

# D meson semileptonic decay studies with CLEO-c

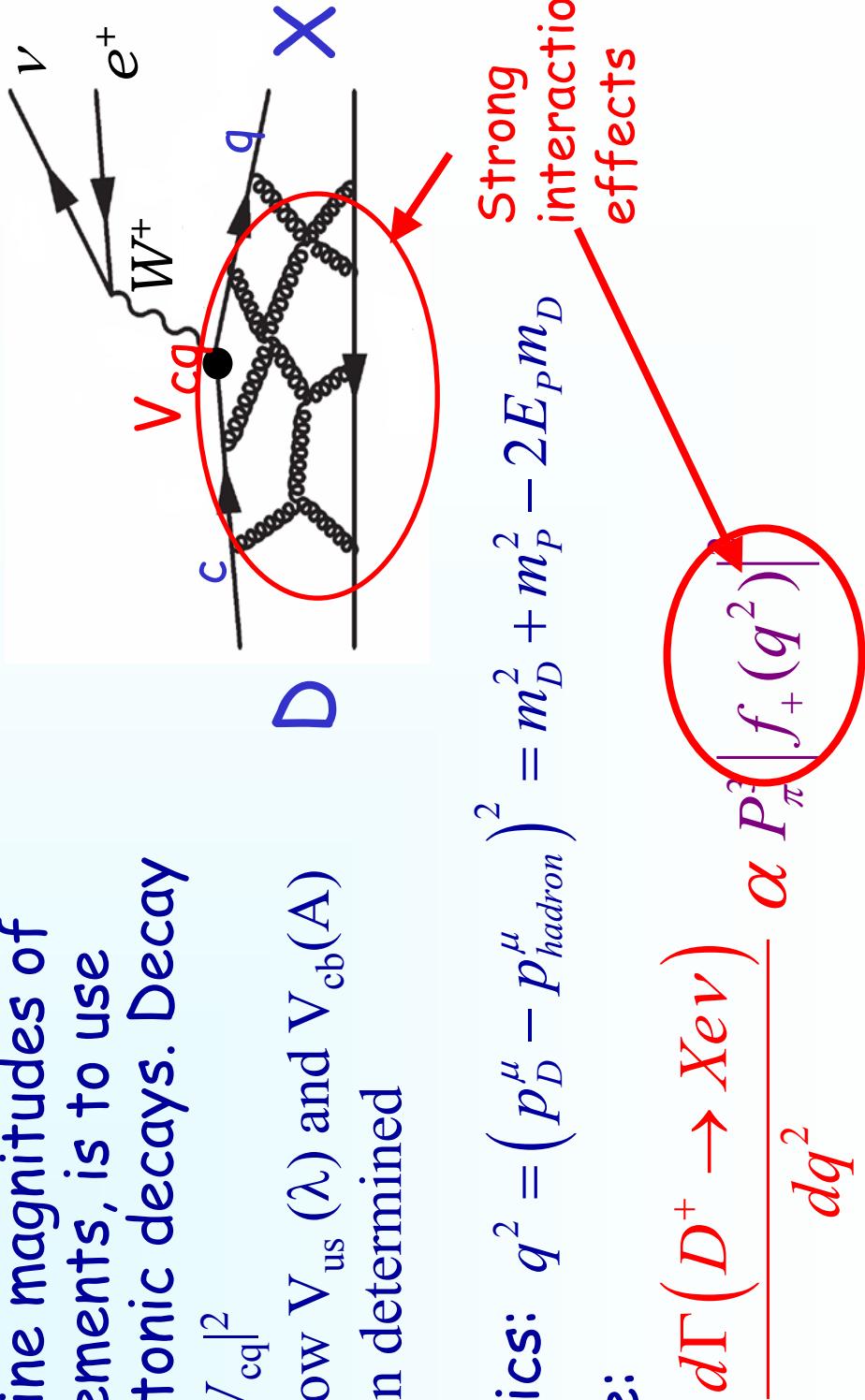
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# Semileptonic Decays: $D \rightarrow X \ell^+ \nu$

- ◆ In principle, the best way to determine magnitudes of CKM elements, is to use semileptonic decays. Decay rate  $\alpha |V_{cq}|^2$
- ◆ This is how  $V_{us}(\lambda)$  and  $V_{cb}(\Lambda)$  have been determined



Strong interaction effects

$$\text{Kinematics: } q^2 = (p_D^\mu - p_{hadron}^\mu)^2 = m_D^2 + m_P^2 - 2E_P m_D$$

