

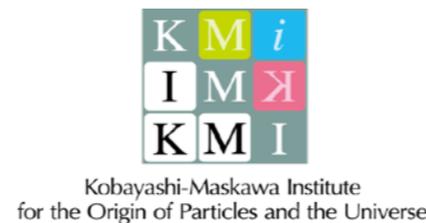
Status & Outlook for $R_D^{(*)}$ & $R_K^{(*)}$ from Belle/Belle II

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Belle II at SuperKEKB



Plan to collect **50 ab⁻¹** of collisions at and near $\Upsilon(4S)$
 Successor to Belle at KEKB (1.05 ab⁻¹)

At $\Upsilon(4S)$, $E_{CM} = 10.58$ GeV

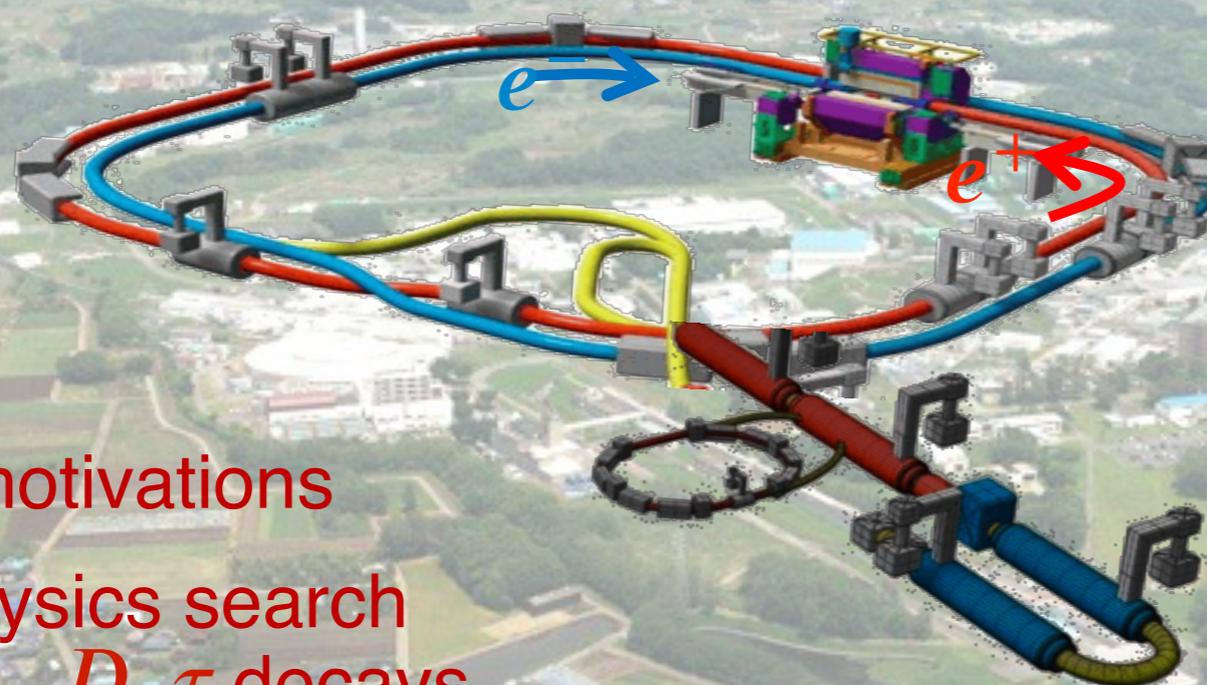
7 GeV e^- (HER; High Energy Ring)

4 GeV e^+ (LER; Low Energy Ring)

Nano beam scheme

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2e r_e} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*} \right) \frac{I_{\pm} \xi_{\pm y}}{\beta_y^*} \left(\frac{R_L}{R_y} \right)$$

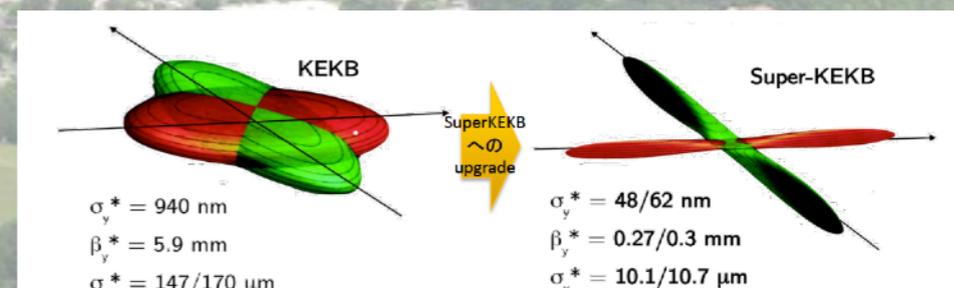
Belle II detector



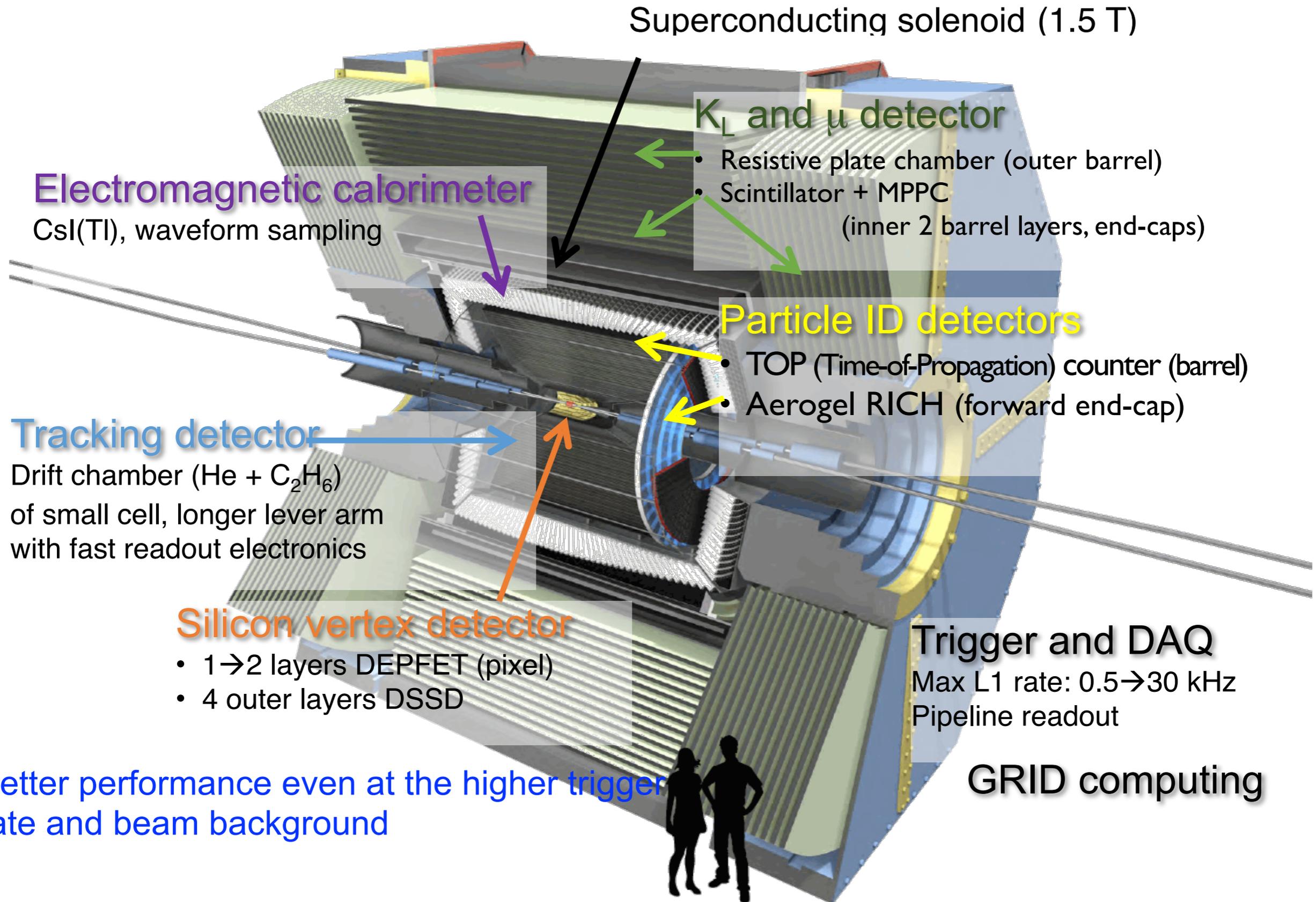
5.9 → 0.3 mm
 KEKB SuperKEKB

Physics motivations

- New physics search in B , B_s , D , τ decays
- Direct search for light new particles
- Precise measurement of Standard Model
- Hadron physics



Belle II detector



Belle II Collaboration



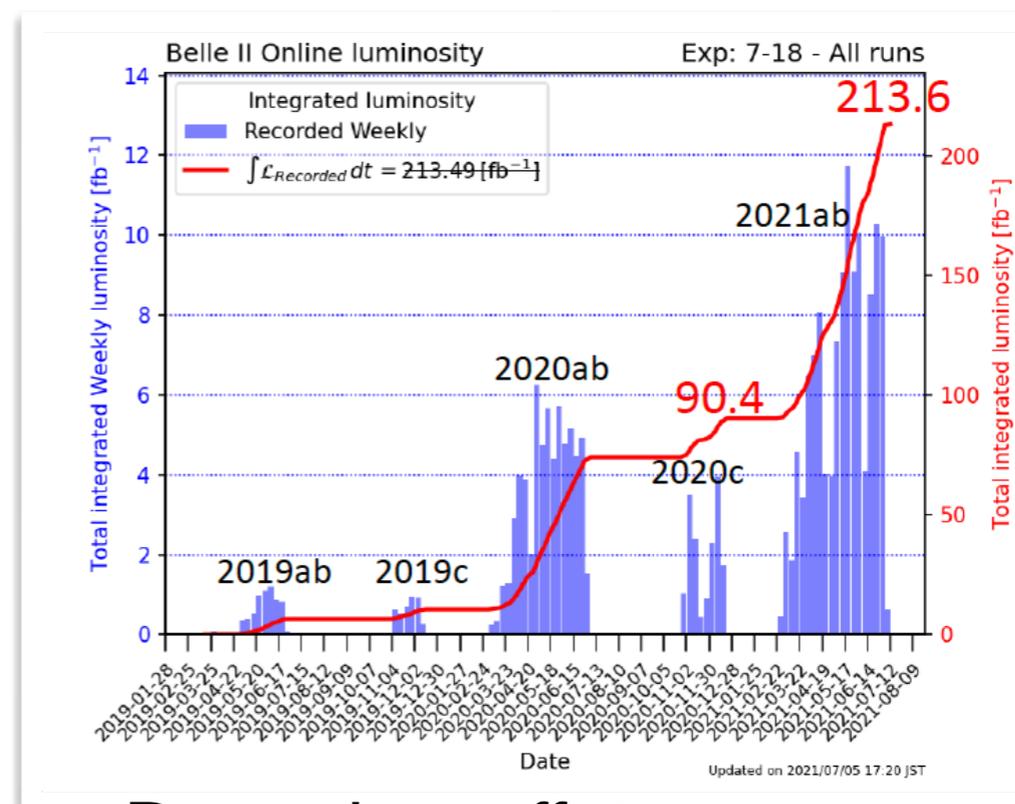
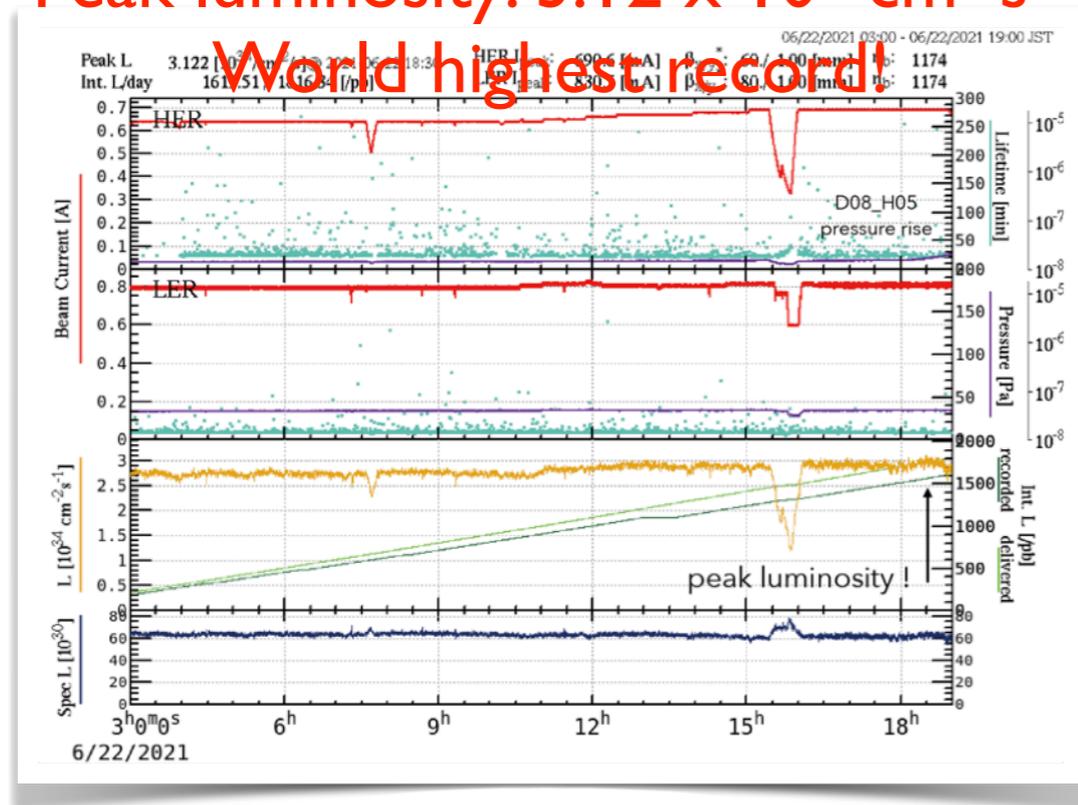
- ~1120 active members
 - ~240/~140/~70 (Ph.D/Msc/Undergrad.) students
- 123 institutes
- 26 countries/regions



