



# Status and Prospects of Belle II

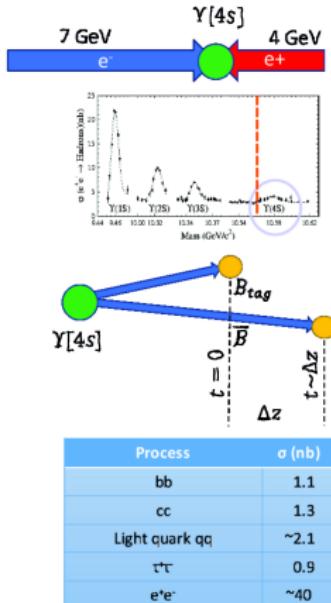
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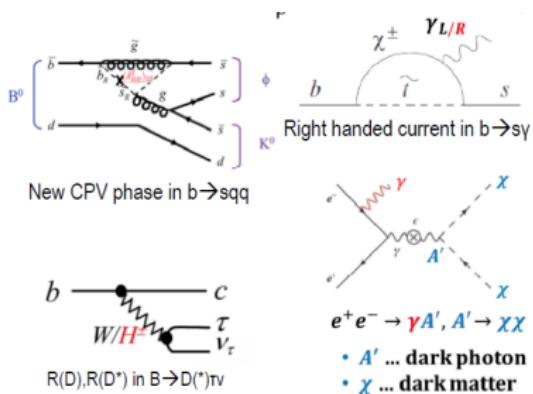
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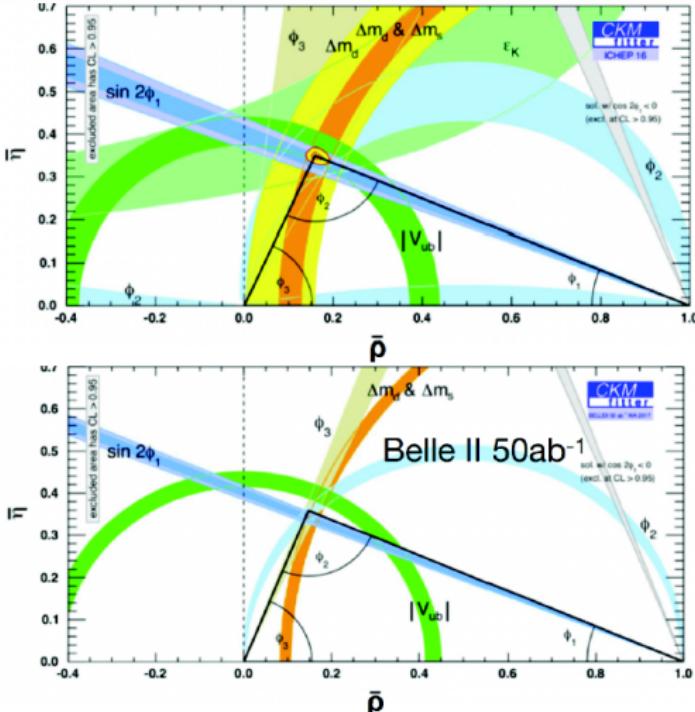
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# Belle II motivations

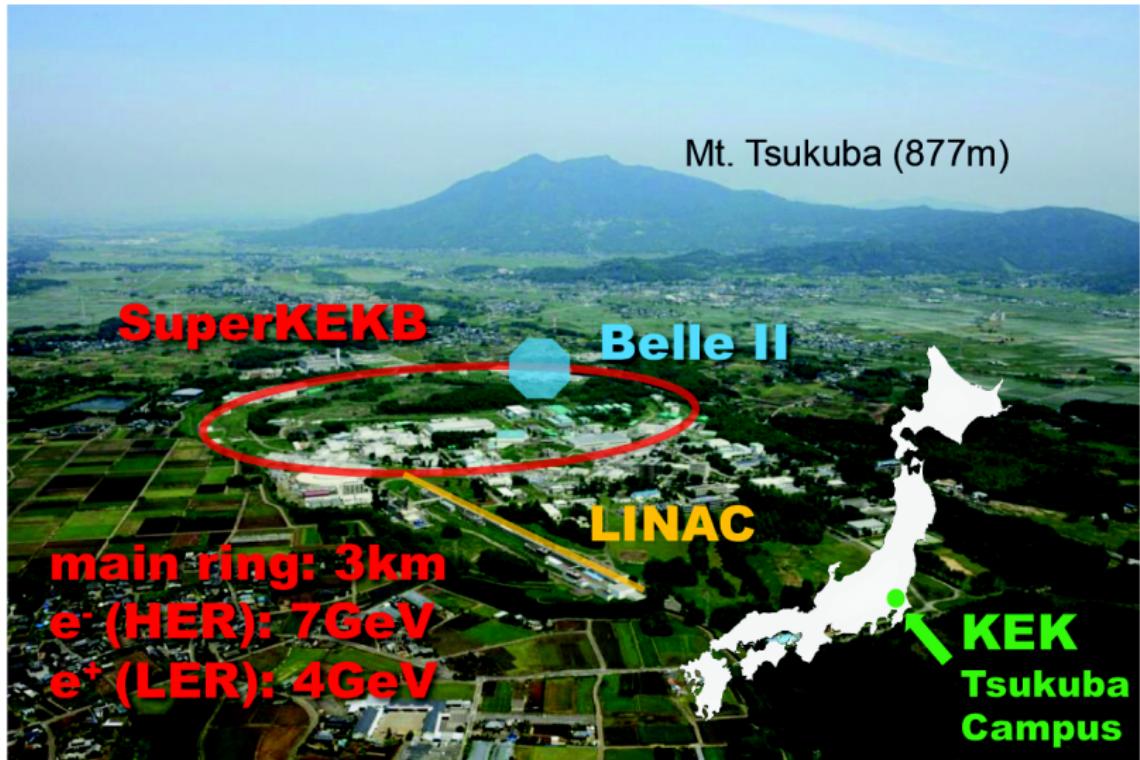
- The original B factory experiments Belle and BaBar confirmed the Kobayashi-Maskawa Mechanism
- A single, irreducible, complex CKM phase can explain all observation in the quark flavor physics
- proven part of Standard Model
- Belle II will look for deviation from the picture to provide evidence of BSM physics
- Several tensions gives room to  $O \approx 10\%$  deviation from SM
  - LFVU
  - CPV in D's (LHCb) measurements



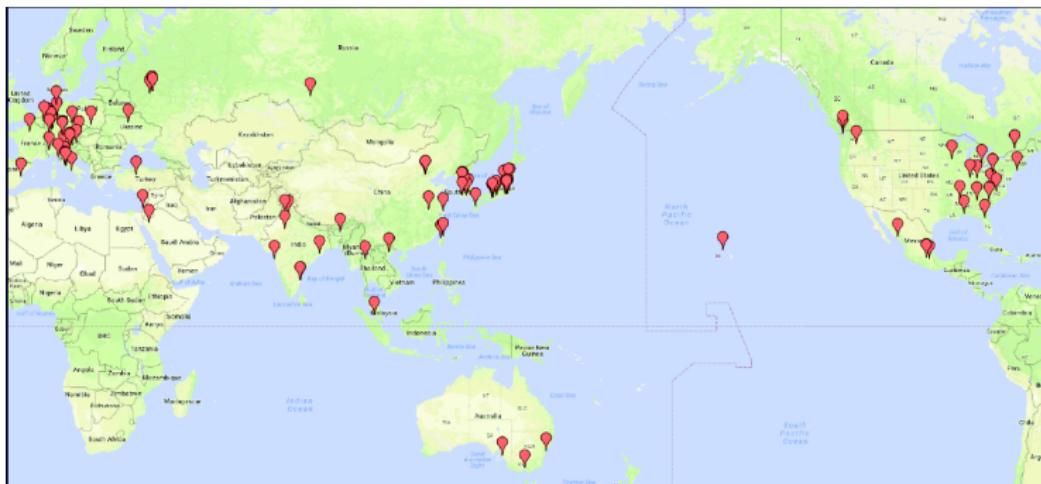
The Belle II physics scope extends far beyond B physics and CPV. Charm,  $\tau$ , precision EW, Quarkonium physics, dark sector searches etc.

The Belle II Physics Book, ArXiv:1808.10567, 689 pages

# SuperKEKB and Belle II



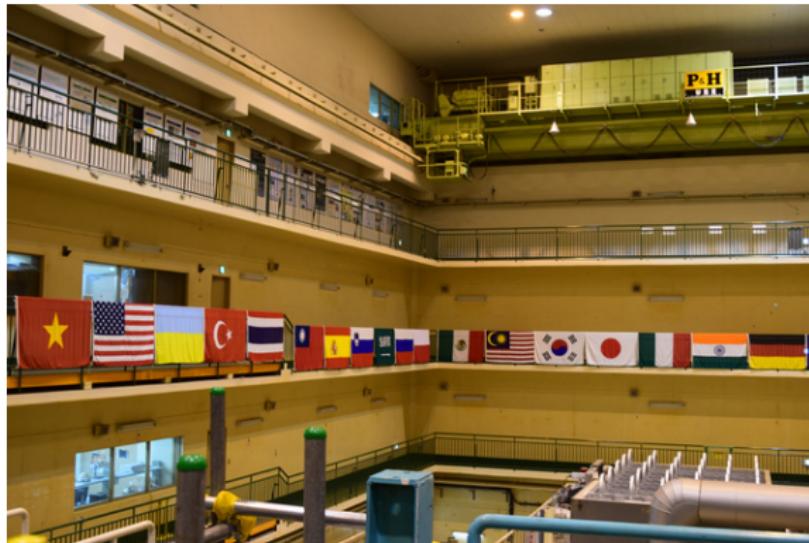
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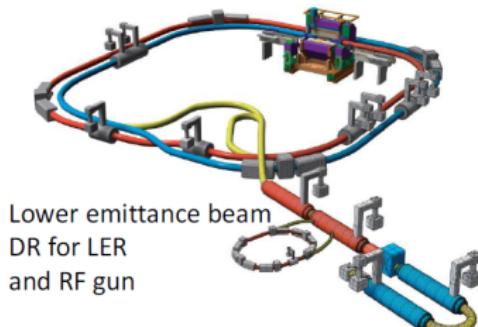
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# SuperKEKB: the nano beam scheme



$$L = \frac{\gamma_{e\pm}}{2er_e} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*}\right) \frac{I_{e\pm\xi_y}}{\beta_y^*} \left(\frac{R_L}{R_{\xi_y}}\right)$$

