rightarrow \rho^\pm \nu_\tau \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \nu_\tau$  decays
  - We expect uncertainties to be highly correlated between detectors due to similar designs
  - Developed the technique on  $32.28 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data
    - Final measurement performed on remaining  $391.90 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - Selected tau events in a 1v1 topology, ( $\rho$  vs.  $e$ )
    - $\rho$  has large branching fraction,  $e$  for clean tag
  - Signal candidates are defined as a charged particle with a  $\pi^0$
  - $q\bar{q}$  events are eliminated with the electron requirement
  - Angular cuts and a minimum  $p_T$  of 1.2 GeV reduce two photon and Bhabha contamination
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- Achieve a 99.7% pure tau-pair sample (0.3% Bhabha)
  - 90% of selected events contain a  $\tau^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \nu_\tau$  decay
    - 8%  $a_1$  decays, 2% other hadronic

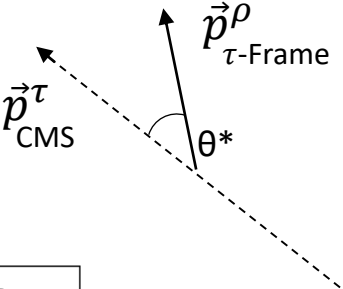


# Polarization Observables

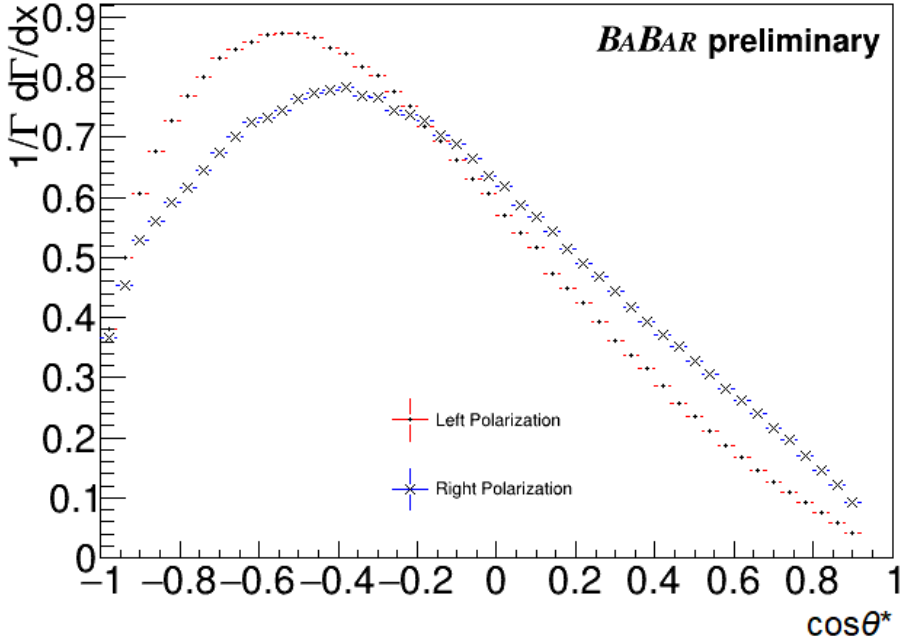
- Polarization sensitivity in a rho decay is maximized by analyzing two angular variables<sup>2</sup> in addition to  $\cos\theta$