Status of the SuperKEKB/Belle II

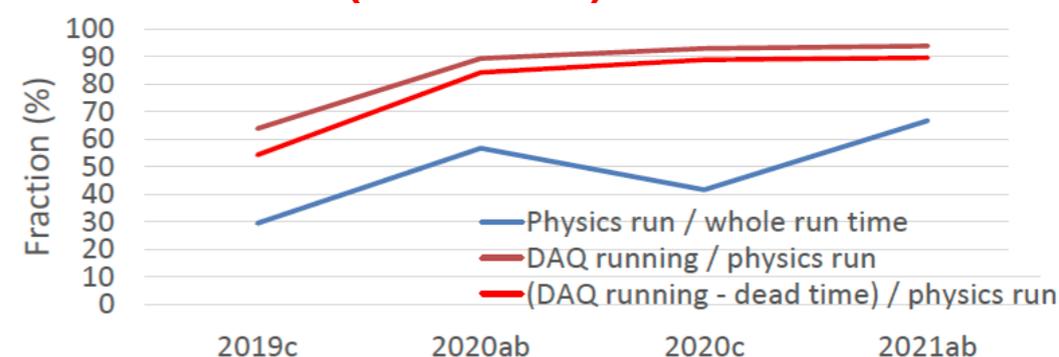
highlight of the 2021 run by summer

Peak luminosity: $3.12 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



Data taking efficiency:

- 88.8 (2020c)
- **89.5% (2021ab)**



Luminosity records (recorded/delivered):

- $L_{\text{shift}} = 747.2 / 787.6 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- $L_{\text{day}} = 1.964 / 2.233 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $L_{7\text{days}} = 12.141 / 13.482 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $L_{30\text{days}} = 42.319 / 47.370 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Luminosity record is updating!

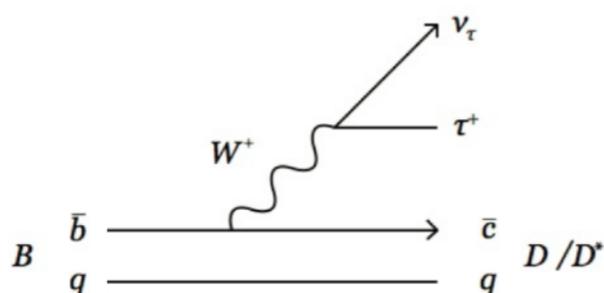
$L_{\text{peak}} = 3.32 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$, $L_{\text{day}} = 2.15 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (delivered) on Dec. 11

“B anomalies”

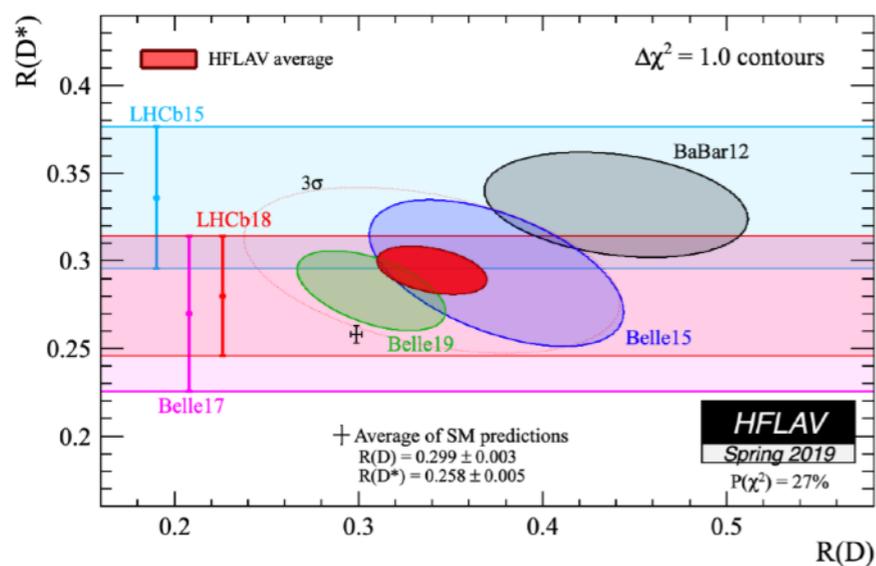
Indications for violation of lepton flavor universality have been claimed in the two types of B decays.

$b \rightarrow c \tau \nu$

Tree, BF $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$

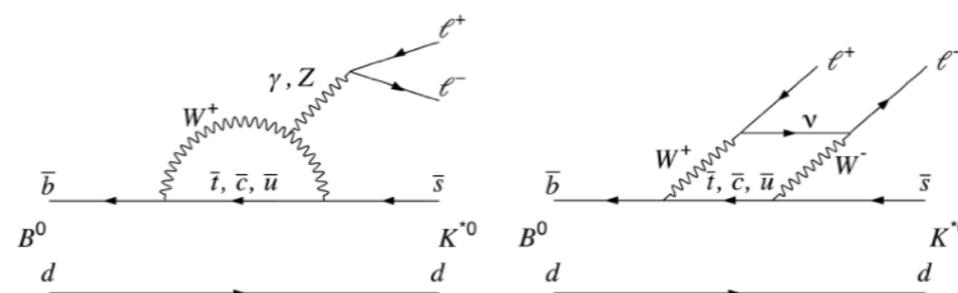


$$R(D^{(*)}) = \frac{\text{BF}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu_\tau)}{\text{BF}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} l \nu_l)}$$

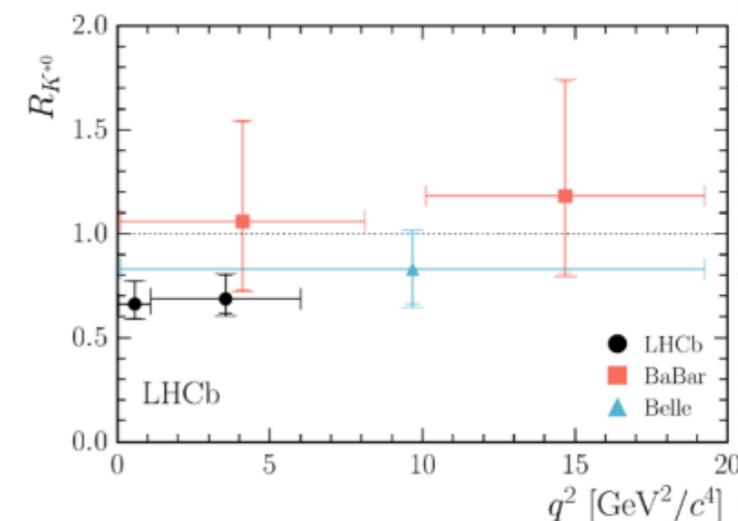
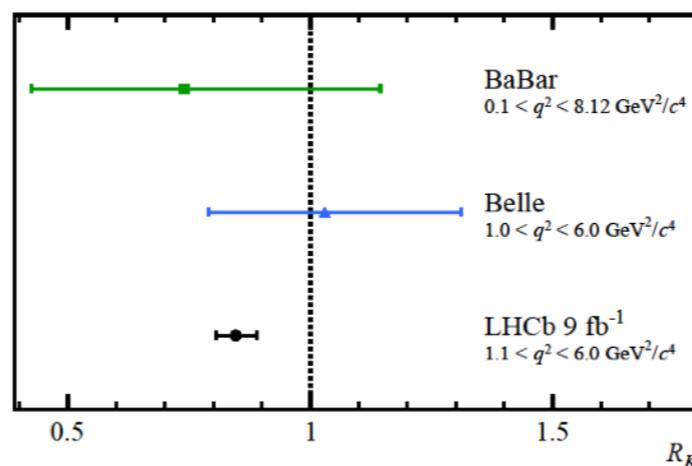


$b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$

Loop, BF $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$



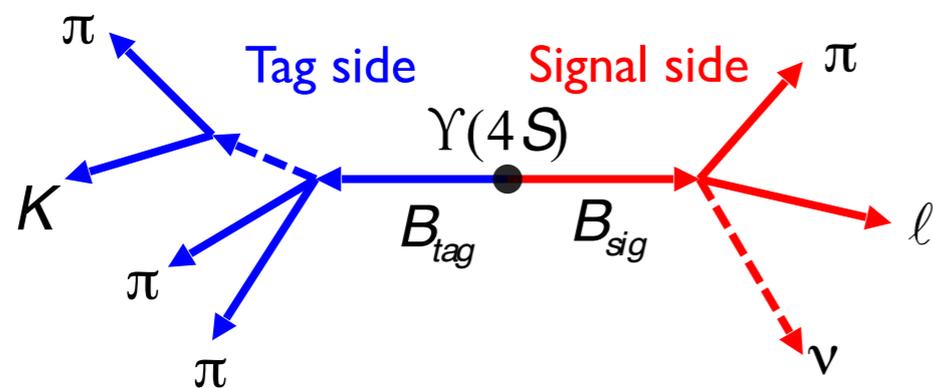
$$R_H = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)} \quad H = K, K^*, X_s, \dots$$



Are these clues for new physics?

Advantage of e^+e^- B factories

- Clean environment
 - Efficient detection of neutrals ($\gamma, \pi^0, \eta, \dots$)
- Good hermeticity
 - acceptance close to 4π
- Full reconstruction tagging possible



Inclusive measurements;
 $B \rightarrow X_s | + | -$

Easier bremsstrahlung energy recovery for electrons,
 $\text{eff}(e) \sim \text{eff}(\mu)$

Measurements of

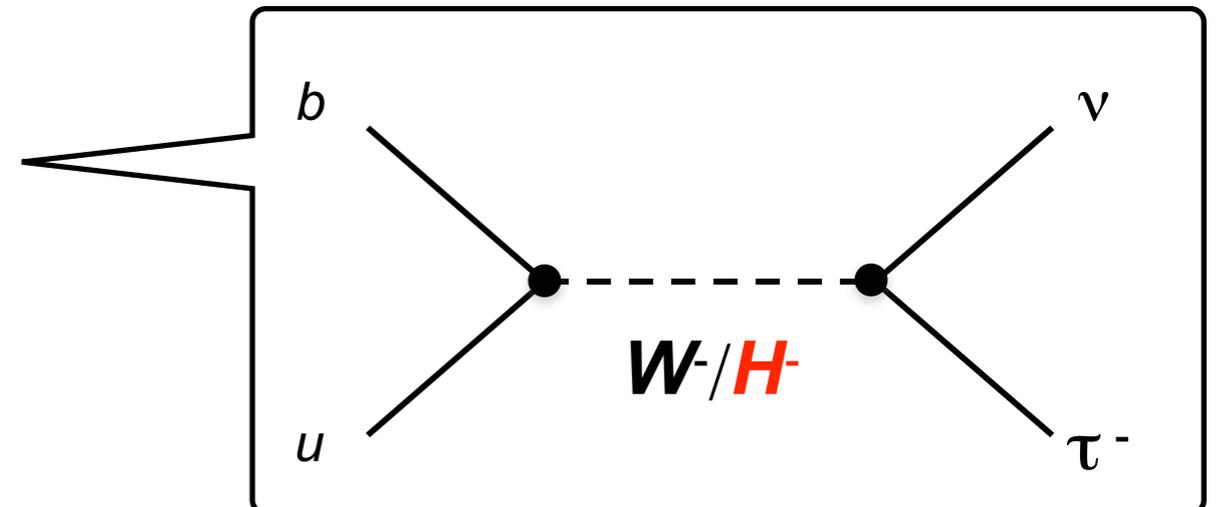
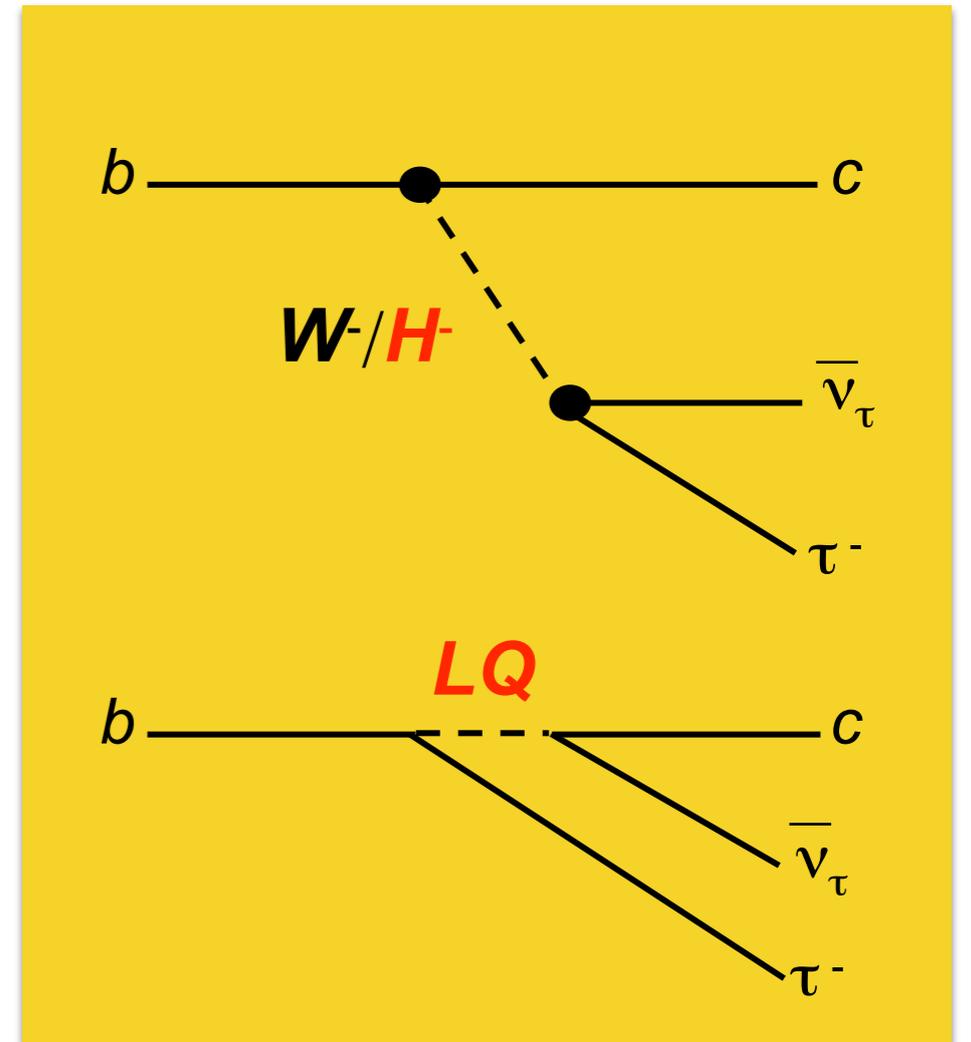
- $b \rightarrow u$ semileptonic decays
- decays with large missing energy