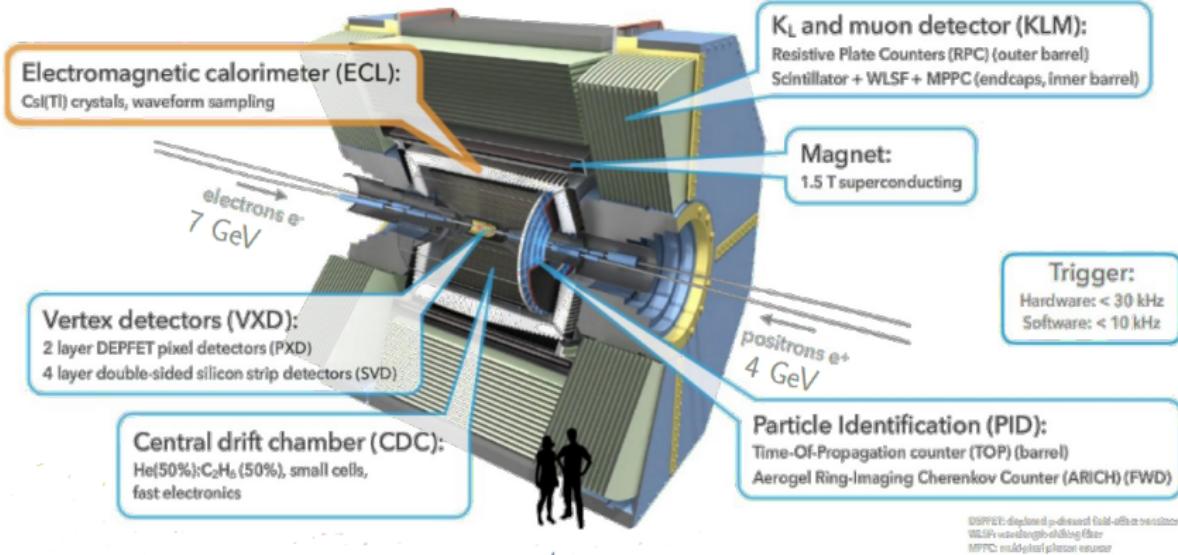
Beam current      Beam-beam parameter  
 σ: beam size      β function

		KEKB		SuperKEKB		units
		LER	HER	LER	HER	
Beam energy	$E_b$	3.5	8	4	7.007	GeV
Beam crossing angle	$\varphi$	22		83		mrad
$\beta$ function @ IP	$\beta_x^*/\beta_y$	1200/5.9		32/0.27	25/0.30	mm
Beam current	$I_b$	1.64	1.19	3.6	2.6	A
Luminosity	$L$	$2.1 \times 10^{34}$		$8 \times 10^{35}$		$\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

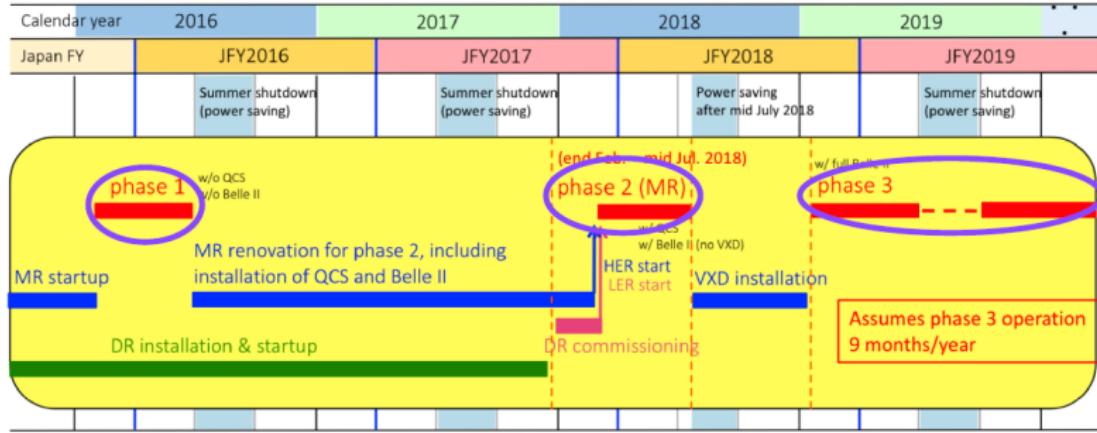
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# Belle II detector

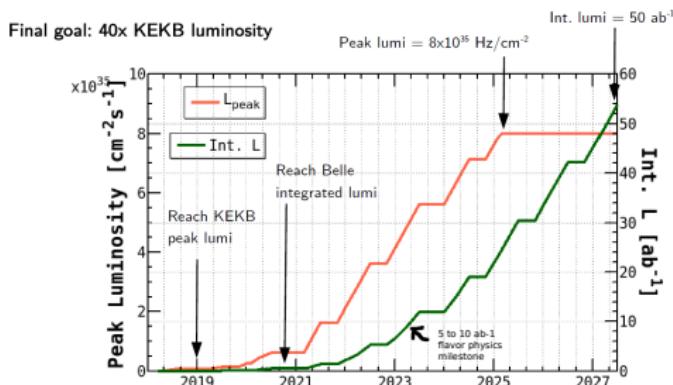
- The Belle II detector has better resolution, PID and capability to cope with higher background



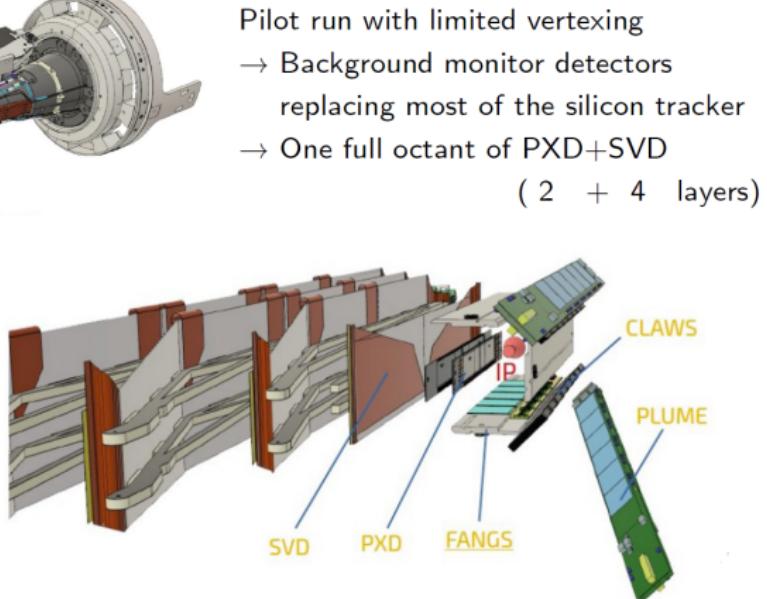
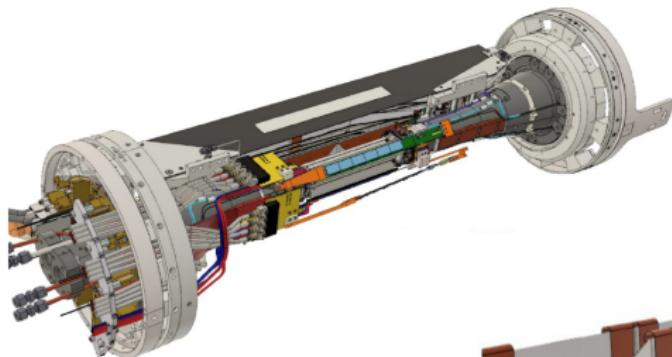
# SuperKEKB: commissioning



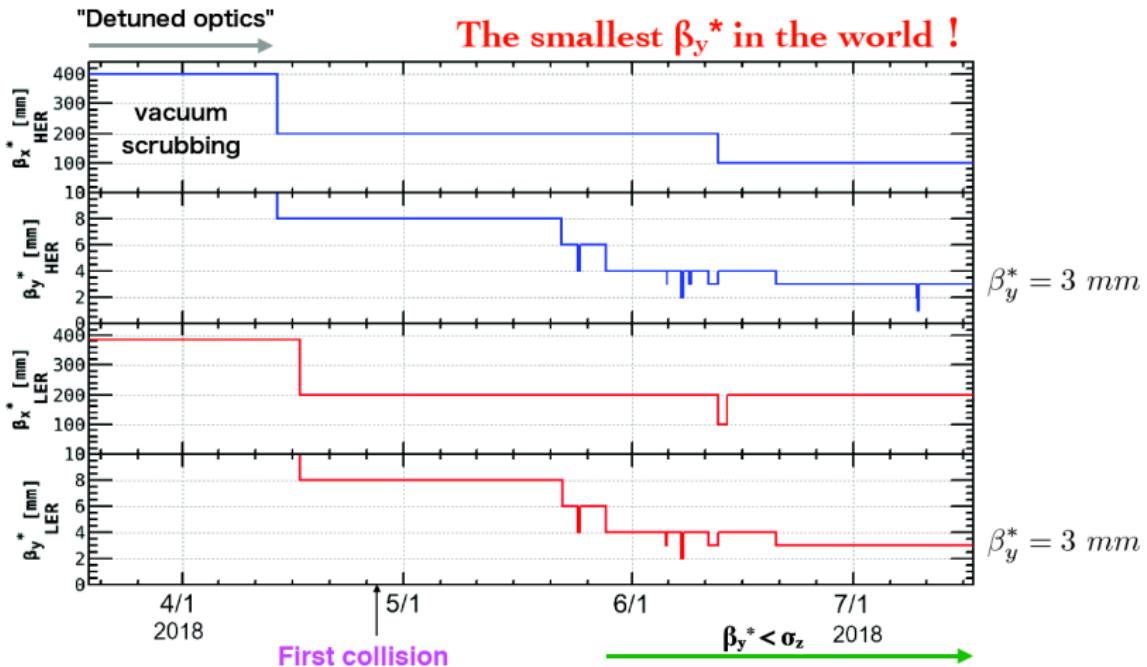
- Phase 1 : Beam operation without final focus magnets and Belle II
- Phase 2( ended on July 2018 ) :
  - No final vertex detector but one ladder/layer with background sensors
  - Achieved Luminosity of  $5.5 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
  - recorded integrated luminosity of  $500 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Phase 3: 2019 - detector with silicon vertex detector,  $\approx 9$  months of operation



