



Latest *Belle II* results on beauty and charm decays

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SuperKEKB+Belle II : beauty and charm factory

- SuperKEKB collides e^+ and e^- , with CM energy at $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance.
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S) : 1.1 \text{ nb}$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c} : 1.3 \text{ nb}$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- : 0.92 \text{ nb}$
- Large and clean samples of B mesons, D mesons and τ leptons.
- Total data set about 105 fb^{-1} . Today's results based on up to **63 fb^{-1} (9 fb^{-1})** on (off) resonance

Gianluca Inguglia (Mar 31st)

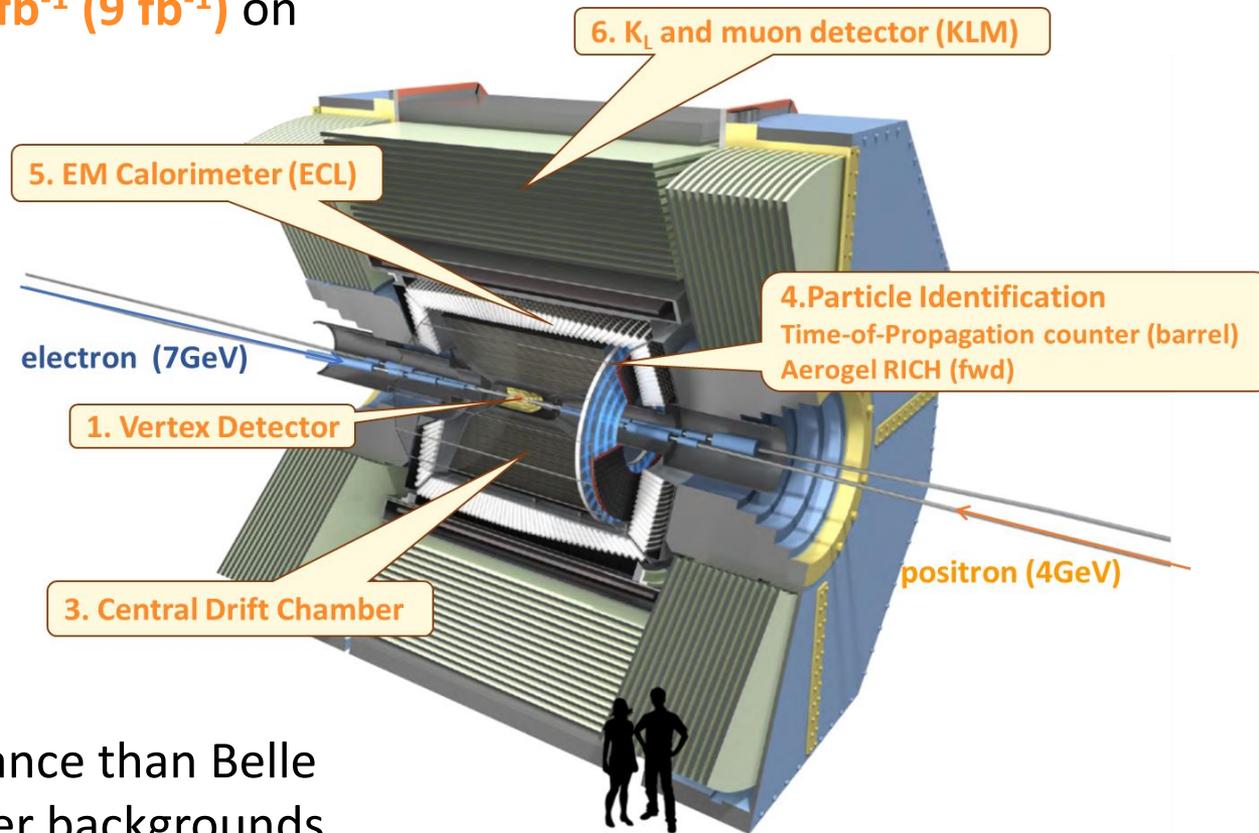
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{goal}} = 6.5 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{achieved}} = 2.4 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

on June 2020, world record

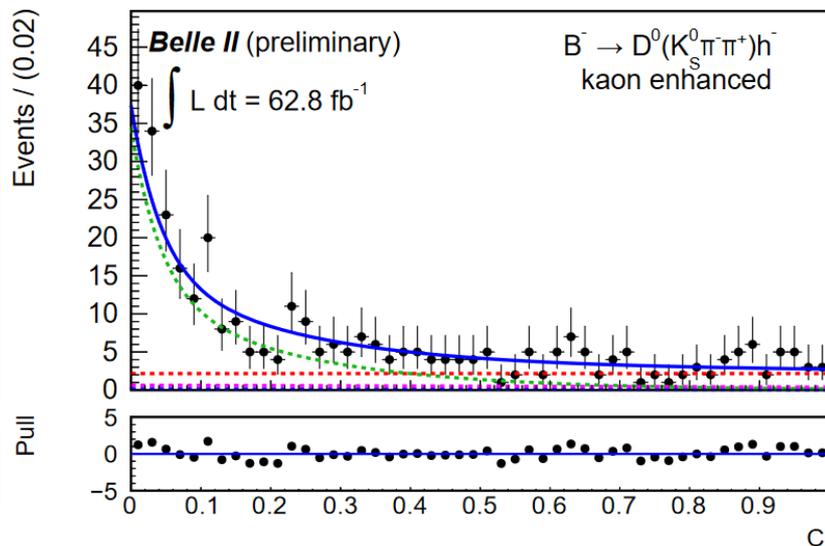
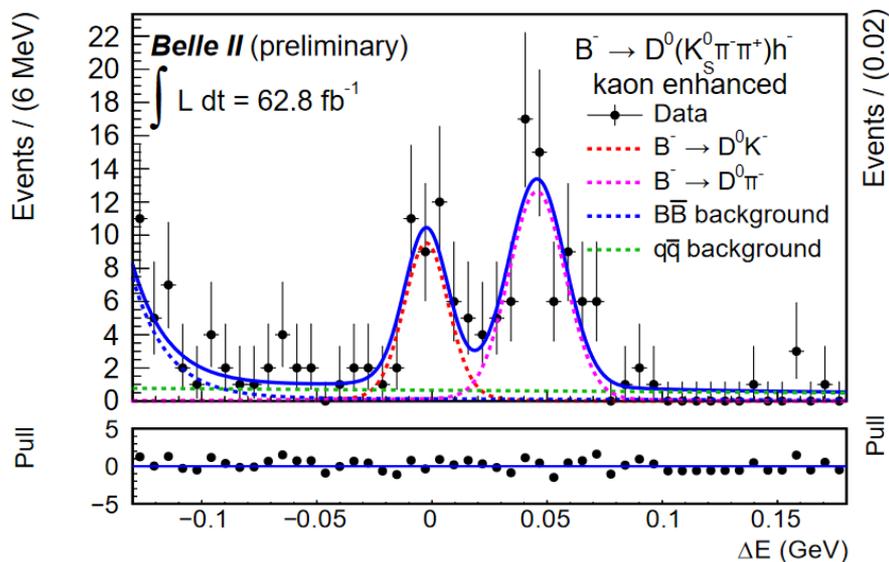
As compared to Belle :

- Better vertex resolution
- Better Ks efficiency
- Similar K/ π separation.
- Similar or better performance than Belle even under 20 times higher backgrounds.



Study of $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)} h^-$

- Decays $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)} K^-$ are important for precise determination CKM angle γ/ϕ_3 .
- Dominant and clean decay $B^- \rightarrow D^{(*)} \pi^-$ provide good control sample.
- PID to K/ π from B, signal enhanced with $M_{bc} = \sqrt{E_{beam}^2 - (\vec{P}_B c)^2} > 5.27 \text{ GeV}/c^2$;
- Unbinned ML fit in $\Delta E (= E_B - E_{beam})$ and MVA output (with event shape variables).