Measurement of the τ polarization

- Systematics different from experiments at hadron machines
 - Two experiments are required to establish NP

$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$

- New Physics may appear in tree level.
- 3rd generation quark (b) and lepton (τ) involved.
 - large masses \rightarrow sensitivity to NP
 - Charged Higgs, Leptoquark, ...
- Quantities of interest
 - Lepton Flavor Universality :
 - $R(D), R(D^*)$
 - Polarization: P_τ, P_{D^*}
 - q^2 distribution etc.
- Complementary to $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$
 - Different sensitivity to NP models.



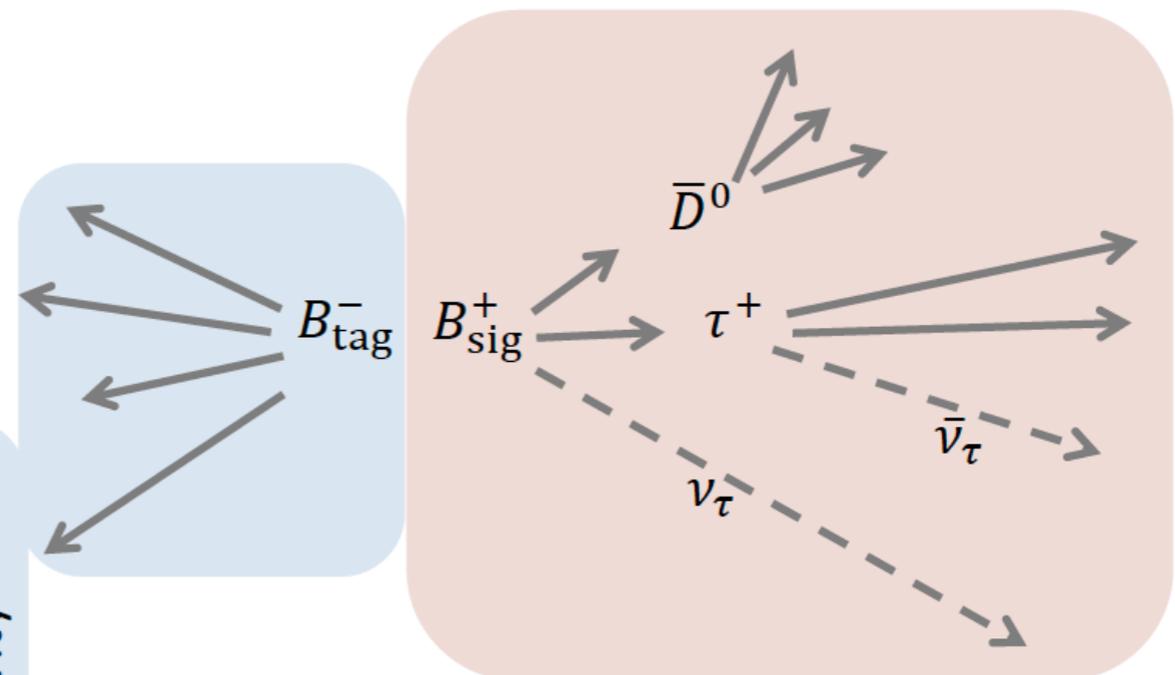
$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ reconstruction at Belle/Belle II⁹

- Not a rare decay
 - In SM, $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = 0.66\%$ and $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^{*0} \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = 1.23\%$
- but reconstruction of τ is challenging due to multiple neutrinos.
 - Need full reconstruction of the event
 - Suppress non- $B\bar{B}$ bkgd. and misreconstructed events
 - quite low efficiency
 - need a high statistics

Reconstruct one of the B 's decaying

1. Hadronically ($\epsilon_{\text{sig}} \approx 0.2\%$)
2. Semileptonically ($\epsilon_{\text{sig}} \approx 0.5\%$)
3. Inclusively ($\epsilon_{\text{sig}} \approx \text{a few \%}$)

↓ Efficiency
↑ Purity



Select the other B of the signal decay with

- a $D^{(*)}$
- a charged daughter of τ
 1. Leptonic τ decay
 2. Hadronic τ decay

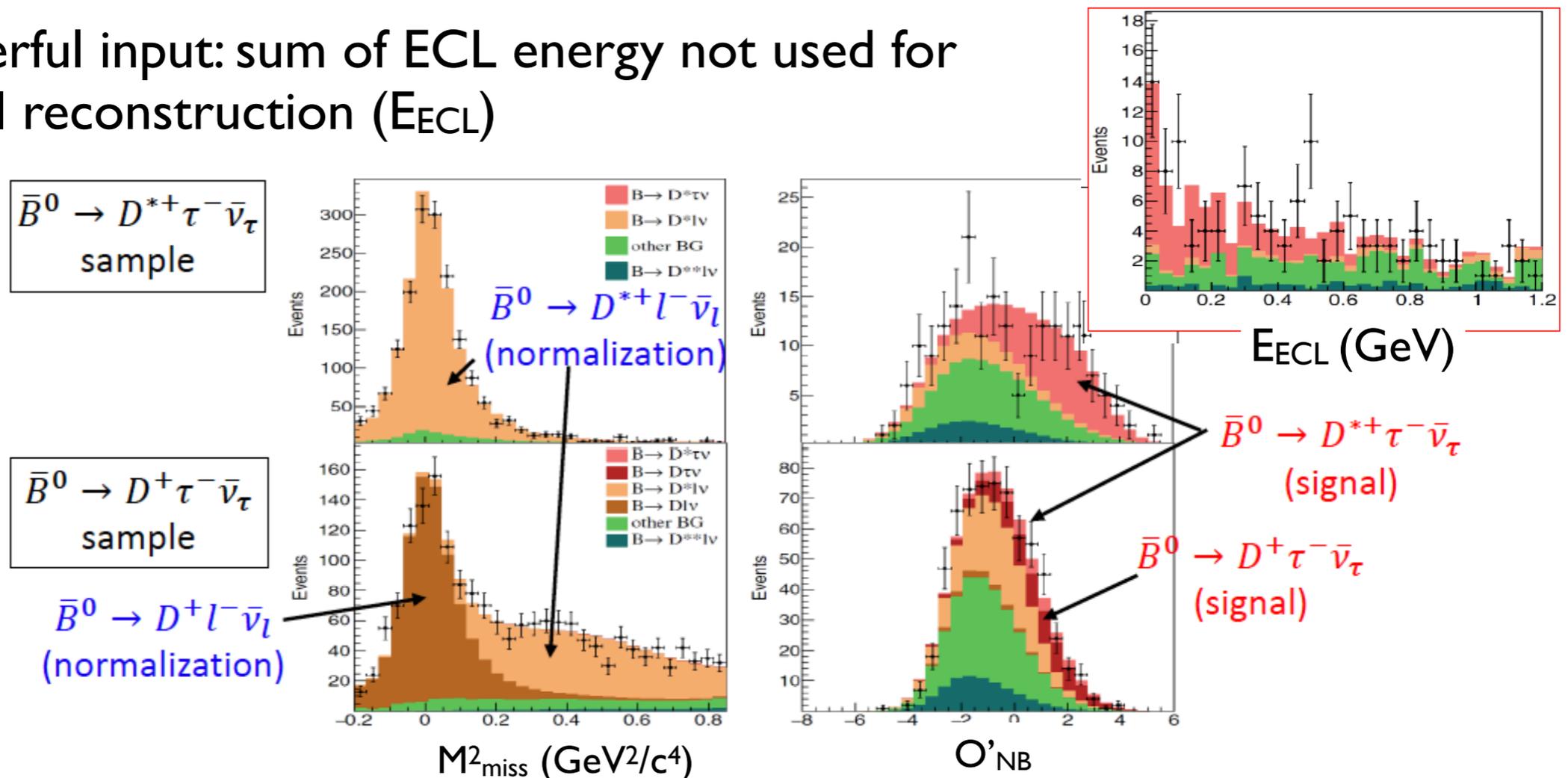
Background from $B \rightarrow D^{**}$ decays, where the D^{**} isn't identified as such and mimics a D^* (one of the major sources of the systematic errors)

$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ w/ $\tau \rightarrow l \nu \nu$ & had. tag

- M^2_{miss} to measure $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} l \nu$
- $M^2_{\text{miss}} = [p(e^+e^-) - p(B_{\text{tag}}) - p(D^{(*)}) - p(l)]^2$
- Transformed neural network output (O'_{NB}) to measure $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$
- Powerful input: sum of ECL energy not used for signal reconstruction (E_{ECL})

Belle 2015

PRD92, 072014 (2015)



$$R(D) = 0.375 \pm 0.064(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.026(\text{syst.})$$

$$R(D^*) = 0.293 \pm 0.038(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.015(\text{syst.})$$

