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## Introduction

- Belle and Belle II

## Charm

- $A_{CP}$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$  **NEW!**
- $A_{CP}$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$  **NEW!**
- $\Xi_c^+$  branching fraction **NEW!**

## Quarkonium

- Energy dependence of  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega X_{bJ}(1P))$  **NEW!**



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# Belle and Belle II Experiments



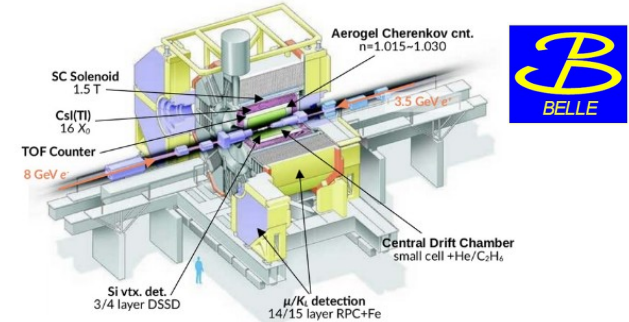
Belle and Belle II collect(ed) data at asymmetric  $e^+e^-$  colliders at or near the  $Y(4S)$  resonance

- KEKB (1999-2010), peak lumi =  $2 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $L_{\text{int}} = 1/\text{ab}$
- SuperKEKB, peak lumi =  $5.1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
Run1 (2019-2022),  $L_{\text{int}} = 0.42/\text{ab}$   
Run2 (2024 – present),  $L_{\text{int}} = 0.15/\text{ab}$

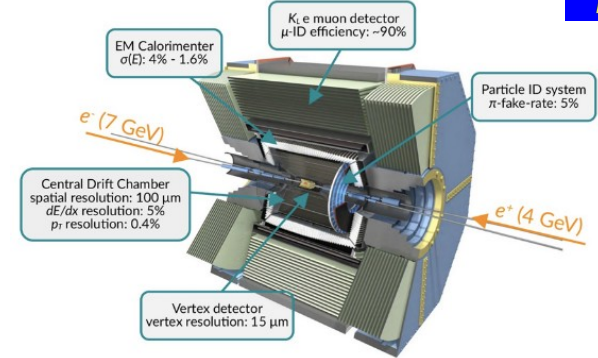
Belle & Belle II are now synergic experiments

- Belle data can be analyzed with the Belle II software
- Analyses with combined data samples  
→ Common review procedures in place

BELLE @ KEKB



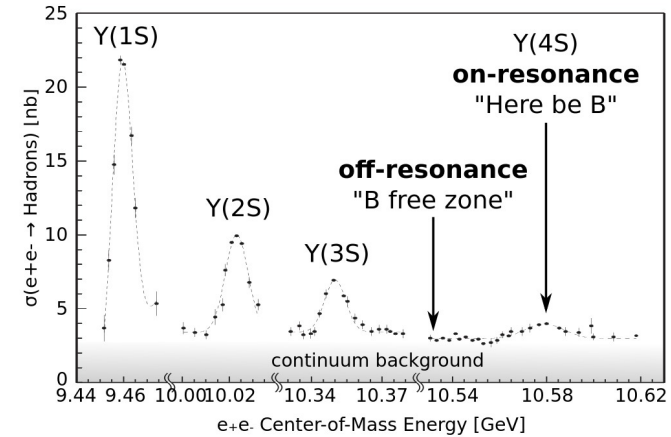
Belle II @ SuperKEKB



# Belle II: Physics Potential

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- $\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \sim 1.1$  nb  
 $L_{\text{peak}} = 2.7 \cdot 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \rightarrow 30 \text{ } B\bar{B}/\text{s}$
  - $\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau\tau) \sim 0.9$  nb
  - $\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c}) \sim 1.3$  nb
- $\rightarrow B$  &  $\tau$  &  $c$  factory



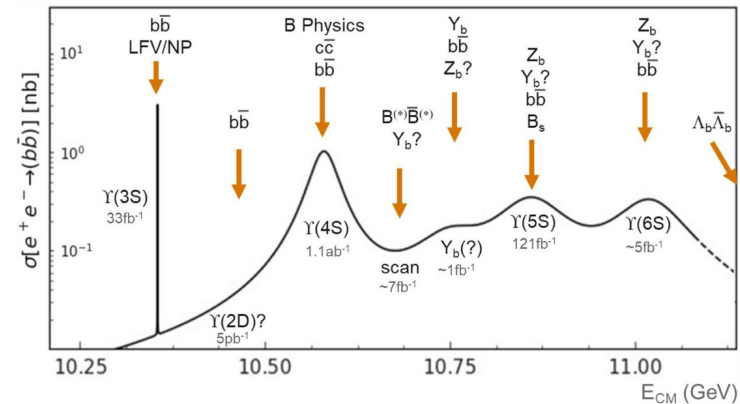
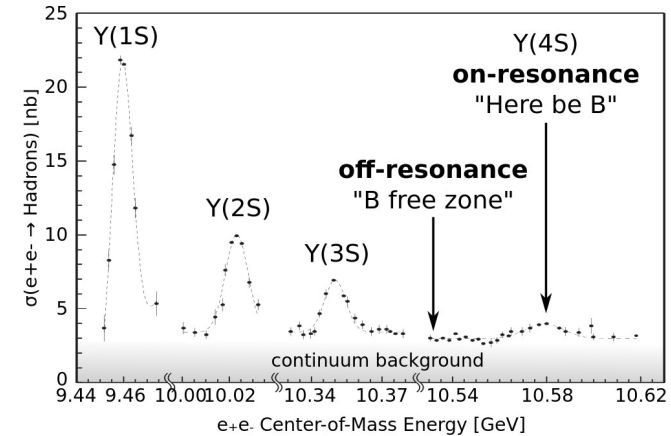
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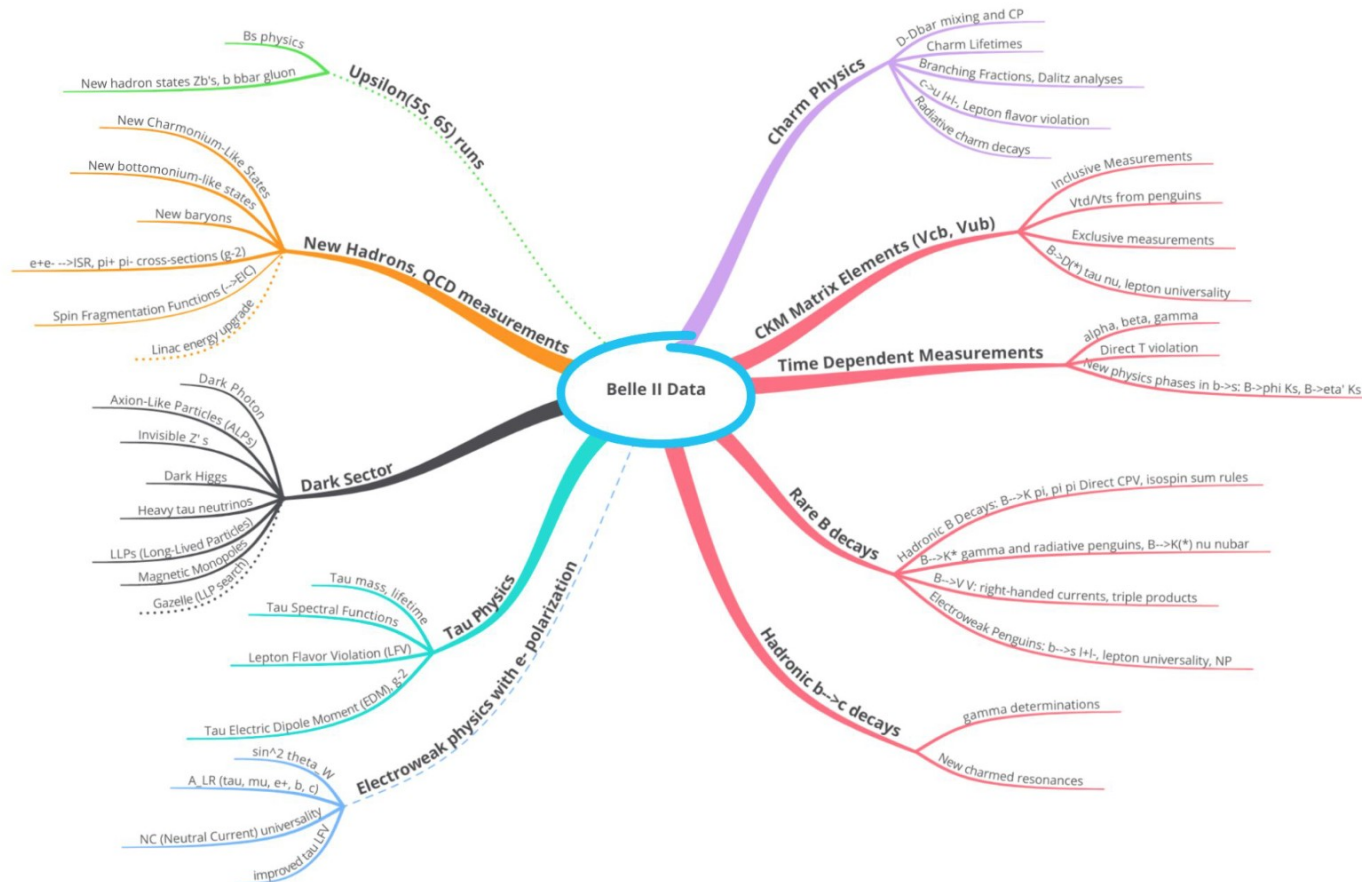
B-Factories can extend their physics programs with non- $Y(4S)$  data