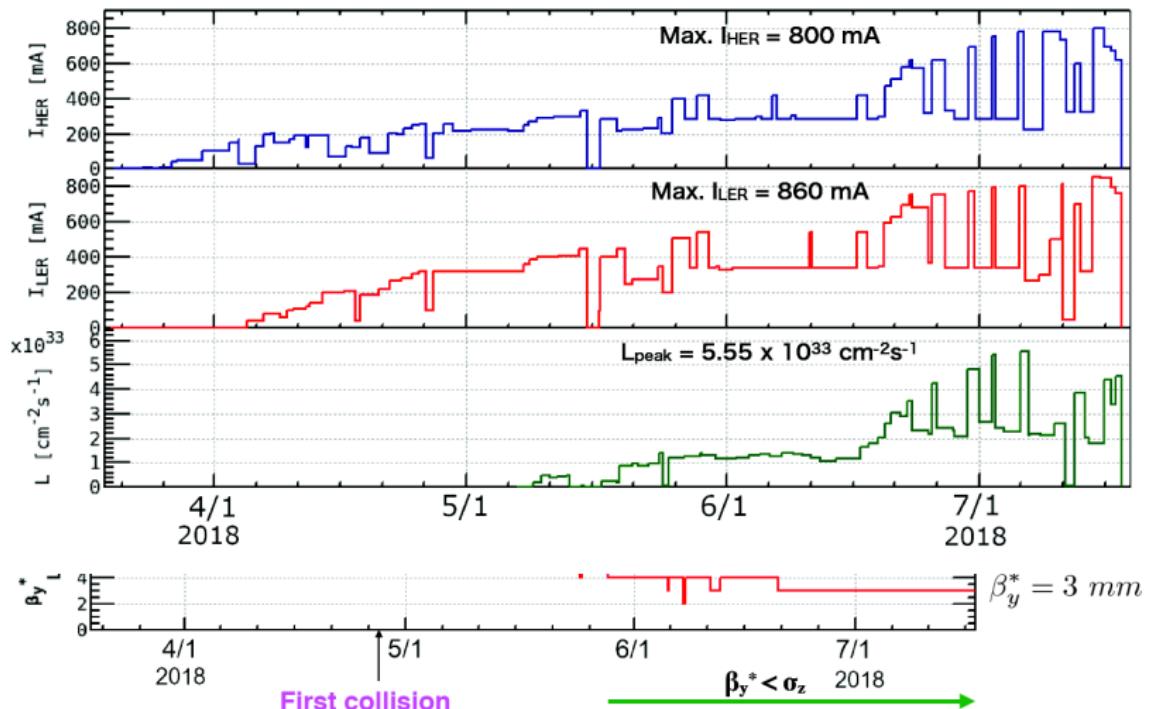
# Phase 2 pilot run in 2018



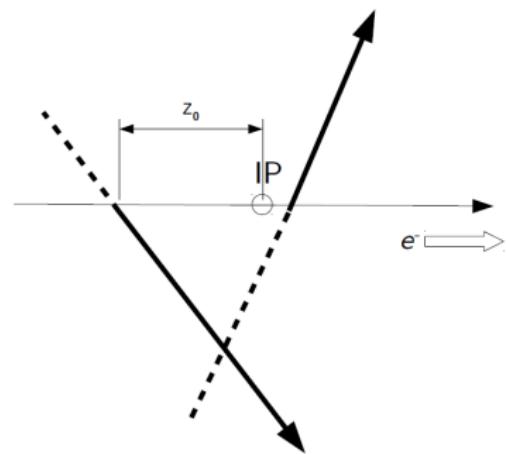
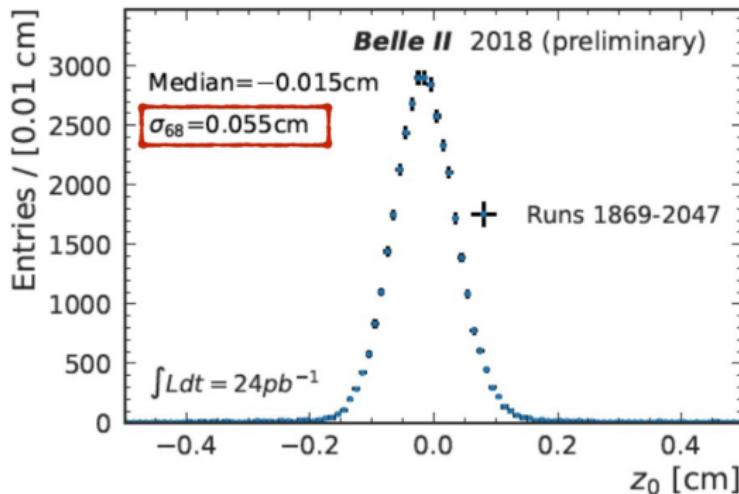
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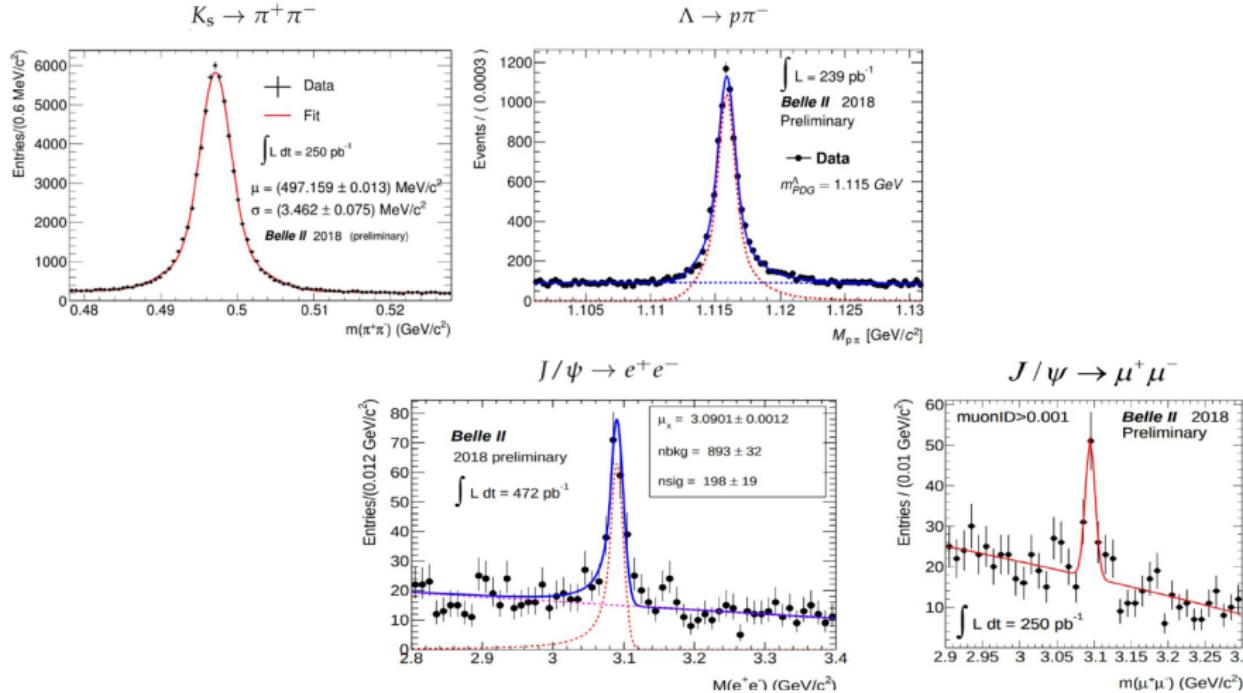
## Phase 2: Interaction region size



Beam spot  $\sim 10$  times smaller than KEKB

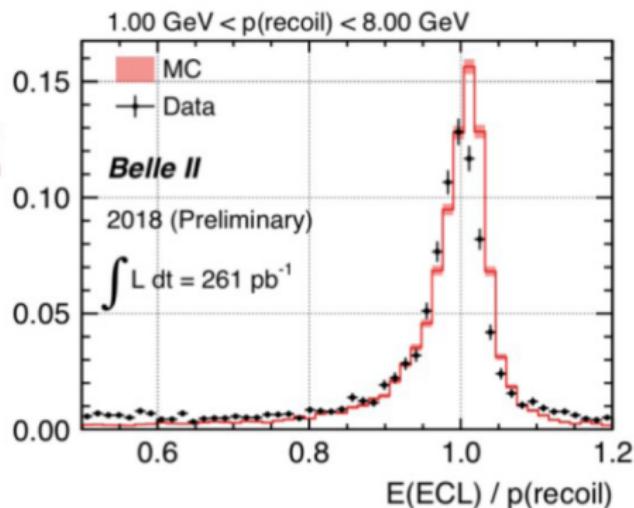
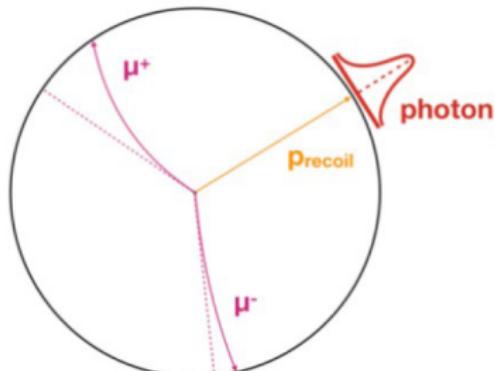
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# Phase 2: tracking performance