Measure:

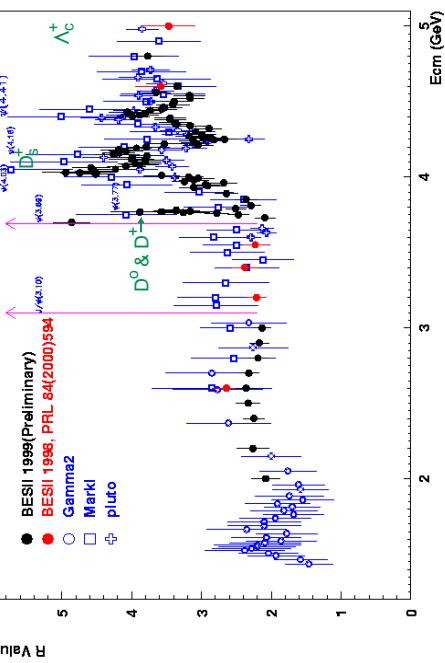
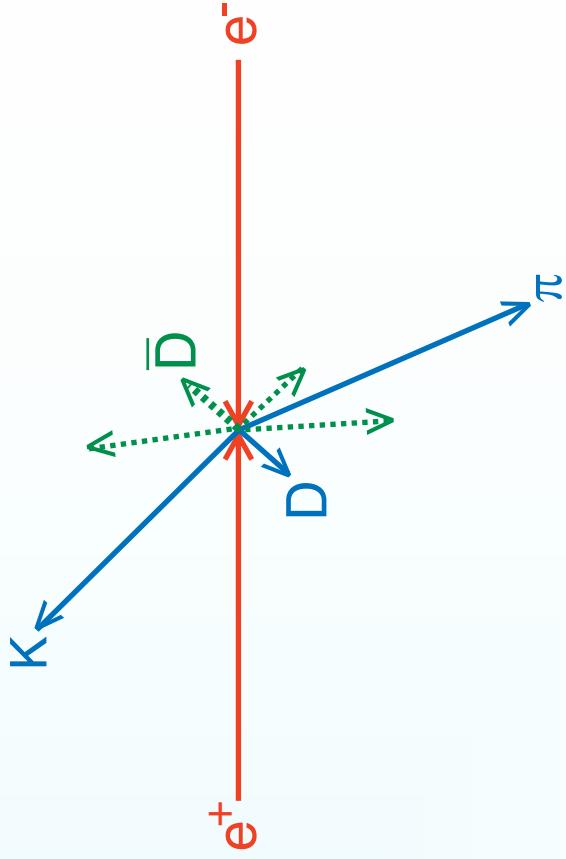
$$\frac{d\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow X \ell \nu)}{dq^2} \propto \alpha P_\pi^2 |f_+(q^2)|$$

## Goals in Semileptonic Decays

- Assuming  $V_{cs}$  and  $V_{cd}$  known:
  - $D \rightarrow K(K^*)\ell\nu$  determine form factor shapes & distinguish among models + test lattice QCD predictions
  - $D \rightarrow \pi \rightarrow \ell\nu$
- Lattice checks comparing semileptonic ff &  $f_D$  measurements of  $V_{cd}$  &  $V_{cs}$  (+  $V_{cb}$ ) would provide an important unitarity check
- $V_{ub}$  use  $D \rightarrow p\ell\nu$  to get form-factor for  $B \rightarrow p\ell\nu$ , at same v.v point using HQET (&  $\pi\ell\nu$ )

# Experimental method: CLEO-c

Results presented are  
based on first  $55.8 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  at  
 $\psi(3770)$



- System is over-constrained
- $\sum p_i \Rightarrow 3$ ,  $E_{\text{tot}} \Rightarrow 1$ ,  $m_D = \bar{m}_D \Rightarrow$   
5 constraints - 3(4) for  $p_\nu$