B → D* τ ν w/ τ → π/ρ ν & had. tag

Belle 2017

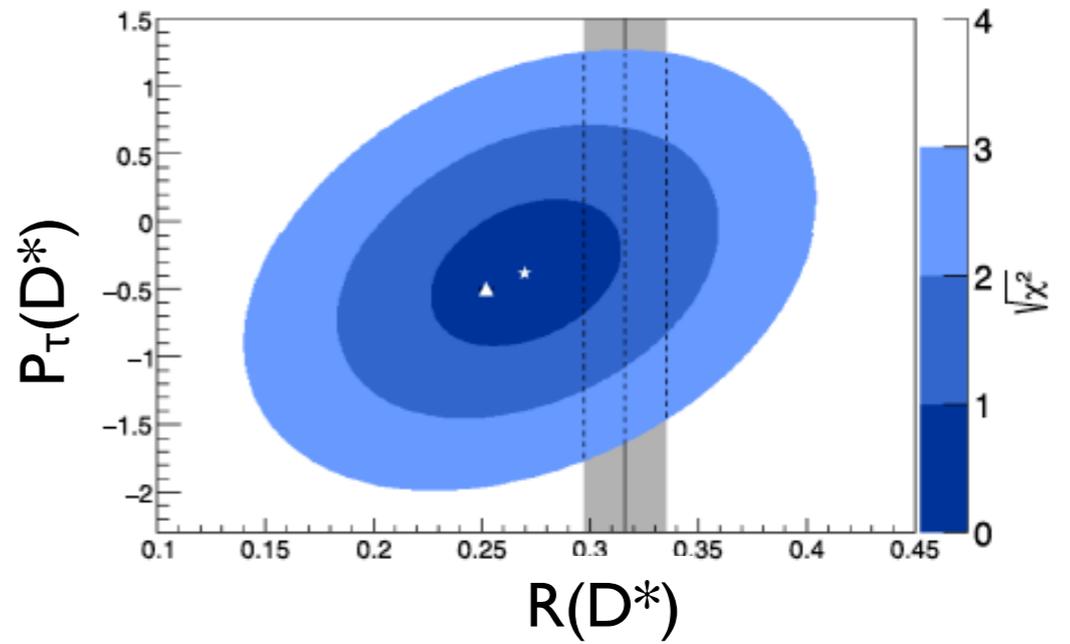
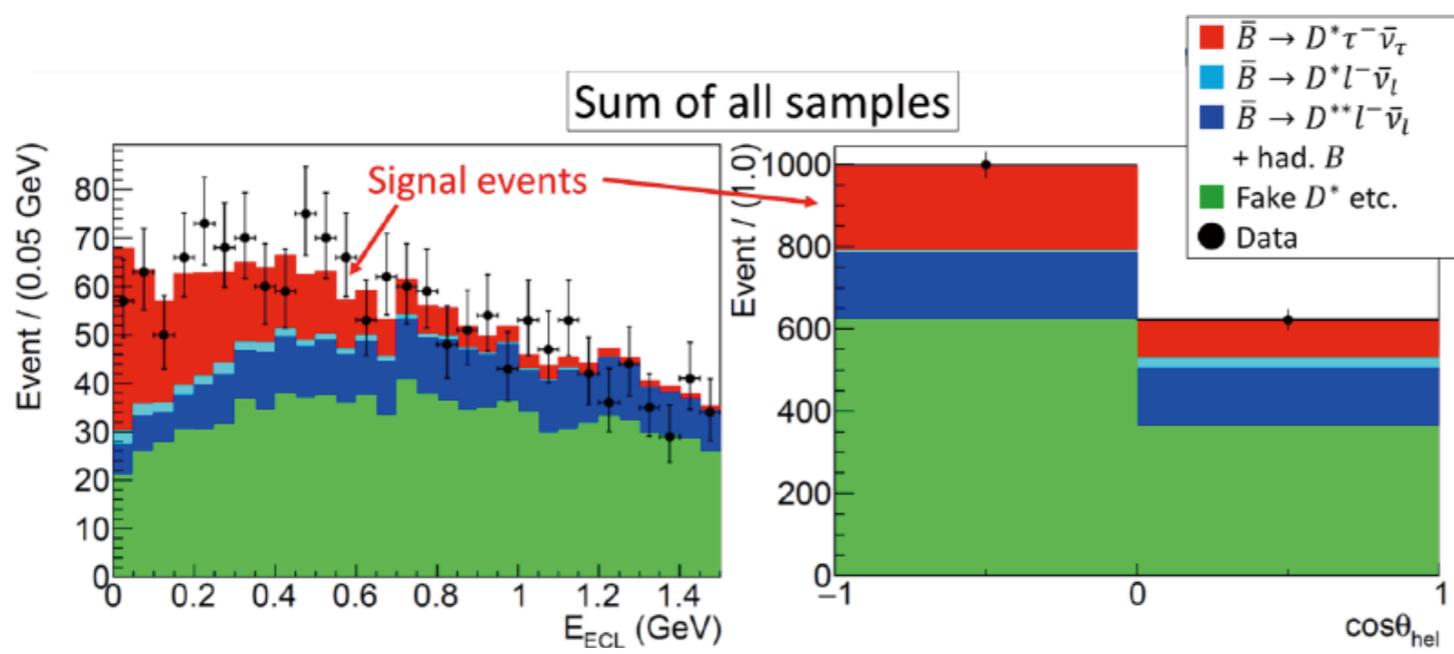
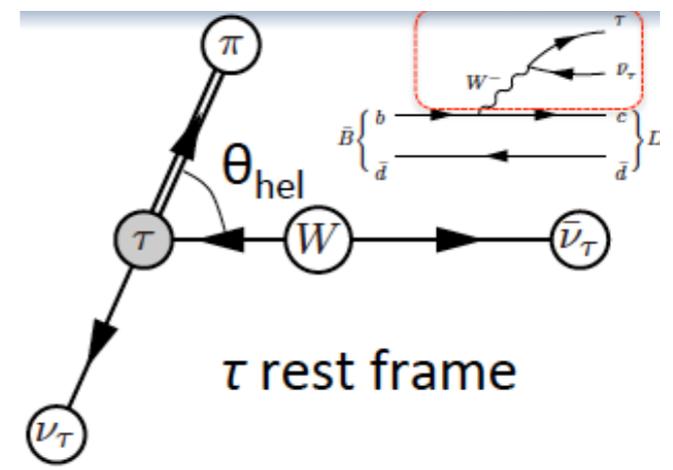
PRL 118, 211801 (2017), PRD 97, 012004 (2018)

Analysis w/ τ hadronic decays
→ τ polarization

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(D^{(*)})} \frac{d\Gamma(D^{(*)})}{d\cos\theta_{\text{hel}}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \alpha P_{\tau}(D^{(*)}) \cos\theta_{\text{hel}} \right]$$

$\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu: \alpha=1.0, \tau \rightarrow \rho\nu: \alpha=0.449$

$$P_{\tau}(D^{*}) = \frac{2 N_{\text{sig}}(\cos\theta_{\text{hel}} > 0) - N_{\text{sig}}(\cos\theta_{\text{hel}} < 0)}{\alpha N_{\text{sig}}(\cos\theta_{\text{hel}} > 0) + N_{\text{sig}}(\cos\theta_{\text{hel}} < 0)}$$



$$R(D^{*}) = 0.270 \pm 0.035(\text{stat.}) \pm_{-0.025}^{+0.028}(\text{syst.})$$

$$P_{\tau}(D^{*}) = -0.38 \pm 0.51(\text{stat.}) \pm_{-0.16}^{+0.21}(\text{syst.})$$

The first measurement of $P_{\tau}(D^{*}) : < +0.5$ (90% C.L.)

B \rightarrow D(*) τ ν w/ $\tau \rightarrow l \nu \nu$ & s.l. tag

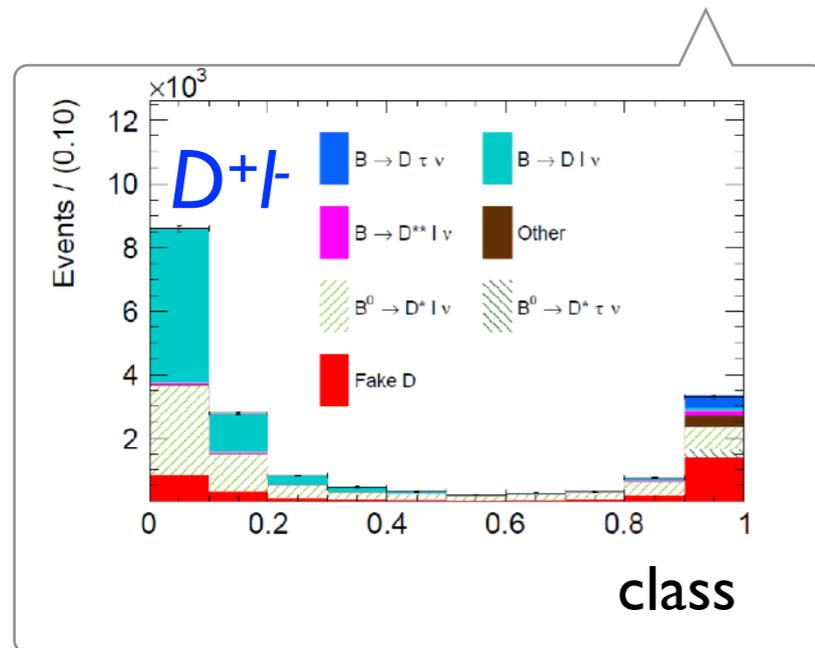
- More background due to additional ν
 - Signal/normalization modes are separated by $\cos\theta_{B-D^*l}$
- Belle 2019 analysis is featured by;
 - Simultaneous extraction of $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$
 - Both B^0 and B^+
 - Analysis with the Belle II framework with FEI (Full Event Interpretation, multivariate analysis with the BDT classifier) to improve the efficiency.

Belle 2019

PRL 124, 161803 (2020)

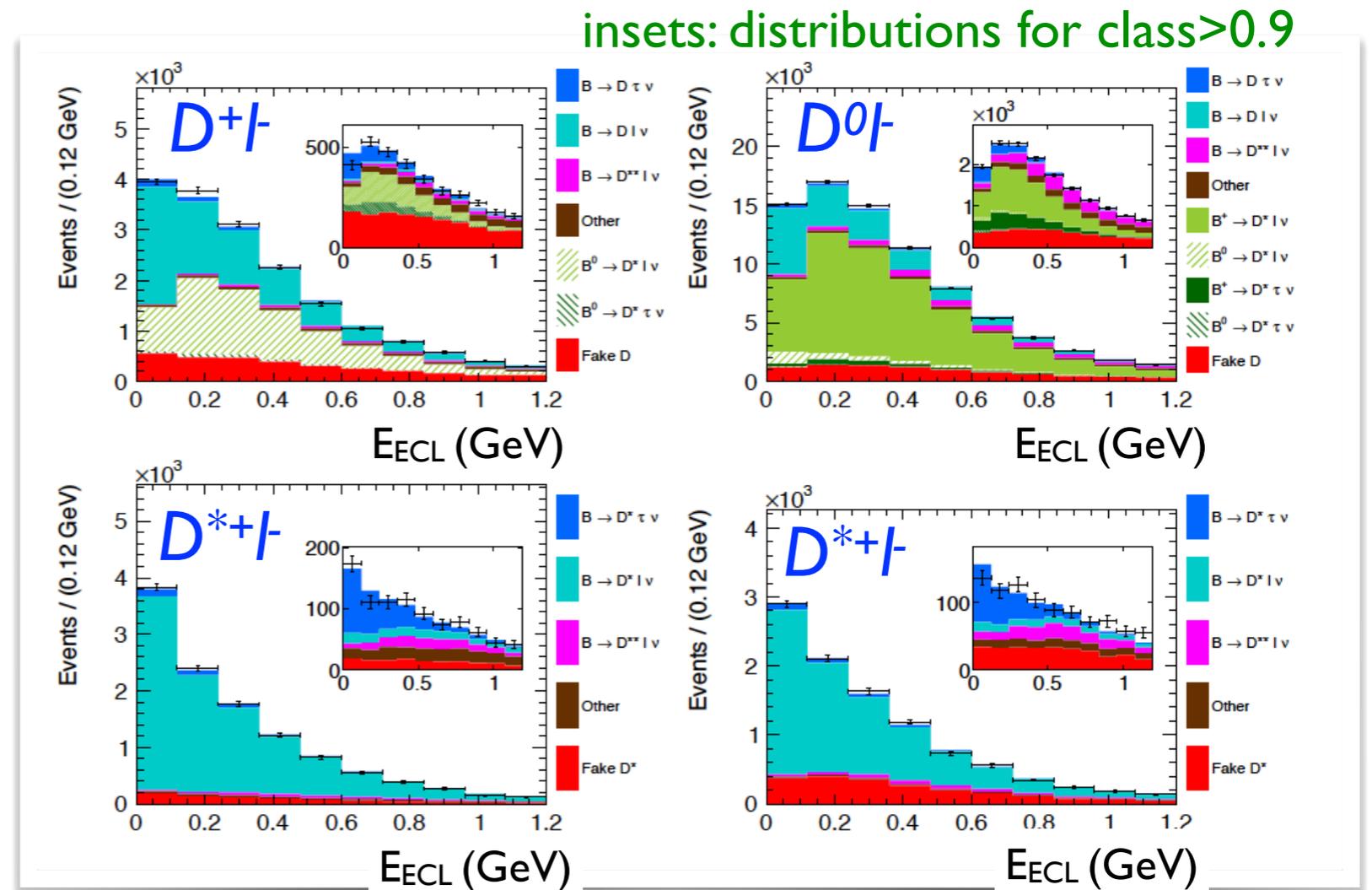
arXiv: 1910.058642

$$\cos\theta_{B,D^{(*)}l} \equiv \frac{2E_{\text{beam}}E_{D^{(*)}l} - m_B^2 - m_{D^{(*)}l}^2}{2|p_B||p_{D^{(*)}l}|}$$

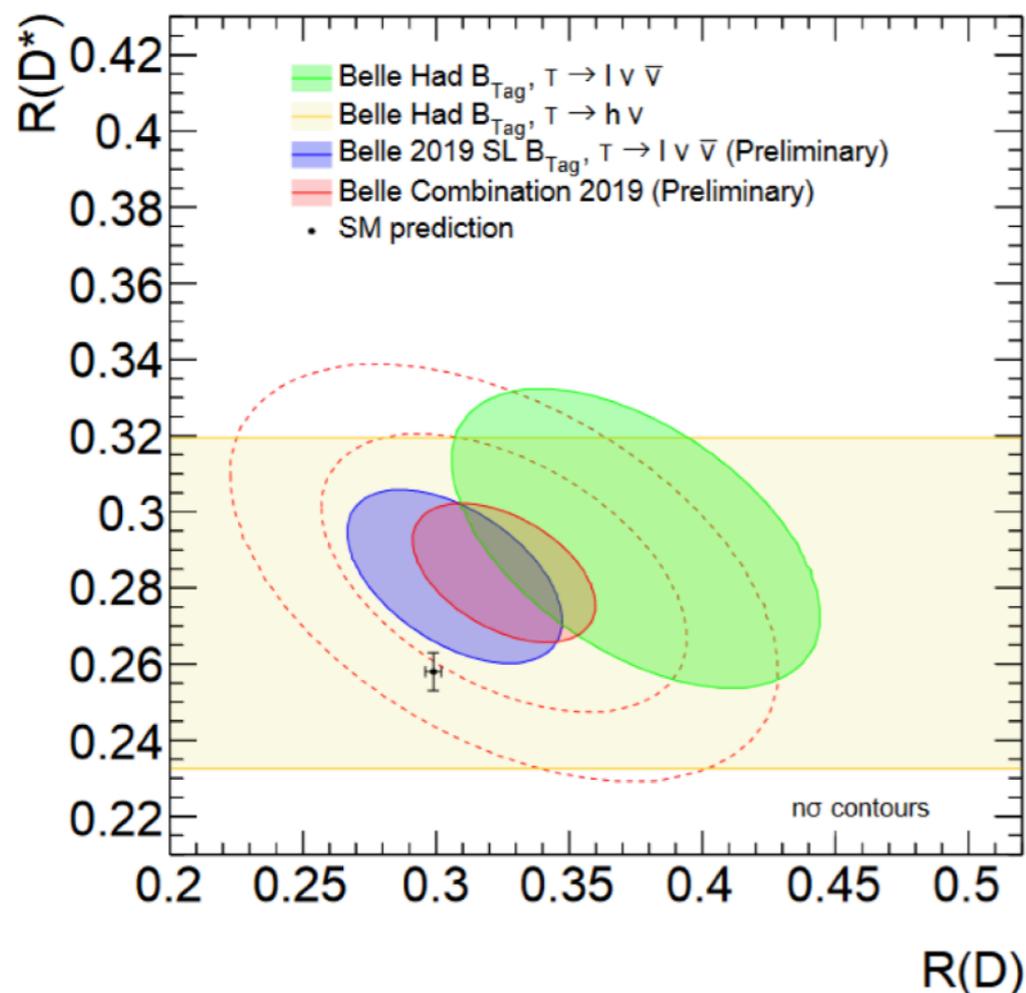


$$\mathcal{R}(D) = 0.307 \pm 0.037 \pm 0.016$$

$$\mathcal{R}(D^*) = 0.283 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.014$$