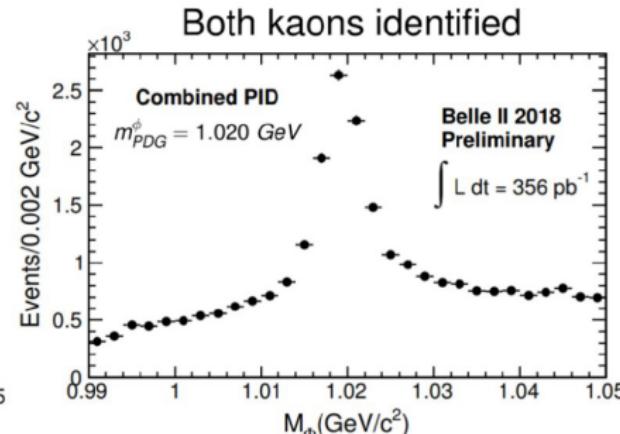
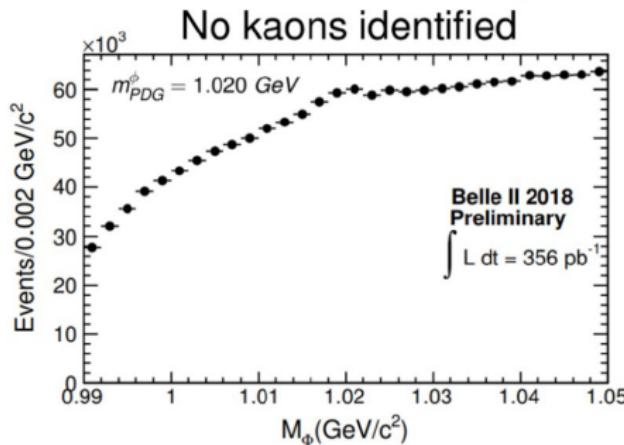
## Phase 2: Calorimetry

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$$



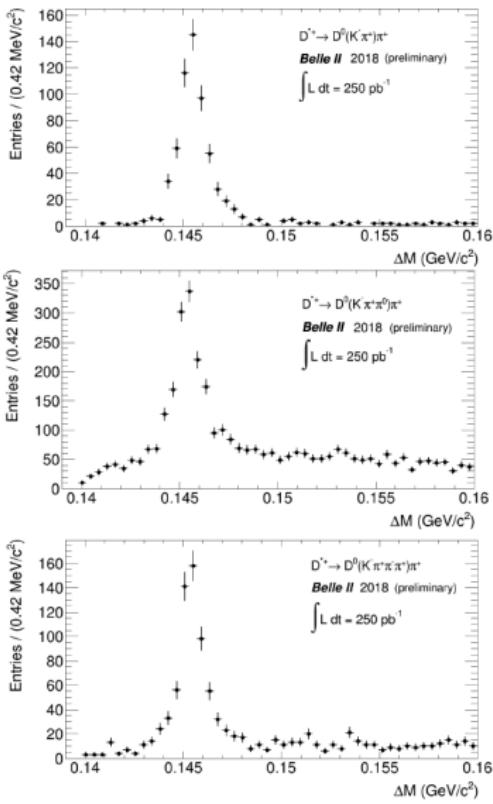
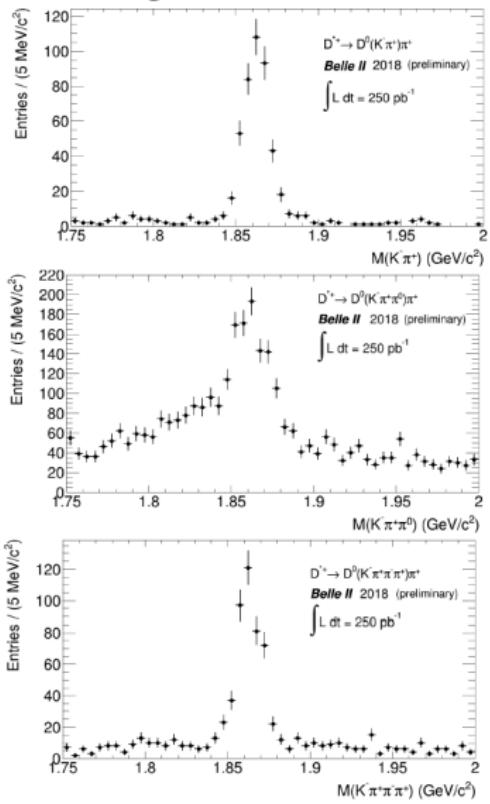
# Phase 2: PID performance

$$\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$$

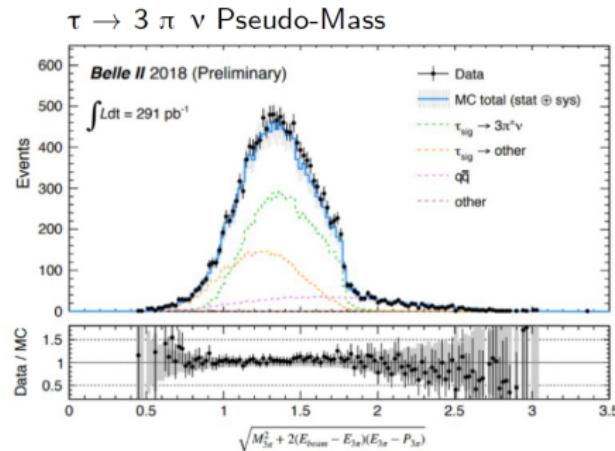
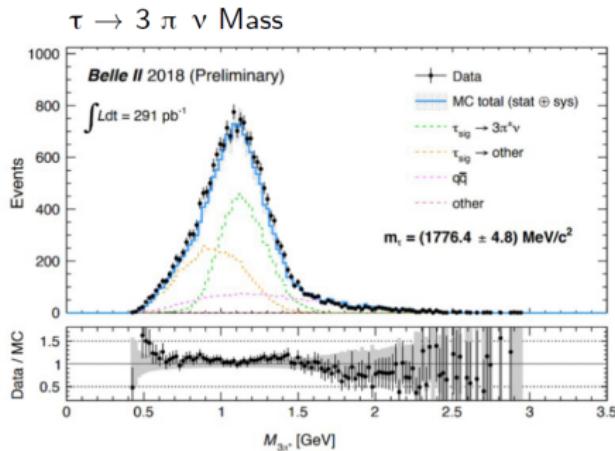


TOP + dE/dx from the drift chamber

# Phase 2: Charm rediscovery

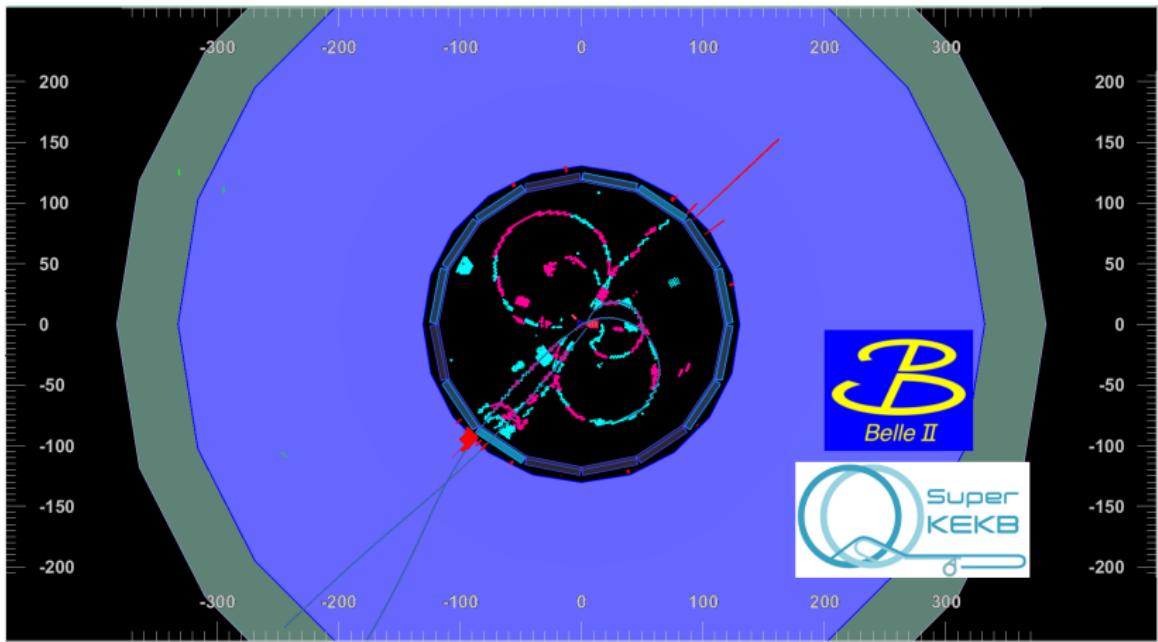


# Phase 2: $\tau$ rediscovery



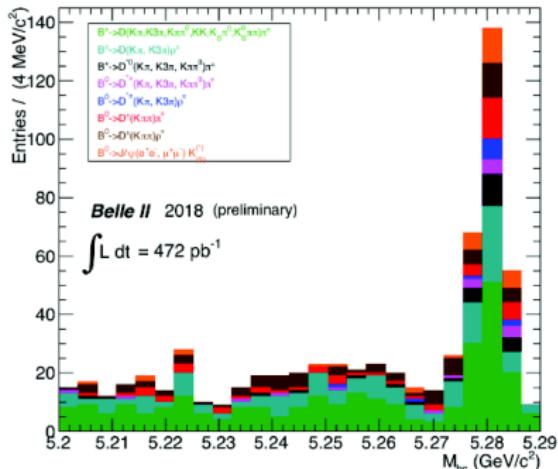
## Phase 2: Belle II first $B$ event(s)

most likely  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4s) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$