$$\cos\theta^* = \frac{2z - 1 - m_\rho^2/m_\tau^2}{1 - m_\rho^2/m_\tau^2}$$

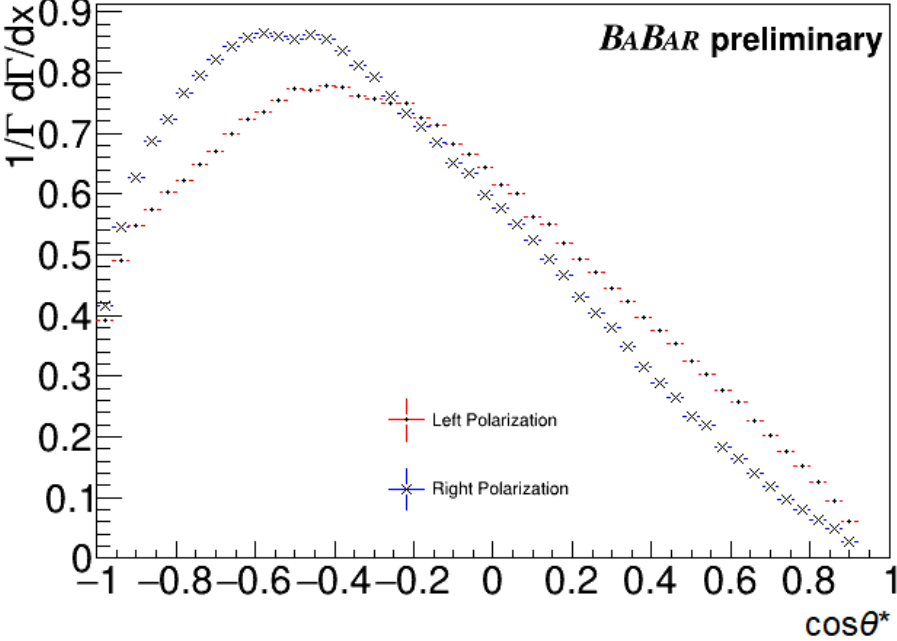
$$z \equiv \frac{E_\rho}{E_{\text{beam}}}$$



$\cos\theta < 0$



$\cos\theta > 0$