$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ by Belle



$$R(D) = 0.325 \pm 0.034$$

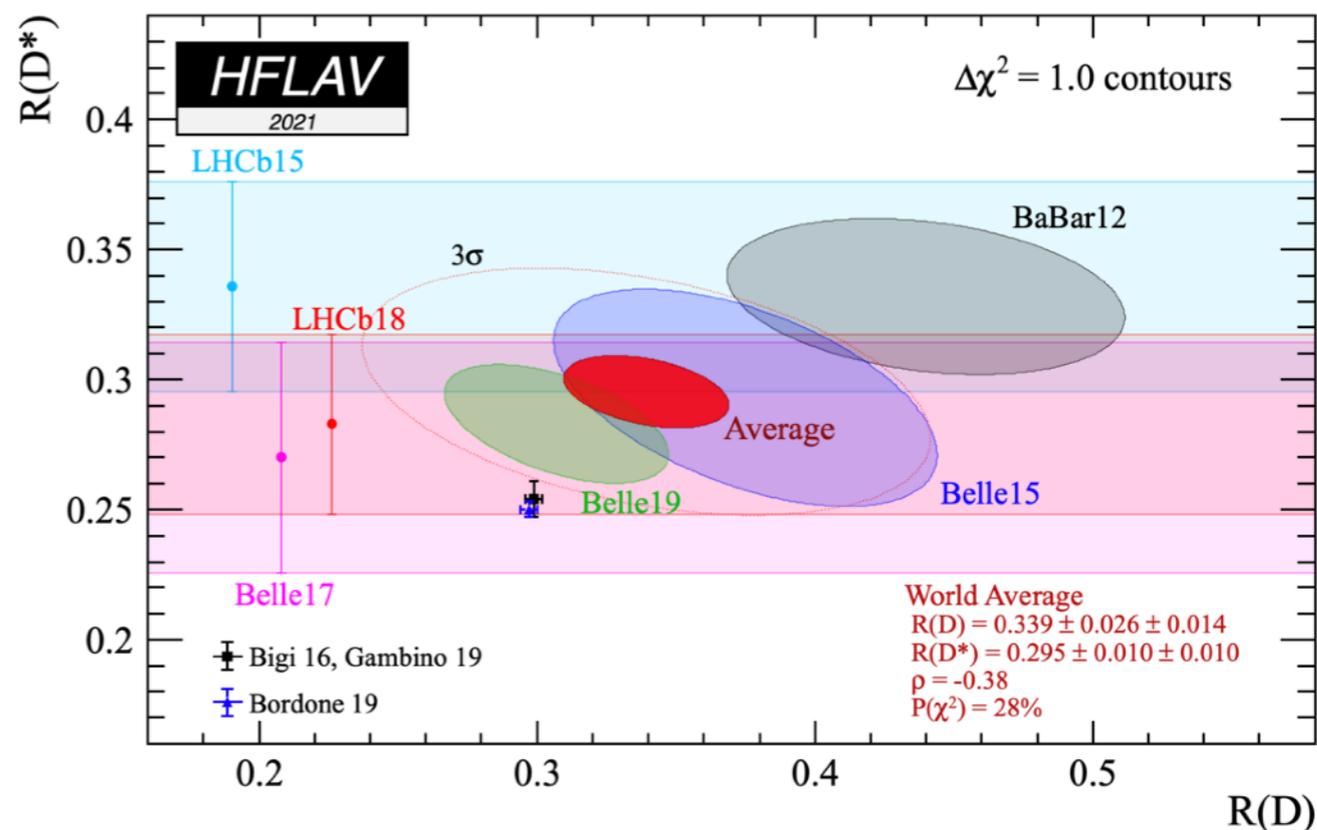
$$R(D^*) = 0.283 \pm 0.018$$

Consistent with SM within 1.6σ

World average (HFLAV)

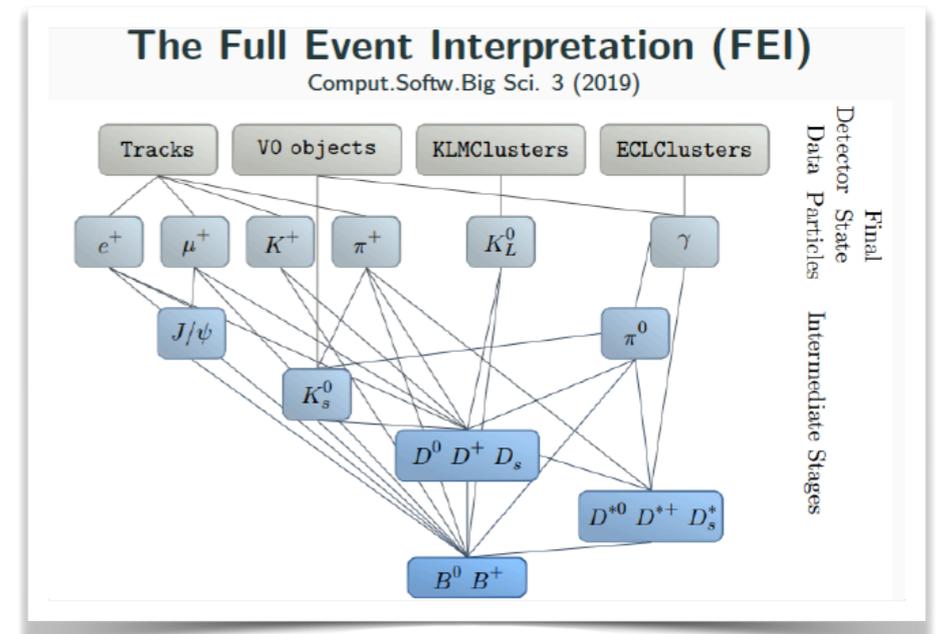
$$R(D) = 0.339 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.014$$

$$R(D^*) = 0.295 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.010$$



Prospects for $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ at Belle II

- Statistical error will be further reduced by luminosity and also by improved tagging with the FEI (Full Event Interpretation) algorithm with Fast BDT and more decay modes.
- Reduction of systematic errors become more important.



Composition of the systematic uncertainties in each Belle analysis

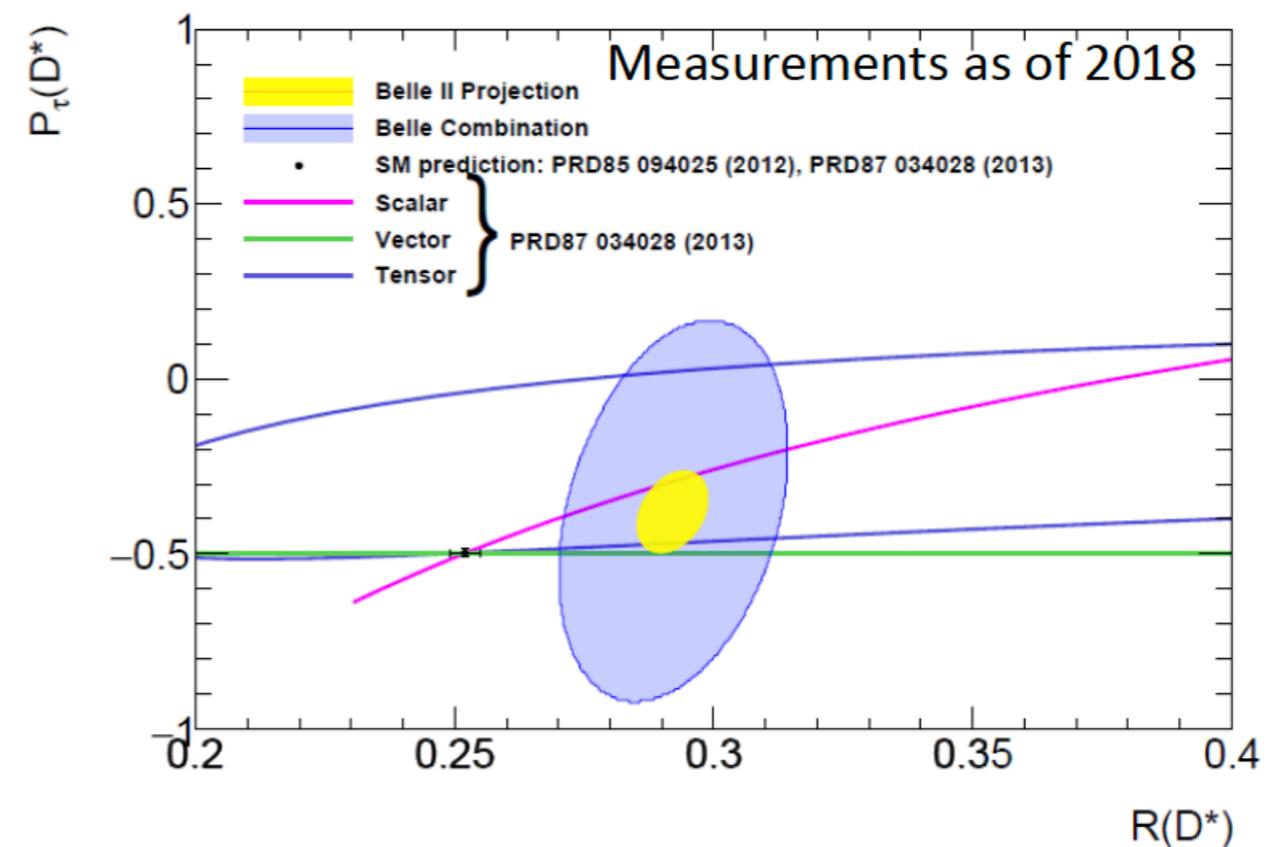
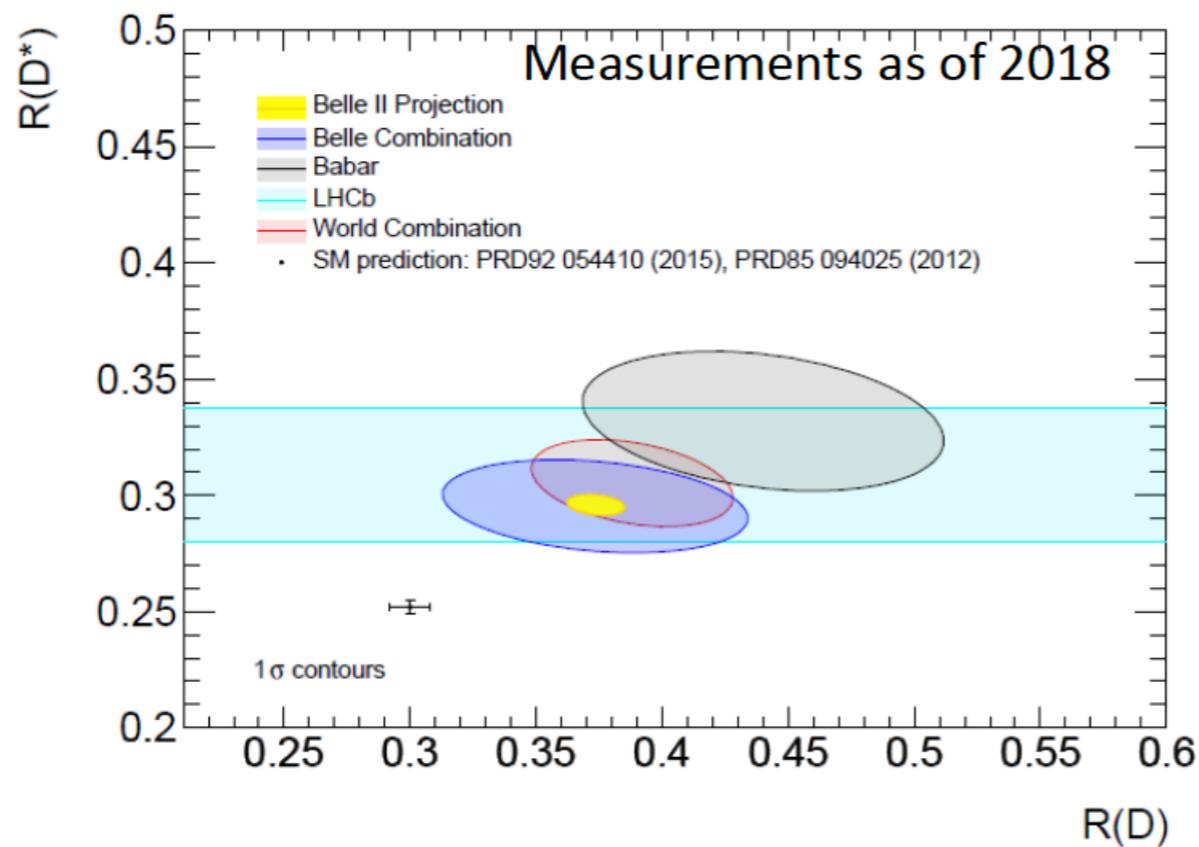
Source	Belle (Had, ℓ^-) R_D	Belle (Had, ℓ^-) R_{D^*}	Belle (SL, ℓ^-) R_{D^*}	Belle (Had, h^-) R_{D^*}
MC statistics	4.4%	3.6%	2.5%	+4.0% -2.9%
$B \rightarrow D^{**} \ell \nu_\ell$	4.4%	3.4%	+1.0% -1.7%	2.3%
Hadronic B	0.1%	0.1%	1.1%	+7.3% -6.5%
Other sources	3.4%	1.6%	+1.8% -1.4%	5.0%
Total	7.1%	5.2%	+3.4% -3.5%	+10.0% -9.0%

"The Belle II Physics Book", arXiv:1808.10567

Prog.Theor. Exp. Phys. 2019, I23C01

- The uncertainty due to the MC statistics is reducible.
 - MC stat affects the estimation of the reconstruction efficiency, understanding of small cross-feed components and PDFs for the fit.
- The uncertainties from $\text{Br}(B \rightarrow D^{**} \ell \nu)$ decays and hadronic B decays have to be reduced by dedicated measurements of the background decays.