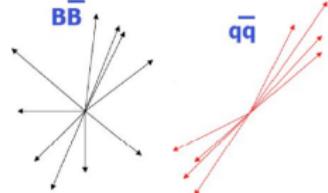
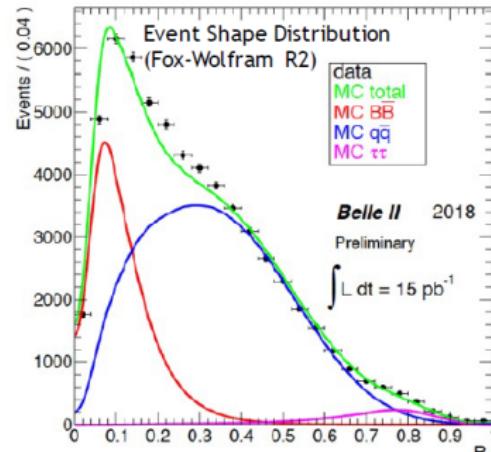


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## Hadronic decays reconstructions

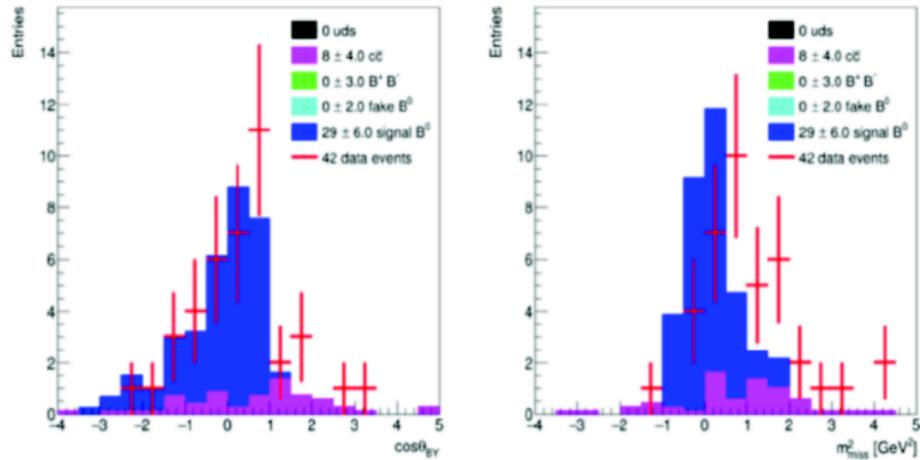


$$M_{bc} = \sqrt{E_{beam}^2 - \mathbf{p}^2}$$



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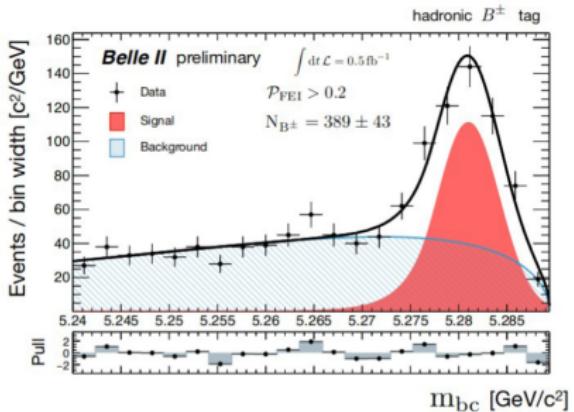
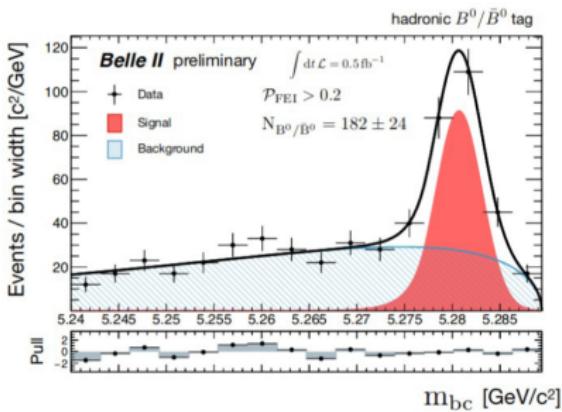
## Semileptonic decays reconstruction



$$\cos\theta_{B,D^{(*)}\ell} = \frac{2E_{beam}^{cms} E_{D^{(*)}\ell}^{cms} - m_B^2 - M_{D^{(*)}\ell}^2}{2P_B^{cms}.P_{D^{(*)}\ell}^{cms}}$$

# Phase 2: Belle II first $B$ event(s)

## Hadronic tagging performances Full reconstruction



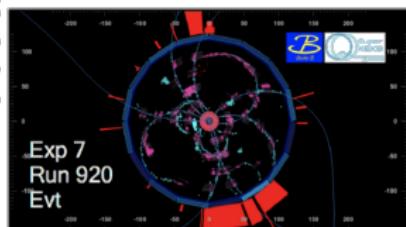
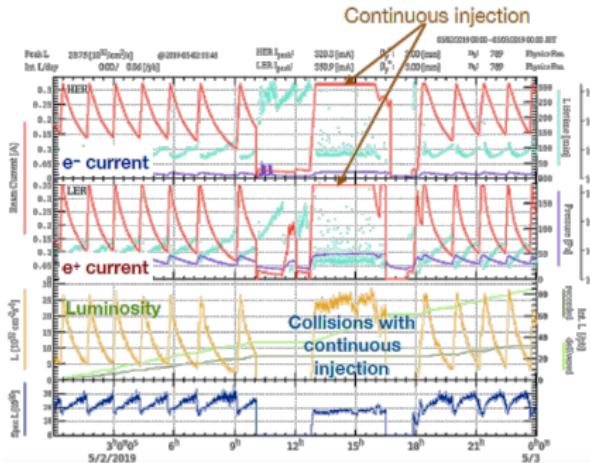
- reconstruct  $B^0$  and  $B^\pm$  in more than 1000 modes (tag side  $B$ )
- essential for reconstruction of events with missing energy

# Phase 3 operation

Collision data taking with full coverage Belle II

Started in March 2019

Beam background remediation is the current focus.



- Operation had to stop between April 3rd and 22nd due to a fire accident in one of the test facilities at KEK. Not related to SuperKEKB or Belle II!

# Phase 3 operation

- Belle II aims to collect
  - July 2019 :  $\sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

- **Performance Studies:**

### Semileptonic

$B \rightarrow \pi / \nu$  and  $\rho / \nu$  untagged  
(CLEO saw a signal with  $2.66 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

### Radiative Electroweak Penguins

$B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$  ( $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) rediscovery penguins  
 $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

### Hadronic B Decays

$B \rightarrow K \pi$  ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )  
 $B \rightarrow \phi K$  ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )  
 $B \rightarrow J/\psi K$  ( $2\text{-}10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )  
Time dependent  $B$  mixing ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )  
 $B$  lifetimes ( $2\text{-}10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

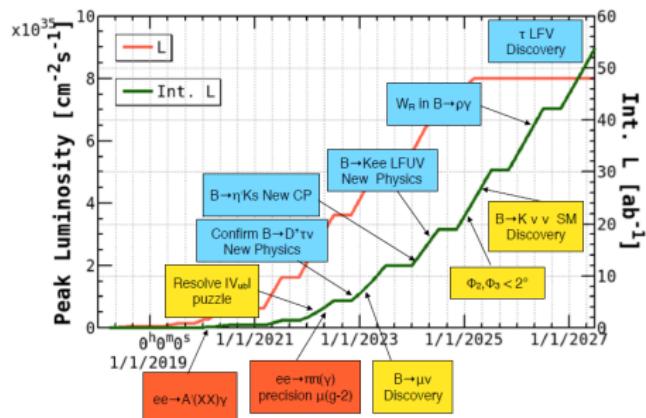
### Charm

$D$  lifetimes ( $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )  
 $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ ,  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$  ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

- Publication prospects for dark sector searches.