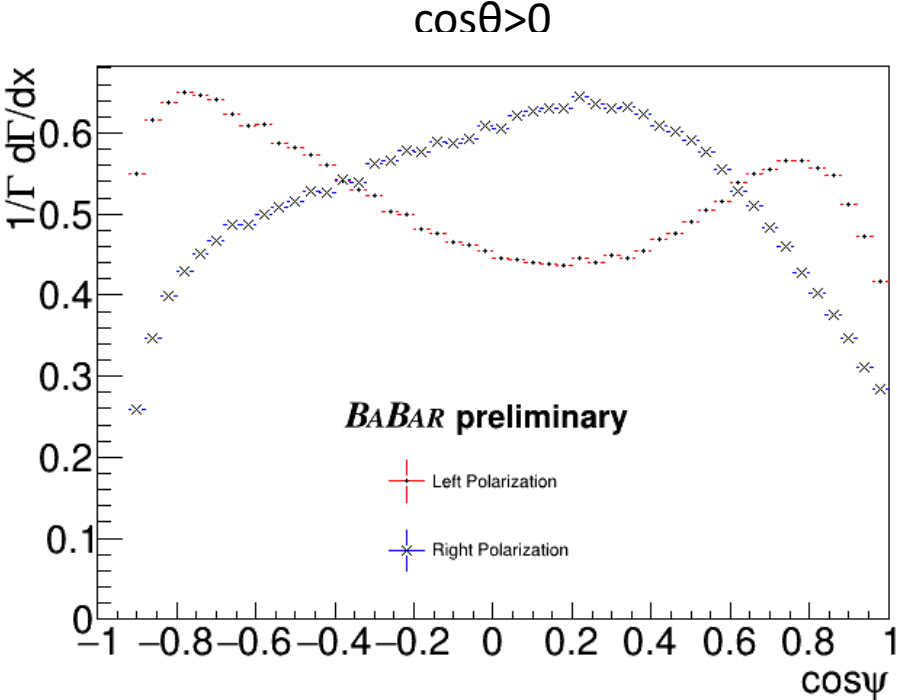
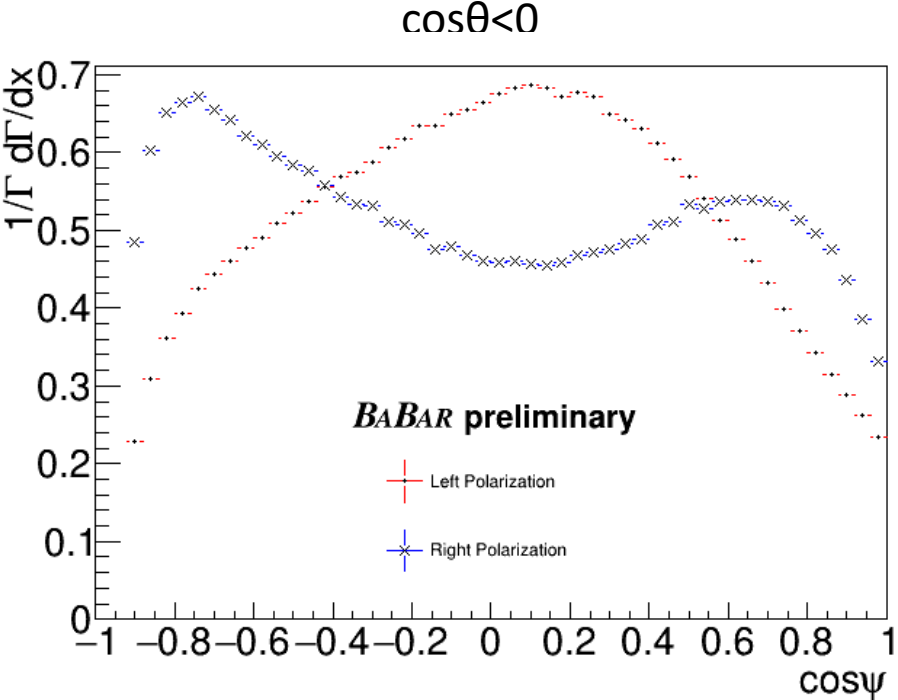
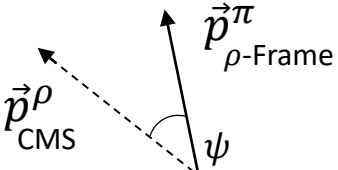
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$$\cos\psi = \frac{2x - 1}{\sqrt{1 - 4m_\pi^2/m_\rho^2}}$$