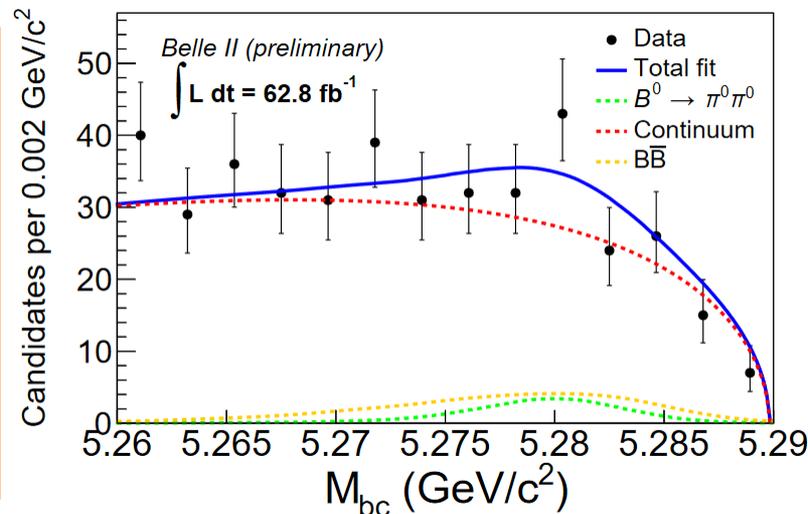


$$\frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D^0(K_S^0 \pi^- \pi^+) K^-)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D^0(K_S^0 \pi^- \pi^+) \pi^-)} = (6.32 \pm 0.81^{+0.09}_{-0.11}) \times 10^{-2}$$

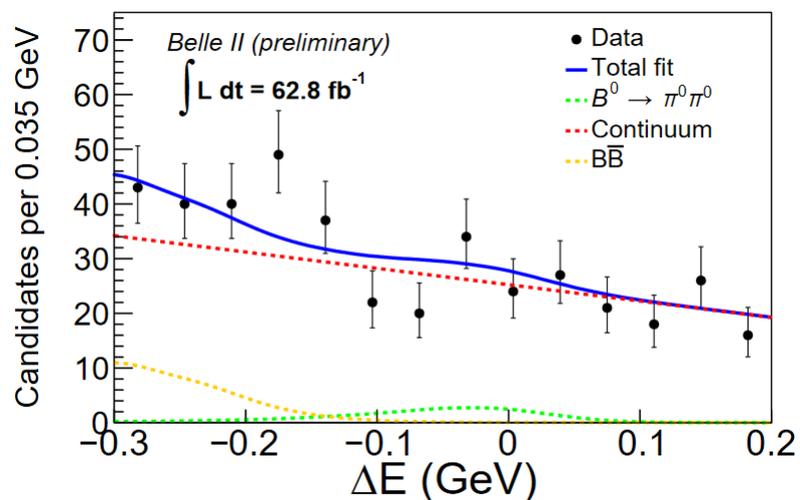
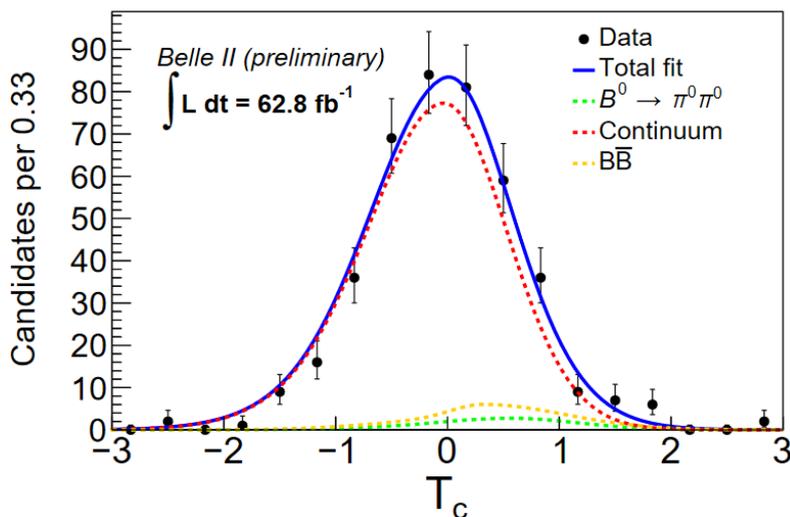
In all the 5 reconstructed modes results agree with the PDG within 2σ

First Belle II reconstruction of $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$

- $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ limits precision of isospin relations to determine α/ϕ_2 .
- Unique to Belle II : final state are just four photons.
- $B \rightarrow D(K\pi\pi^0)\pi^0$ as control channel.
- Dedicated MVA for optimized photon selection.
- Dominant bkg from continuum π^0 . Suppressed with another MVA.



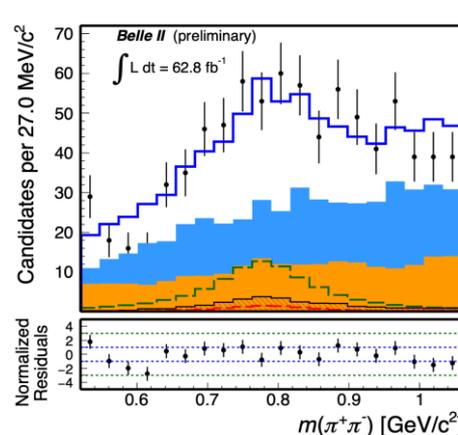
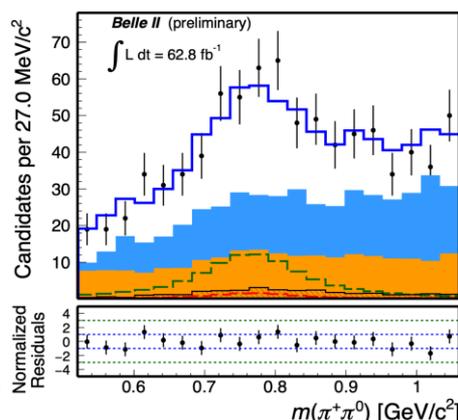
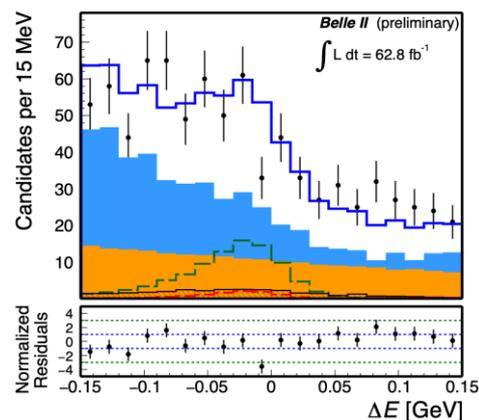
Unbinned ML 3D fit



- Signal yield $14.0_{-5.6}^{+6.8}$ events, and $\text{BF}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) = 0.98_{-0.39}^{+0.48} \pm 0.27 \times 10^{-6}$

First Belle II analysis of $B^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^0$