# Summary

- Belle II has successfully concluded the phase 2 physics run
- Phase 3 run started in March 2019
  - full physics run,
  - we are going to collect data meaningful for  $B$  physics,
  - $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  by this summer
- The Belle II aim is to explore New Physics in the flavor sector with  $50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  data collected at SuperKEKB



# backup

# Belle II physics

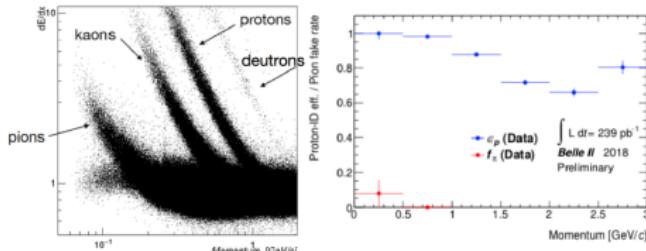
Observables	Expected the. accuracy	Expected exp. uncertainty	Facility (2025)
UT angles & sides			
$\phi_1 [^\circ]$	***	0.4	Belle II
$\phi_2 [^\circ]$	**	1.0	Belle II
$\phi_3 [^\circ]$	***	1.0	LHCb/Belle II
$ V_{cb} $ incl.	***	1%	Belle II
$ V_{cb} $ excl.	***	1.5%	Belle II
$ V_{ub} $ incl.	**	3%	Belle II
$ V_{ub} $ excl.	**	2%	Belle II/LHCb
<i>CP</i> Violation			
$S(B \rightarrow \phi K^0)$	***	0.02	Belle II
$S(B \rightarrow \eta' K^0)$	***	0.01	Belle II
$A(B \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0)[10^{-2}]$	***	4	Belle II
$A(B \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-)[10^{-2}]$	***	0.20	LHCb/Belle II
(Semi-leptonic)			
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu)[10^{-6}]$	**	(Semi)	3%
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \mu \nu)[10^{-6}]$	**	LEPTONIC	7%
$R(B \rightarrow D \tau \nu)$	***		3%
$R(B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu)$	***		2%
Radiative & EW Penguins			
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)$	**		4%
$A_{CP}(B \rightarrow X_{s,d} \gamma)[10^{-2}]$	***		0.005
$S(B \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0 \gamma)$	***		0.03
$S(B \rightarrow \rho \gamma)$	**		0.07
$\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)[10^{-6}]$	**		0.3
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \bar{\nu} \nu)[10^{-6}]$	***		15%
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu})[10^{-6}]$	***		20%
$R(B \rightarrow K^* \ell \ell)$	***		0.03
EWP			
$\mathcal{B}(D_s \rightarrow \mu \nu)$	***		0.9%
$\mathcal{B}(D_s \rightarrow \tau \nu)$	**		2%
$A_{CP}(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0)[10^{-2}]$	**		0.03
$ q/p (D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-)$	***		0.03
$\phi(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-)[^\circ]$	***		4
Charm			
$\mathcal{B}(D_s \rightarrow \tau \nu)$	***		Belle II
$\mathcal{B}(D_s \rightarrow \mu \nu)$	***		Belle II
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Tau			
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma [10^{-10}]$	***		< 50
$\tau \rightarrow e \gamma [10^{-10}]$	***		< 100
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \mu \mu [10^{-10}]$	***		< 3
			Belle II/LHCb

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Very Rich Physics  
 Program!

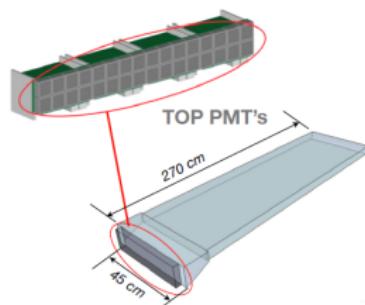
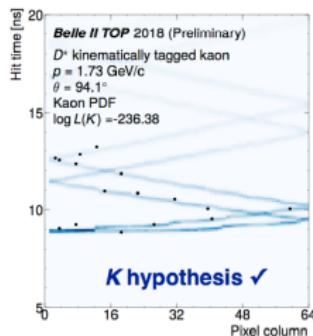
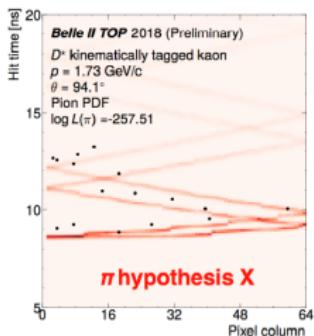
# Belle II Particle Identification

## Central Drift Chamber $dE/dx$



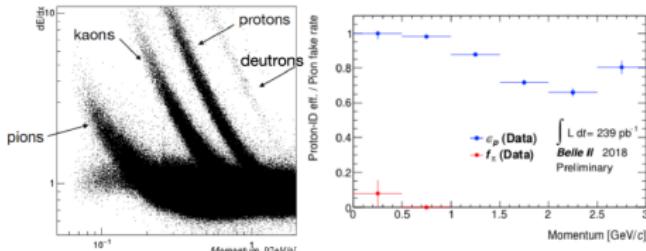
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$D^+ \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ [D^0 \rightarrow (\bar{K} \pi^\pm)] \times t$  pattern (mapping of Cherenkov ring)



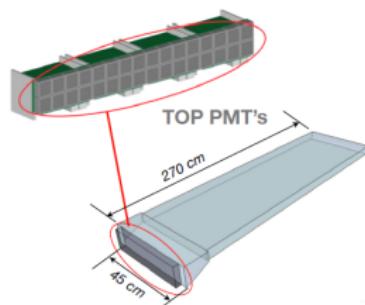
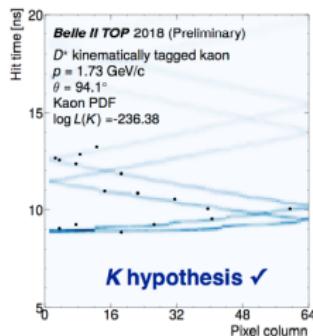
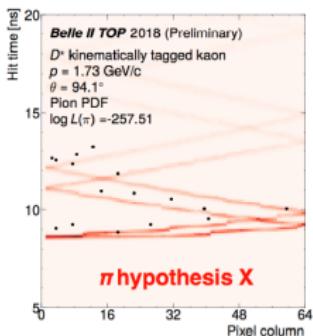
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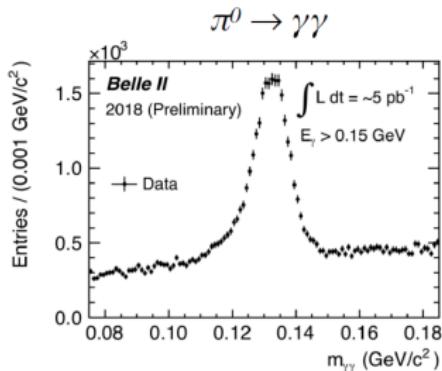
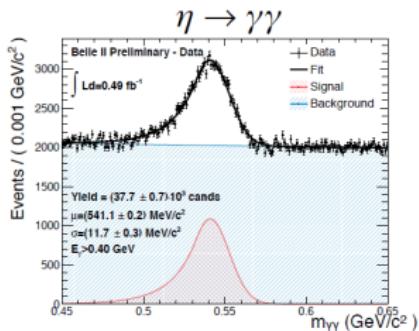
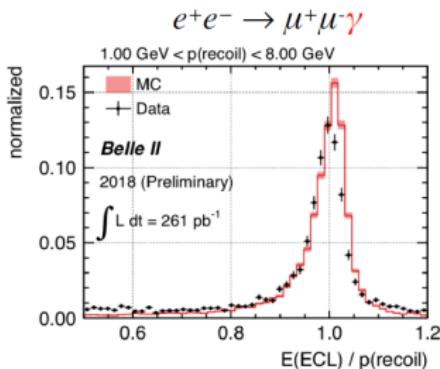


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# Belle II Photon reconstruction



- Good reconstruction single photons and pairs.
- Ready for the “dark sector” :
  - single photons  $\downarrow$
  - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X$
  - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma ALP \rightarrow \gamma(\gamma\gamma)$

# B decays with missing energy

## Tagging techniques

efficiency



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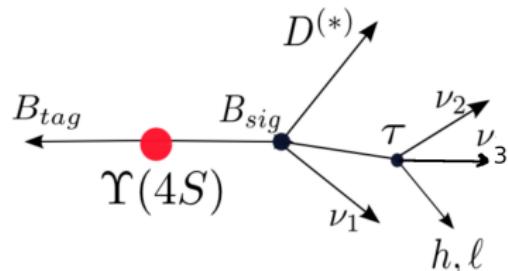
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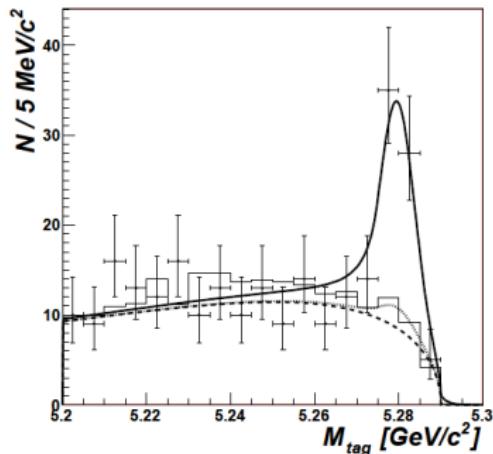
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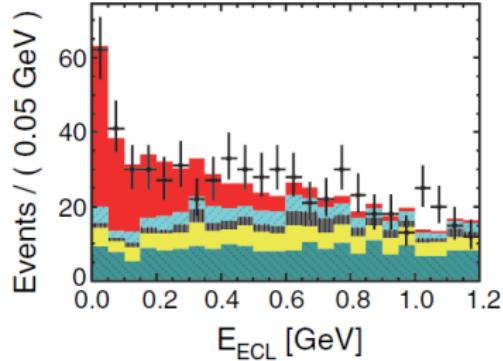
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S. Hirose: PRL **118**, 211801, (2017).)