$$x \equiv E_\pi/E_\rho$$



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# Polarization Fit

- To extract the average beam polarization from a data set we employ a binned maximum likelihood fit using Barlow and Beeston<sup>3</sup> template fit methodology
- Data and MC is binned in 3D histograms of  $\cos\theta^*$ ,  $\cos\psi$ , and  $\cos\theta$
- Tau MC was produced for a left and right polarized electron beam
- The data is fit as a linear combination of the histograms

$$D = a_l L + a_r R + a_b B + a_m M + a_u U + a_c C$$

$$\langle P \rangle \equiv a_l - a_r$$

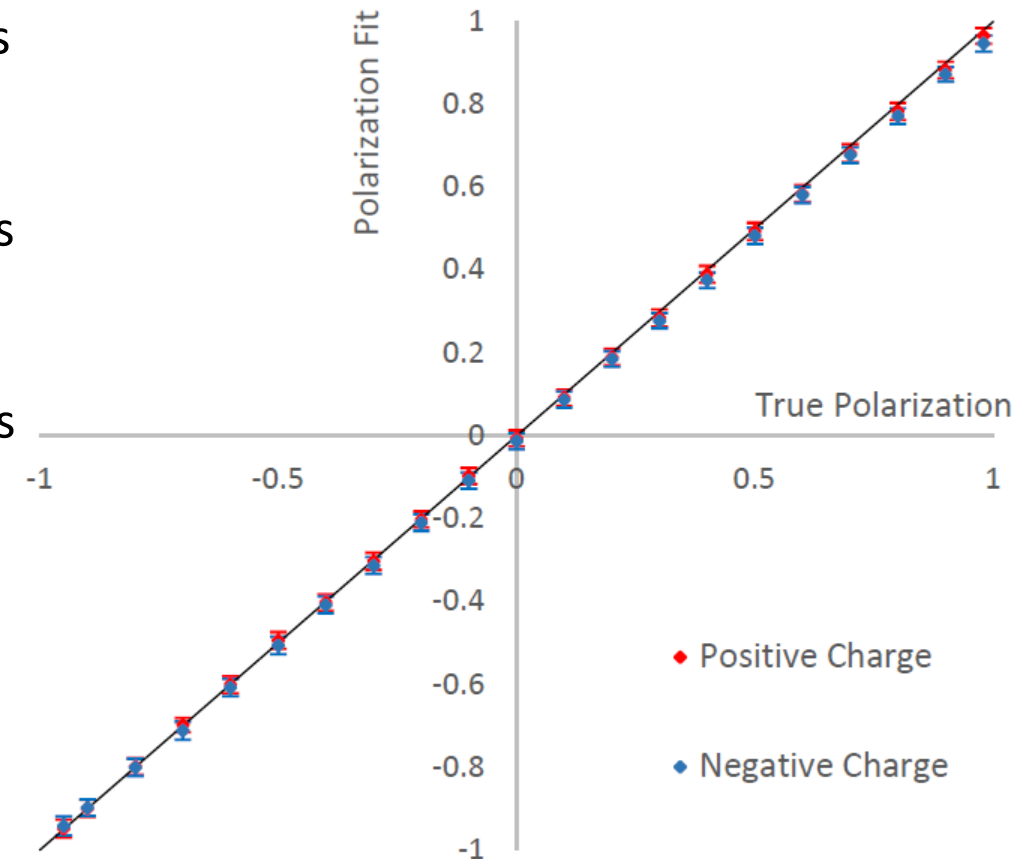
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|-------|----------------------|
| $a_l$ | 0.499                |
| $a_r$ | 0.499                |
| $a_b$ | $3.8 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| $a_m$ | $1.4 \times 10^{-3}$ |
| $a_u$ | $3.8 \times 10^{-4}$ |
| $a_c$ | $4.8 \times 10^{-5}$ |