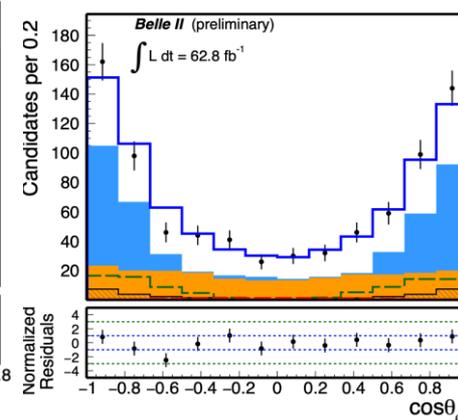
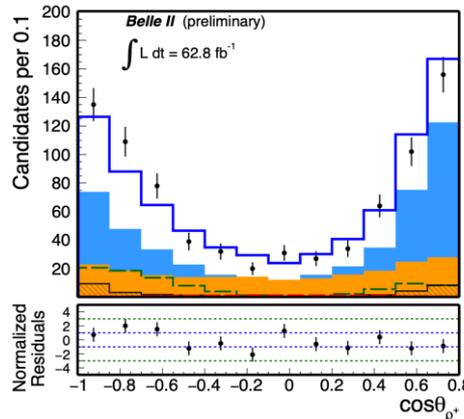
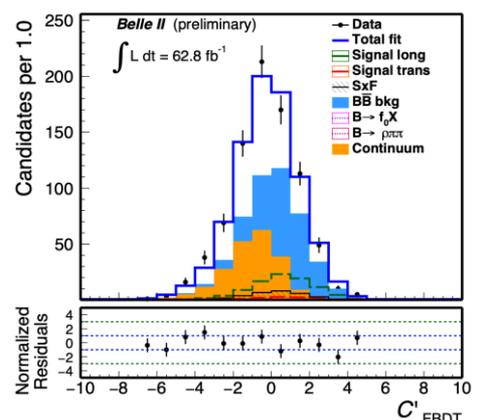
- pion-only $(\pi^+ \pi^0)(\pi^+ \pi^-)$ final state and broad ρ peak \Rightarrow large bkg
- Spin-0 \rightarrow spin1 + spin-1 \Rightarrow angular analysis.
- 6D fit including ΔE , CS, and ρ masses to extract signal, and helicity angles to measure fraction f_L of decays with longitudinal polarization.



$$N = 104 \pm 16$$

$$\mathcal{B} = [20.6 \pm 3.2(stat) \pm 4.0(syst)] \times 10^{-6}$$

$$f_L = 0.936^{+0.049}_{-0.041}(stat) \pm 0.021(syst)$$



20% better precision than Belle on 78 fb^{-1} ([PRL 91, 221801 \(2003\)](#)).

Continuum | Generic B | Longitudinal signal | Transverse signal

First Belle II measurements of $B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0$

- Stringent SM test: $B \rightarrow K\pi$ isospin sum rule ([hep-ph/0508047](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0508047))

$$I_{K\pi} = A_{K^+\pi^-} + A_{K^0\pi^+} \frac{B(K^0\pi^+) \tau_{B^0}}{B(K^+\pi^-) \tau_{B^+}} - 2A_{K^+\pi^0} \frac{B(K^+\pi^0) \tau_{B^0}}{B(K^+\pi^-) \tau_{B^+}} - 2A_{K^0\pi^0} \frac{B(K^0\pi^0)}{B(K^+\pi^-)}$$

Precision on $A_{K^0\pi^0}$ is the most limiting input

Challenges:

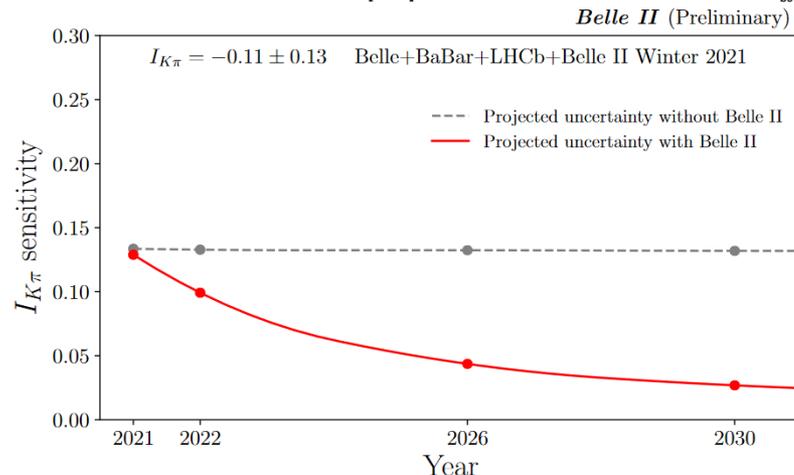
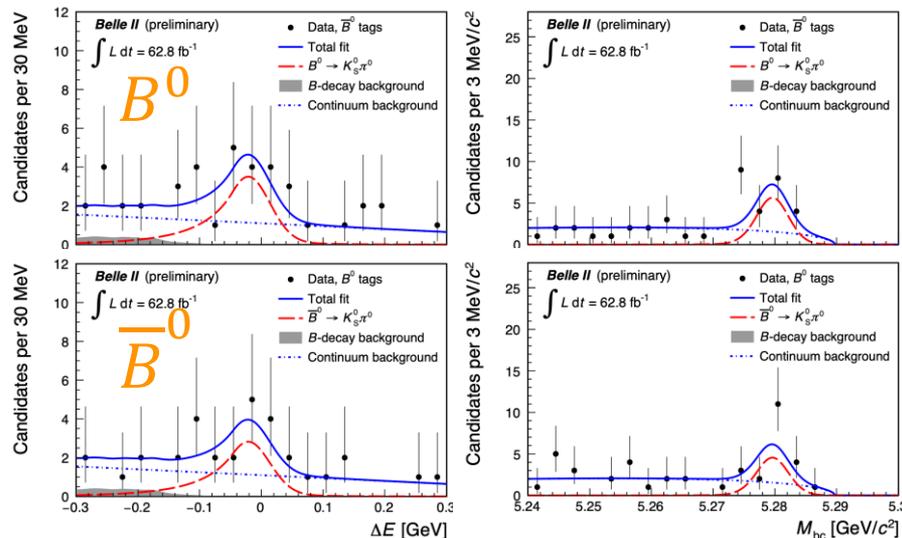
- π^0 final state $\Rightarrow \Delta E$ tails
- CP-eigenstate \Rightarrow need flavor tagging

$$N(B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0) = 45_{-8}^{+9}$$

$$\mathcal{B} = [8.5_{-1.6}^{+1.7}(\text{stat}) \pm 1.2(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-6}$$

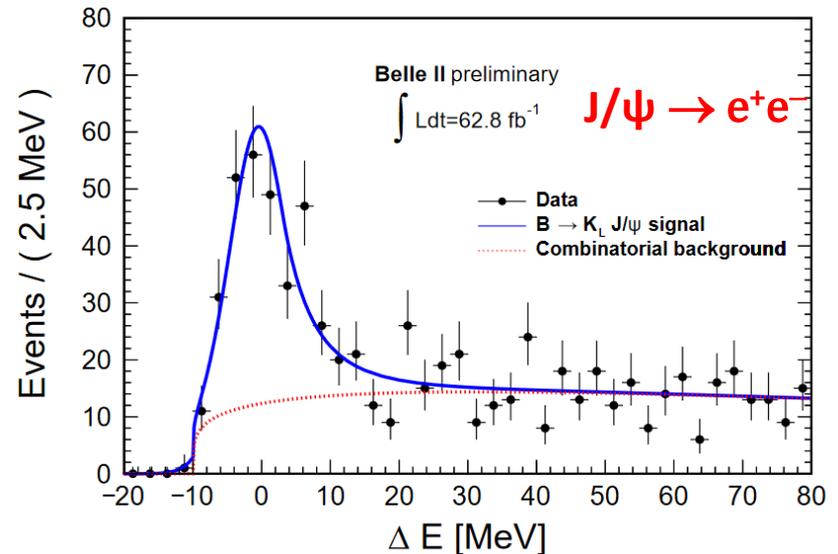
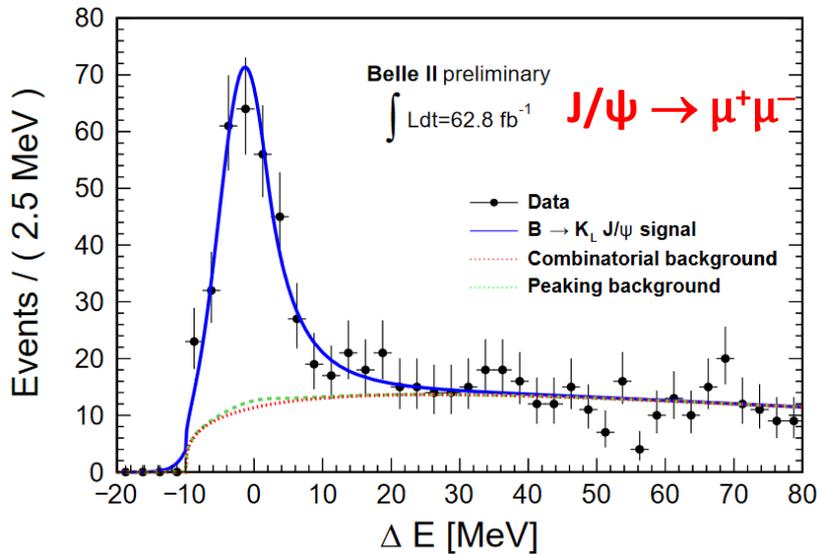
$$A_{K^0\pi^0} = -0.40_{-0.44}^{+0.46}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst})$$