# Exclusive semileptonic decays: analysis method

We start with tagged samples

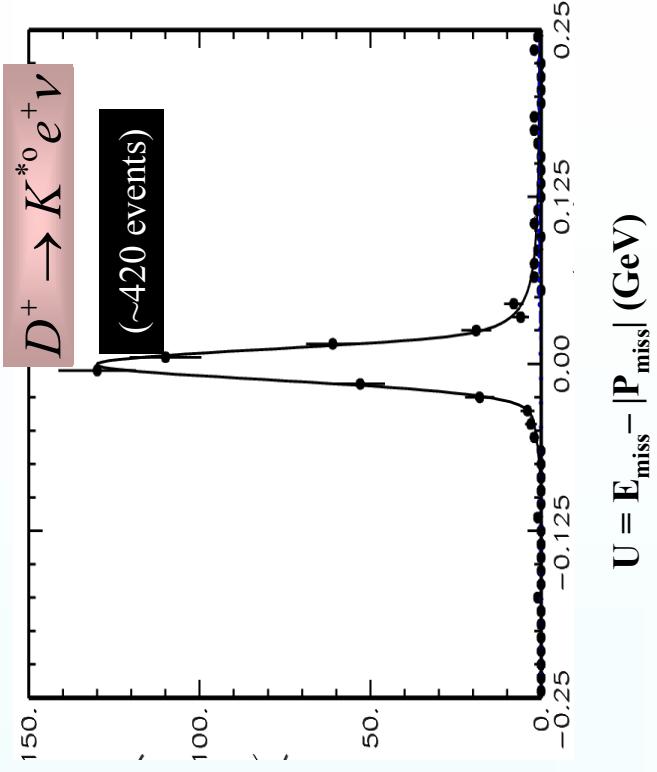
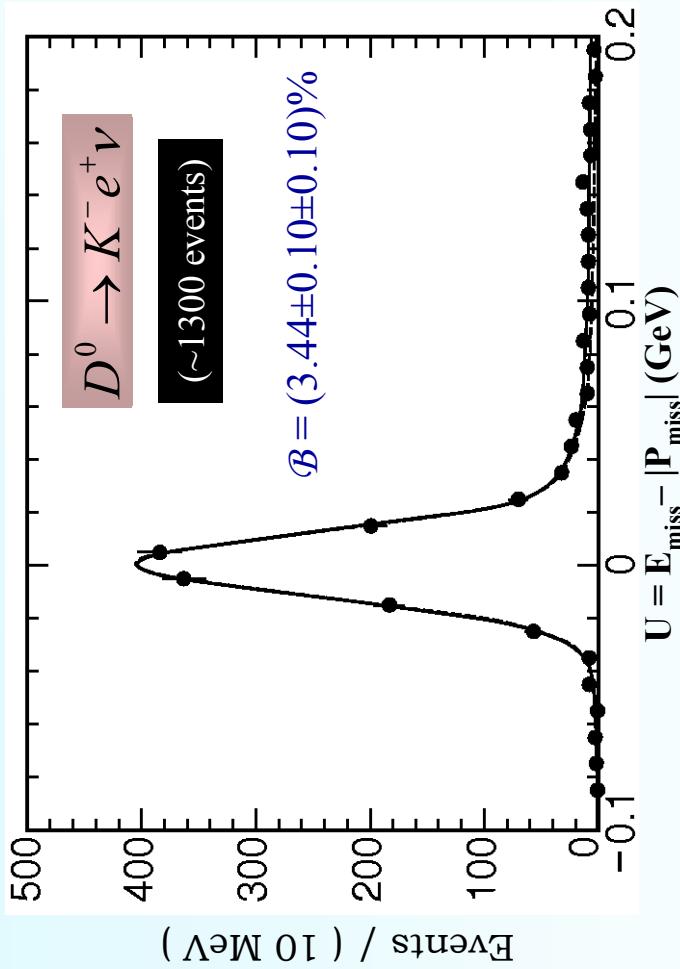
We use kinematic variable