D=data    L=Left Polarized Tau MC    R=Right Polarized Tau MC    B=Bhabha( $e^+e^-$ )    M= $\mu\mu$     U=uds    C= $c\bar{c}$   
 $a_i$  = fit contribution

<sup>3</sup>R. Barlow, C. Beeston; Computer Physics Communications, Volume 77, Issue 2, 1993, Pages 219-228, [https://doi.org/10.1016/0010-4655\(93\)90005-W](https://doi.org/10.1016/0010-4655(93)90005-W)

# Beam Polarization MC “Measurement”

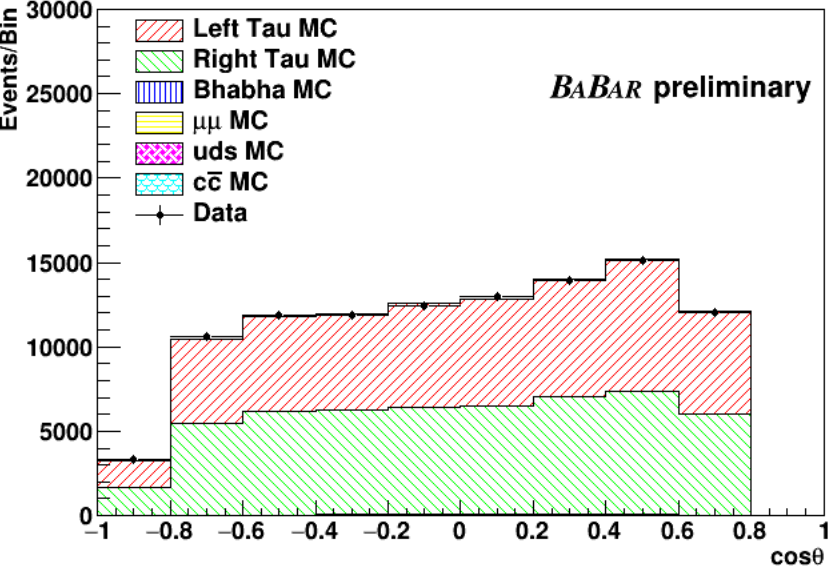
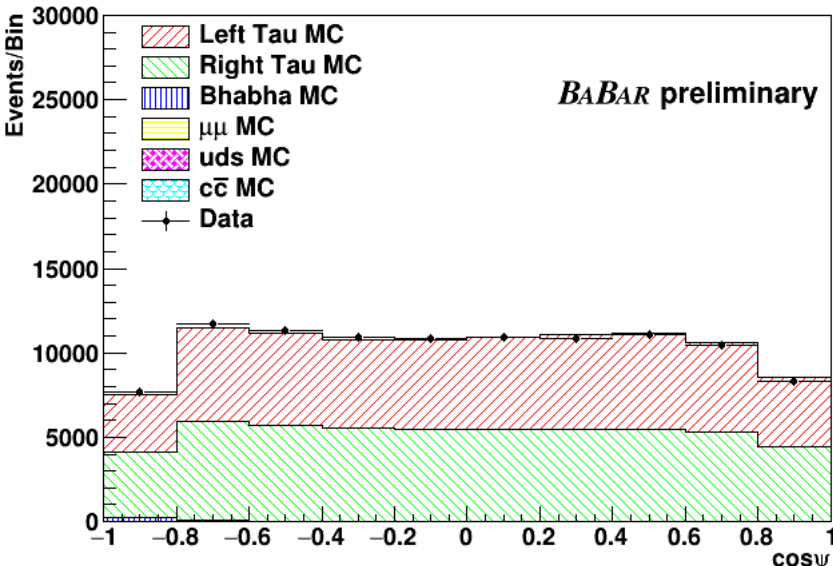
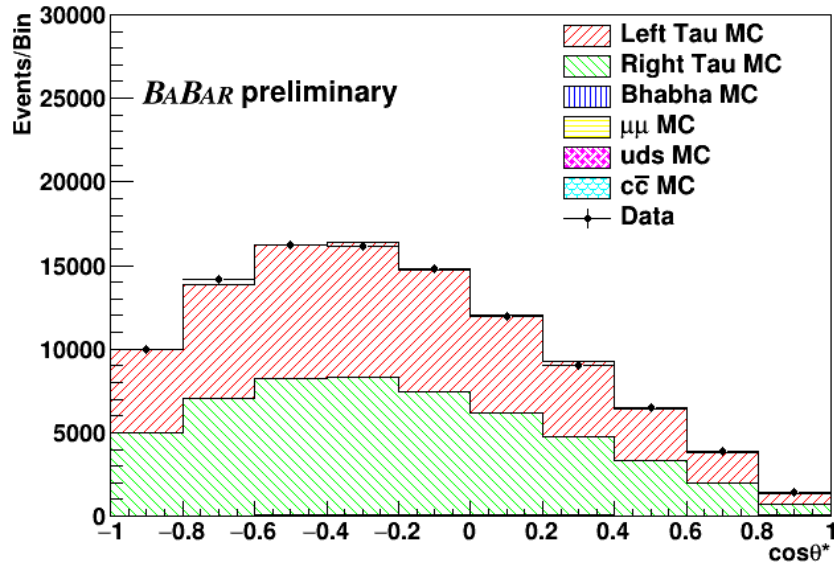
- As PEP-II had no beam polarization we performed MC studies of the polarimetry technique for arbitrary beam polarization states for validation of the method
- This is done by splitting each of the polarized tau MC samples in half
- One half of each is used to perform the polarization fit
- The other half is used to mix specific beam polarization states
  - e.g. 70% polarized = 85% left +15% right
- Simulated beam polarization states are produced in steps of 10% beam polarization
- We found the fit responded well and was able to correctly measure any designed beam state