First Belle II DCPV in $K^0\pi^0$, the single most limiting input of isospin-sum-rule probing power



$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_L^0$

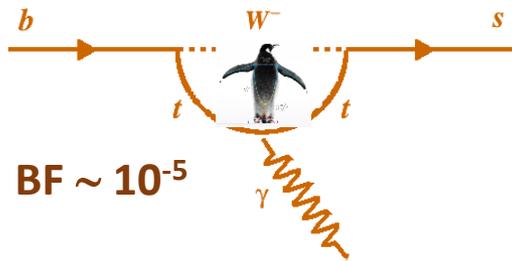
- The decay $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_L^0$ provides an independent measurement of $\sin(2\phi_1)$.
- $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ or $\mu^+\mu^-$ and K_L^0 is reconstructed as a hadronic neutral cluster in K_L and μ detector (KLM).
- $p(K_L^0)$ is calculated from the direction of the cluster in KLM and reconstructed momentum of J/ψ with B^0 mass constraint.



- The yield is observed with the same purity as in predecessor Belle.
- Work in progress to include neutral clusters in ECL in the path of TDCPV and $\sin(2\phi_1)$ measurements

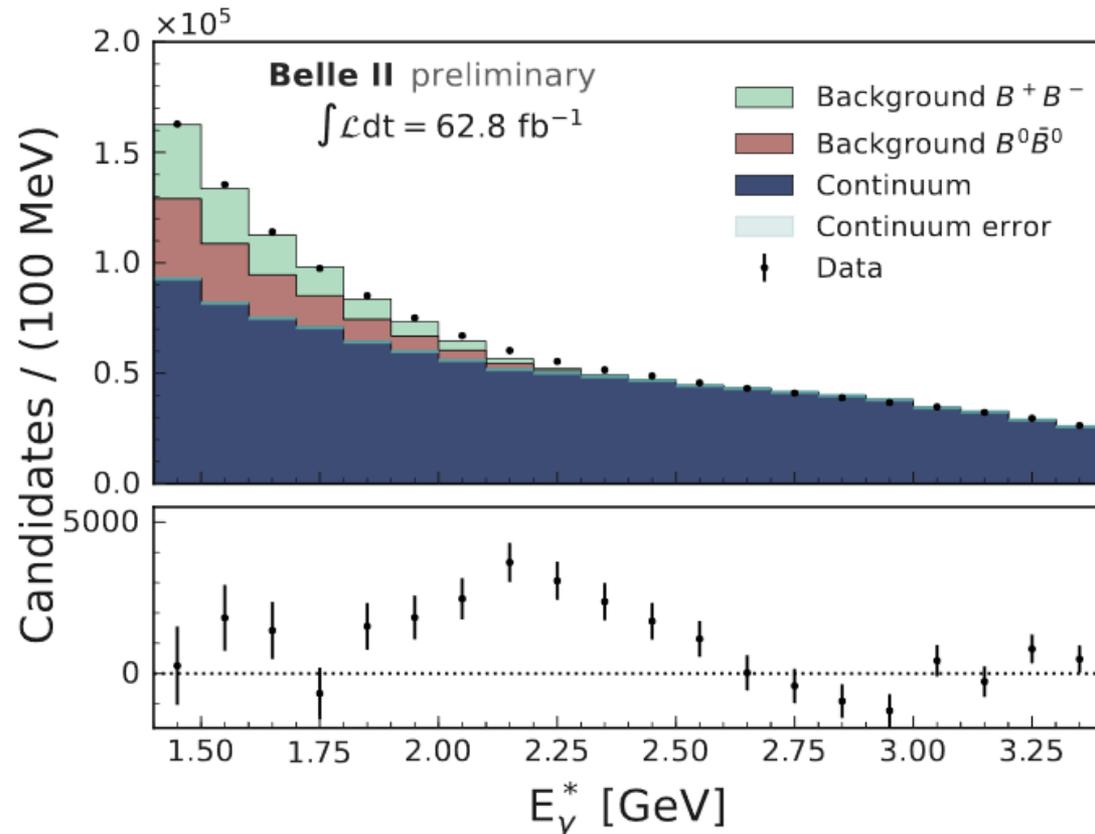
Inclusive photon spectrum from $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ transition

- B-decays with $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ transitions:** FCNCs, suppressed at tree level and sensitive to many SM extension.



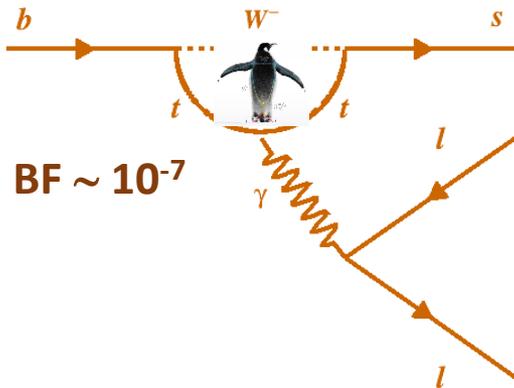
- Monochromatic (smeared) photon energy from the two-body decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$.

- High energy photon $E_\gamma^* > 1.4$ GeV
- The γ should not be arising from a π^0 decay
- Continuum Suppression with event shape variables.
- Data driven (from off-resonance and side-bands) scaling of MC.
- Excess around expected region is clearly visible.

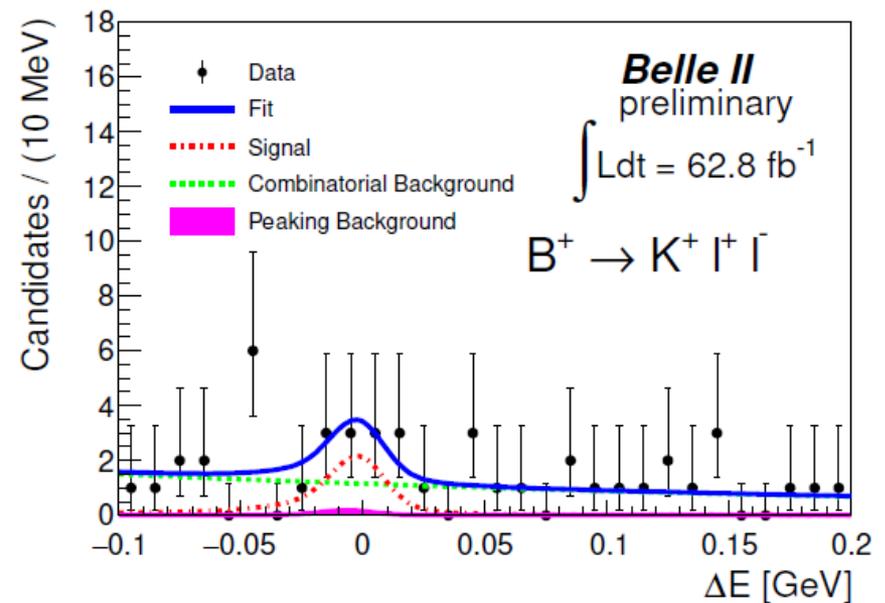
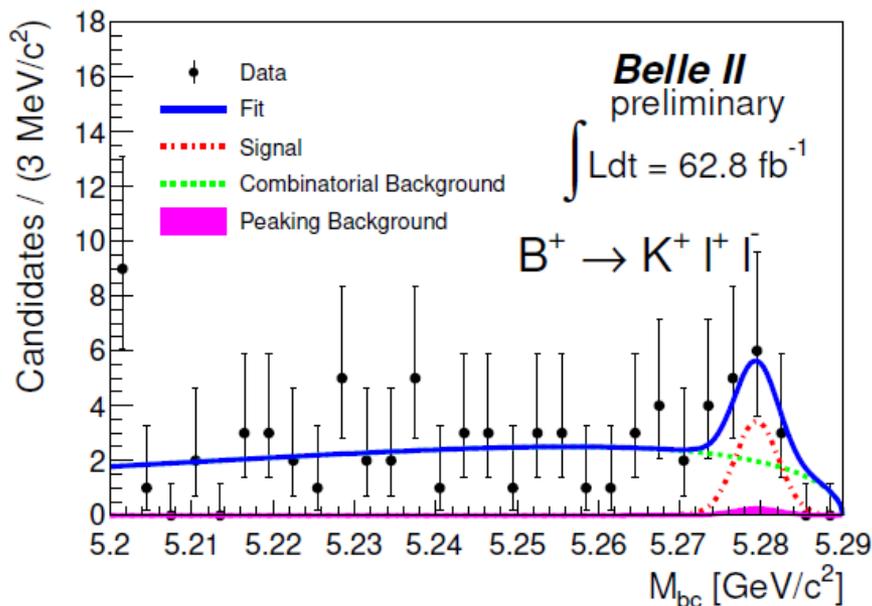


