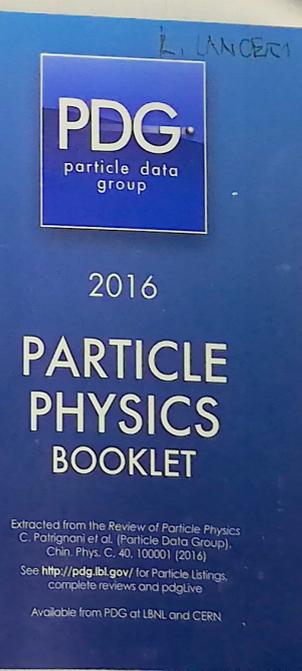


Early charmless B decay physics in Belle II

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Hadronic charmless B decays

B decays without charmed hadrons



Mediated by



Cabibbo-suppressed
 $b \rightarrow u$



Loop-suppressed
 $b \rightarrow d, b \rightarrow s$

Observed 27 years ago by CLEO and grew to account for 15% of experimental flavor-physics papers.

- Highly sensitive to new loop contributions.
- Probe non-SM dynamics in each of the three CKM angles.
- As a byproduct, multiple tests of approaches to deal with QCD factorization, SU(3) symmetries etc.

Challenges:

⇒ charmless B decays have branching fractions of order $\approx 10^{-5}$;

⇒ final states same as prevailing backgrounds.

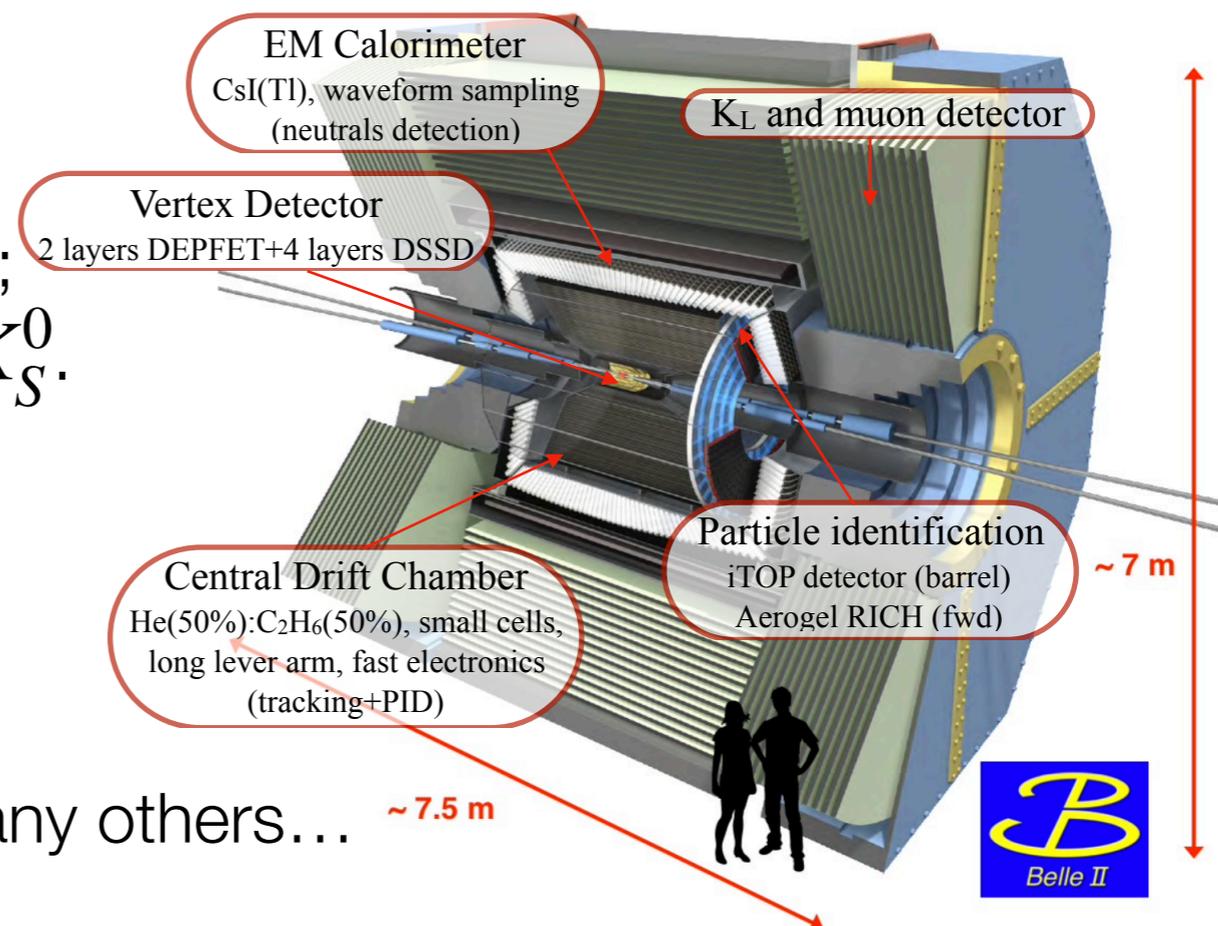
Charmless at Belle II

Key role:

- Reach $\sim 1.5^\circ$ precision on α/φ_2 ;
- Test of SM using isospin sum rules;
- Search for local CP asymmetries in $B \rightarrow 3h$;
- Time dependent CP violation with $B^0 \rightarrow \phi K_S^0$.

Complementary to LHCb:

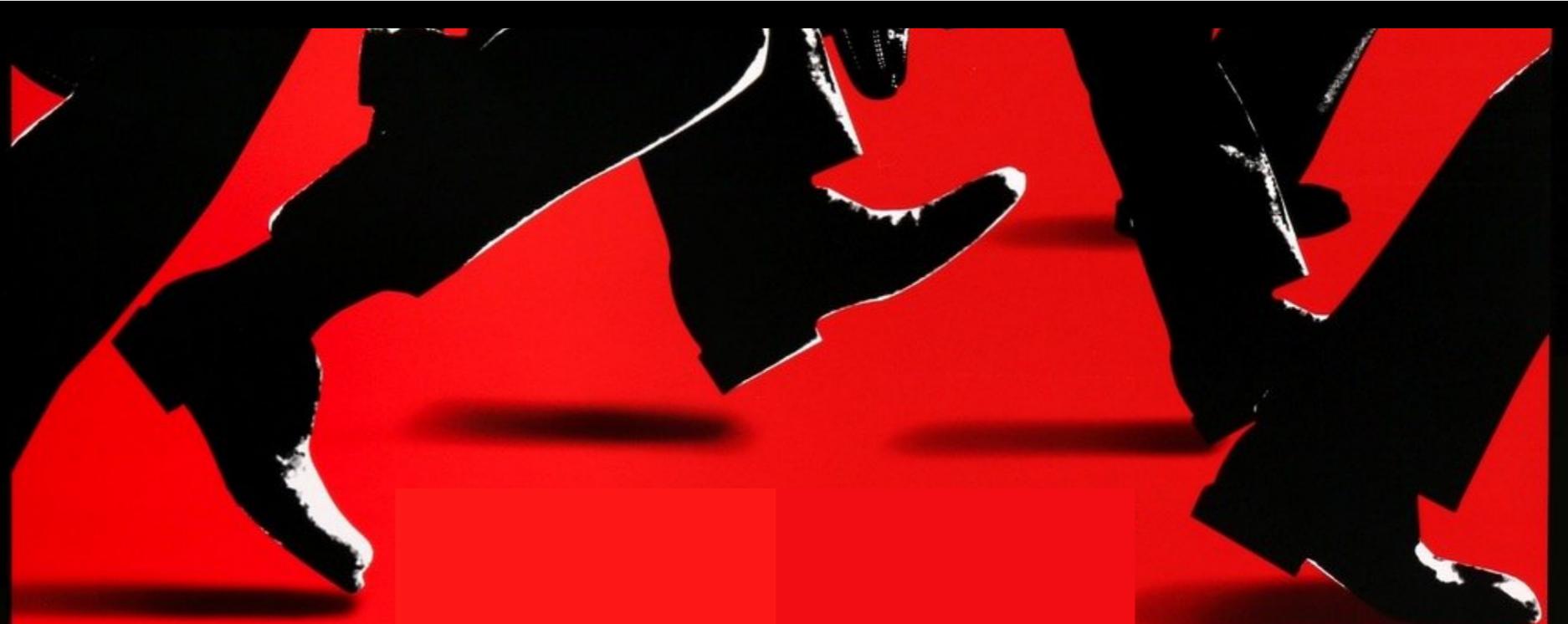
- Channels with neutrals as $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$;
- Channels with K_S^0 as $B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0$. And many others...



Belle II in 2019-2020:

- ✓ collected $\sim 75\text{ fb}^{-1}$ of data;
- ✓ World record luminosity by SuperKEKB: $2.4 \times 10^{34}\text{ cm}^{-2}\text{ s}^{-1}$ (with currents lower than at KEKB);
- ✓ many physics analyses ongoing.

Today: first measurements of branching fraction, CP asymmetry, and polarization for a variety of charmless B decays using 35 fb^{-1} ($38\text{M } B\bar{B}$ pairs).