Prospects for $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ at Belle II



Expected precision (stat and syst)

	5 ab^{-1}	50 ab^{-1}
R_D	$(\pm 6.0 \pm 3.9)\%$	$(\pm 2.0 \pm 2.5)\%$
R_{D^*}	$(\pm 3.0 \pm 2.5)\%$	$(\pm 1.0 \pm 2.0)\%$
$P_\tau(D^*)$	$\pm 0.18 \pm 0.08$	$\pm 0.06 \pm 0.04$

In addition, q^2 and other distributions of kinematic observables to discriminate the new physics scenarios.

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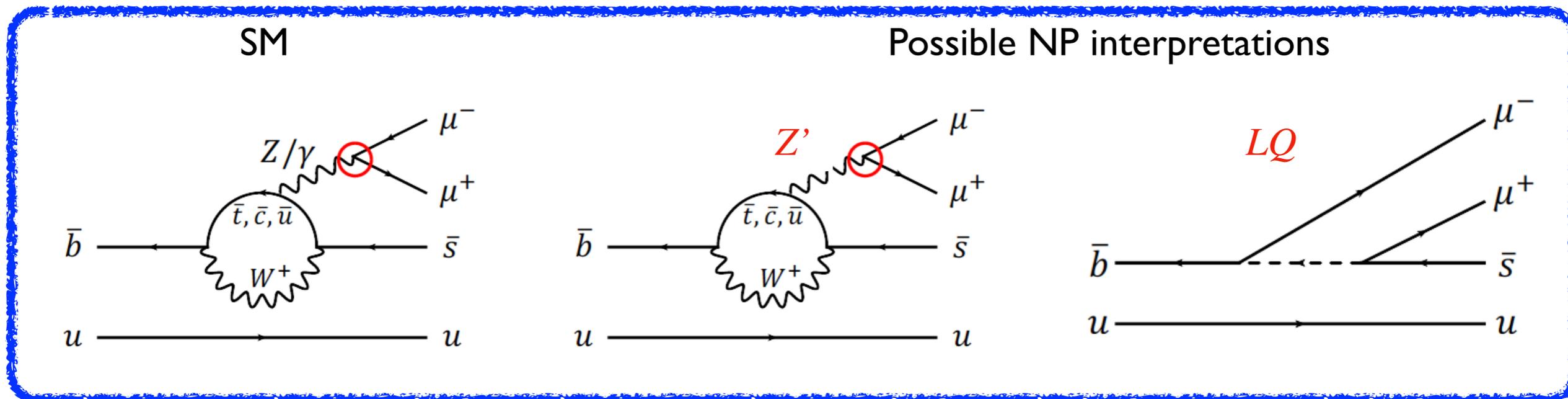
Belle II will lead the exploration of $R(D^{()})$ in the next decade*

LFUV in $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$

- In SM, the coupling constants of each generation leptons with Z/γ are identical (Lepton Flavor Universality). i.e.,

$$\rightarrow R_{K^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} e^+ e^-)} \approx 1(SM) \quad \text{with very high accuracy}$$

- LHCb has reported anomalies in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ l^+ l^-$, $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} l^+ l^-$, and more recently $B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 l^+ l^-$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} l^+ l^-$, all indicating $R < 1$.
 - Also in $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p K l^+ l^-$
 - Angular observables (P5') in $K^* l^+ l^-$ also deviates from SM, although it suffers from hadronic uncertainties.

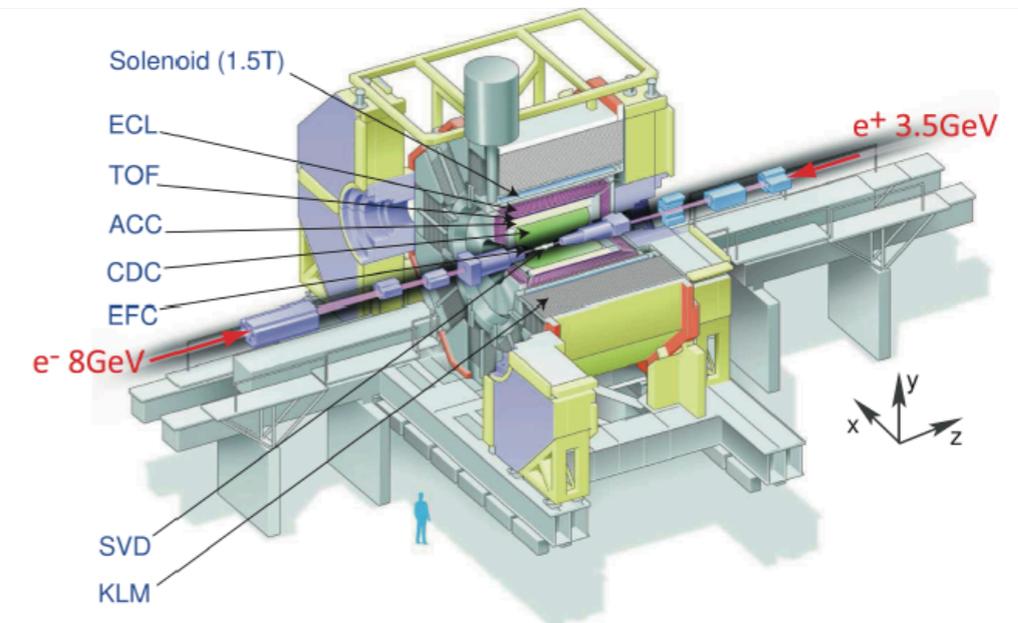


R_K^* measurements at Belle

PRL126, 161801 (2021)

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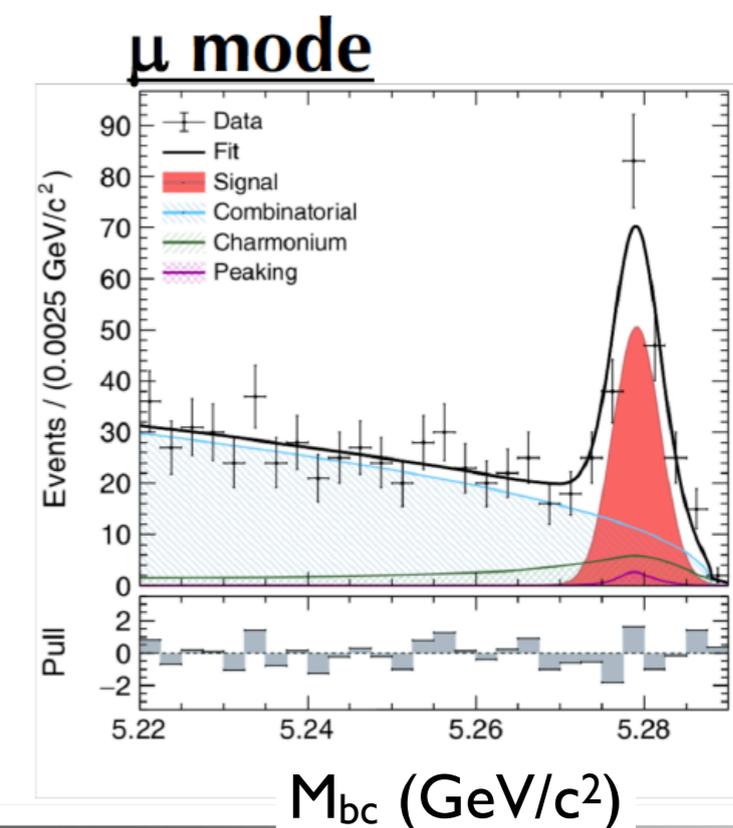
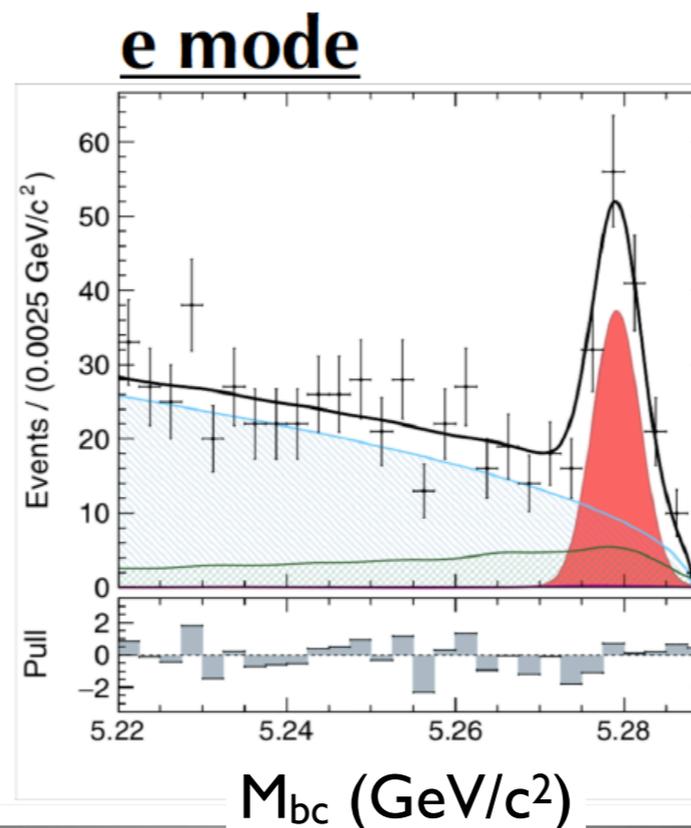
- 711fb^{-1} ($772 \times 10^6 B\bar{B}$) collected by Belle detector.
- Reconstruct 4 decay modes:
 - $B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+}(\rightarrow K^+\pi^0, K_S^0\pi^+) \ell^+ \ell^-$
 - $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}(\rightarrow K^+\pi^-, K_S^0\pi^0) \ell^+ \ell^-$
- Results in several q^2 bin options, including high q^2 region (up to $19\text{ GeV}^2/c^4$).



B factory observables

- $M_{bc} \equiv \sqrt{E_{beam}^2 - |\vec{p}_B|^2}$
- $\Delta E \equiv E_B - E_{beam}$

e mode can be measured as clean as μ mode.