$$U \equiv E_{miss} - \vec{CP}_{miss}$$

to select a specific semileptonic channel

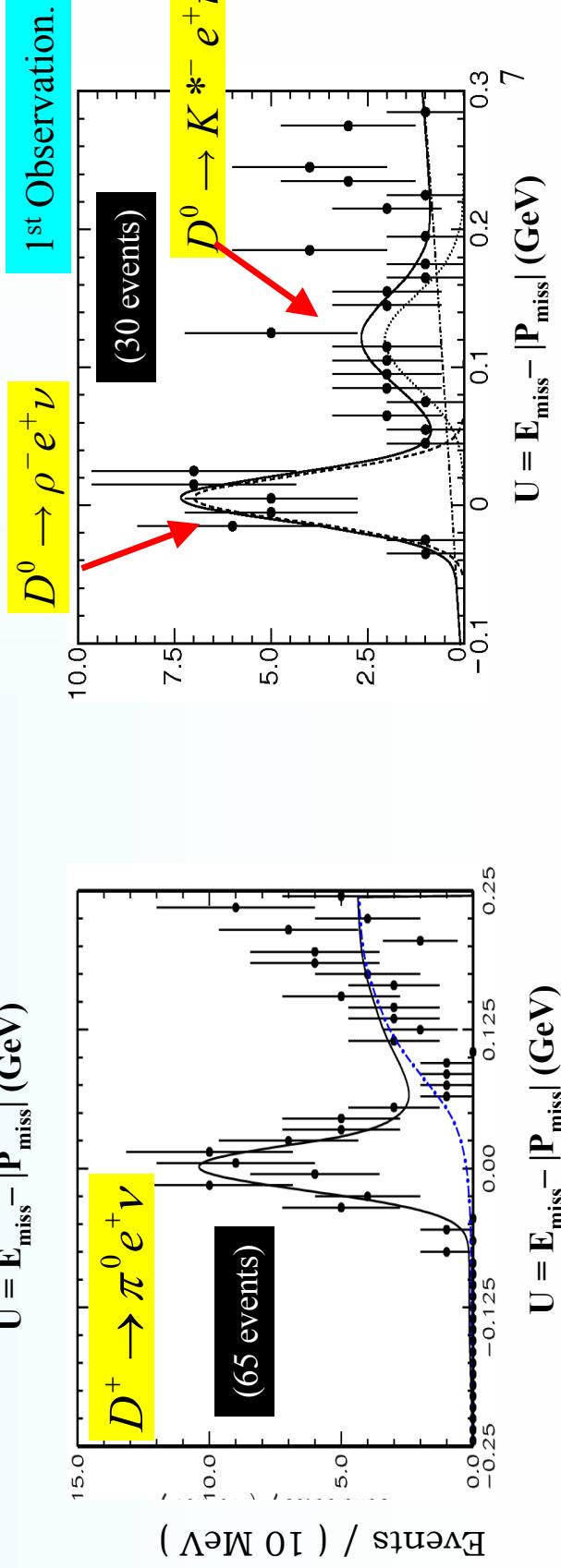
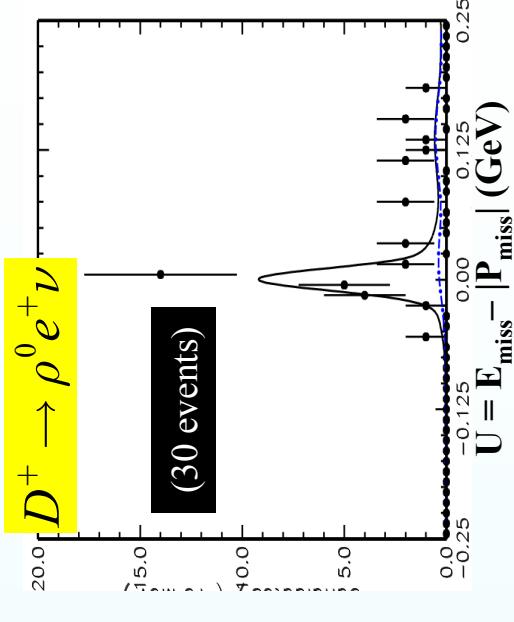
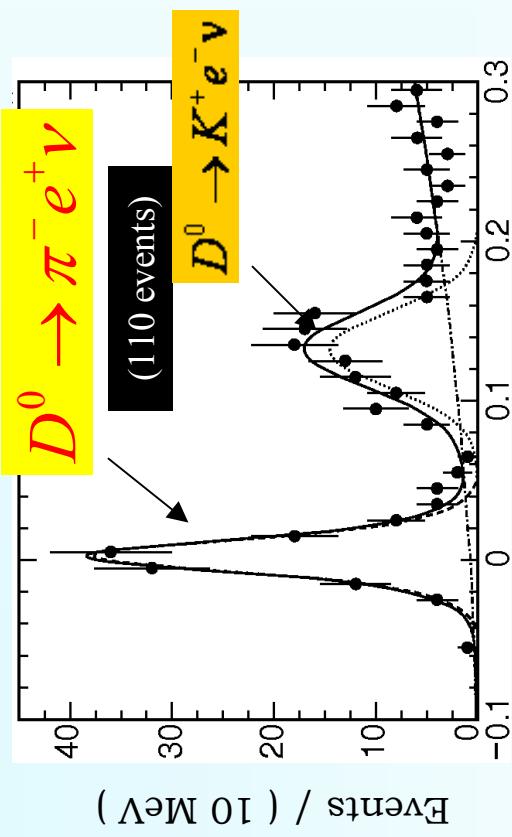
- $D^- \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-$
- $D^- \rightarrow K_s \pi^-$
- $D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
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- $D^- \rightarrow K_s \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+$
- $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
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- $D^0 \rightarrow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