- Belle II: 2019 unique energy scan at  $\sim 10.75$  GeV

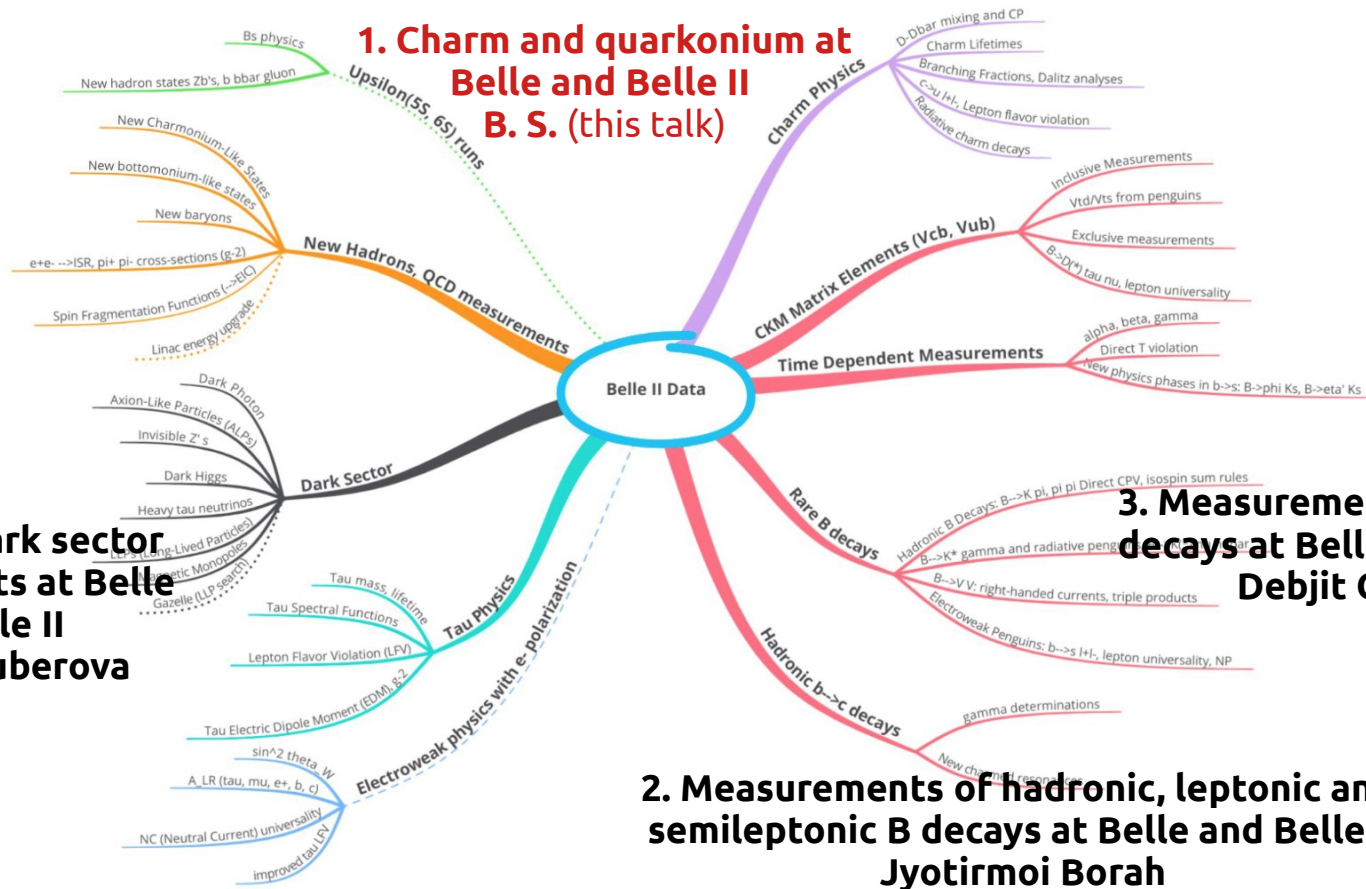


# Belle II: Physics Program

[See: BIITIP, [Snowmass Whitepaper](#)]