$B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ $B^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+$ $B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^+$
 $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ $B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0$ $B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^{*+}$
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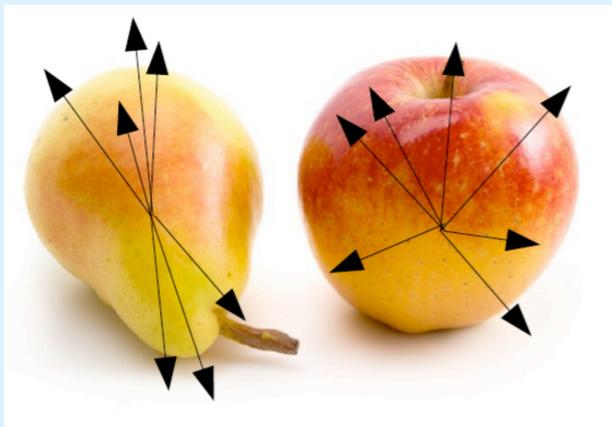
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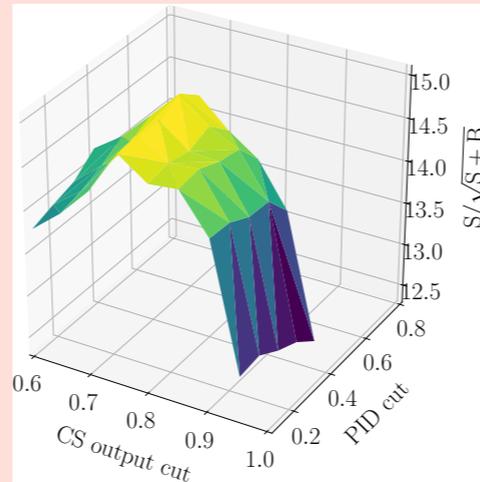
Analysis ingredients

Goal: measure \mathcal{B} , A_{CP} , and f_L of two- and three-body charmless B decays.

Continuum suppression



Selection optimization

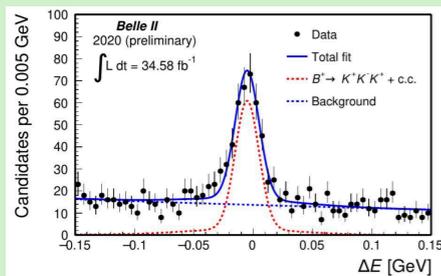


Efficiency measurement

$$\varepsilon = \frac{N(\text{passed})}{N(\text{generated})}$$

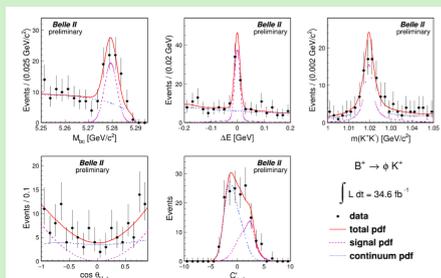
Signal extraction

1D fit $\Delta E = E_B - E_{beam}$



× 8

Multidimensional fit



× 4

Measurement of branching fraction, CP-asymmetry, and longitudinal polarization.



Systematics

Operation	$\varepsilon(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- K^+)$	$\varepsilon(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+)$
Reconstruction	0.780	0.692
Pre-selection	0.749	0.664
M_{bc} and ΔE requirements	0.710	0.636
PID requirement	0.435	0.507
CS requirement	0.323	0.290
Charm vetoes	0.290	0.250



Selection

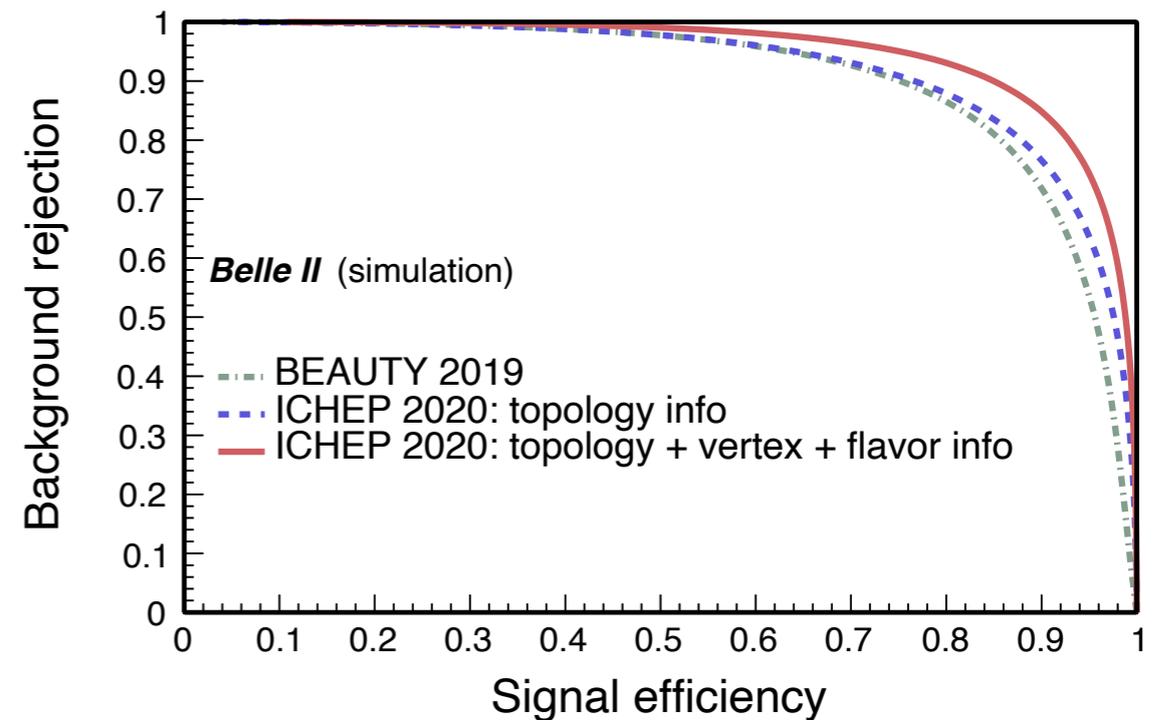
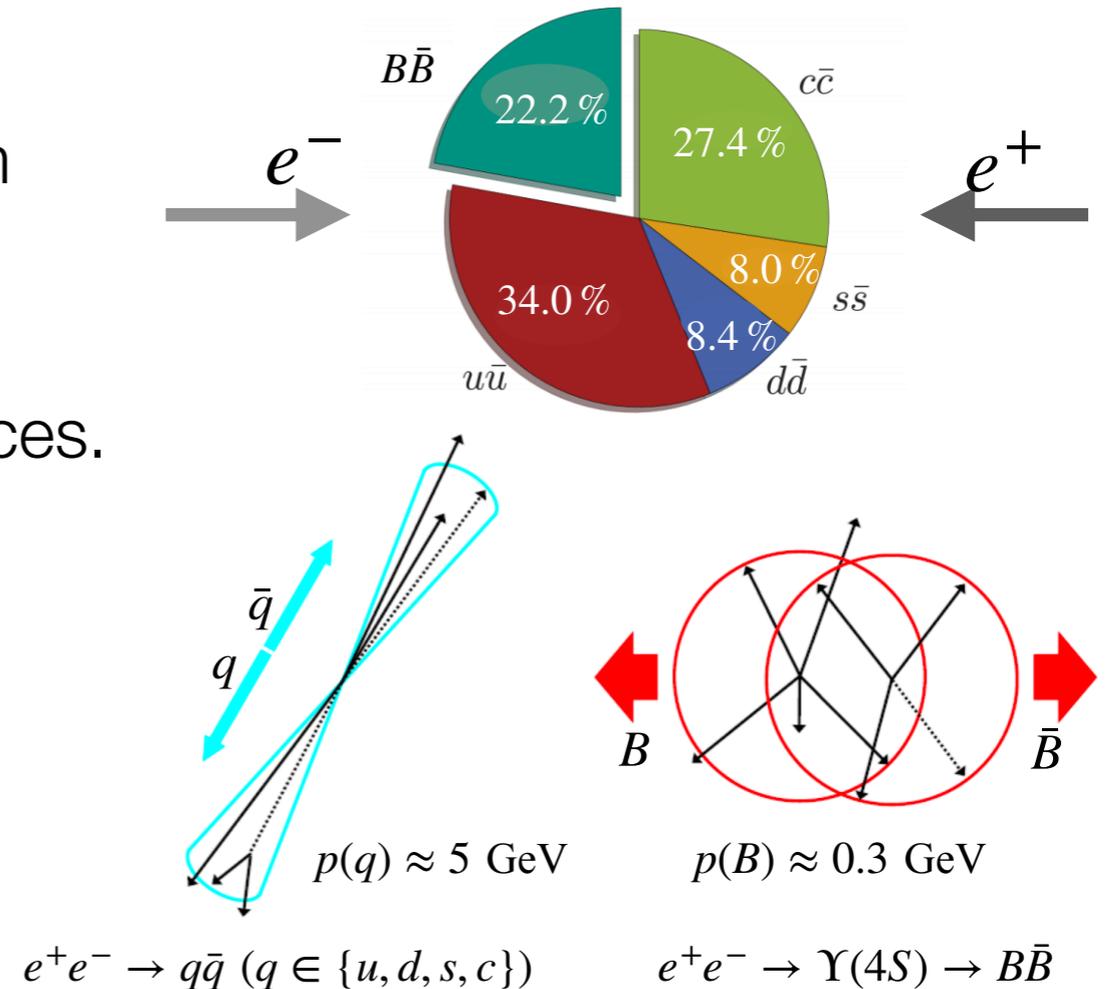
Challenge: reject the dominant background from light $q\bar{q}$ pairs (continuum).

Exploit variables sensitive to topological differences.

Using multivariate techniques combine 30+ kinematic, decay-time, and topology variables to maximize S/B.