$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell \ell$ decays at Belle II

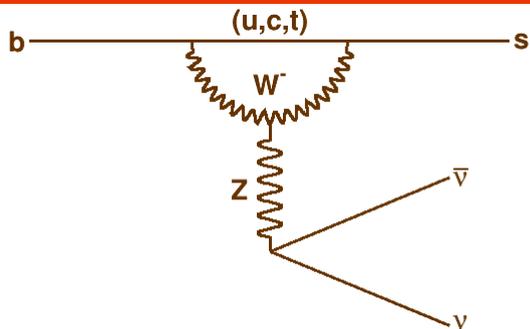
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- These decays have raised a lot of interest in the study of the LFU ratio.
- The rare decays $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell \ell$ ($\ell = e, \mu$) are seen at Belle II with just 62.8 fb^{-1}
- Signal yield : $8.6_{-3.9}^{+4.3} \pm 0.4$ (2.7σ)

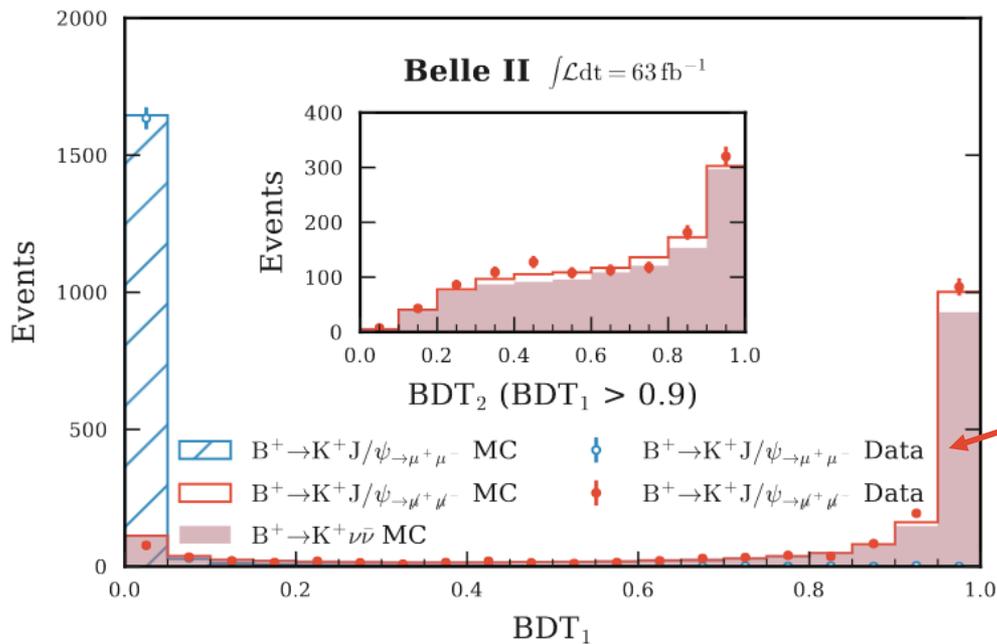


$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays at Belle II



- Transition mediates by a virtual Z-boson.
- SM prediction for the $BF[B \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}]_{SM}$ is $(4.6 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-6}$ [B2TIP, PTEP 2019, 123C01].

- **Inclusive tagging approach** : nested statistical-learning discriminators exploits efficiently topology allowing for sizeable signal (4%) while controlling large backgrounds.



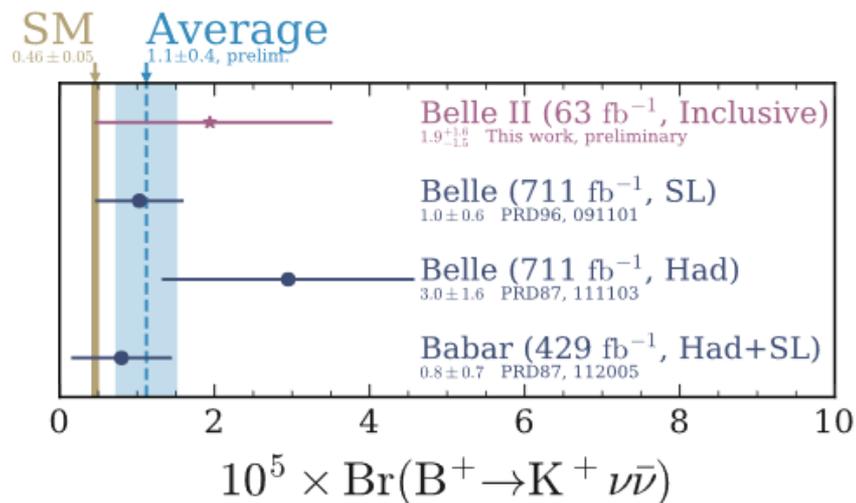
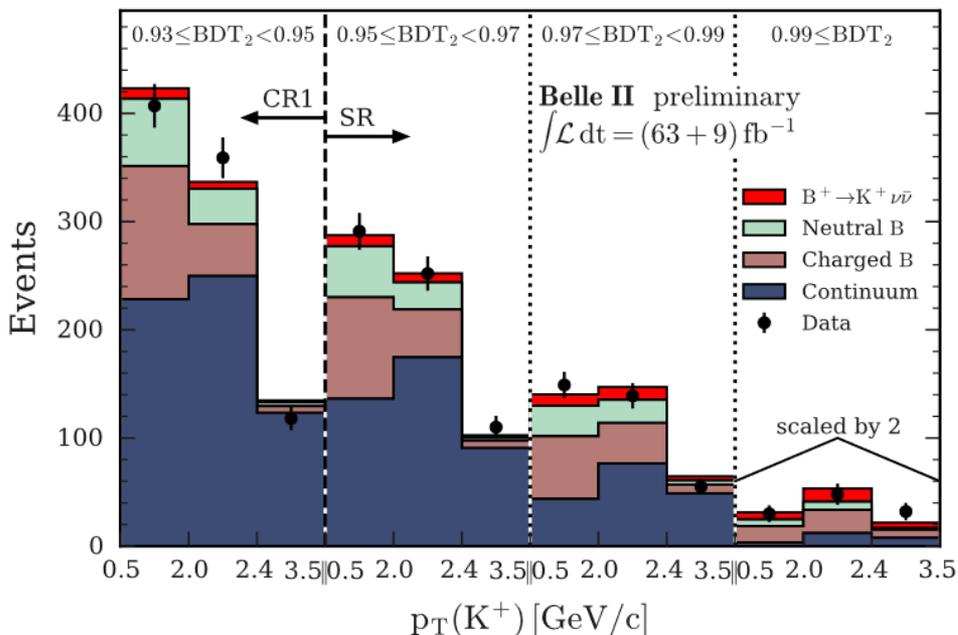
- Validate with $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ J/\psi [\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-]$