# Charm

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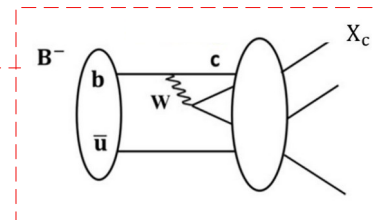
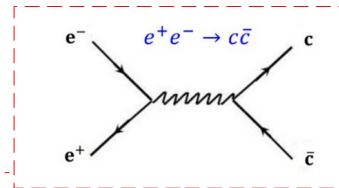




# Charm physics at B-Factories

Two ways of producing charm at B-Factories

- Two charmed hadrons produced from continuum
- One or more charmed hadrons produced in B decays



Rich physics program

- Mesons: Precise measurement in Cabibbo-suppressed decays, non-SM physics can contribute at a detectable level  
Most interesting probes: CPV measurements  
expect low values in charm sector ( $O(10^{-3})$ )

- Today** **NEW!**
- $A_{CP}$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$
  - $A_{CP}$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$

- Baryons: Conflicting or missing predictions for BF and lifetimes  
→ results to verify models

- Today** **NEW!**
- $\Xi_c^+$  branching fraction

Currently limiting precision on isospin-related  $D \rightarrow \pi\pi$  sum rule

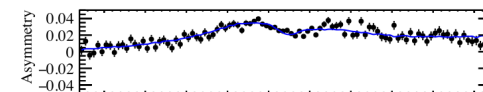
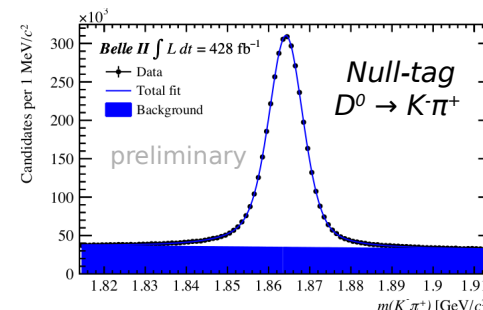
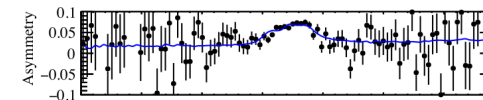
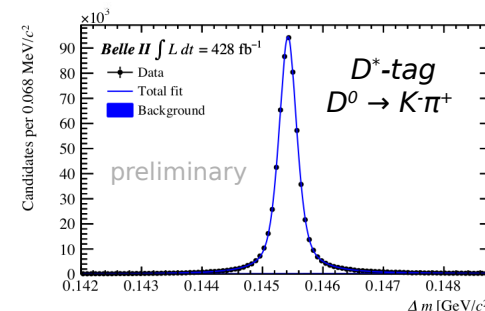
$$R = \frac{A_{CP}^{\text{dir}}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{1 + \frac{\tau_{D^0}}{\mathcal{B}_{+-}} \left( \frac{\mathcal{B}_{00}}{\tau_{D^0}} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{\mathcal{B}_{+0}}{\tau_{D^+}} \right)} + \frac{A_{CP}^{\text{dir}}(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0)}{1 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\tau_{D^+}}{\mathcal{B}_{+0}} \left( \frac{\mathcal{B}_{00}}{\tau_{D^0}} + \frac{\mathcal{B}_{+-}}{\tau_{D^0}} \right)} + \frac{A_{CP}^{\text{dir}}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0)}{1 + \frac{\tau_{D^0}}{\mathcal{B}_{00}} \left( \frac{\mathcal{B}_{+-}}{\tau_{D^0}} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{\mathcal{B}_{+0}}{\tau_{D^+}} \right)}$$

- Expected  $R \sim 0$  in SM
- Measured  $(0.9 \pm 3.1) \times 10^{-3}$

Strategy:

- Measure observed asymmetry in  $D \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$  channel
- Correct instrumental effects  
subtracting asymmetries measured in  $D \rightarrow K \pi^+$

## Control channels



# $A_{CP}$ in $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$

NEW!



Reconstruct  $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+ D^0 (\rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0)$

4  $\gamma$  final state, large background

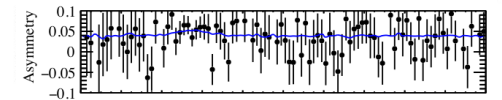
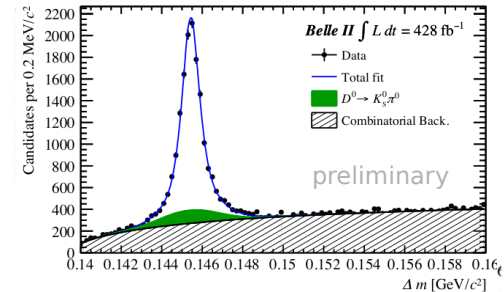
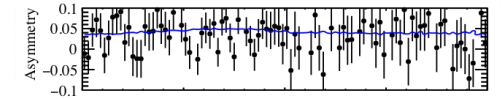
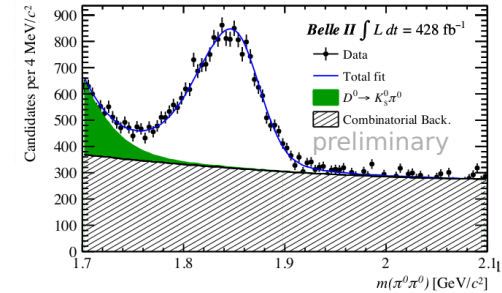
Train BDT to suppress background w/ information on  $\gamma$  kinematics and calorimeter clusters

- Fit  $D^{*+}-D^0$  mass difference ( $\Delta m$ ) and  $m(\pi\pi)$  in forward and backward calorimeter regions
- Subtract detection asymmetries with  $D^*$ -tag and null-tagged  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

$$A_{CP} = (0.30 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.20) \%$$

$$R = (1.5 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-3}$$

20% improvement in sum-rule precision




$D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$ : Singly Cabibbo-suppressed decays

- Involves interference between  $c \rightarrow us\bar{s}$  and  $c \rightarrow ud\bar{d}$
- Expect  $A_{CP} \sim 1\%$  [PRD 92, 054036](#)
- Larger values would indicate non-SM physics

$$A_{CP} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0) - \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0) + \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0)}$$

World average value of the  $A_{CP}$  symmetry is limited by statistics

$$A_{CP}(D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S) = (-1.9 \pm 1.0)\%$$

  $A_{CP}(D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S) = -0.02 \pm 1.53(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{sys}) \pm 0.17(\text{cont.mode})$  [PRL 119, 171801 \(2017\)](#)

  $A_{CP}(D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S) = -3.1 \pm 1.2(\text{stat}) \pm 0.4(\text{sys}) \pm 0.2(\text{cont.mode})$  [PRD 104, L031102\(2021\)](#)

Nuisance asymmetries induced by production and detection mechanisms

Take  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$  as control channel to calibrate  $A_{CP}$

# $A_{CP}$ in $D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$ : $D^*$ -tagged $D^0$

Reconstruct  $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+ D^0 (\rightarrow K_S K_S)$

- Main background: same-final-state  $D^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$  decays