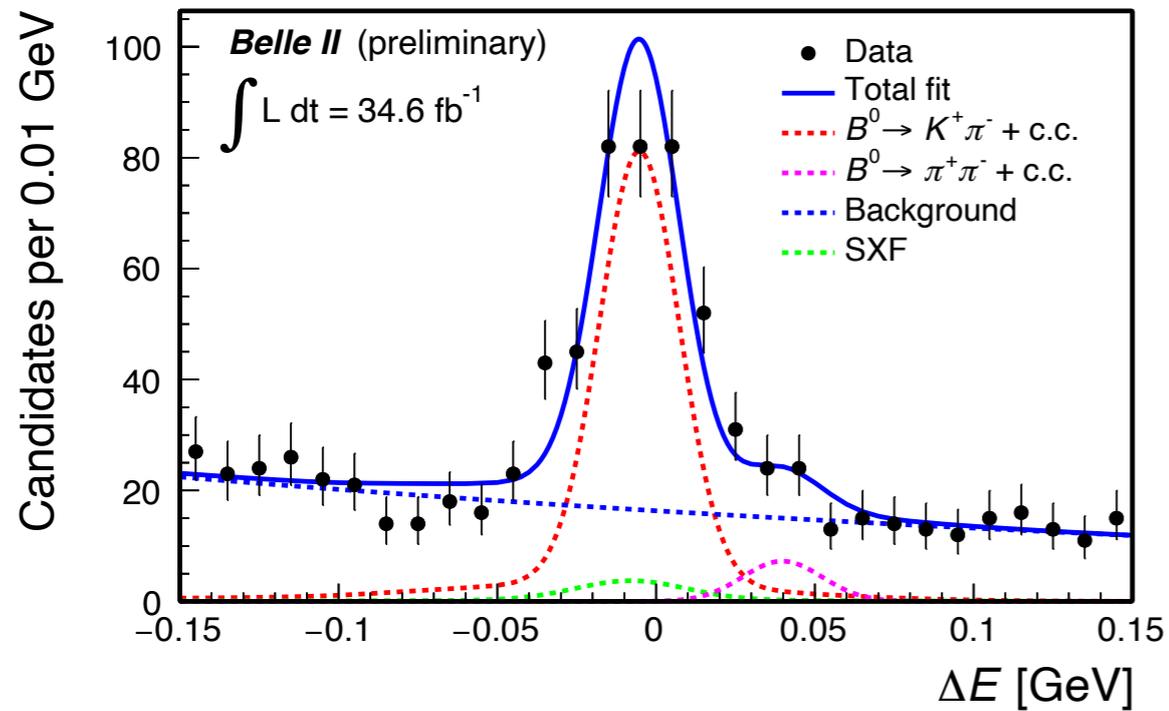
For each channel, we optimize the selection to isolate low-background signal using simulated and control-sample data.

CS selection efficiency: 35 - 79%
 $q\bar{q}$ background rejection: 96 - 99%



Two-body: $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$, $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

Two tracks in the final state. Probe of tracking and PID.

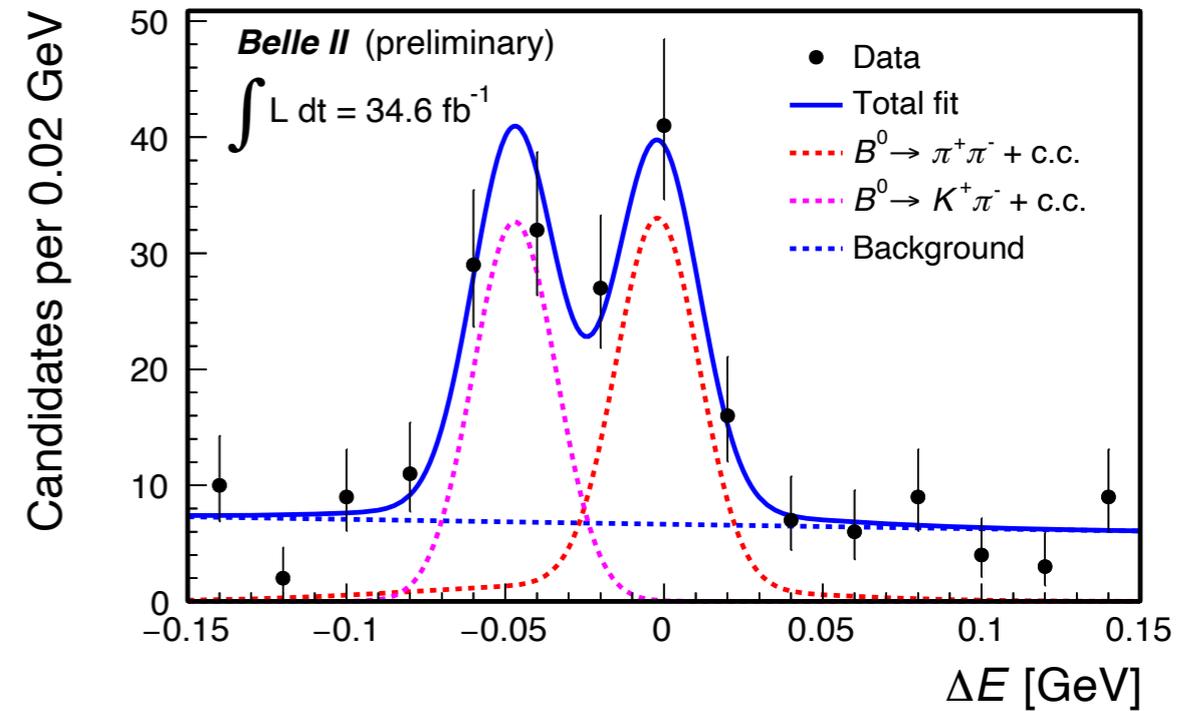


$B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$

N_{sig}	289^{+22}_{-21}
\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}]	$18.9 \pm 1.4(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.0(\text{syst.})$

PDG

\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}]	19.6 ± 0.5
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$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

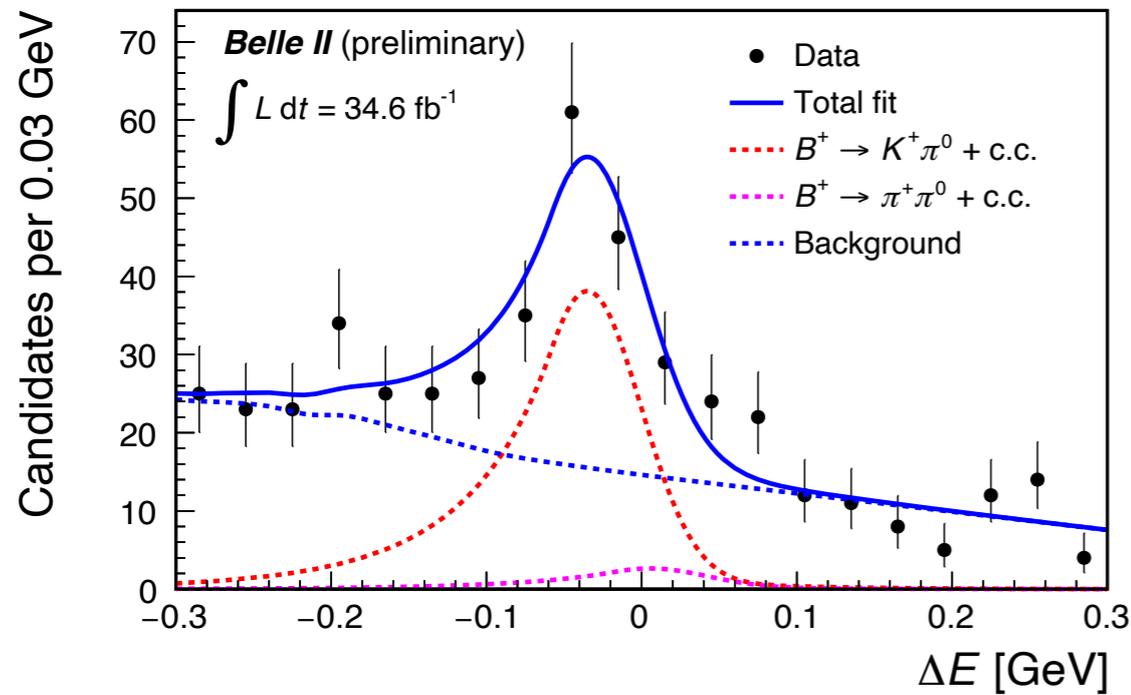
N_{sig}	61^{+11}_{-10}
\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}]	$5.6^{+1.0}_{-0.9}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.3(\text{syst.})$

PDG

\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}]	5.12 ± 0.19
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Two-body: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0, B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$

Challenge for π^0 reconstruction performance. Require good PID.



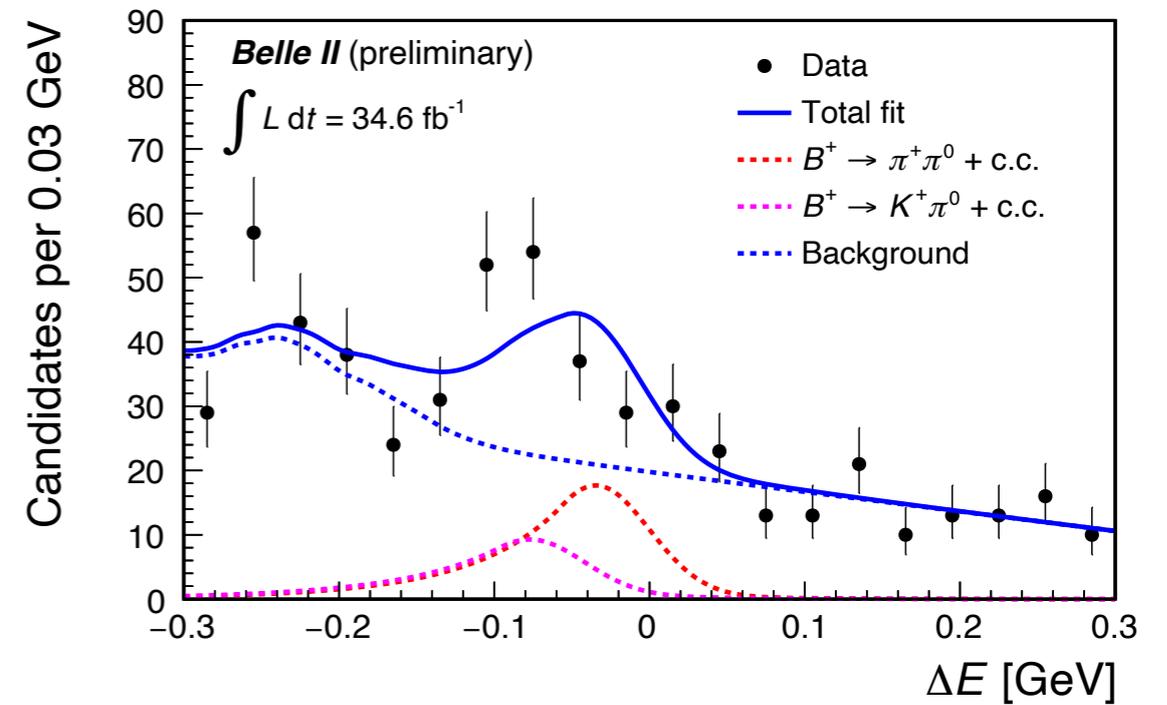
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0$