# Fit Result

| Sample                          | Positive      | Negative       | Total         |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Run 3 (32.28 fb <sup>-1</sup> ) | 0.0277±0.0177 | -0.0031±0.0177 | 0.0123±0.0125 |

- Fit result projected to each of the fit variables
- Result from preliminary Run 3 fit, Negative charges
- $\langle P \rangle = -0.0031$ ,  $\chi^2/\text{NDF} = 770/872$



# Full Measurement

- Performing the measurement on the remaining data, 391.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>

| Sample       | Luminosity (fb <sup>-1</sup> ) | Average Polarization  |
|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Run 1        | 20.37                          | 0.0062±0.0157         |
| Run 2        | 61.32                          | -0.0004±0.0090        |
| Run 4        | 99.58                          | -0.0114±0.0071        |
| Run 5        | 132.33                         | -0.0040±0.0063        |
| Run 6        | 78.31                          | 0.0157±0.0082         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>391.9</b>                   | <b>-0.0010±0.0036</b> |

- Preliminary measurement:

$$\langle P \rangle = -0.0010 \pm 0.0036_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0030_{\text{sys}}$$

PRELIMINARY

| Study                         | Run 1         | Run 2         | Run 4         | Run 5         | Run 6         | Final         |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| $\pi^0$ Likelihood            | 0.0032        | 0.0012        | 0.0009        | 0.0010        | 0.0020        | <b>0.0015</b> |
| Hadronic Split-off Modelling  | 0.0035        | 0.0012        | 0.0015        | 0.0011        | 0.0005        | <b>0.0011</b> |
| $\cos \psi$                   | 0.0022        | 0.0012        | 0.0006        | 0.0008        | 0.0010        | <b>0.0010</b> |
| Angular Resolution            | 0.0010        | 0.0015        | 0.0012        | 0.0002        | 0.0007        | <b>0.0009</b> |
| Minimum Neutral Energy        | 0.0006        | 0.0009        | 0.0005        | 0.0006        | 0.0016        | <b>0.0009</b> |
| $\pi^0$ Mass                  | 0.0018        | 0.0005        | 0.0009        | 0.0006        | 0.0014        | <b>0.0009</b> |
| $\cos \theta^*$               | 0.0012        | 0.0007        | 0.0012        | 0.0009        | 0.0007        | <b>0.0008</b> |
| Electron PID                  | 0.0022        | 0.0008        | 0.0007        | 0.0014        | 0.0010        | <b>0.0007</b> |
| Tau Branching Fraction        | 0.0007        | 0.0006        | 0.0010        | 0.0006        | 0.0005        | <b>0.0006</b> |
| Event Transverse Momentum     | 0.0013        | 0.0006        | 0.0006        | 0.0002        | 0.0005        | <b>0.0005</b> |
| Momentum Resolution           | 0.0005        | 0.0008        | 0.0004        | 0.0003        | 0.0006        | <b>0.0005</b> |
| $\pi^0$ Minimum Photon Energy | 0.0008        | 0.0008        | 0.0009        | 0.0003        | 0.0010        | <b>0.0004</b> |
| Rho Mass                      | 0.0007        | 0.0002        | 0.0002        | 0.0004        | 0.0005        | <b>0.0003</b> |
| Background Modelling          | 0.0027        | 0.0002        | 0.0002        | 0.0007        | 0.0009        | <b>0.0003</b> |
| Boost                         | 0.0000        | 0.0002        | 0.0001        | 0.0005        | 0.0004        | <b>0.0002</b> |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>0.0070</b> | <b>0.0033</b> | <b>0.0032</b> | <b>0.0027</b> | <b>0.0038</b> | <b>0.0030</b> |

# Conclusions

- *BABAR* has implemented the first application of the new Tau Polarimetry technique to preliminarily measure the PEP-II average beam polarization

$$\langle P \rangle = -0.0010 \pm 0.0036_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0030_{\text{sys}}$$

- Strongly motivates adding a polarized electron beam to SuperKEKB
- Currently processing rho vs muon selection for additional statistics
- Parallel development on extracting the beam polarization from tau to pion decays ongoing
- Tau Polarimetry could be applied at other  $e^+e^-$  colliders
- Look forward to a publication this summer

Thank You!



# Backup Slides

# Positron Polarization

- In this implementation of tau polarimetry it is assumed only the electron beam is polarized
- Tau polarimetry works for any beam polarizations in both beams

| $e^+ \backslash e^-$ | L <sup>-</sup>                | R <sup>-</sup>                |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| L <sup>+</sup>       | L <sup>+</sup> L <sup>-</sup> | L <sup>+</sup> R <sup>-</sup> |
| R <sup>+</sup>       | R <sup>+</sup> L <sup>-</sup> | R <sup>+</sup> R <sup>-</sup> |

- Interaction matrix, only the LL and RR boxes result in a  $e^+e^-$  interaction
- The LR and RL fraction continue down the beam pipe
- For unpolarized beams L=R=0.5
- Average beam polarization can be expressed as  $\frac{LL-RR}{LL+RR}$

| $e^+ \backslash e^-$ | L <sup>-</sup> | R <sup>-</sup> |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| L <sup>+</sup>       | 0.425          | 0.075          |
| R <sup>+</sup>       | 0.425          | 0.075          |