- $\mu^+ \mu^-$ ignored
- K^+ momentum modified
2-body \rightarrow 3 body

$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays at Belle II

- Measured signal strength $\mu = 4.2_{-2.9}^{+2.9} {}_{-1.6}^{+1.8} = 4.2_{-3.2}^{+3.4}$.
- Consistent with the bkg-only (SM) hypothesis at CL 1.3 σ (1 σ)
- Observed (expected) UL @90% CL 4.1×10^{-5} (2.6×10^{-5})
- $\mathcal{B}[B \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}] = 1.9_{-1.3}^{+1.3} {}_{-0.7}^{+0.8} \times 10^{-5}$

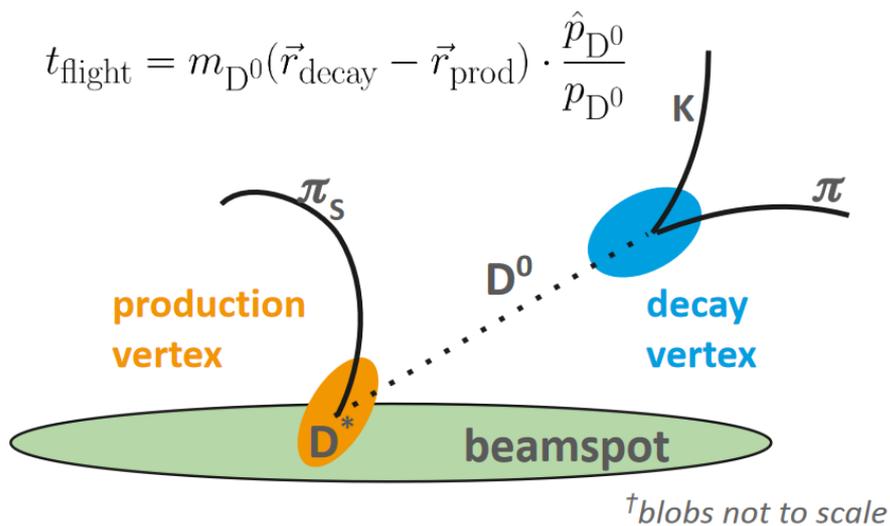
Data and post-fit predictions in the signal and control region bins



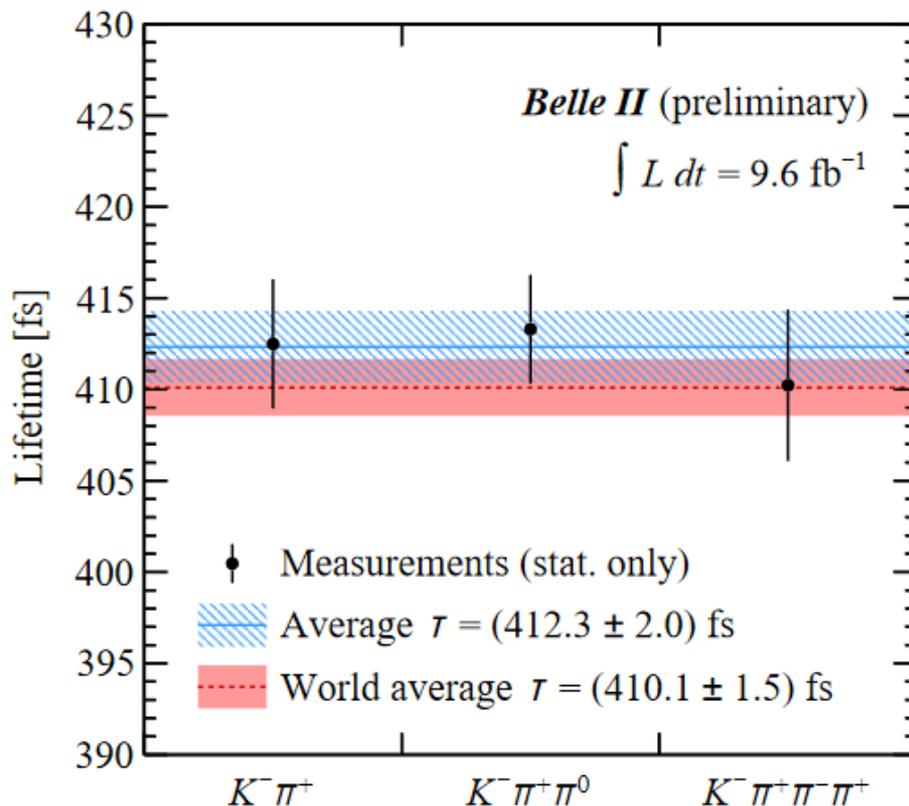
Sensitivity with just 63 fb^{-1} data is already close to previous searches with significantly large data-set.

D⁰ lifetime measurement

- Reconstructed $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$, $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$, and $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ from $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi_s^+$ in 9.6 fb^{-1} data collected in 2019.
- D^{*+} should not be originating from a B decay ($P_{D^{*+}}^* > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$).



With 72 fb^{-1} Belle II life-time measurements expected to be competitive with world-averages!

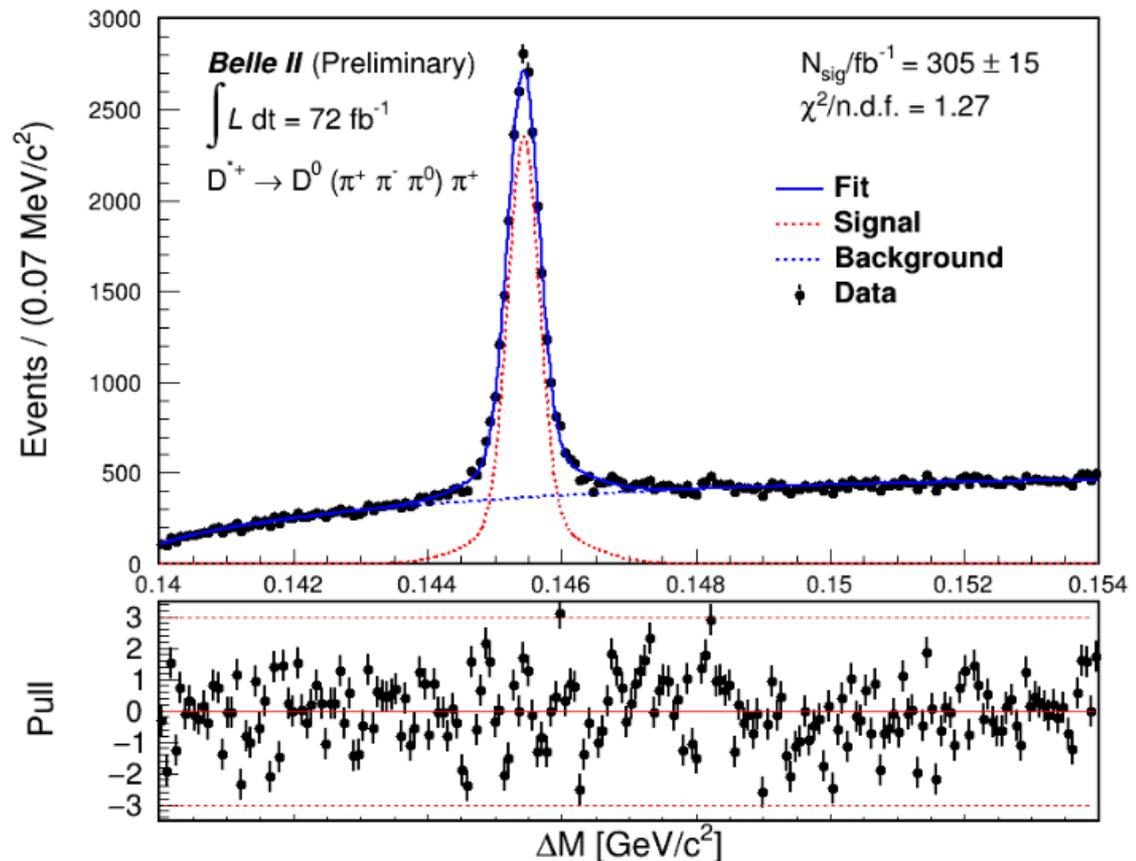


In the path towards CPV in charm

- CPV in charm remains an important topic to study for the Belle II experiment.
- Preliminary study of the decay $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 [\pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-] \pi^-$
- Ultimately to study time-averaged Dalitz analysis.