$N_{\text{sig}} \quad 144^{+25}_{-24}$

$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 12.7^{+2.2}_{-2.1}(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.1(\text{syst.})$

PDG

$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 12.9 \pm 0.5$



$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$

$N_{\text{sig}} \quad 68 \pm 27$

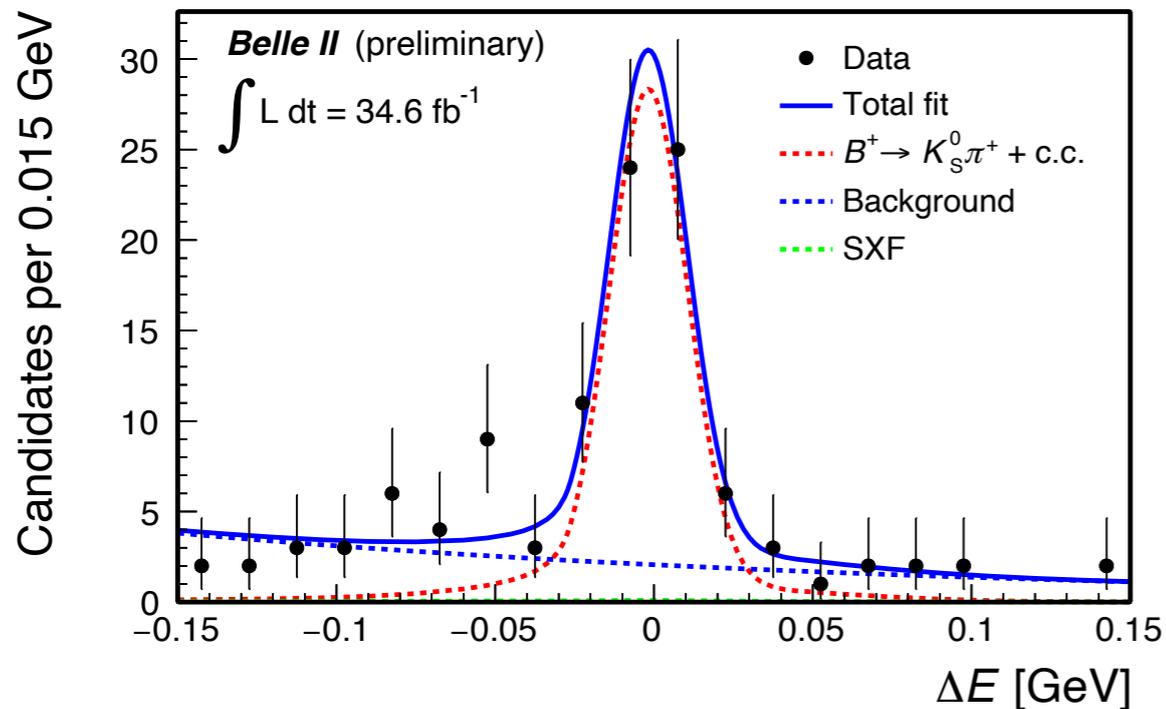
First reconstruction in Belle II data!
 $\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 5.7 \pm 2.3(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst.})$

PDG

$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 5.5 \pm 0.4$

Two-body: $B^+ \rightarrow K^0 \pi^+$, $B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0$

Benchmark performance of K_S^0 reconstruction.



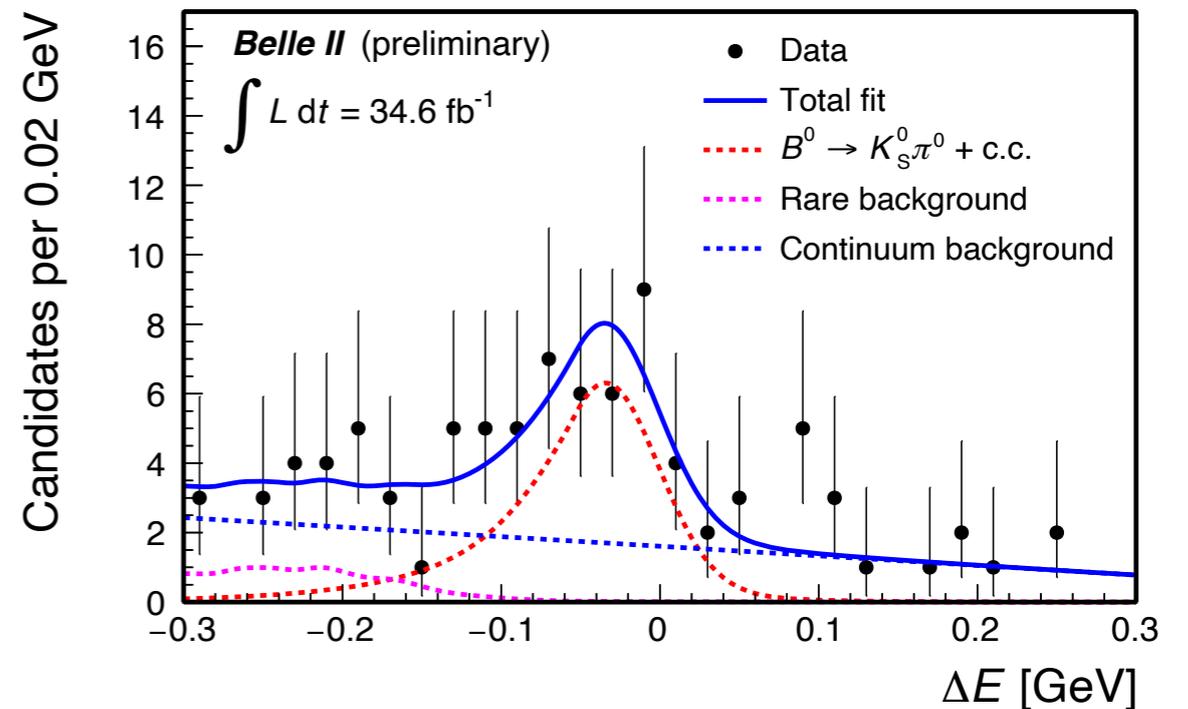
$B^+ \rightarrow K^0 \pi^+$

$N_{\text{sig}}(B^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+)$ 65^{+10}_{-9}

\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] $21.8^{+3.3}_{-3.0}(\text{stat.}) \pm 2.9(\text{syst.})$

PDG

\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] 23.7 ± 0.8



$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0$

$N_{\text{sig}}(B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0)$ 35 ± 9

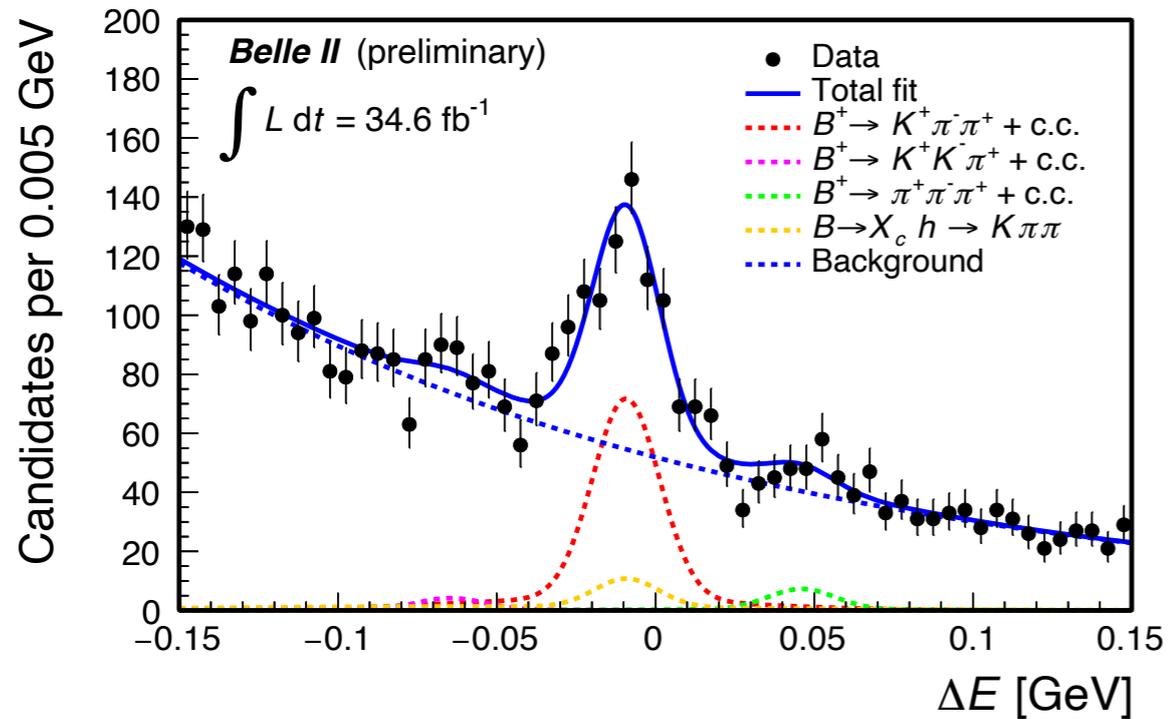
First reconstruction in Belle II data!
 \mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] $10.9^{+2.9}_{-2.6}(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.6(\text{syst.})$

PDG

\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] 9.9 ± 0.5

Three-body: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- K^+$

Rich Dalitz structure - multitude of peaking backgrounds.