## Semileptonic tagging:



$E_{\text{ECL}}$  remaining energy in the calorimeter

Y. Sato: PRD **94**, 072007, (2016).

# B decays with missing energy

## Tagging techniques

efficiency

- Inclusive

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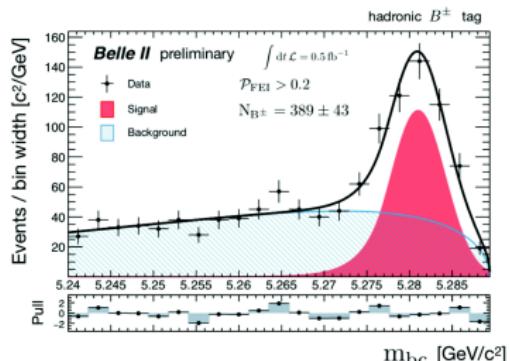
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purity

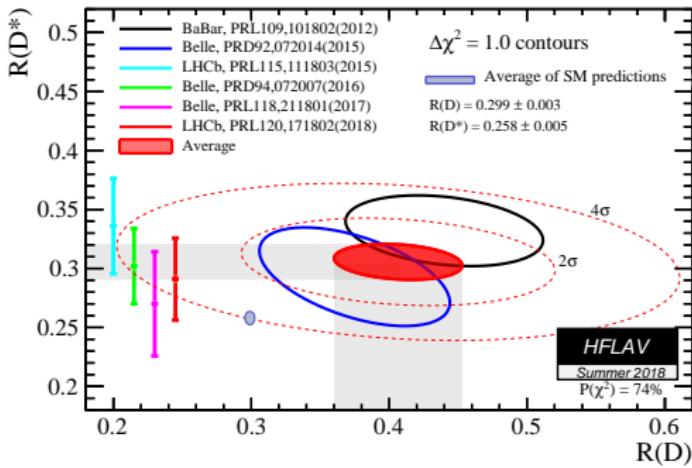
## Rest Of the Event (ROI)



# $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)}\tau^+\nu_\tau$ current situation

$$R(D^{(*)}) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)}\tau^+\nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)}\ell^+\nu_\ell)}$$

$\ell = e, \mu$  : normalization



SM predictions

$$R(D^*)^{\text{SM}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \bar{D}^*\tau^+\nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \bar{D}^*\ell^+\nu_\ell)} = 0.258 \pm 0.005$$

$$R(D)^{\text{SM}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \bar{D}\tau^+\nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \bar{D}\ell^+\nu_\ell)} = 0.299 \pm 0.003$$

HFLAV

$$R_D = 0.407 \pm 0.039_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.024_{\text{syst}}$$

$$R_{D^*} = 0.306 \pm 0.013_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.007_{\text{syst}}$$

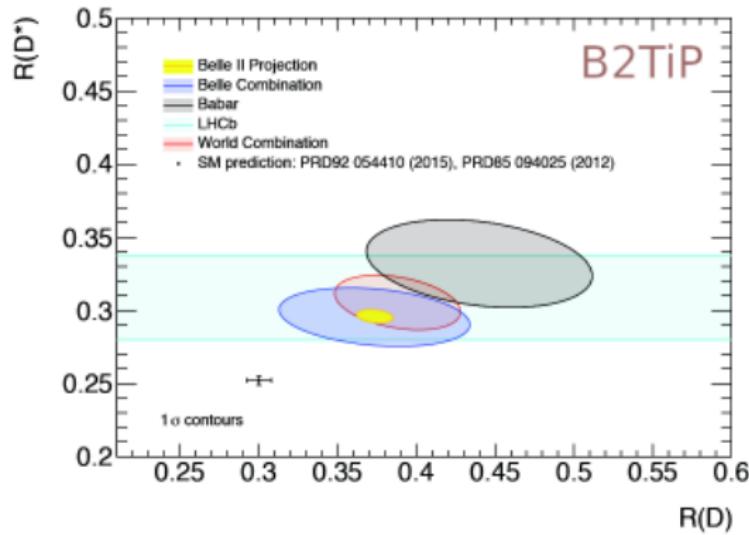
deviation from SM:

~  $2.3\sigma$  for  $R(D)$

~  $3.0\sigma$  for  $R(D^*)$

~  $3.7\sigma$  tension between SM and combined  $R(D^{(*)})$  experimental results

# $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)}\tau^+\nu_\tau$ Belle II projection



Belle II will improve the statistical uncertainty on  $R(D)$  and  $R(D^*)$  with  $\sim 5ab^{-1}$  accumulate data we can achieve

- $\sim 6\%$  uncertainty on  $R(D)$
- $\sim 3\%$  uncertainty on  $R(D^*)$

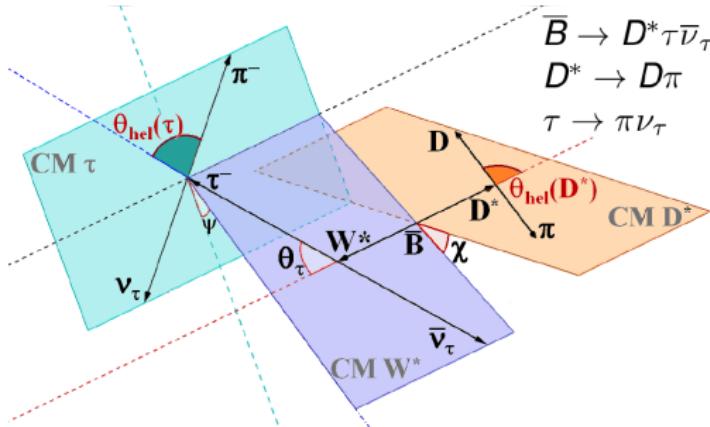
the excess can be confirmed with early data  
The ultimate precision (with  $50ab^{-1}$ ) of 3% and 2% will be limited by systematic

The major contribution to systematic is the uncertainty on  $D^{**}$  component.

In Belle II:

- we will study in details  $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(**)}X$  decays,
- especially  $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(**)}\ell^+\nu_\tau$  decays,
- a simultaneous determination of  $R(D)$ ,  $R(D^*)$  and maybe  $R(D^{**})$  components is possible.

# Kinematic variables describing $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)}\tau^-\nu_\tau$



$q^2 \equiv M_W^2$  - effective mass squared of the  $\tau\nu$  system

$\theta_\tau$  - angle between  $\tau$  &  $B$  in  $W^*$  rest frame

$\chi$  - angle between the  $\tau\nu$  and  $D^*$  decay planes

$\theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*)$  - angle between  $D$  &  $B$  in  $D^*$  rest frame

$\theta_{\text{hel}}(\tau)$  - angle between  $\pi^-$  & direction opposite to  $W^*$  in  $\tau$  rest frame

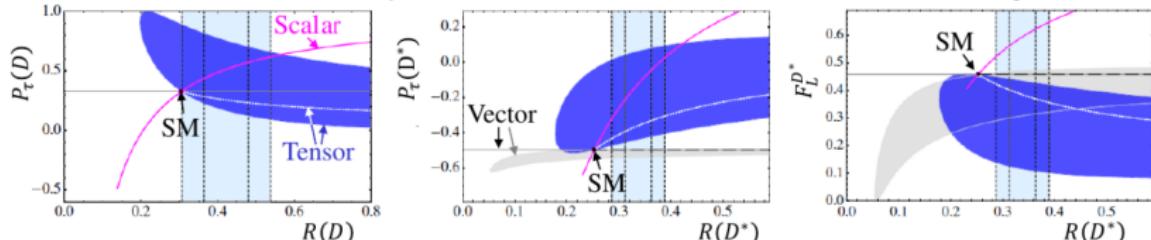
$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(\tau)} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \alpha P_\tau \cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(\tau))$$

$$\alpha = 1.0 \text{ for } \tau \rightarrow \pi\nu; \quad \alpha = 0.45 \text{ for } \tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*)} = \frac{3}{4} [2 F_L^{D^*} \cos^2(\theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*)) + (1 - F_L^{D^*}) \sin^2(\theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*))]$$

$q^2, \cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(\tau)$  and  $\cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*)$  can be reconstructed at B-factories with hadronic decays of  $B_{\text{tag}}$

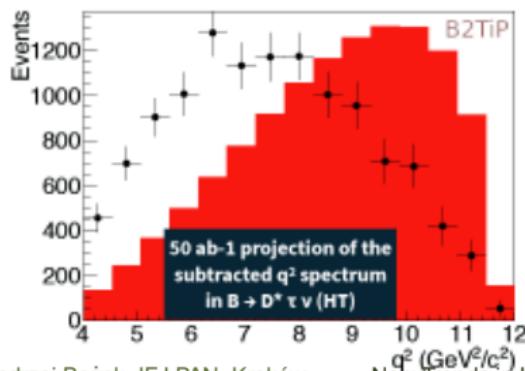
# $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^* \tau^- \nu_\tau$ differential distribution : $q^2$



M.Tanaka,R.Watanabe - arXiv:1212.1878v1

Differential distribution can be measured to constrain NP contributions

Detailed measurement of  $q^2$  and other kinematic distributions including polarization of the  $\tau$  and  $D^*$

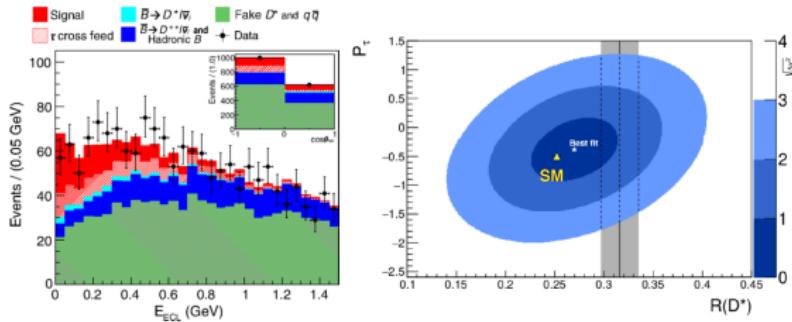


Belle II MC are generated in the SM hypothesis  
Block histograms is a 2HDM-type II benchmark

# $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^* \tau^- \nu_\tau$ differential distribution : $\tau$ polarisation

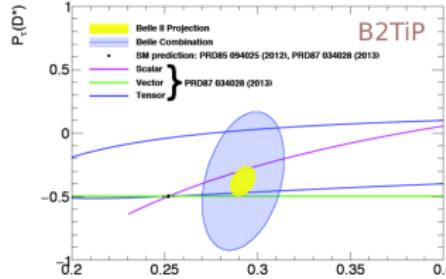
Pioneered by Belle Phys. Rev. Lett. **118**, 211801 (2017); Phys. Rev. D **97**, 012004 (2018)

Measured from the two body semileptonic  $\tau$  ( $\rightarrow \pi\nu, \rightarrow \rho\nu$ ) decays - experimentally challenging



Belle II perspectives :

	5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	50 ab <sup>-1</sup>
$P_\tau(D^*)$	$\pm 0.18 \pm 0.08$	$\pm 0.06 \pm 0.04$

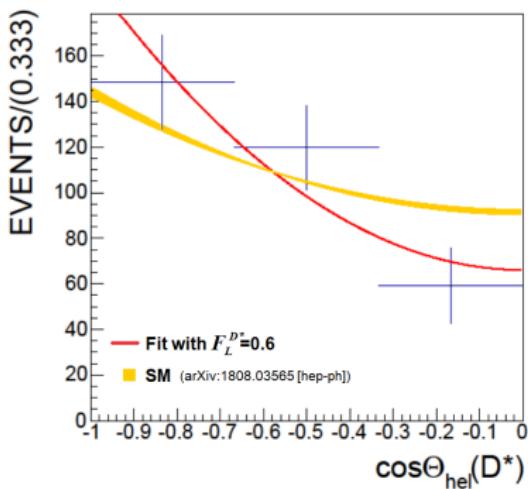


# $B \rightarrow \bar{D}^* \tau^- \nu_\tau$ differential distribution : $D^*$ polarisation

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*)} = \frac{3}{4} [2F_L^{D^*} \cos^2(\theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*)) + (1 - F_L^{D^*}) \sin^2(\theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*))]$$

All  $\tau$  decays are usable.