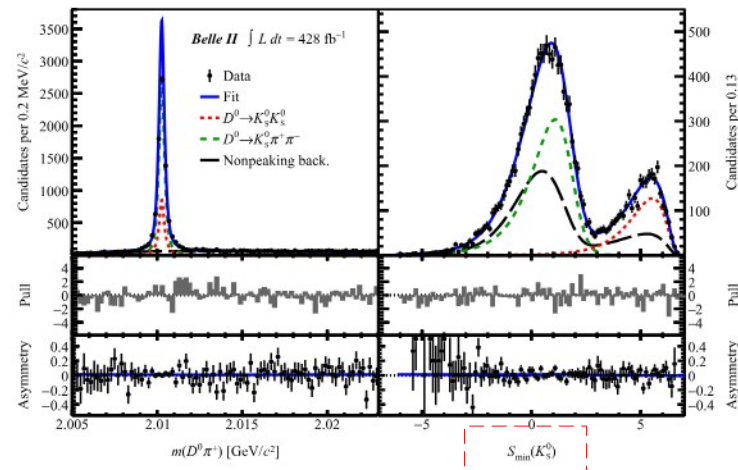
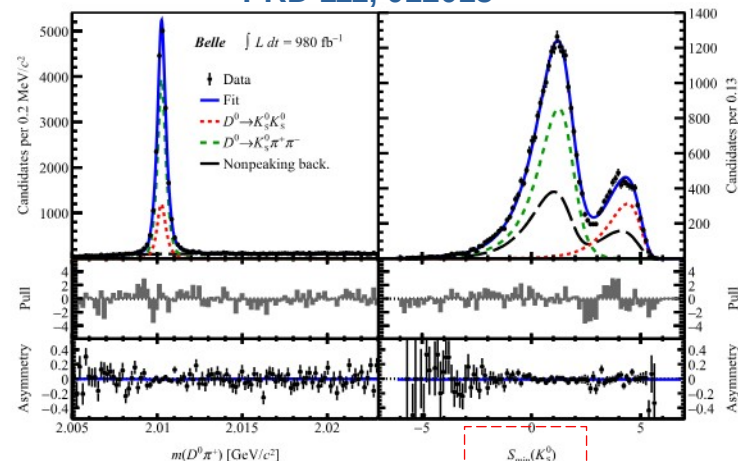
Separate with  $K_S$  flight distance significance  $L/\sigma$ :

$$S_{\min} = \log[ \min(L1/\sigma1, L2/\sigma2) ]$$

Fit  $\Delta m$  and  $S_{\min}$ , subtract detection asymmetries using  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$  decays

Combine Belle and Belle II data:

$$A_{CP} = (-1.4 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.1) \%$$



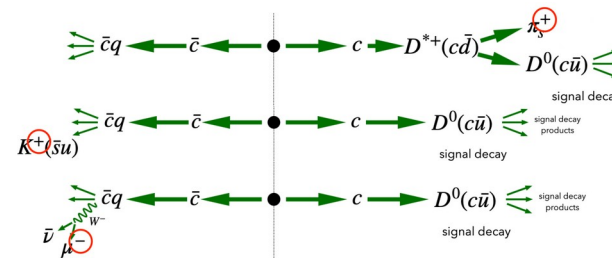
# $A_{CP}$ in $D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$ : Charm-flavor-tag $D^0$

NEW!



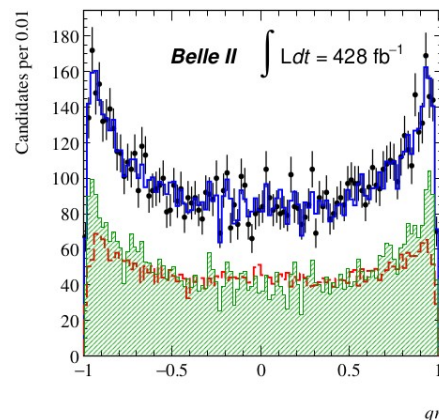
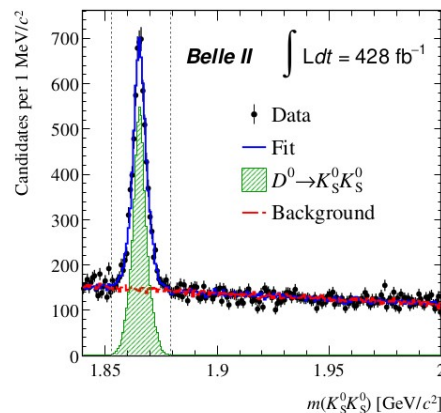
Charm flavor tagger: novel method to tag flavor of  $D^0$  meson  
PRD107, 112010 from other collision products

→ new CFT-tag independent sample



Larger bkg wrt  $D^*$ -tag: i) train BDT with kinematic information, ii) cut on BDT output and  $S_{\min}$

Fit  $m(K_S K_S)$  and  $q$  (tagged flavor)  $\times$   $r$  (tag quality)  
Calibrate  $r$  with data (to correct any detection asymmetry)



Method	$A_{CP}$ [%]
$D^*$ -tag [PRD 111, 012015]	$-1.4 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.1$
CFT-tag	$1.3 \pm 2.0 \pm 0.3$
<b>Combination</b>	<b><math>-0.6 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.1</math></b>

**Worlds' best determination**





$\Xi_c^+$  decay channels: (many) not yet measured

Currently many predictions

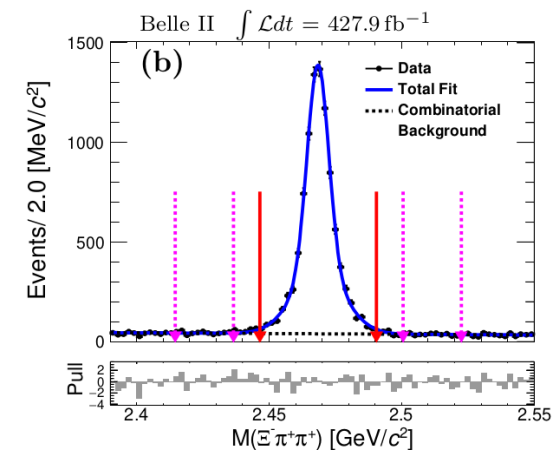
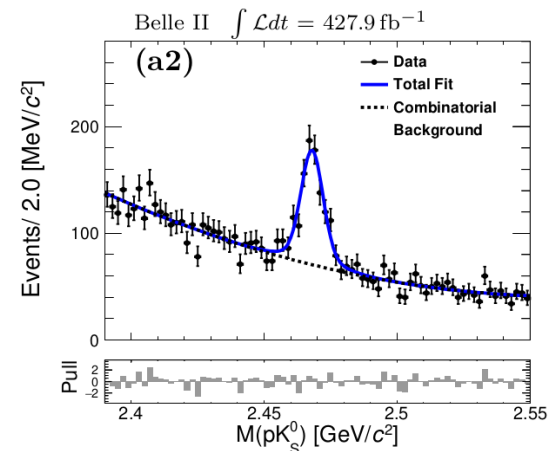
→ need measurement to rule out some of them