## Cabibbo Favored Semileptonic Decays

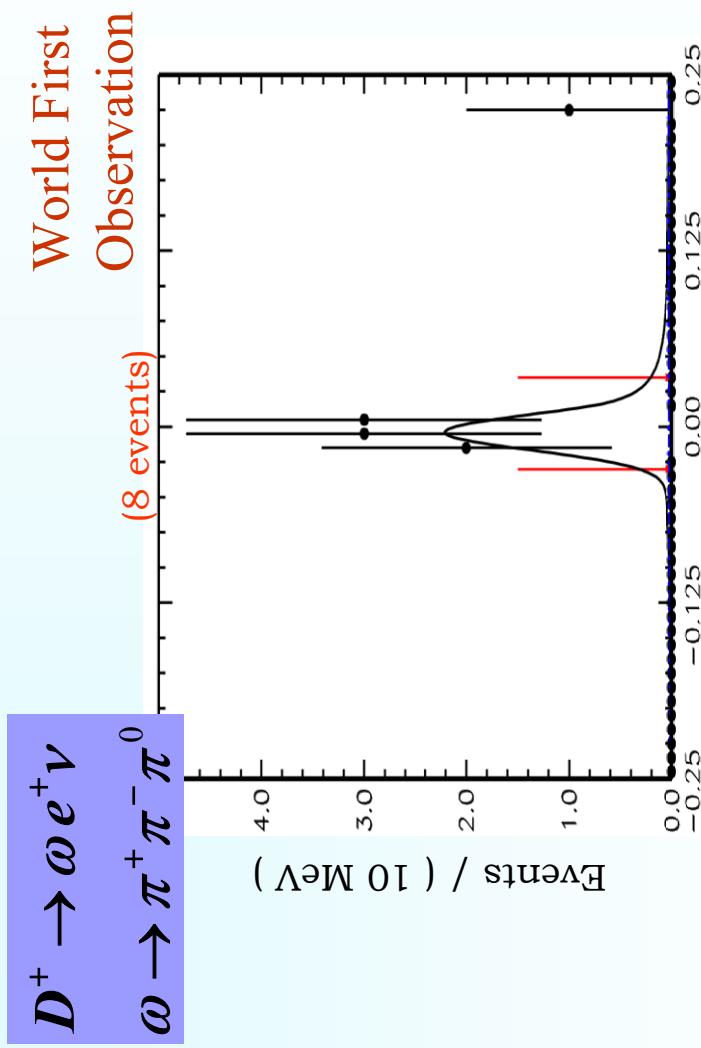


Uses tagged sample.  
These are the dominant modes, so backgrounds are almost non-existent