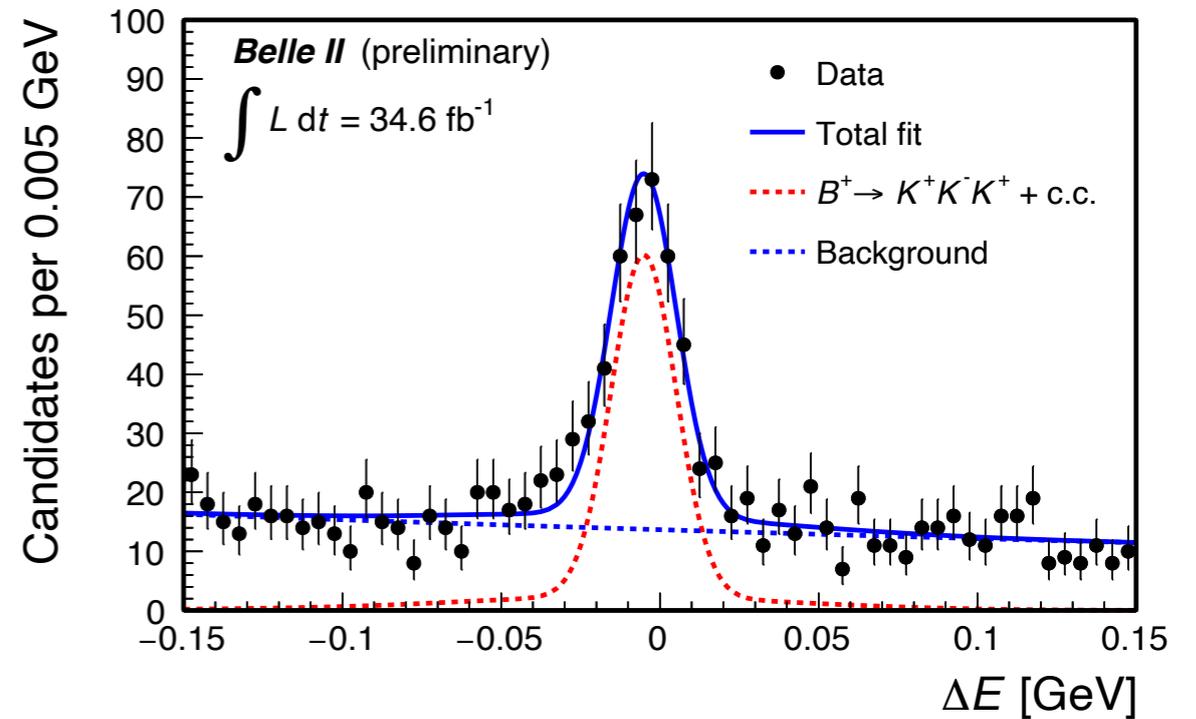


$$N_{\text{sig}} \quad 449 \pm 37$$

$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 48.0 \pm 3.8(\text{stat.}) \pm 3.3(\text{syst.})$$

PDG

$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 51.0 \pm 2.9$$



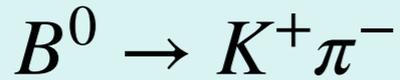
$$N_{\text{sig}} \quad 359 \pm 25$$

$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 32.0 \pm 2.2(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.4(\text{syst.})$$

PDG

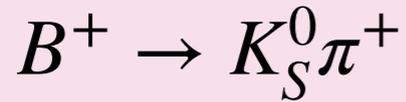
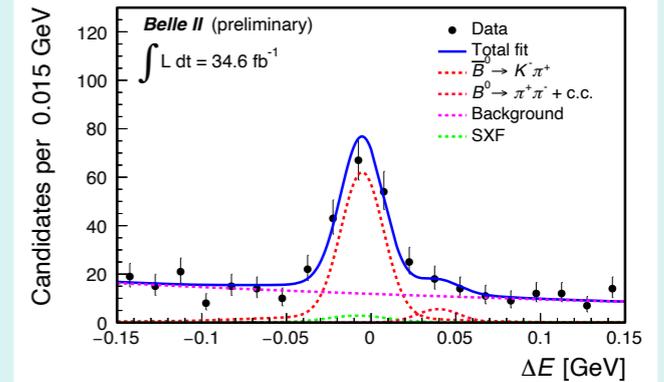
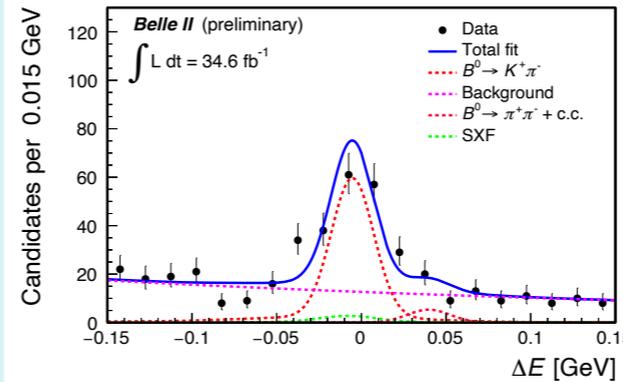
$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 34.0 \pm 1.4$$

CP asymmetries in two-body decays



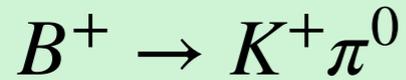
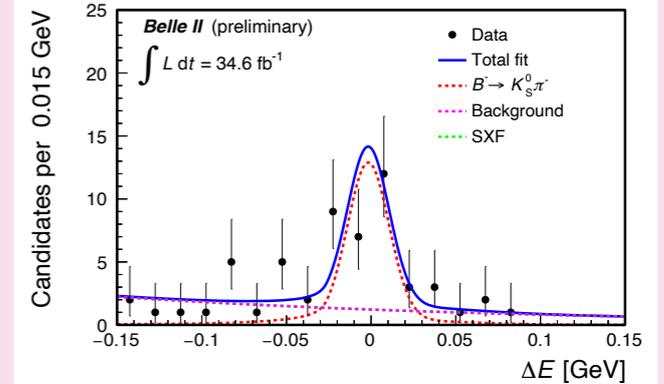
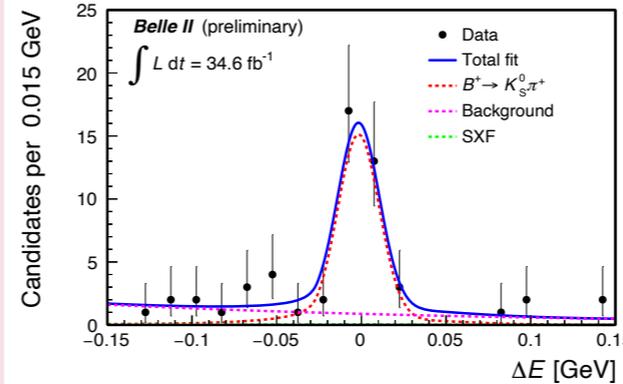
$$A_{CP} = 0.030 \pm 0.064(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.008(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{PDG: } A_{CP} = -0.083 \pm 0.004$$



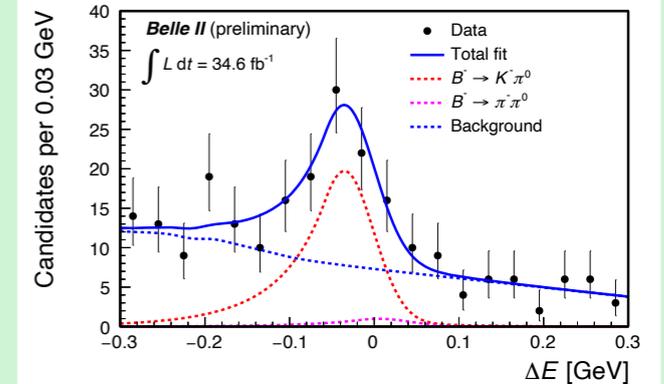
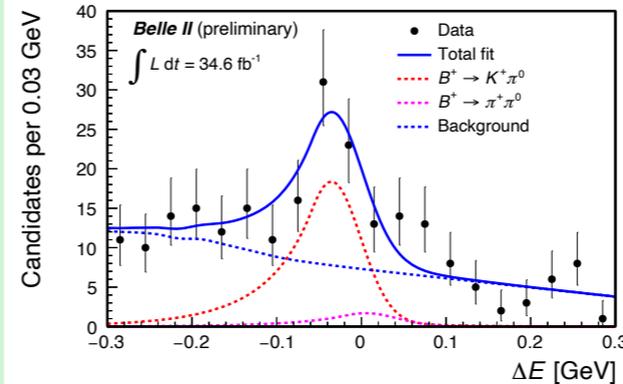
$$A_{CP} = -0.072^{+0.109}_{-0.114}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.024(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{PDG: } A_{CP} = -0.017 \pm 0.016$$



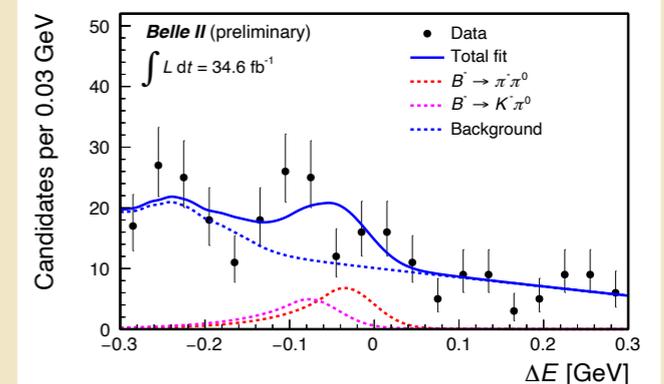
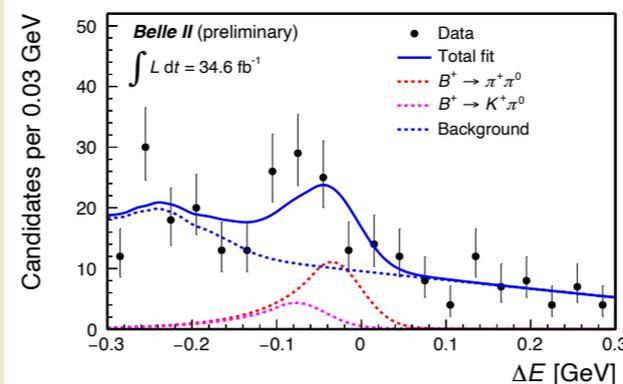
$$A_{CP} = 0.052^{+0.121}_{-0.119}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.022(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{PDG: } A_{CP} = 0.037 \pm 0.021$$



$$A_{CP} = -0.268^{+0.249}_{-0.322}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.123(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{PDG: } A_{CP} = 0.03 \pm 0.04$$