Reconstruct

- (CF)  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ K_S, \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 \pi^+$
- (SCS)  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 K, \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K_S, \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi, \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Sigma \pi$

Analysis strategy:

- Reconstruct intermediate baryons  $\Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi$ , optimize selection ranges on each invariant mass
- Signal yields: fitting the invariant mass
- Branching fractions:  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  as normalization mode



# $\Xi_c^+$ branching fractions

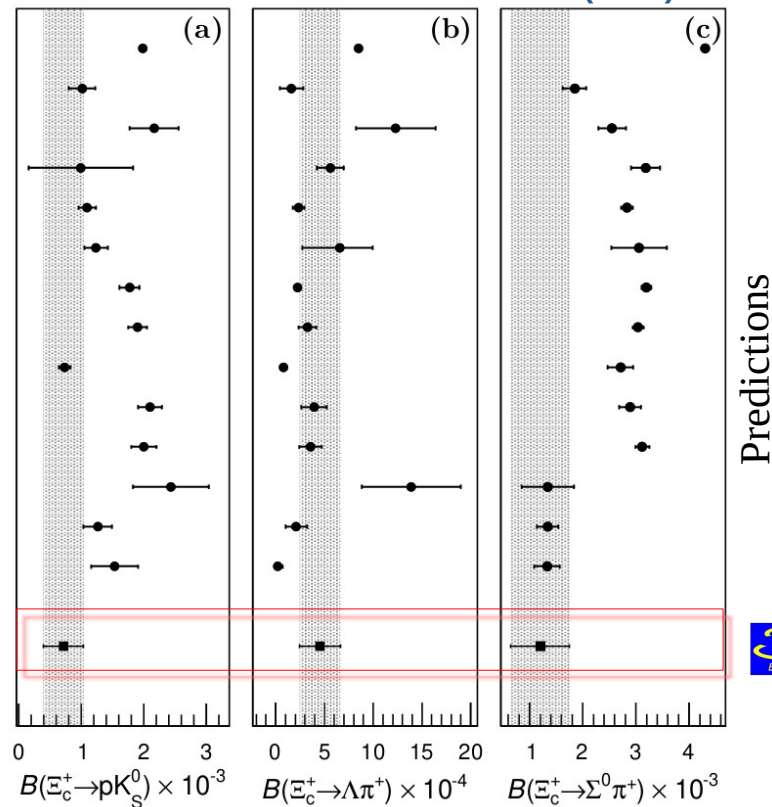
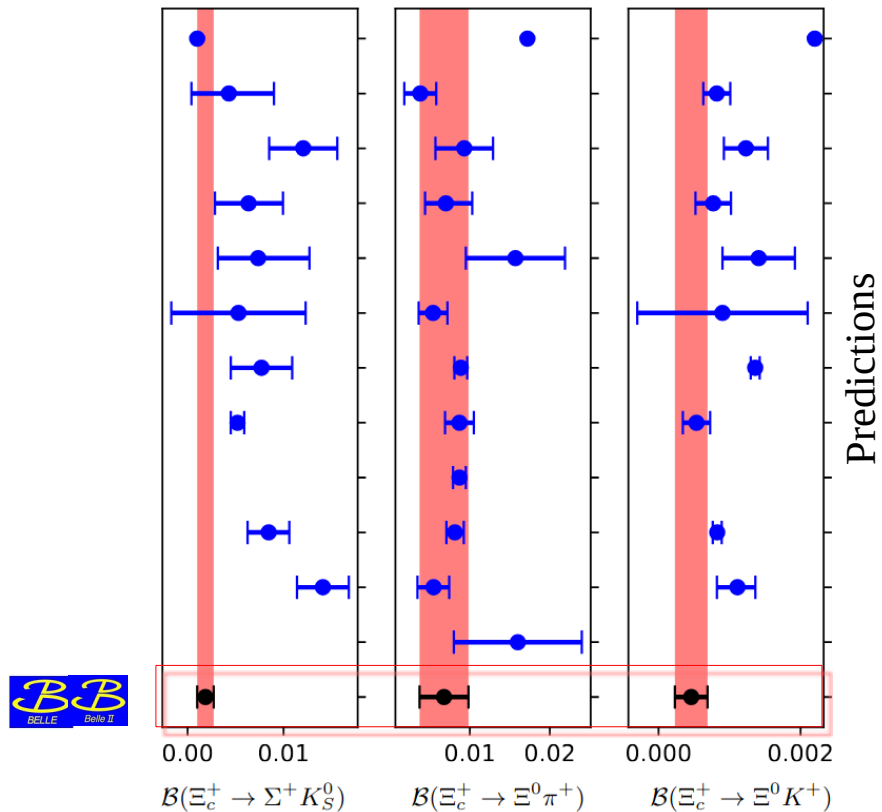
NEW!



First or most precise measurements!

arXiv:2503.17643

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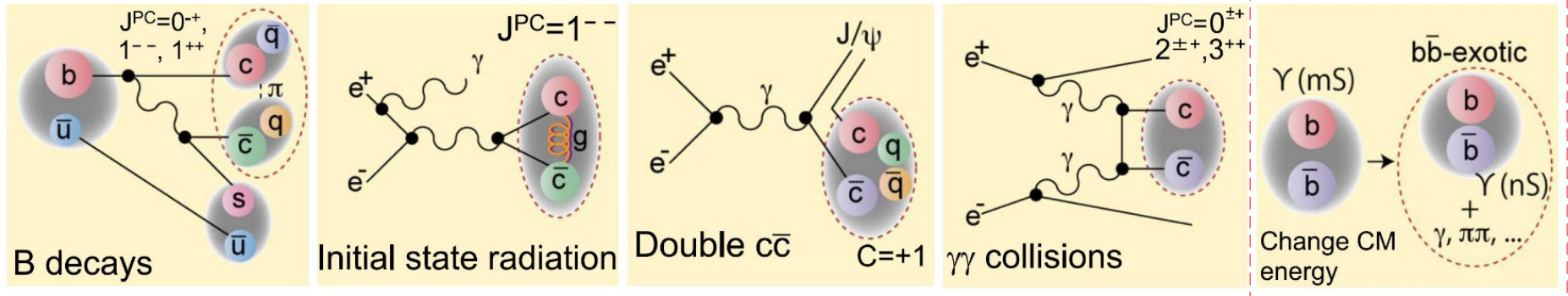
# Quarkonium

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# Quarkonium physics at B-Factories

- Multiple production mechanisms



- Nominal  $\sqrt{s} = 10.58 \text{ GeV} = m(\Upsilon(4S))$ , potential to reach  $\sim 11 \text{ GeV}$
- Full event reconstruction, decays with neutral/soft particles

# Quarkonium: above Y(4S) energy scan

Above Y(4S) energy scan (Nov 2021)

- Belle II collected 19 fb<sup>-1</sup> of unique data  
→ 4 energy scan points around 10.75 GeV