## Cabibbo Suppressed Semileptonic Decays



# Cabibbo suppressed semileptonic decays- continued



$$U = (E_{\text{miss}} - |\vec{P}_{\text{miss}}|)$$

soon results from 281 pb<sup>-1</sup> available, including study of the FF shape

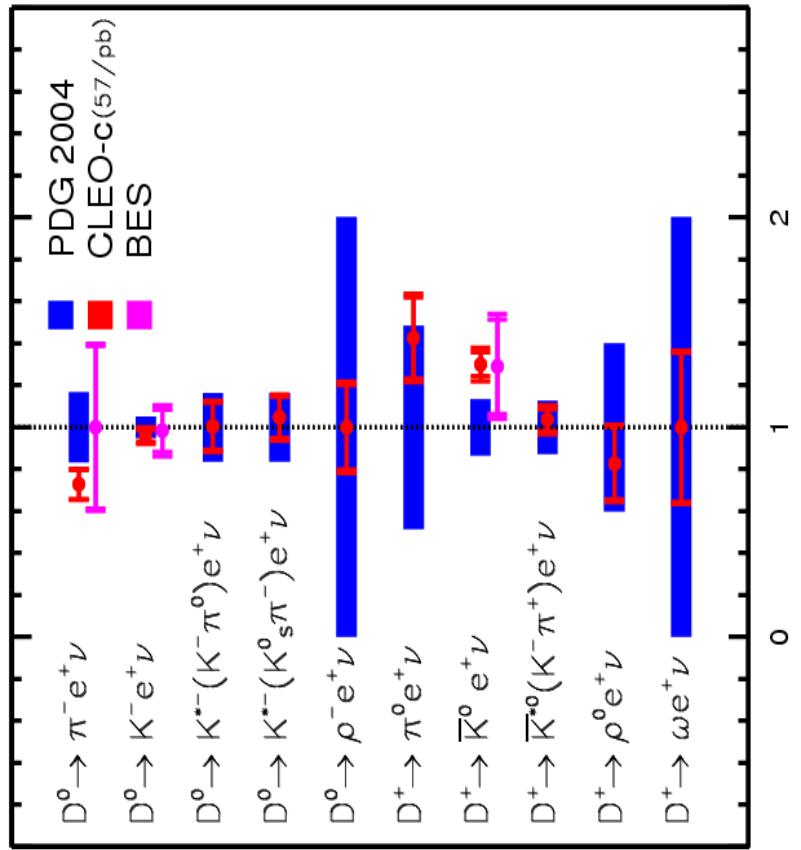
## Summary of exclusive branching fractions measured

Decay Mode	$\mathcal{B}(\%)$	$\mathcal{B}(\%)$ BES	$\mathcal{B}(\%)$ (PDG)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e$	$3.44 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.10$	$3.82 \pm 0.40 \pm 0.27$	$3.58 \pm 0.18$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$	$0.262 \pm 0.025 \pm 0.008$	$0.33 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.03$	$0.36 \pm 0.06$
$D^0 \rightarrow K^{*-} e^+ \nu_e$	$2.16 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.08$		$2.15 \pm 0.35$
$D^0 \rightarrow p^- e^+ \nu_e$	$0.194 \pm 0.039 \pm 0.013$		
$D^+ \rightarrow K^0 e^+ \nu_e$	$8.71 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.37$		$6.7 \pm 0.9$
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e$	$0.44 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.03$		$0.31 \pm 0.15$
$D^+ \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ \nu_e$	$5.56 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.23$		$5.5 \pm 0.7$
$D^+ \rightarrow p^0 e^+ \nu_e$	$0.21 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.01$		$0.25 \pm 0.10$
$D^+ \rightarrow \omega^0 e^+ \nu_e$	$0.16^{+0.07}_{-0.01} \pm 0.01$		



First measurements

## CLEO Exclusive Semileptonic Branching Ratios: another view



- 5  $D^0$  and 6  $D^+$  semileptonic modes measured in a consistent manner
- $D^0 \rightarrow \rho^- e^+ \nu$  and  $D^+ \rightarrow \omega e^+ \nu$  are observed for the first time
- The widths of the isospin conjugate exclusive semileptonic decay modes are expected to be equal due to the isospin invariance of the hadronic current; we obtain:

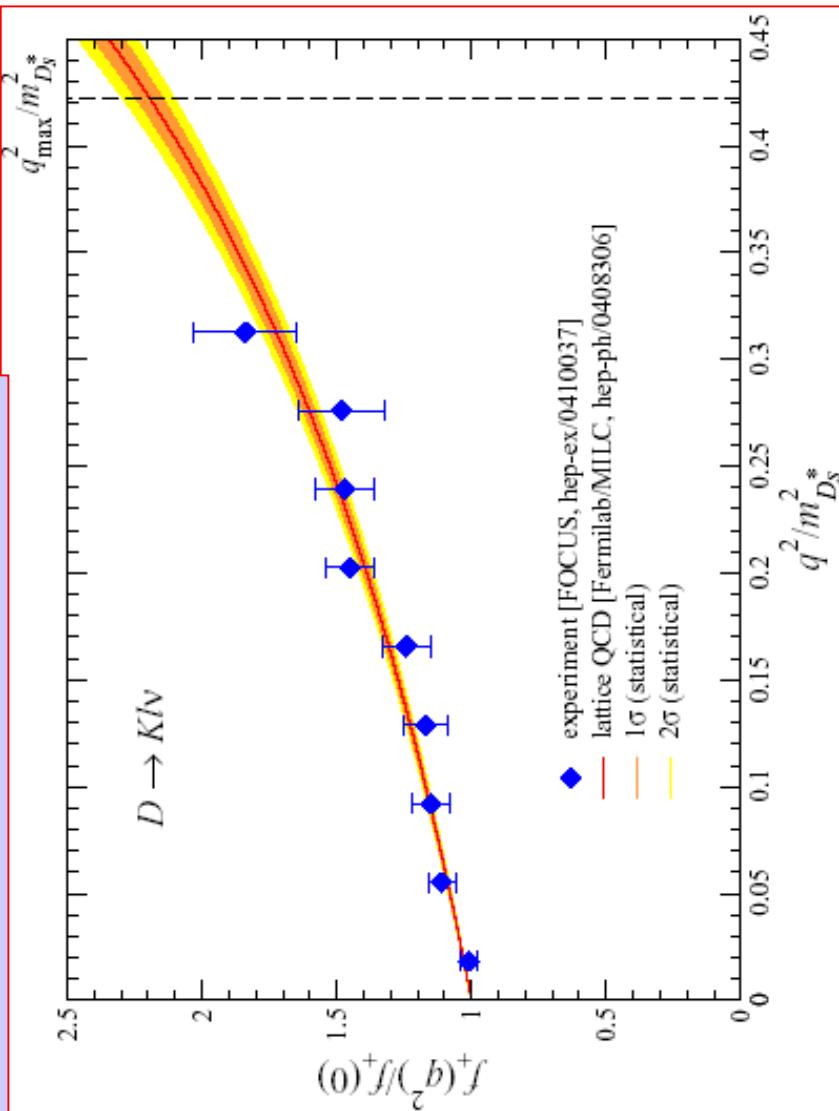
$$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e)}{\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 e^+ \nu_e)} = 1.00 \pm 0.05(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{sys})$$

If we assume isospin invariance...

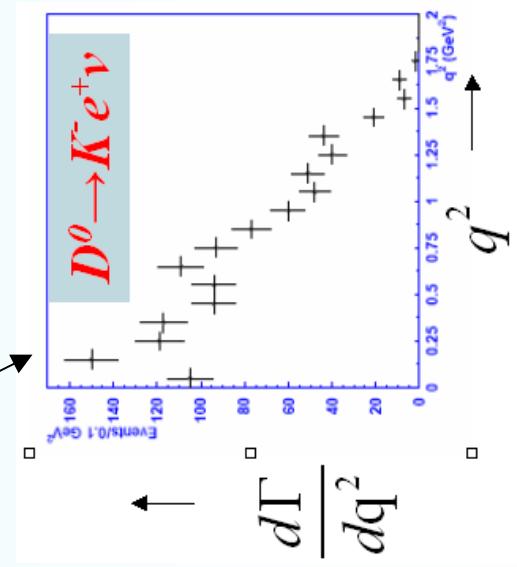
Decay mode	$\Gamma(\text{ps}^{-1})$
$D \rightarrow K e^+ \nu_e$	$0.0838 \pm 0.0030 \pm 0.0023$
$D \rightarrow \pi e^+ \nu_e$	$0.0068 \pm 0.0005 \pm 0.0002$
$D \rightarrow K^* e^+ \nu_e$	$0.0532 \pm 0.0021 \pm 0.0020$
$D \rightarrow \rho e^+ \nu_e$	$0.0043 \pm 0.0006 \pm 0.0002$

# Lattice comparison - the shape

Comparison between non-parametric analysis by  
FOCUS and lattice prediction

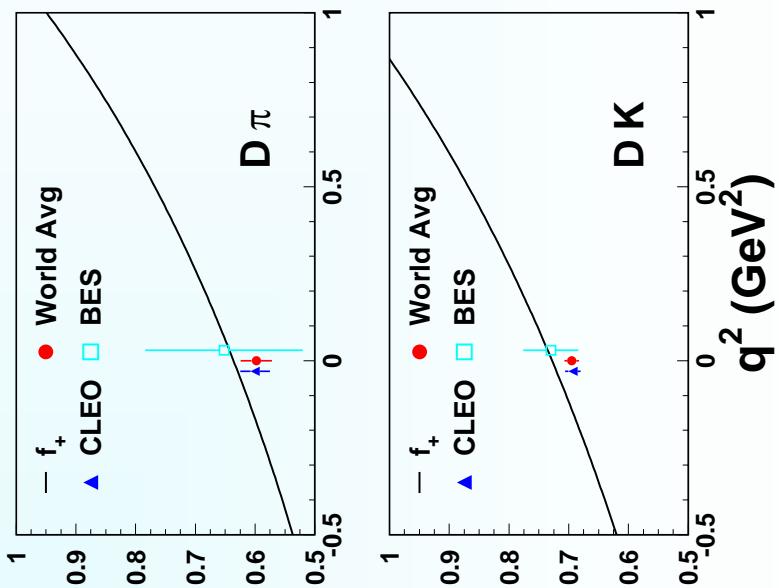


CLEO-c raw  $q^2 \rightarrow$  No  
efficiency correction,  
results soon from 281  
 $\text{pb}^{-1}$