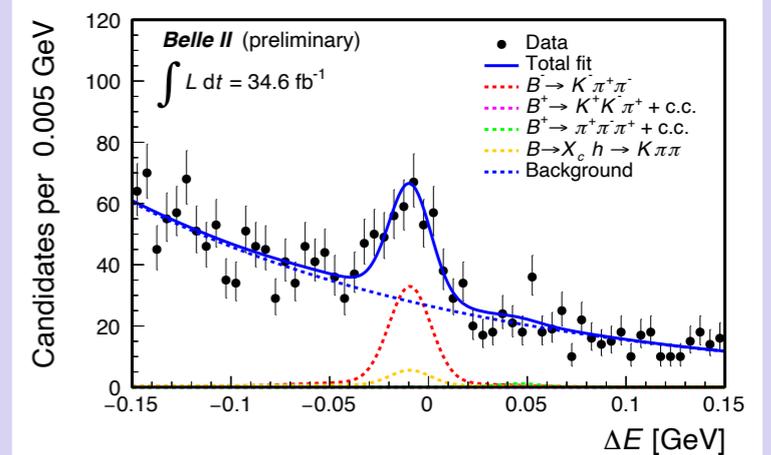
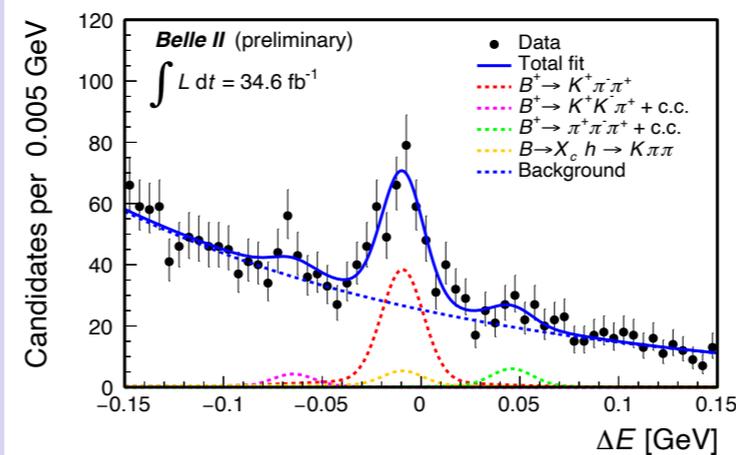


CP asymmetries in three-body decays



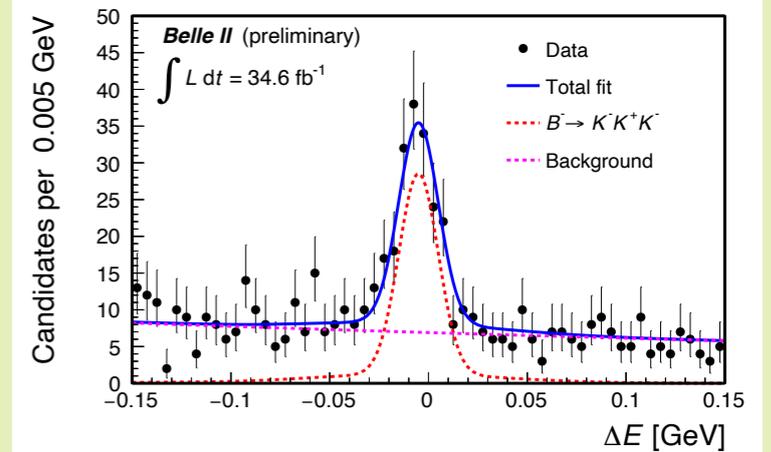
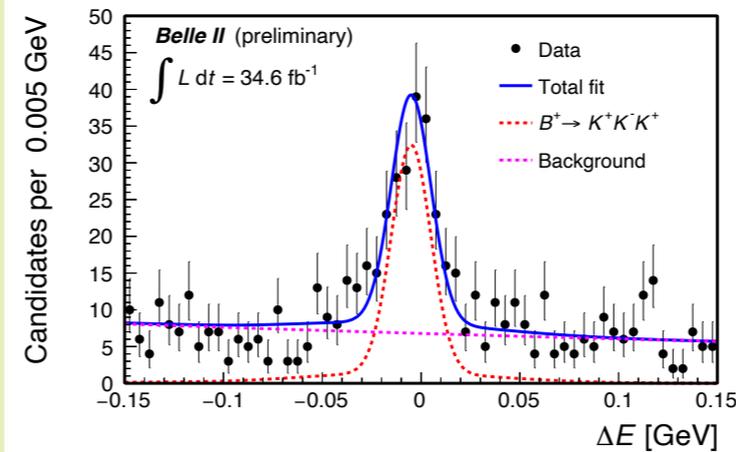
$$A_{CP} = -0.063 \pm 0.081(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.023(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{PDG: } A_{CP} = 0.027 \pm 0.008$$



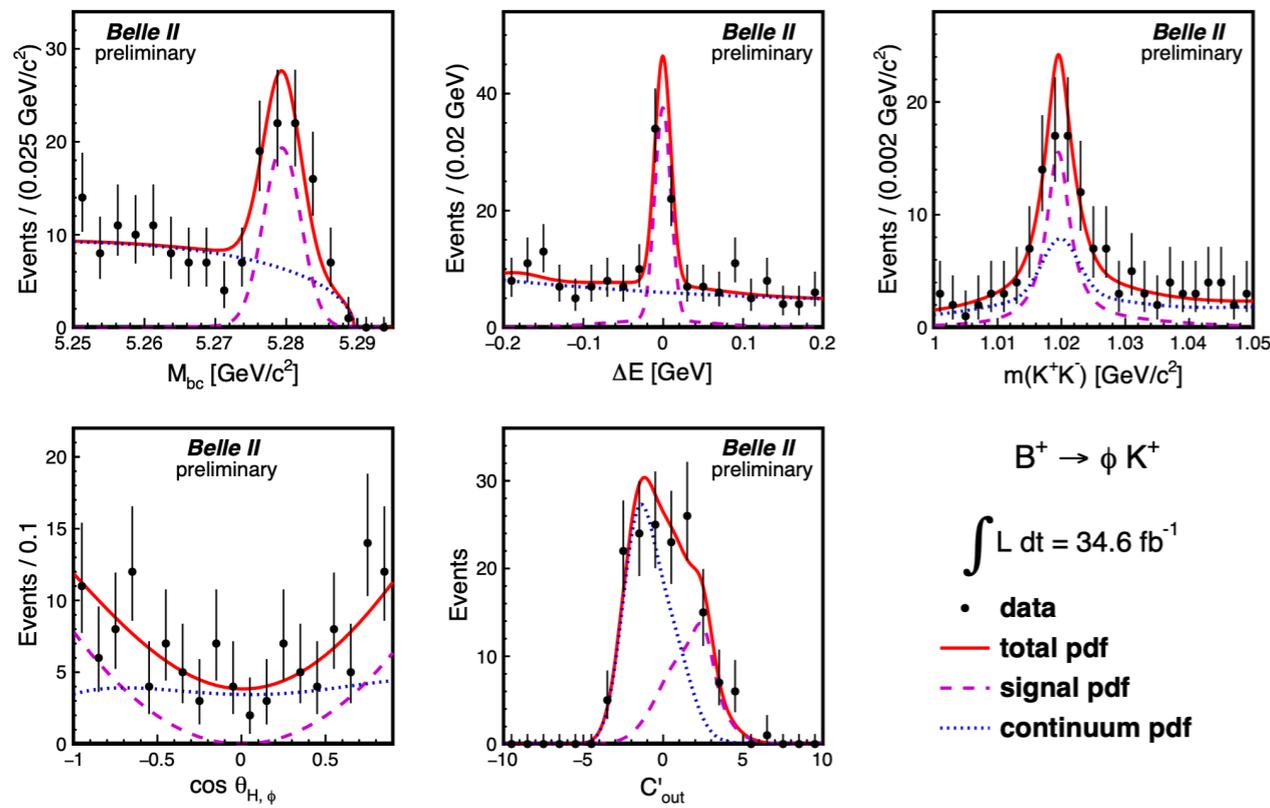
$$A_{CP} = -0.049 \pm 0.063(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.022(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{PDG: } A_{CP} = -0.033 \pm 0.008$$



$B \rightarrow VP: B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^+, B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^0$

Require advanced analysis techniques.