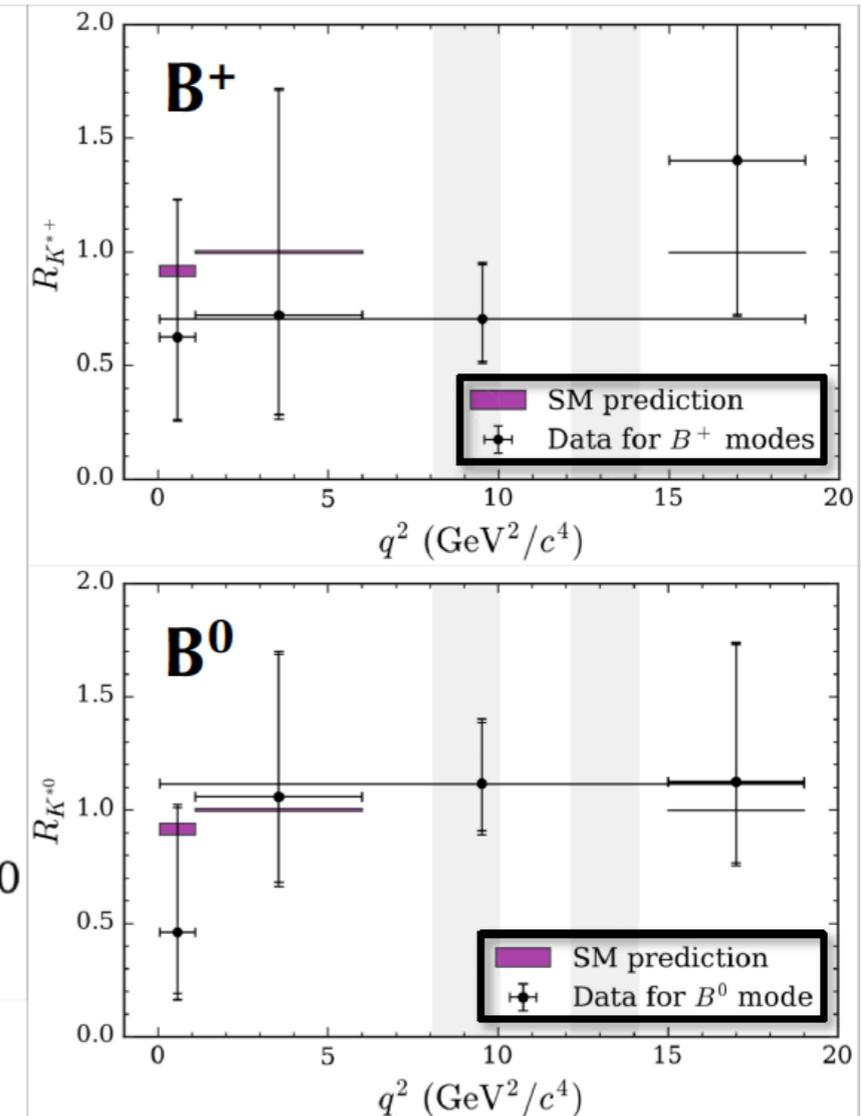
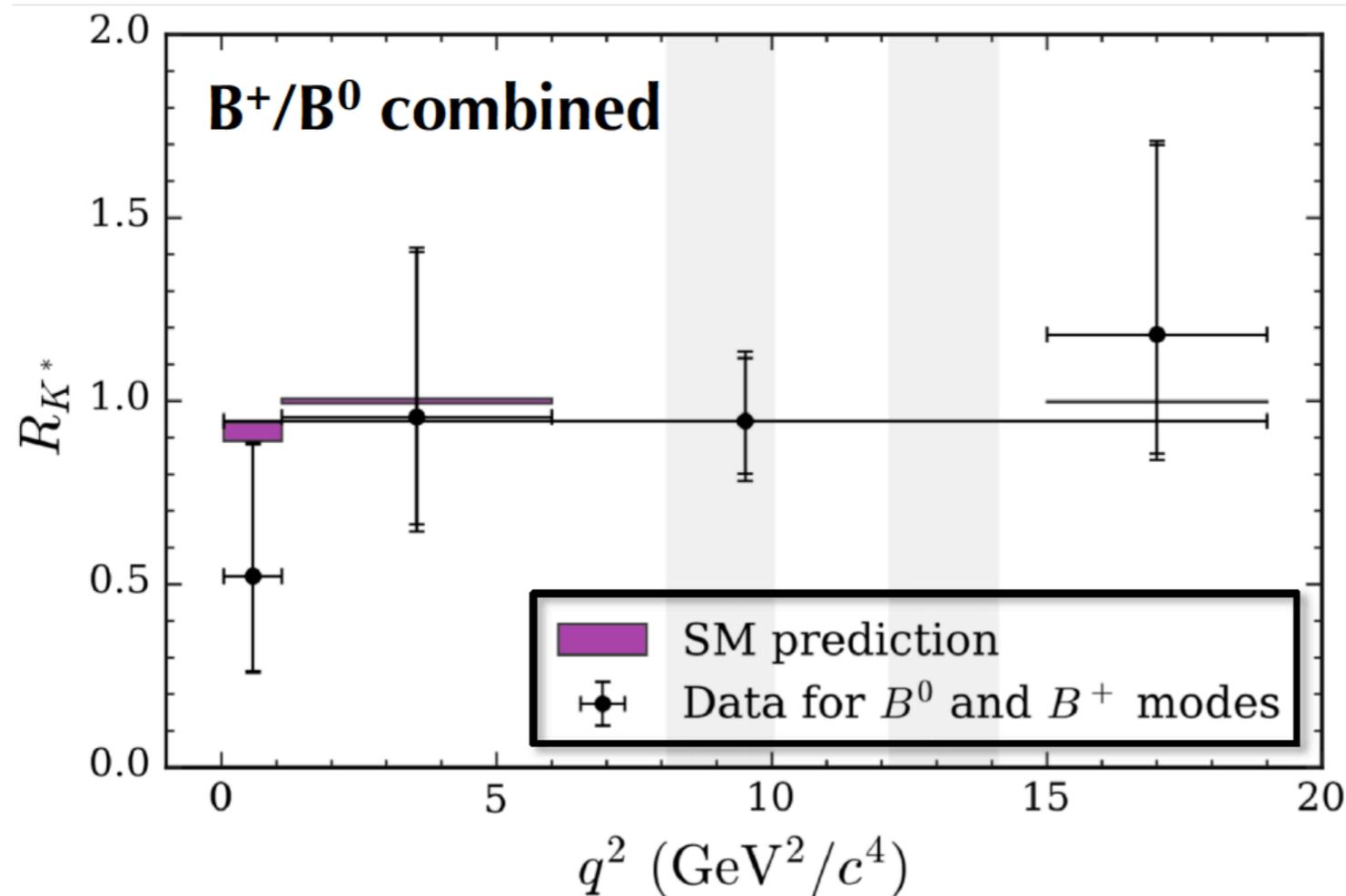


B^+/B^0 combined

R_{K^*} results from Belle

PRL126, 161801 (2021)

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q^2 (GeV^2/c^4)	Comb. (B^0/B^+)
[0.045, 1.1]	$0.52^{+0.36}_{-0.26} \pm 0.05$
[1.1, 6]	$0.96^{+0.45}_{-0.29} \pm 0.11$
[0.045, 19]	$0.94^{+0.17}_{-0.14} \pm 0.08$

- R_{K^*} measured in Belle is **all consistent with SM**.
 - The largest deviation is in the lowest q^2 bin. (same as LHCb)
- This is the first result for $R_{K^{*+}}$ measurement.

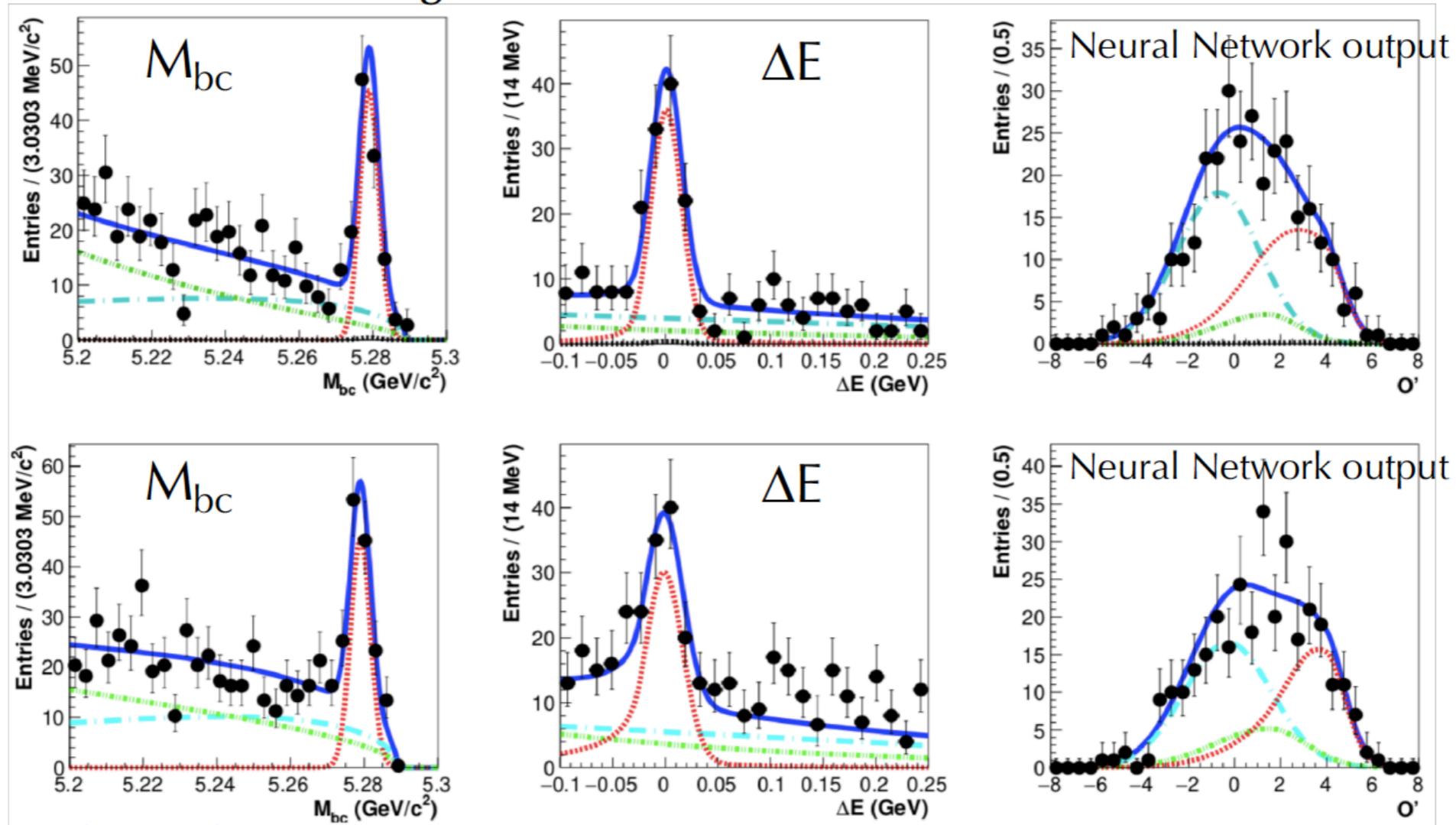
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Signal enhanced distributions

$K^+\mu^+\mu^-$

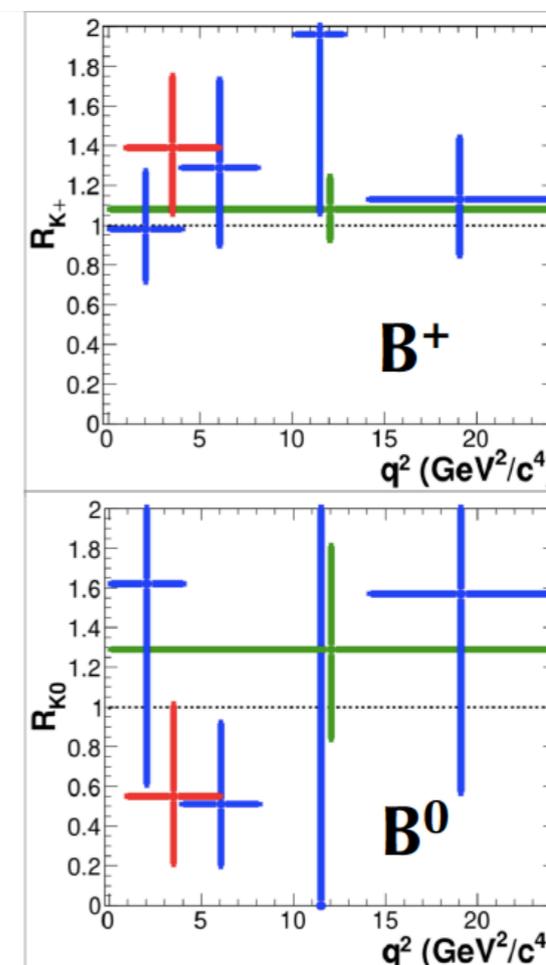
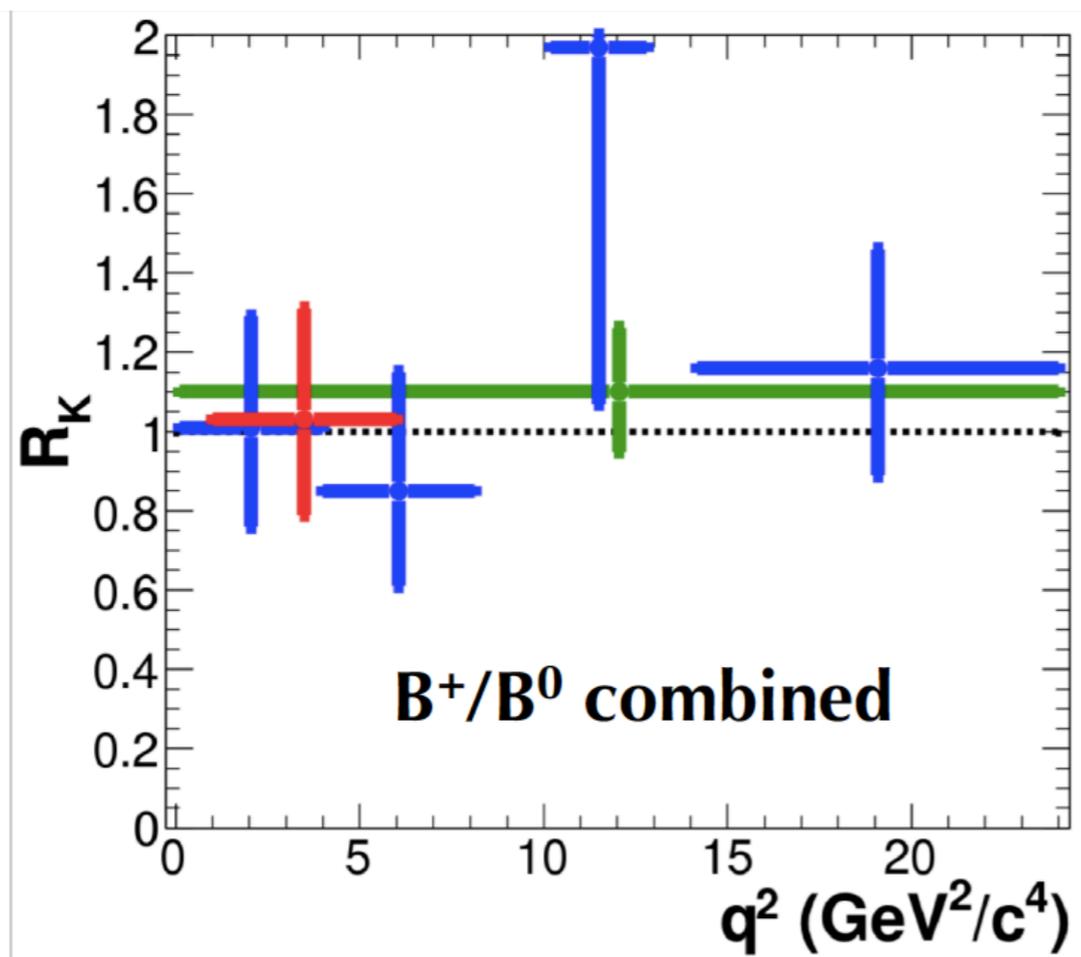


- [JHEP03\(2021\)105](#)
- 711fb^{-1} ($772 \times 10^6 B\bar{B}$) collected by Belle detector.
- Both R_{K^+} and $R_{K_S^0}$ are measured.
- 3D fitting with M_{bc} , ΔE , and modified Neural Net output.