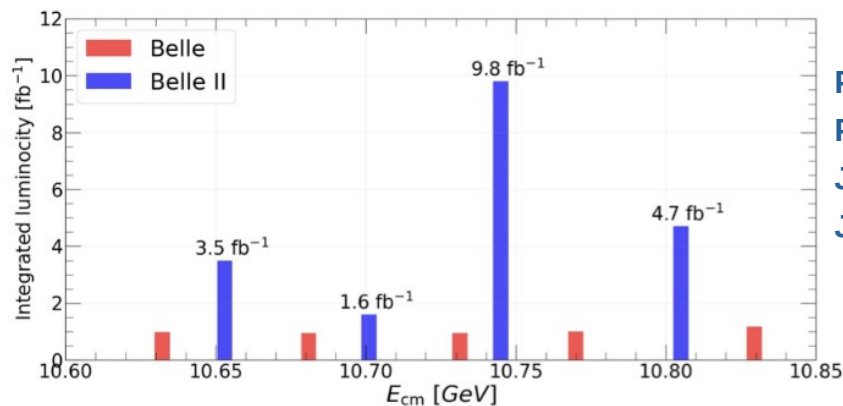
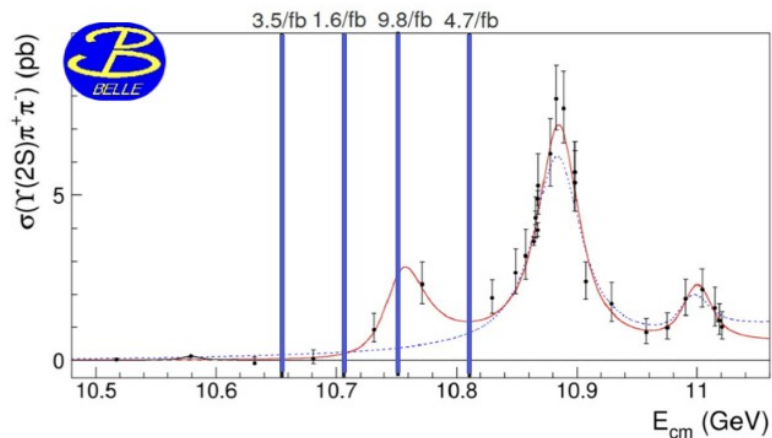
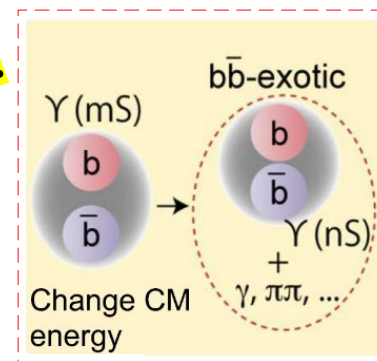
Main motivation

- Confirm and study the Y(10753)
- Improve the precision of exclusive cross-section below the Y(5S)

Today

- Energy dependence of  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega X_{bJ}(1P))$

**NEW!**



PRL 130, 091902 (2023)  
PRD 109, 072013 (2014)  
JHEP 07, 116 (2024)  
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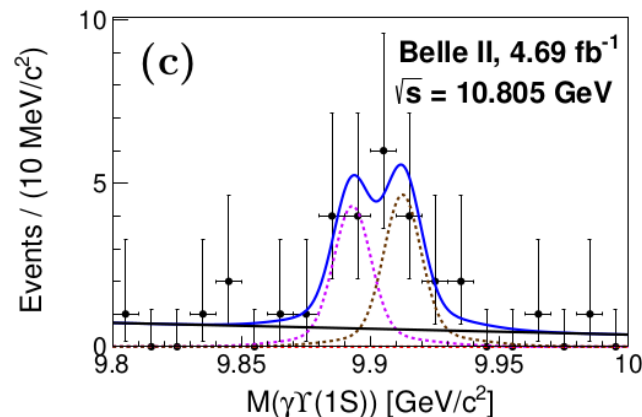
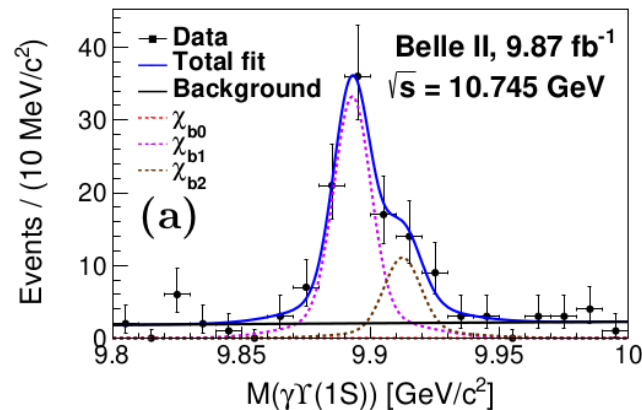


$$\frac{\sigma(Y(10753) \rightarrow \omega X_{b1})}{\sigma(Y(10753) \rightarrow \omega X_{b2})} \quad \text{Predictions:}$$

- Pure Y(3D) state: **~15** [PLB 738, 172 \(2014\)](#)
- 4S-3D mixed state: **~0.2** [PRD 104, 034036 \(2021\)](#)

Dataset: Belle + Belle II scan data (10.73-11.02 GeV)

- Full reconstruction of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega X_{bJ}(1P)$ ,  
 $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ ,  $X_{bJ}(1P) \rightarrow \gamma Y(1S)$ ,  $Y(1S) \rightarrow l^+l^-$  ( $l=e, \mu$ )
- Search for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} X_{bJ}(1P)$ ,  
same final state





# Energy dependence of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} X_{bJ}(1P))$

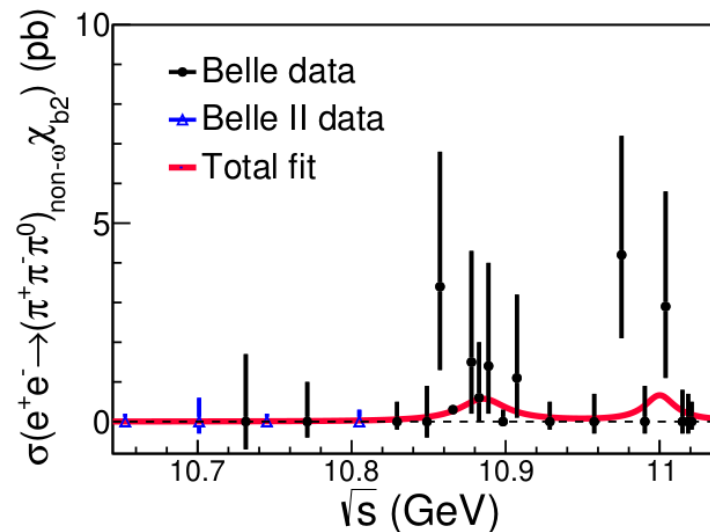
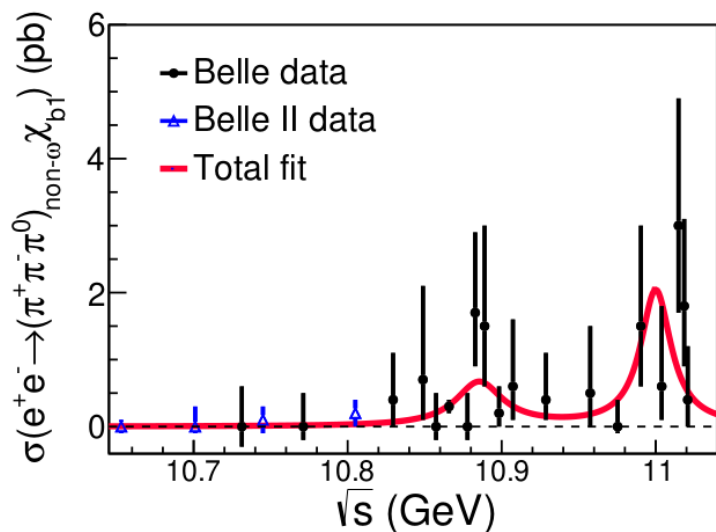
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- Decays of  $Y(5S)$  and  $Y(6S)$  into  $(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} X_{bJ}(1P)$