$B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^+$

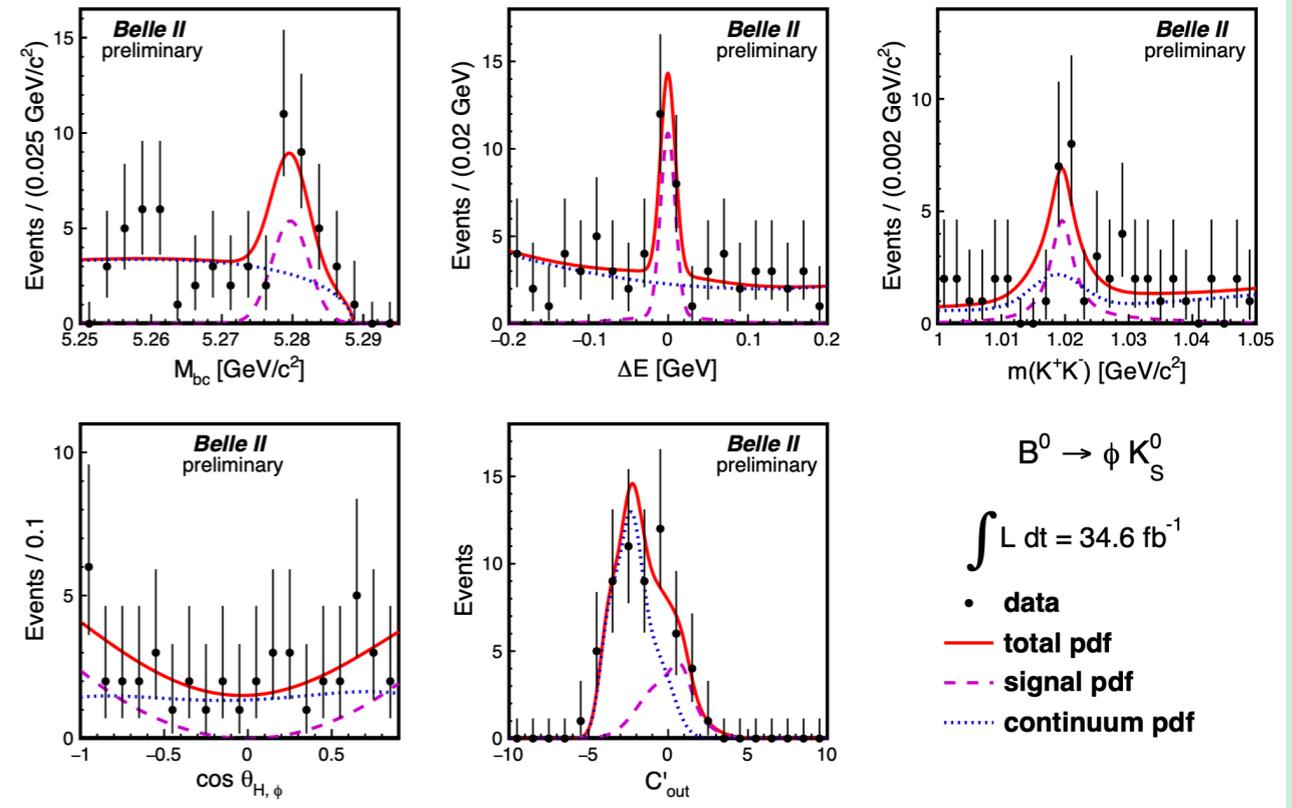
$$N_{\text{sig}}(B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^+) \quad 55 \pm 9$$

First reconstruction in Belle II data!

$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 6.7 \pm 1.1(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst.})$$

PDG

$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 8.8^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$$



$B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^0$

$$N_{\text{sig}}(B^0 \rightarrow \phi K_S^0) \quad 16 \pm 5$$

First reconstruction in Belle II data!

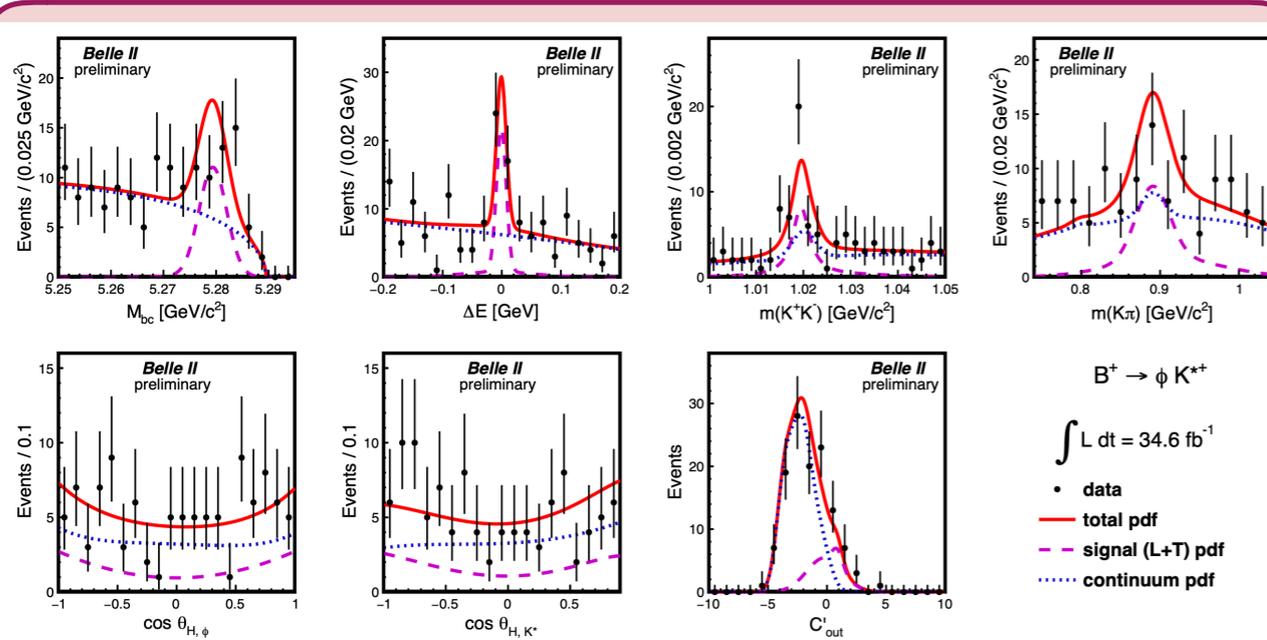
$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 5.9 \pm 1.8(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.7(\text{syst.})$$

PDG

$$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 7.3 \pm 0.7$$

$B \rightarrow VV: B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^{*+}, B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^{*0}$

Require full angular analysis.

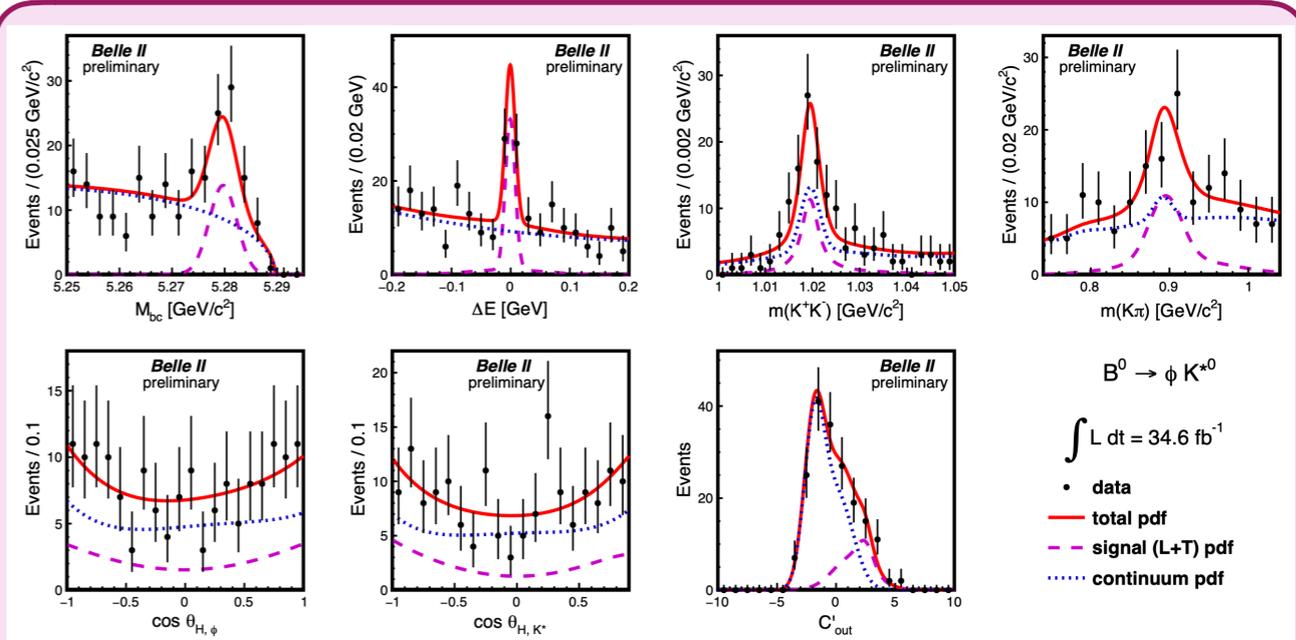


$B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^{*+}$

$N_{\text{sig}} \quad 33 \pm 8$
First reconstruction in Belle II data!
 $\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 21.7 \pm 4.6(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.9(\text{syst.})$
 $f_L \quad 0.58 \pm 0.23(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst.})$

PDG

$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 10 \pm 2$
 $f_L \quad 0.50 \pm 0.05$