## Lattice comparison - $f_+(0)$

If we assume that the lattice shape is OK  $\Rightarrow$  we can use our branching fraction measurements to validate the normalization



## $V_{cs}$ and $V_{cd}$

- Assuming that shape and normalization of the form factors are OK:

$$V_{cs} = 0.958 \pm 0.017 (\text{exp}) \pm 0.067 (\text{th})$$

$$V_{cd} = 0.214 \pm 0.009 (\text{exp}) \pm 0.016 (\text{th})$$

Using isospin averaged widths

## Inclusive semileptonic studies

- Motivation:

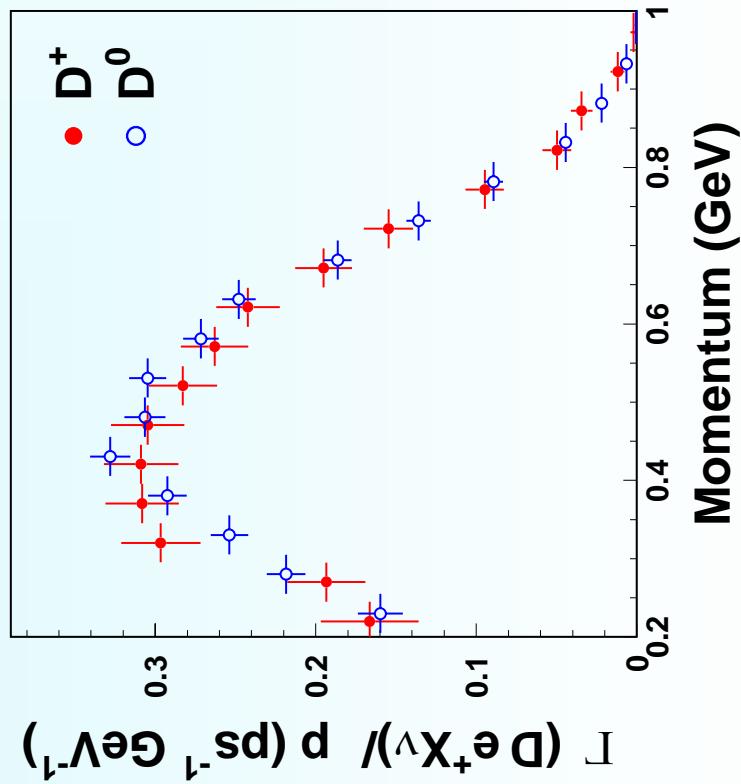
- precision measurements of  $\Gamma(D \rightarrow X\ell\nu)$  and  $\Gamma(D_s \rightarrow X\ell\nu)$  constrains WA effects in B and D semileptonic decays
- Comparison between  $d\Gamma/dE_\ell (D^+ \rightarrow X\ell\nu)$  and  $d\Gamma/dE_\ell (D^0 \rightarrow X\ell\nu)$

## Analysis strategy

- Use a tagged D sample ( $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  and  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  + exploit knowledge of flavor of the tagging D (charge for  $D^+$  and K charge for  $D^0$ ))
- Evaluate raw  $e, \pi, K$  spectra (right and wrong sign)
- Unfold true  $e$  spectrum
- Subtract D background (sidebands)
- Extrapolate to the whole spectrum

# Results

- Using MC simulation (including FSR) to extrapolate to the whole spectrum, we obtain:



Lab momentum spectrum –  
no FSR correction

## Conclusions

- CLEO-c has achieved the most comprehensive and accurate study of exclusive and inclusive semileptonic branching fractions
- Results consistent with theory within error: true litmus test when theory and data will be at % level and shape of  $f_f$  will be available from data
- Combination of studies of SL decays and  $f_D$  will allow lattice test independent of CKM input
- Form factors in Cabibbo suppressed semileptonic decays will lead to a better understanding of  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$