→ Possible explanation:

cascade decay of  $Y(10860, 11020) \rightarrow Z_b \pi \rightarrow X_{bJ} \rho \pi$



# Energy dependence of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega X_{bj}(1P))$

NEW!



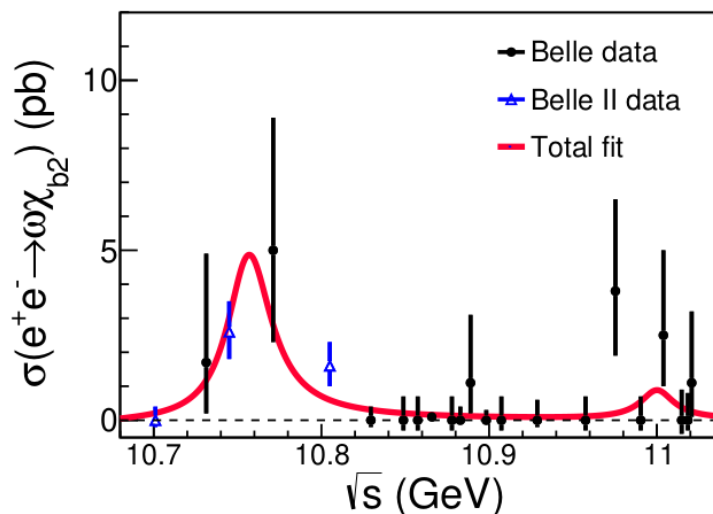
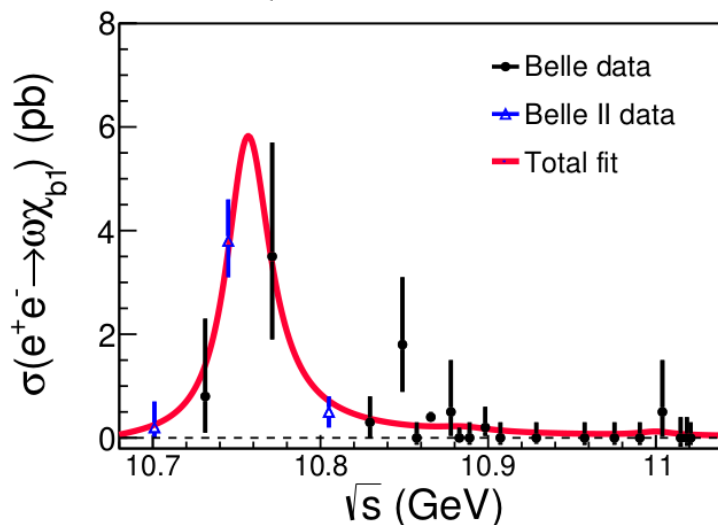
$$M = 10756.1 \pm 3.4 \pm 2.7 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma = 32.2 \pm 11.3 \pm 14.9 \text{ MeV}$$

- Mass and width consistent with  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Y(nS) \pi \pi$

- $\frac{\sigma(Y(10753) \rightarrow \omega X_{b1})}{\sigma(Y(10753) \rightarrow \omega X_{b2})} = 1.5 \pm 0.6 \rightarrow$  no support 3D,  $2.2\sigma$  discrepancy from S-D mixing

- $\frac{\Gamma(Y(nS) \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(\omega X_{bj})} = \begin{cases} < 0.9 \text{ at } Y(10753) \\ > 28.1 \text{ at } Y(5S) \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{Different structure?}$



# Summary

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The Belle II physics program has strong potential both in charm and bottomonium physics

- Charm physics: CPV measurements, baryon decays, ..
- Quarkonium: unique potential above  $Y(4S)$

Today showed:

- NEW!** • First observation and best measurement of  $\Xi_c^+$  branching fractions
- NEW!** • World's best measurements of  $A_{CP}$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$  (final state unique for Belle II)
- NEW!** • World's best measurements of  $A_{CP}$  in  $D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$
- NEW!** • Energy dependence of  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega X_{bJ}(1P))$

Only 1% of target luminosity collected so far

- Run2 ongoing, with record-breaking instantaneous luminosity
- Rich and extensive physics program, goal of further testing the Standard Model