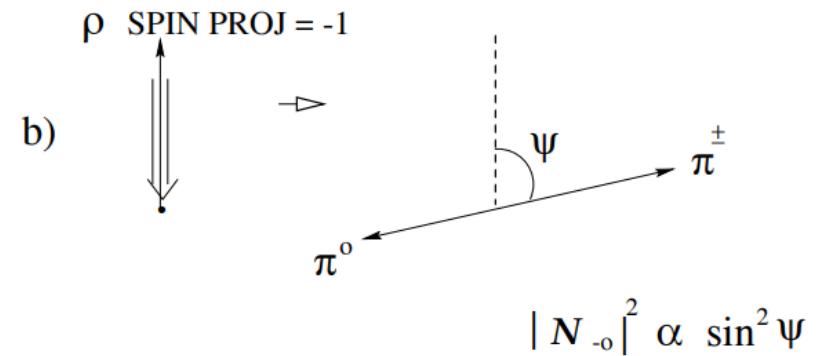
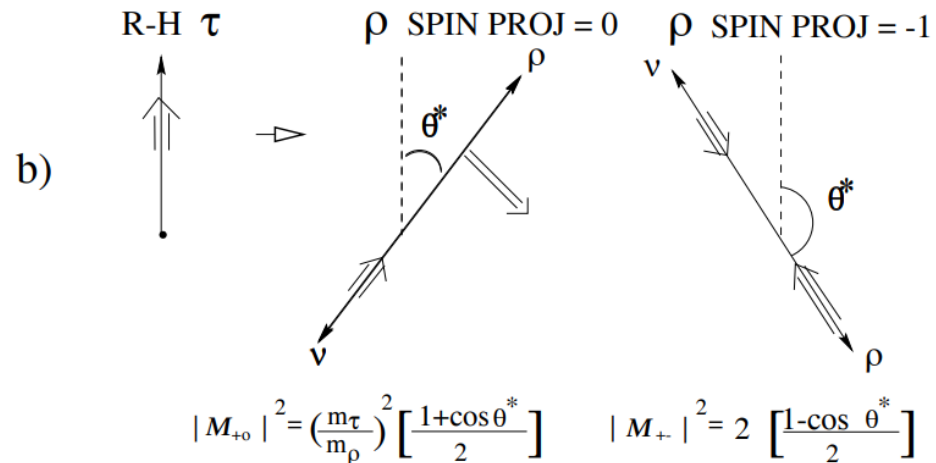
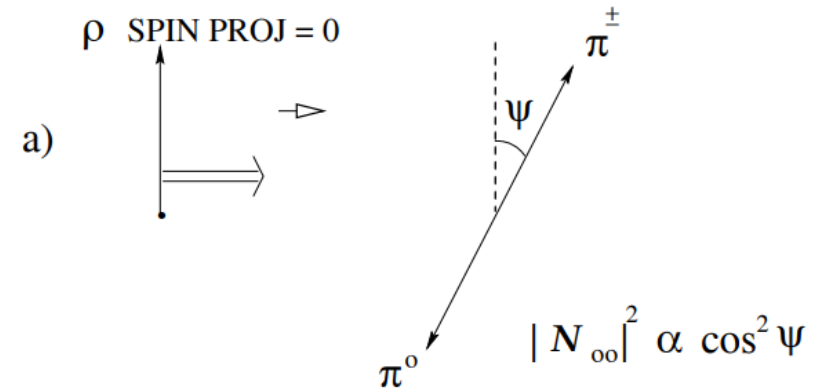
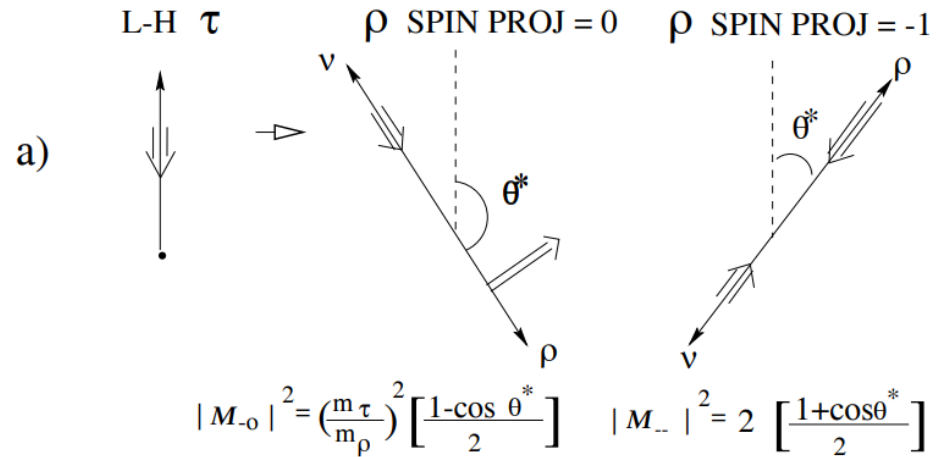
- For 70% polarized electron beam, L<sup>-</sup>=0.85 R<sup>-</sup>=0.15
- Average beam polarization is  $\frac{0.425-0.075}{0.425+0.075}=0.7$

| $e^+ \backslash e^-$ | L <sup>-</sup> | R <sup>-</sup> |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| L <sup>+</sup>       | 0.49           | 0.21           |
| R <sup>+</sup>       | 0.21           | 0.09           |

- For both beams being 40% polarized, L=0.7, R=0.3
- Average beam polarization is  $\frac{0.49-0.09}{0.49+0.09}=0.69$
- Also note 58% of encounters result in a collision, extra data for same luminosity

# Rho Spin Analysis

- The rho complicates the spin projections, which necessitates two variables to extract the polarization



From Dr. Manuella Vincter, PhD thesis, UVIC, 1996