- Standard selection of π^+ and π^0
- D^{*+} should not be originating from a B-decay ($P_{D^{*+}}^* > 2.5\text{GeV}$)

- Unbinned ML fit to $\Delta M \cong M[D^{*+}] - M[D^0]$.
- Signal (two Gaussian)
Background (Threshold function).
- Signal yield (estimated)/ $\text{fb}^{-1} = 305 \pm 15$



Summary

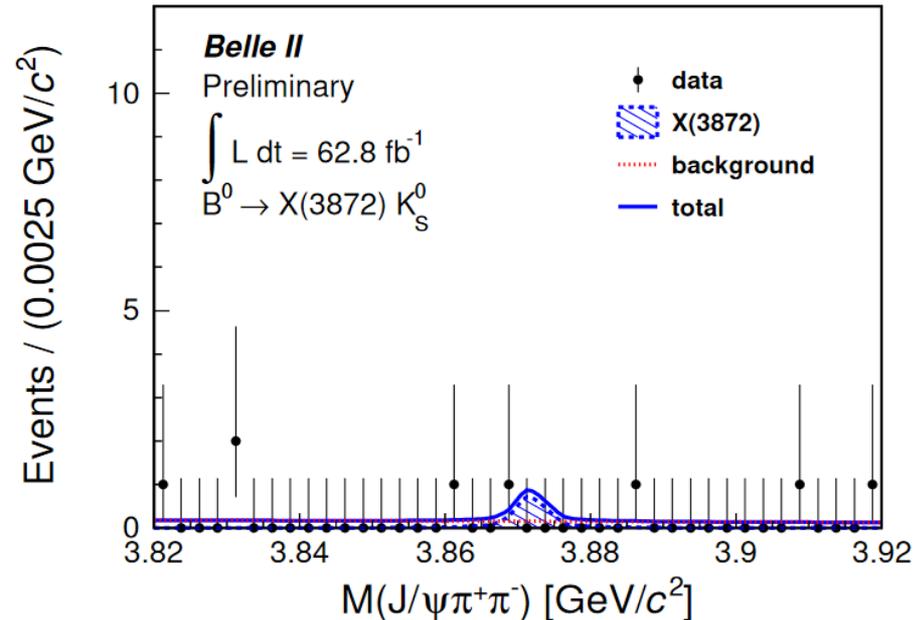
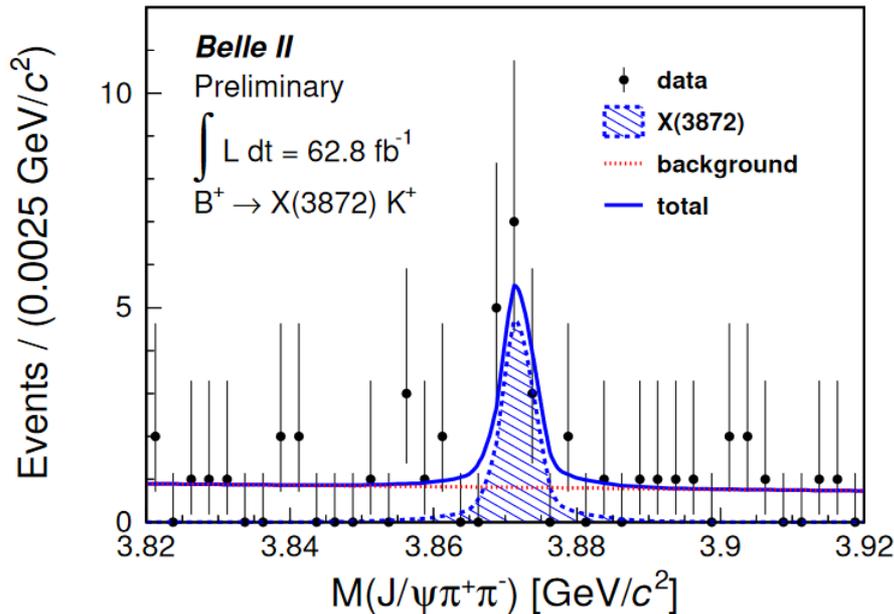
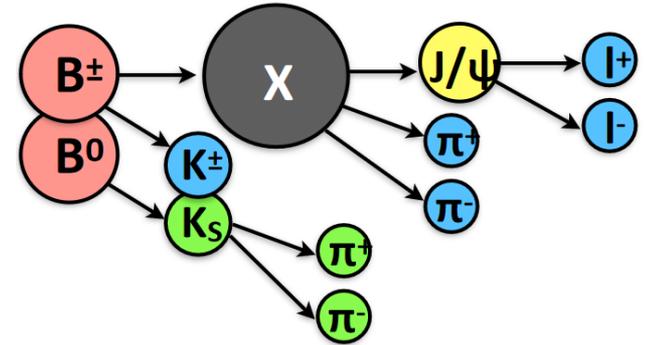
- Upcoming large and clean samples of B, D (and τ) will allow Belle II to search for NP and to improve the measurements of SM parameters.
- Improved detector and analysis methods at Belle II leads to better sensitivity.
- Results using early data demonstrates the expected performances of all the sub-detectors.
- Belle II is running well amid CoViD-19 towards its ultimate goal to record 50ab^{-1} .