Belle result presented on CKM2018:

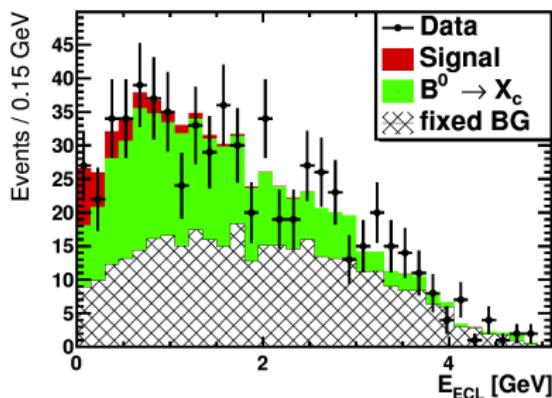


$F_L^{D^*} = 0.60 \pm 0.08(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.035(\text{syst.})$   
SM:  $F_L^{D^*} = 0.46 \pm 0.03$  (Phys. Rev. D 95, 115038 (2017), A.K. Alok, et al) ( $1.5 \sigma$ )  
SM:  $F_L^{D^*} = 0.441 \pm 0.006$  (arXiv:1808.03565, Z-R. Huang, et al) ( $1.8 \sigma$ )  
⇒ consistent with the SM within  $2\sigma$

Expected number of events for  $F_L^{D^*}$  in full data set is  $\sim 15000$ .

# Testing lepton flavor universality in $b \rightarrow u$ semileptonic decays

$$R(\pi) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \pi \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \nu_\tau)}$$



Feasibility already demonstrated with Belle.

No statistically significant signal was observed  $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \pi \tau^+ \nu_\tau) < 2.5 \times 10^{-4}$

Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 211801 (2017)

Central value:

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \pi \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = (1.52 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{-4}$$

Belle II extrapolation of uncertainty

$$R_\pi^{5ab^{-1}} \pm 0.23 \text{ or } R_\pi^{50ab^{-1}} \pm 0.09$$

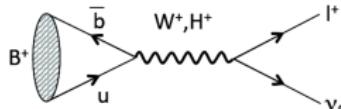
# Testing lepton flavor universality with leptonic $B$ decays

Very clean theoretically, hard experimentally  
SM is helicity suppressed  
Sensitive to NP contribution (charged Higgs)

$$R^{\mu} = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow \mu\nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow \tau\nu)}$$

$$R^e = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow e\nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow \tau\nu)}$$

$$R^{\pi} = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow \pi\nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow \pi\nu)}$$



$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow l\nu) = \frac{G_F^2 m_B}{8\pi} m_l^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_l^2}{m_B^2}\right)^2 f_B^2 |V_{ub}|^2 \tau_B$$

Mode	SM BR	Current meas.	Belle II 5 ab-1	Belle II 50 ab-1
$\tau\nu$	$10^{-4}$	20% uncertainty	15%	6%
$\mu\nu$	$10^{-6}$	40% uncertainty*	20%	7%
$e\nu$	$10^{-11}$	Beyond reach	-	-

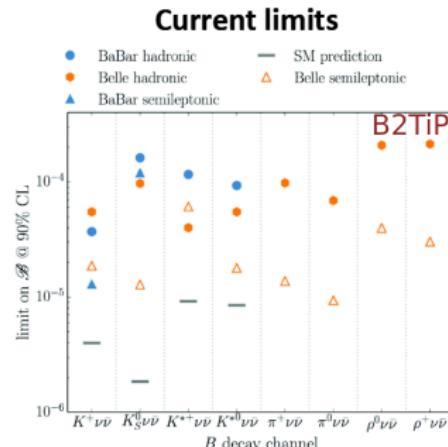
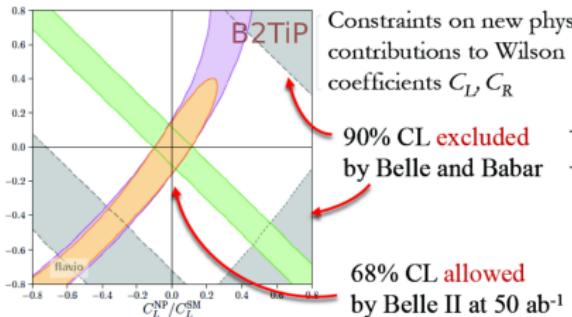
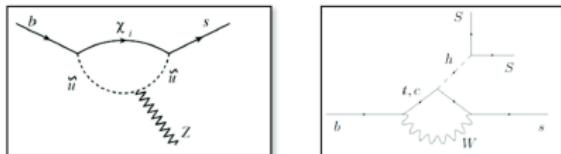
Belle II Full simulation with expected background conditions (hadronic tags only)  
S.L. tag expected to have similar sensitivity

Extrapolation of Belle Analysis

\* arxiv:1712.04123 2.4 $\sigma$  excess  $[2.9, 10.7] \times 10^{-7}$  at 90% C.L.

# $B \rightarrow K\nu\bar{\nu}$ decays

Suppressed in the SM : BRs  $10^{-5} - 10^{-6}$  may be enhanced by NP

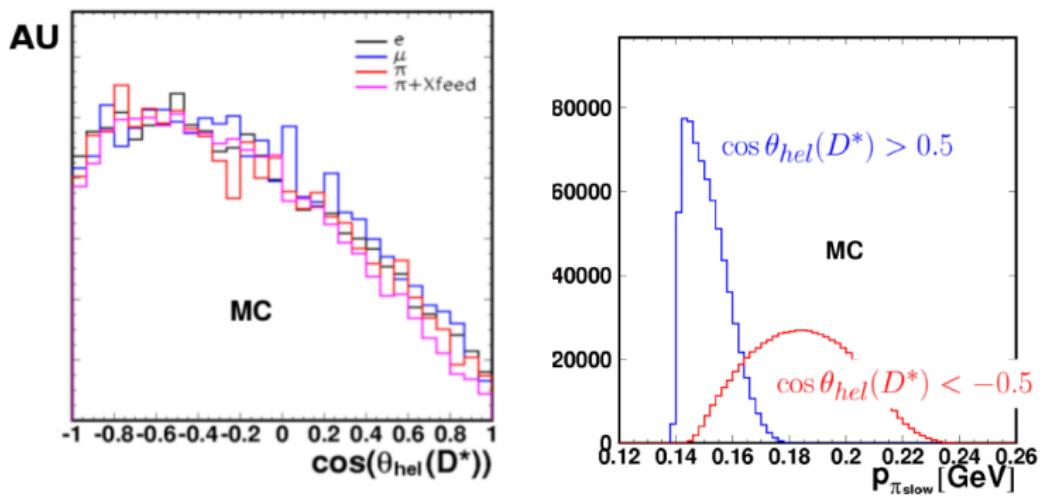


Observables	Belle II $5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$	Belle II $50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$
$\text{Br}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+\nu\bar{\nu})$	30%	11%
$\text{Br}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\nu\bar{\nu})$	26%	9.6%
$\text{Br}(B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+}\nu\bar{\nu})$	25%	9.3%

# Challenges for $D^*$ polarisation measurement

Main experimental problem:  
strong acceptance effects for  $\cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*) \geq 0.0$

efficiency                      distribution of slow  $\pi^\pm$  from  $D^*$



Effectively only  $\cos \theta_{\text{hel}}(D^*) < 0$  is useful for  $F_L^{D^*}$  measurement

# Measurement of $\tau$ polarization in $B$ decays

- ▶ both  $\bar{B}^0$  and  $B^-$  decays are used;  
only 2 body  $\tau$  decays:  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu, \rho\nu$
- ▶ sample divided into two bins of  $\cos\theta_{hel}$ :  
I:  $-1 < \cos\theta_{hel} < 0$ ;  
II:  $0 < \cos\theta_{hel} < 0.8$  (for  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu$ )

$$P_\tau = \frac{2}{\alpha} \frac{\Gamma_{\cos\theta_{hel}>0} - \Gamma_{\cos\theta_{hel}<0}}{\Gamma_{\cos\theta_{hel}>0} + \Gamma_{\cos\theta_{hel}<0}}$$

## Experimental challenges

- ▶ Distribution of  $\cos\theta_{hel}(\tau)$  is modified by:
  - ▶ cross-feeds from other  $\tau$  decays (contribute mainly in the region of  $\cos\theta_{hel}(\tau) < 0$ )
  - ▶ peaking background (concentrated around  $\cos\theta_{hel}(\tau) \approx 1$ )
- ▶ corrections for detector effects: acceptance, asymmetric  $\cos\theta_{hel}$  bins, crosstalks between different  $\tau$  decays
- ▶ for  $\tau \rightarrow \pi(\rho)\nu$  modes combinatorial background from poorly known hadronic  $B$  decays