$B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^{*0}$

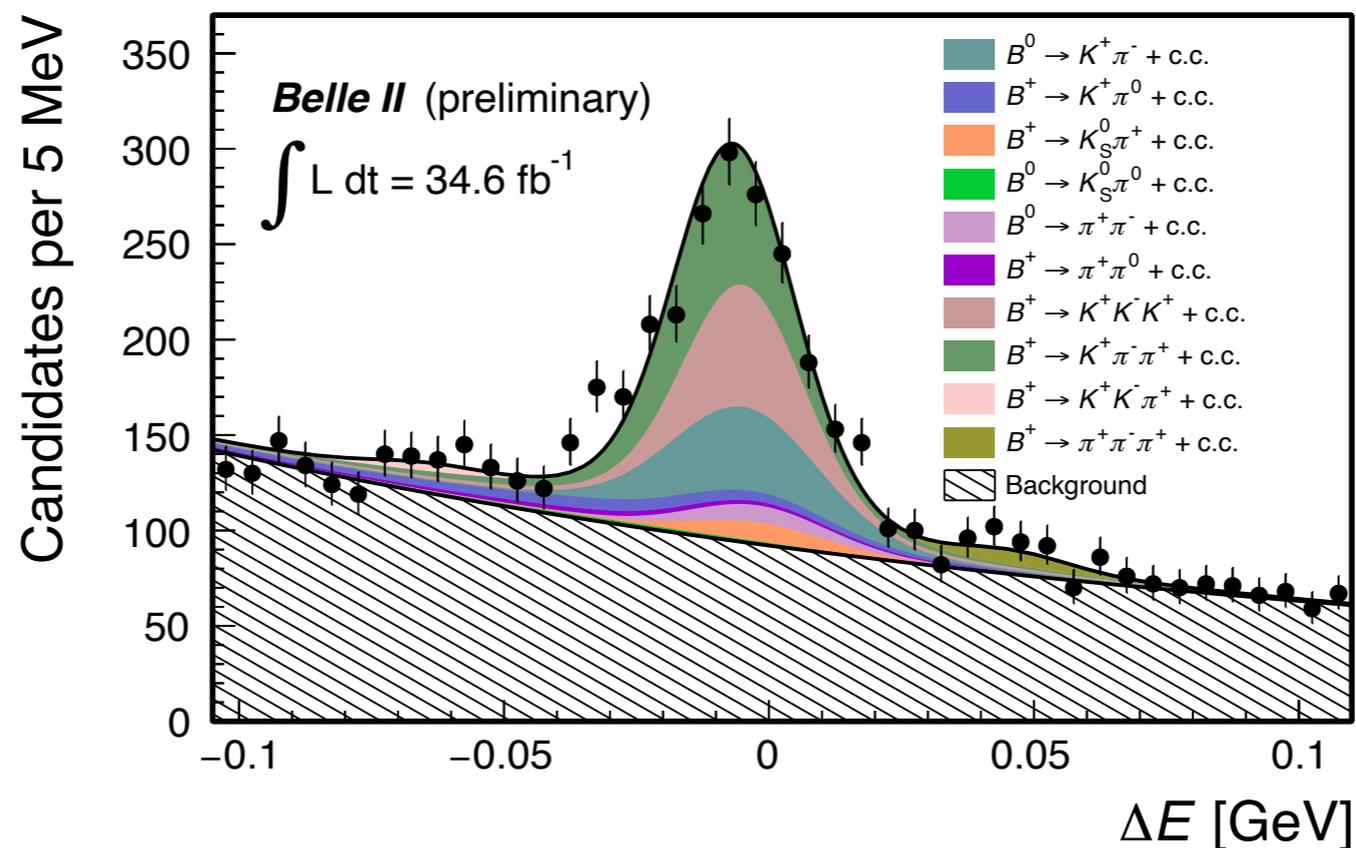
$N_{\text{sig}} \quad 48 \pm 10$
First reconstruction in Belle II data!
 $\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 11.0 \pm 2.1(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.1(\text{syst.})$
 $f_L \quad 0.57 \pm 0.20(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst.})$

PDG

$\mathcal{B} [10^{-6}] \quad 10.0 \pm 0.5$
 $f_L \quad 0.497 \pm 0.017$

Summary

- First measurements of branching fraction and CP-asymmetries of charmless B decays with 35 fb^{-1} of $\Upsilon(4S)$ data.
- Results are in good agreement with known values, and performance is comparable with Belle's best. It proves good understanding of detector and tools.



Belle II is on track to lead searches of non-SM indications in quark dynamics.

Belle II hot charmless summer

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) = [18.9 \pm 1.4(\text{stat}) \pm 1.0(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-6},$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0) = [12.7_{-2.1}^{+2.2}(\text{stat}) \pm 1.1(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-6},$$

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$$\mathcal{A}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+) = -0.063 \pm 0.081(\text{stat}) \pm 0.023(\text{syst}).$$

$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-6})$	
ϕK^+	$6.7 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.5$
ϕK^0	$5.9 \pm 1.8 \pm 0.7$
$I_{\phi K}$	$1.1 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2$
ϕK^{*+}	$21.7 \pm 4.6 \pm 1.9$
ϕK^{*0}	$11.0 \pm 2.1 \pm 1.1$
$I_{\phi K^*}$	$2.0 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.3$
f_L	
ϕK^{*+}	$0.58 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.02$
ϕK^{*0}	$0.57 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.04$

That's all folks!



Backup

Systematic uncertainties

<p>1. Tracking efficiency</p> <p>A lower tracking efficiency in data wrt. MC.</p> <p>For each final-state track 0.91 %</p>	<p>2. K_S^0 reco. efficiency</p> <p>A small decrease in K_S^0 reconstruction efficiency. 1 % for each cm of flight length.</p> <p>~ 12 %</p>	<p>3. π^0 reco. efficiency</p> <p>Data/MC discrepancy.</p> <p>~ 6 %</p>
<p>4. PID and CS efficiencies</p> <p>Data/MC discrepancy. Selection-dependent.</p> <p>~ 2 – 4 %</p>	<p>5. Number of $B\bar{B}$ pairs</p> <p>Uncertainty on cross-section, integrated luminosity, potential beam energy shift.</p> <p>~ 2.7 %</p>	<p>6. Signal modelling</p> <p>Data/MC discrepancy for CDC hits distribution. Signal model choice.</p> <p>~ 2 %</p>
<p>7. Background modelling</p> <p>Background model choice.</p> <p>~ 3 %</p>	<p>8. Peaking and $B\bar{B}$ bkg bias</p> <p>Modeling of peaking and $B\bar{B}$ bkg.</p> <p>~ 0.3 %</p>	<p>9. Instrumental asymmetries</p> <p>$\mathcal{A}_{\text{det}}(K^+\pi^-) = -0.010 \pm 0.003$ $\mathcal{A}_{\text{det}}(K^+) = -0.015 \pm 0.022$ The uncertainty on the \mathcal{A}_{det} is considered as systematic.</p>

Systematic uncertainties

Source	$B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^+$	$B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^{*+}$	$B^0 \rightarrow \phi K_S^0$	$B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^{*0}$
Tracking efficiency (M)	2.7	4.6	3.6	3.6
K_S^0 reconstruction efficiency (M)	–	6.3	10.8	–
Kaon ID efficiency (M)	6.4	1.1	1.0	4.7
Number of $B\bar{B}$ events (M)	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Modeling of $C_{\text{out}'}$ (A)	1.3	1.2	1.0	5.9
$B\bar{B}$ background yield (A)	0.3	1.2	1.4	2.3
Nonresonant yield (A)	3.1	1.8	4.5	3.2
SXF fraction (A)	–	0.6	–	1.0
Total multiplicative	7.5	8.3	11.7	6.5
Total additive	3.4	2.5	4.8	7.1
Total	8.2	8.7	12.7	9.7

Table 4: Summary of the systematic uncertainties (expressed in absolute values) affecting the measurement of f_L in the $B \rightarrow \phi K^*$ modes.

Source	$B^+ \rightarrow \phi K^{*+}$	$B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^{*0}$
Acceptance function	0.014	0.007
Modeling of $C_{\text{out}'}$	0.001	0.035
$B\bar{B}$ background yield	0.002	0.009
Nonresonant yield	0.006	0.008
SXF fraction	0.001	0.003
Total	0.015	0.038

Systematic uncertainties

TABLE IV. Summary of the (fractional) systematic uncertainties of the branching-fraction measurements.

Source	$K^+\pi^-$	$K^+\pi^0$	$K_S^0\pi^+$	$K^0\pi^0$	$\pi^+\pi^-$	$\pi^+\pi^0$	$K^+K^-K^+$	$K^+\pi^-\pi^+$
Tracking	1.8%	0.9%	2.7%	1.8%	1.8%	0.9%	2.7%	2.7%
K_S^0 efficiency	-	-	12.5%	11.6%	-	-	-	-
π^0 efficiency	-	6.5%	-	6.5%	-	6.5%	-	-
PID and continuum-supp. eff.	1.1%	2.6%	0.9%	1.4%	1.3%	2.7%	2.3%	1.0%
$N_{B\bar{B}}$	2.7 %	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%
Signal model	1.1%	2.3%	< 0.1%	< 0.1%	4.5%	0.5%	0.6%	3.5%
Continuum bkg. model	4.2%	3.1%	1.5%	4.8%	< 0.1%	3.6%	0.3%	5.0%
$B\bar{B}$ bkg. model	0.4%	< 0.1%	-	-	1.6%	0.4%	-	0.2%
Total	5.5%	8.5%	13.2%	14.6%	5.9%	8.4%	4.4%	7.2%

TABLE V. Summary of (absolute) systematic uncertainties in the \mathcal{A}_{CP} measurements.

Source	$K^+\pi^-$	$K^+\pi^0$	$K_S^0\pi^+$	$\pi^+\pi^0$	$K^+K^-K^+$	$K^+\pi^-\pi^+$
Signal model	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.005	0.001	0.003
Pkg./ $B\bar{B}$ /s×f background model	0.005	-	0.006	0.120	-	0.004
Instrumental asymmetry corrections	0.003	0.022	0.022	-	0.022	0.022
Total	0.008	0.022	0.024	0.121	0.022	0.023

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Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab^{-1}]	vs LHCb	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $B \rightarrow \pi^0 K^0$	$A_{CP}, I_{K\pi}$	**	>50	***	***	***	**
● $B \rightarrow \rho K$	$A_{CP}, I_{K\rho}$	*	>50	**	***	-	**
● $B \rightarrow \rho K^*$	f_L	**	>50	**	**	-	***
● $B \rightarrow K^+ K^- / \pi^+ \pi^-$	$Br., A_{CP}$	**	>50	*	***	**	**
● $B \rightarrow K\pi\pi, KKK$	A_{CP}	**	>50	**	*	***	*
● $B_s \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^0$	Lifetime	*	>5	**	***	-	**
● $B \rightarrow \rho^\pm \rho^0$	ϕ_2	***	>50	*	***	*	*
● $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$	ϕ_2	**	>50	***	***	**	**
● $B \rightarrow \pi^0 K_S^0$	S_{CP}	**	>50	***	***	**	**

Towards BSM using isospin

A precise sum rule among four $B \rightarrow K\pi$ CP asymmetries ¹

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A sum rule relation is proposed for direct CP asymmetries in $B \rightarrow K\pi$ decays. Leading terms are identical in the isospin symmetry limit, while subleading terms are equal in the flavor SU(3) and heavy quark limits. The sum rule predicts $A_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow K^0\pi^0) = -0.17 \pm 0.06$ using current asymmetry measurements for the other three $B \rightarrow K\pi$ decays. A violation of the sum rule would be evidence for New Physics in $b \rightarrow s\bar{q}q$ transitions.

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