Extra Slides

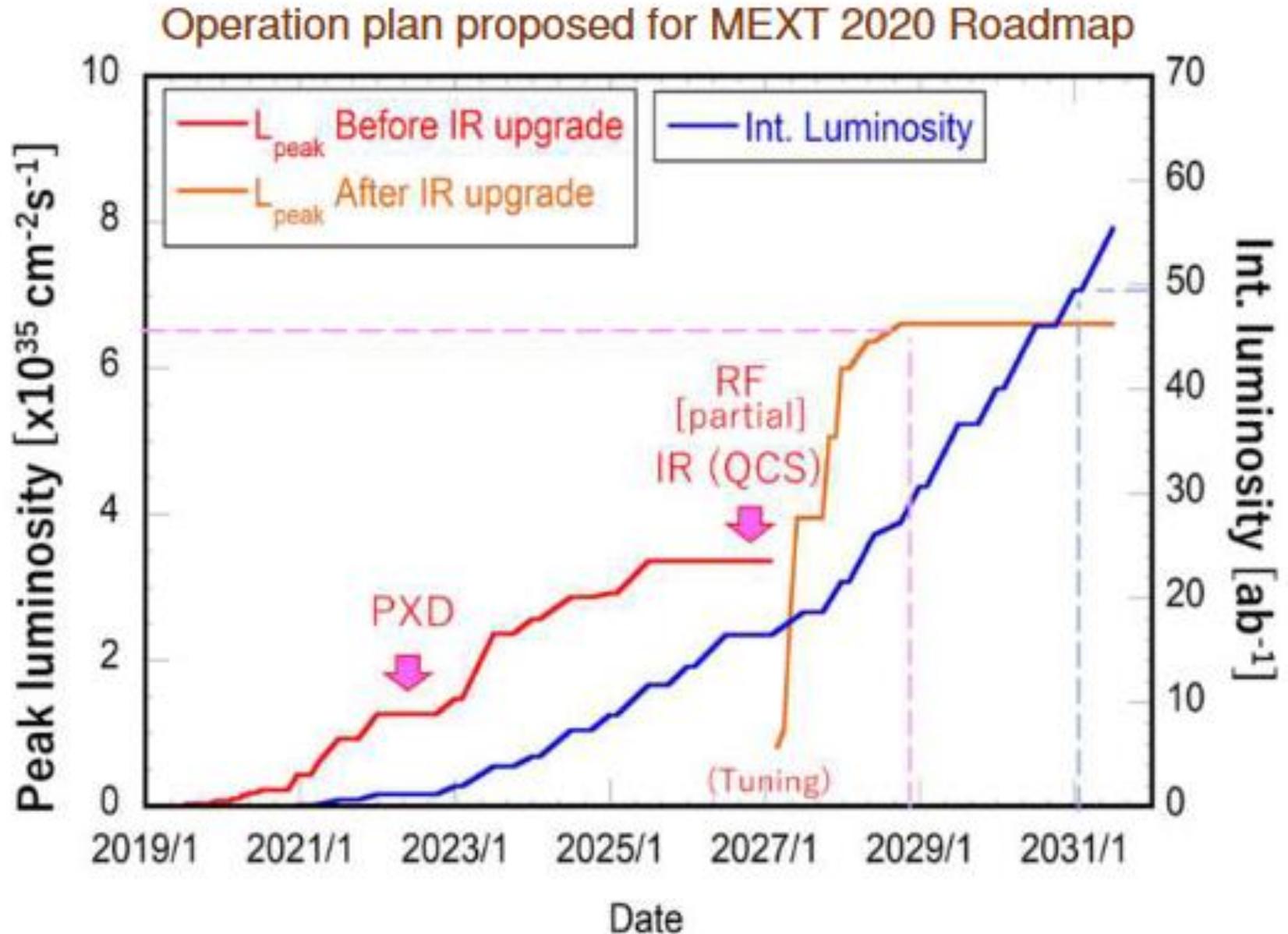
X(3872) rediscovery

- The exotic state X(3872) is searched in the B-decay:
- The decay $B \rightarrow K\psi(2S) [\rightarrow J/\psi \pi\pi]$ serves as a good control sample.
- Simultaneous fit is performed to combine the distribution from B^+ and B^0 decays.

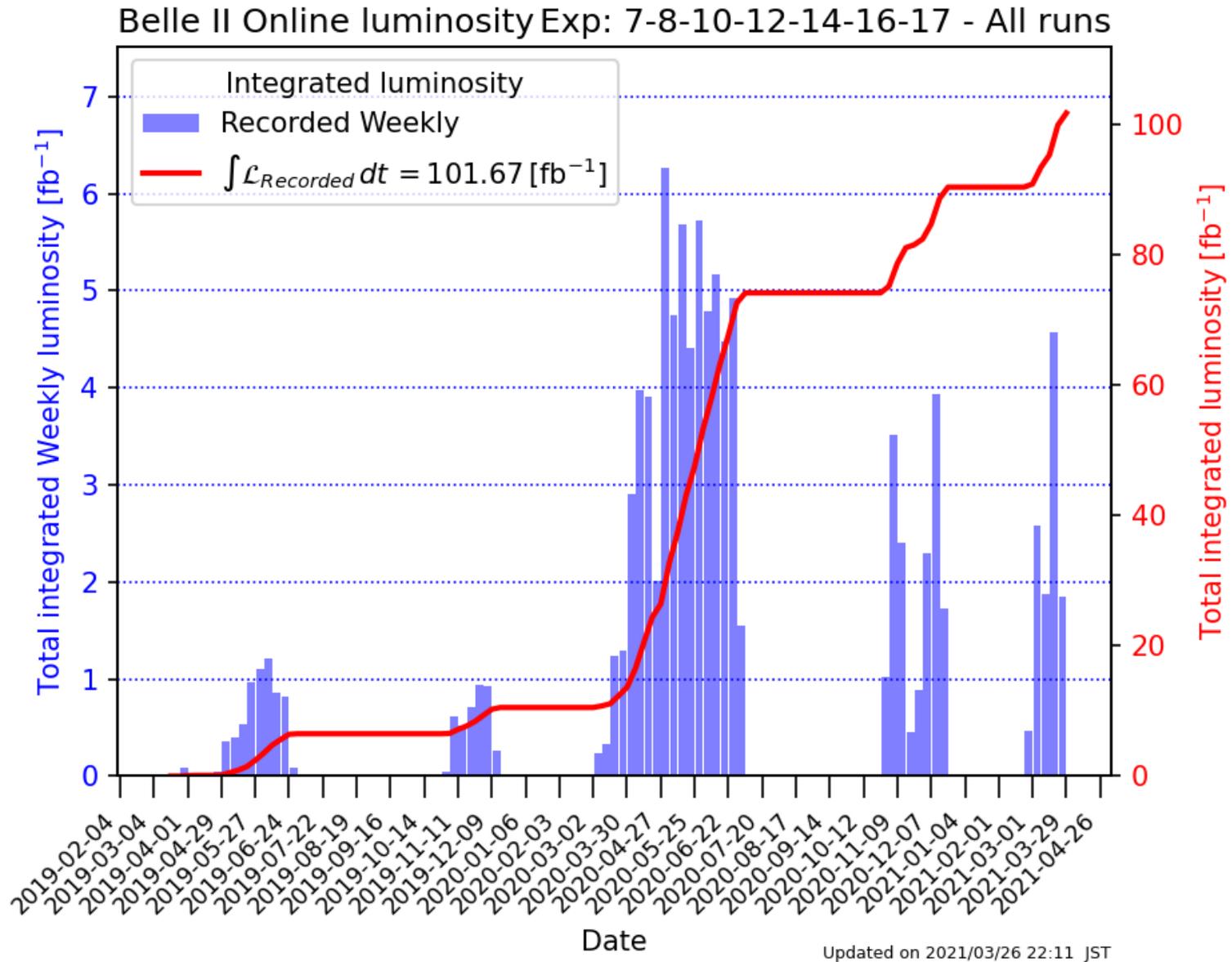


- The X(3872) signal yield is 14.4 ± 4.6 and the statistical significance is 4.6σ .
- First exotic state to be rediscovered in Belle II.

SuperKEKB Luminosity Plan



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- CP-eigenstate: flavor tagging to determine tag-side B's flavor
- Probability density function of signal-side quark flavor q:

$$P_{sig}(q) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - q \cdot \Delta w_r + q \cdot (1 - 2w_r) \cdot (1 - 2\chi_d) \cdot A_{K^0\pi^0})$$

(* integrated over B mesons' lifetime difference Δt : $P(q, \Delta t) = \frac{e^{-|\Delta t|/\tau_{B^0}}}{4\tau_{B^0}} [1 + q(A_f \cos(\Delta m_d \Delta t) + S_f \sin(\Delta m_d \Delta t))]$)

χ_d : time-integrated B^0 mixing probability (external input)

Assume null A_{CP}^{rare} + continuum flavor symmetric

- Simultaneous fit over 7 flavor tagging r-bins

Source	$\delta\mathcal{B}(\%)$
Tracking efficiency	1.8
K_S^0 reconstruction efficiency	3.8
π^0 reconstruction efficiency	3.2
Continuum-suppression efficiency	2.4
$N(B\bar{B})$ (as written in Eq. 3)	1.4
Signal model	<0.1
Continuum background model	1.2
Total	6.1

Source	$\delta\mathcal{A}_{K^0\pi^0}$
Flavor tagging modelling	0.03
B^0 mixing parameter χ_d	<0.01
B-decay background asymmetry	0.03
Continuum background asymmetry	0.01
Total	0.04

$$\mathcal{B} = (8.6_{-1.6}^{+1.7} \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$A_{K^0\pi^0} = -0.42_{-0.44}^{+0.46} \pm 0.04$$