R_K results from Belle

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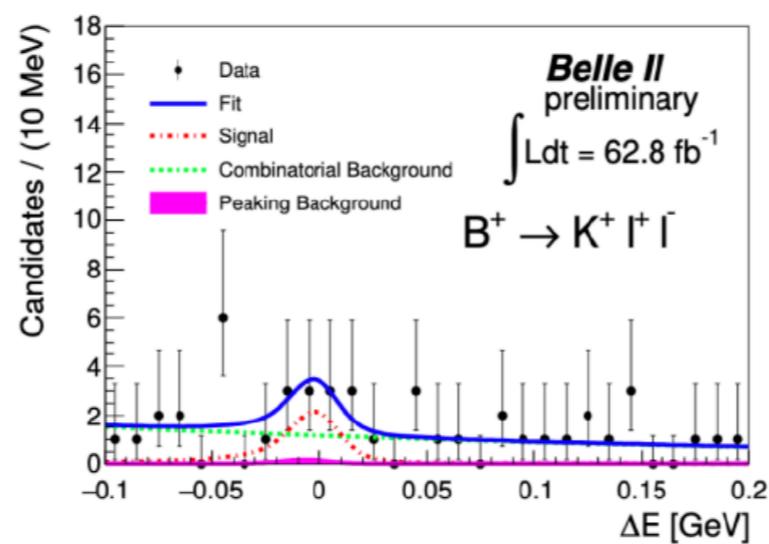
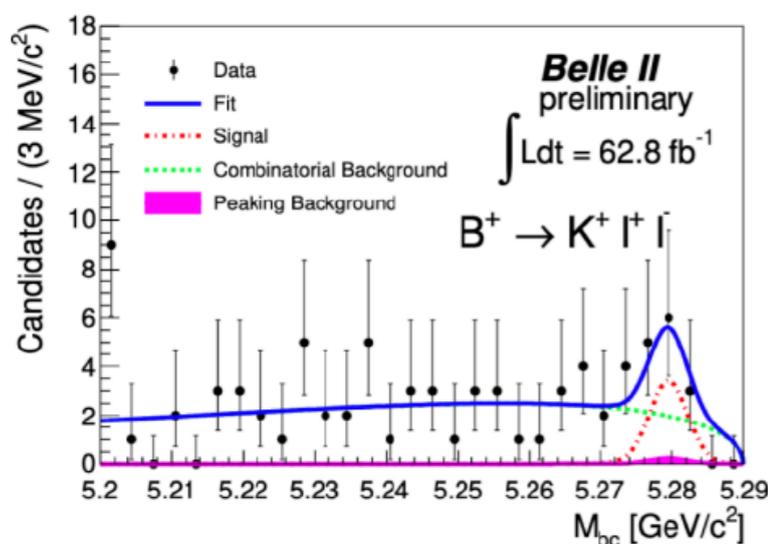


q^2 (GeV^2/c^4)	Comb. (B^0/B^+)
[1.0, 6.0]	$1.03^{+0.28}_{-0.24} \pm 0.01$
whole q^2	$1.10^{+0.16}_{-0.15} \pm 0.02$

- R_K measured in Belle is **all consistent with SM**.
- The red bin is corresponding to the same range as the study at LHCb.

Progress in Belle II

- **Exclusive:** preliminary measurements using Belle II early data (62.8 fb^{-1})

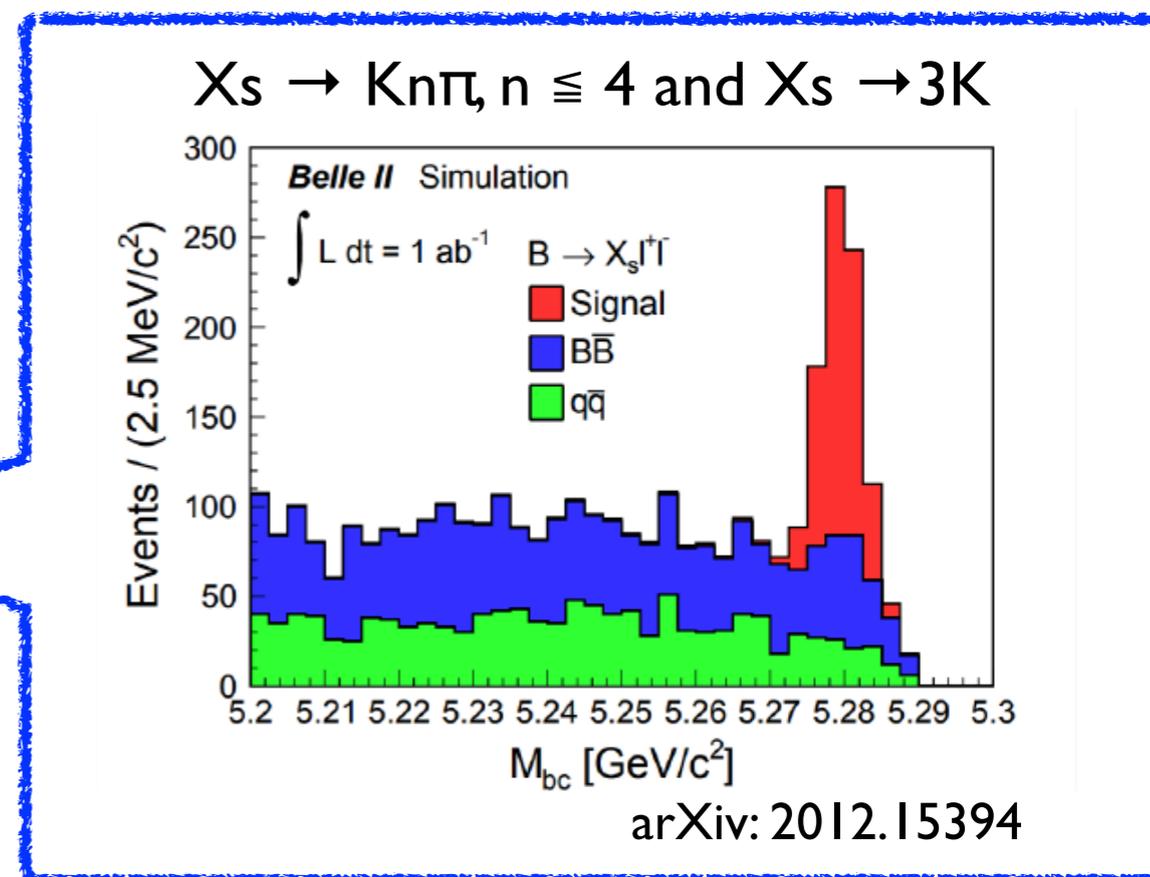


$$N_s = 9.6^{+4.3}_{-3.9} \pm 0.4$$

(2.7σ significance)

Not sufficient to extract key observables

- **Inclusive:** $B \rightarrow X_s l^+ l^-$ simulation
 - Complementary to $B \rightarrow K(*) l^+ l^-$ with different hadronic uncertainties
 - Two methods explored:
 - Sum of exclusive modes
 - Fully inclusive using tagging



Prospects for R_{K,K^*,X_S} at Belle II

- Clean e^+e^- environment make easier;
 - Bremsstrahlung energy recovery for electrons
 - Measurements in the high q^2 region
 - Inclusive measurements (R_{X_S})
- Still statistics limited at 50ab^{-1}
 - Primary systematic error comes from lepton ID ($\sim 0.4\%$)
- Discovery sensitivity
 - $\sim 10\text{ab}^{-1}$ for $R_K + R_{K^*}$ combined
 - $\sim 20\text{ab}^{-1}$ for R_{X_S}
 - Then correlation between R_{K,K^*,X_S} as well as other observables (angular distributions etc.)

Belle II data with $>5/\text{ab}$ will be complementary and essential to check the presence of the effect claimed by LHCb

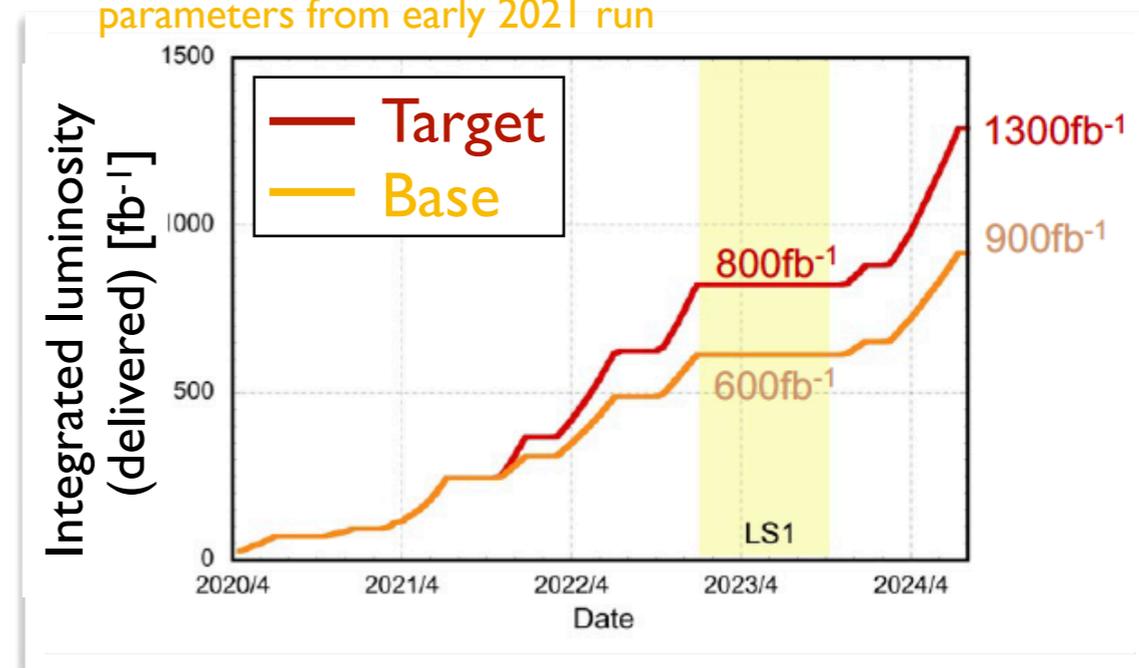
Observables	Belle 0.71 ab^{-1}	Belle II 5 ab^{-1}	Belle II 50 ab^{-1}
R_K ($[1.0, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2$)	28%	11%	3.6%
R_K ($> 14.4 \text{ GeV}^2$)	30%	12%	3.6%
R_{K^*} ($[1.0, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2$)	26%	10%	3.2%
R_{K^*} ($> 14.4 \text{ GeV}^2$)	24%	9.2%	2.8%
R_{X_S} ($[1.0, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2$)	32%	12%	4.0%
R_{X_S} ($> 14.4 \text{ GeV}^2$)	28%	11%	3.4%

Summary

- The deviations found in the LFU observables, R_{D, D^*} , R_{K, K^*} , need be clarified with higher accuracy. If confirmed, they could be clues for New Physics.
- The results for R_{D, D^*} , R_{K, K^*} from Belle are consistent with SM within the present errors.
- Belle II will be able to provide results with higher accuracies
 - Systematics different from measurements at LHC.
 - More information from other observables, distributions, also in inclusive measurements.
- Plan/prospect of the SuperKEKB/Belle II
 - L ~ Belle by long shutdown I (LSI), currently scheduled from January 2023, → many world-leading physics results.
 - Reach 50ab^{-1} goal by ~2031 after modification of SuperKEKB/Belle II components in LS2 (around 2026).

Target scenario: extrapolation from early 2021 run including expected improvements

Base scenario: conservative extrapolation of SuperKEKB parameters from early 2021 run



If SuperKEKB performance indicates that insufficient integrated luminosity will be collected before LS1 or COVID-19 travel restrictions persist, the option exists to postpone the start of LS1 to July 2023

Stay Tuned !

Backup Slides