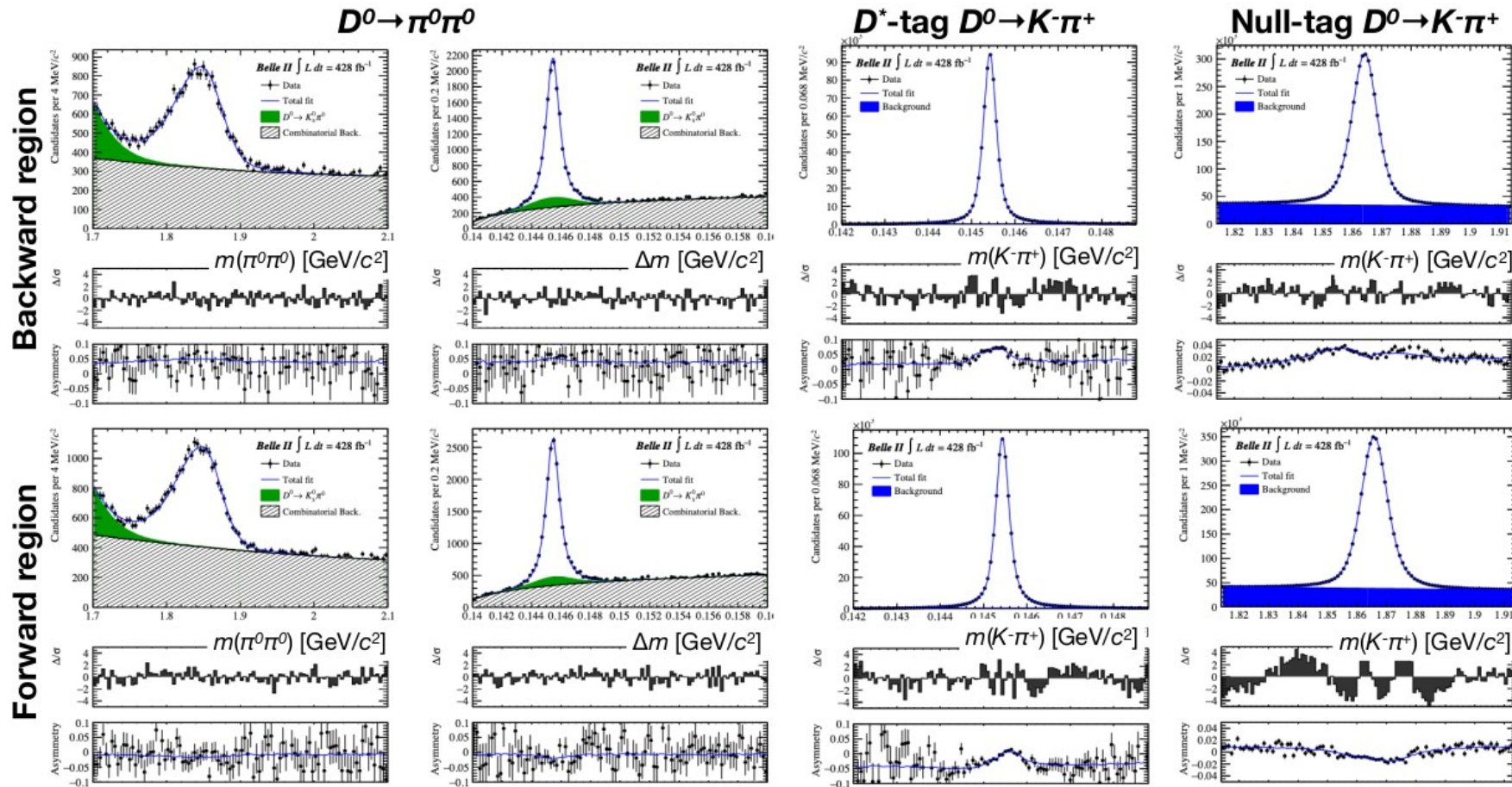
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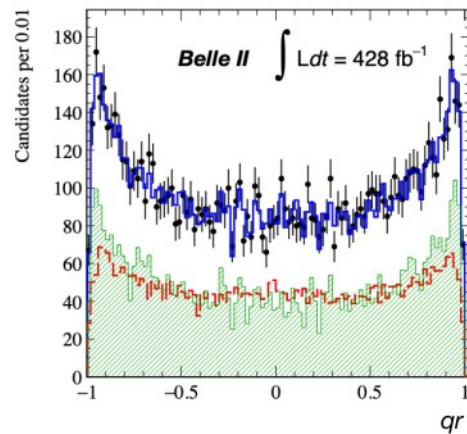
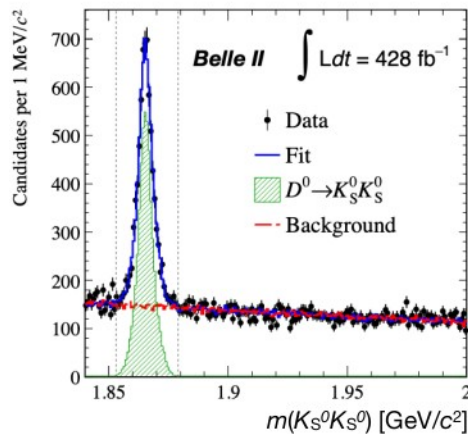
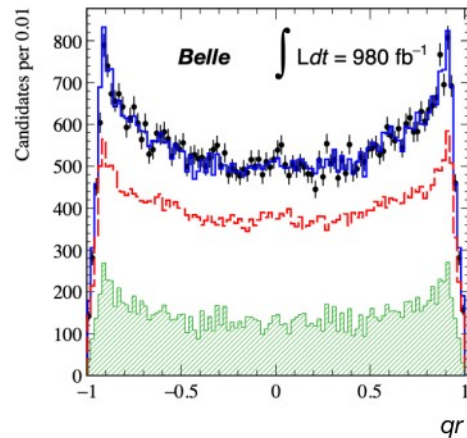
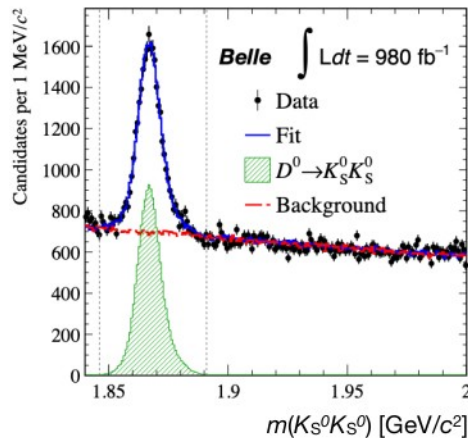
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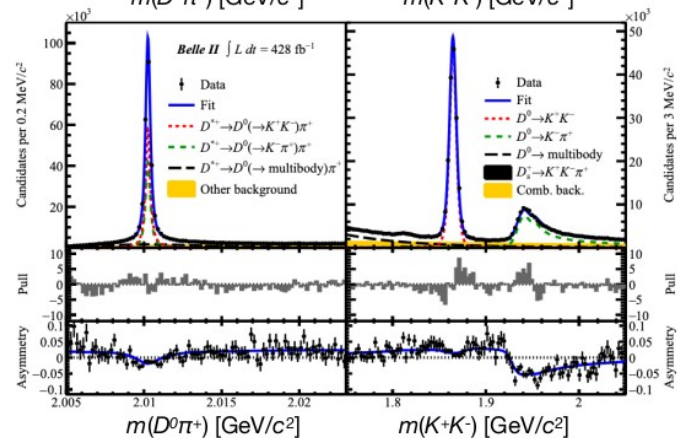
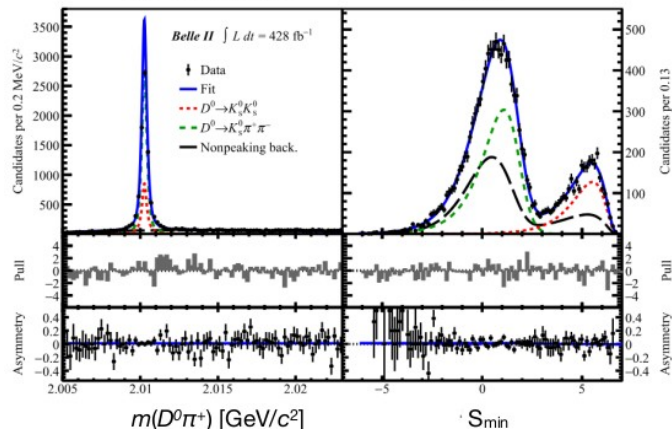
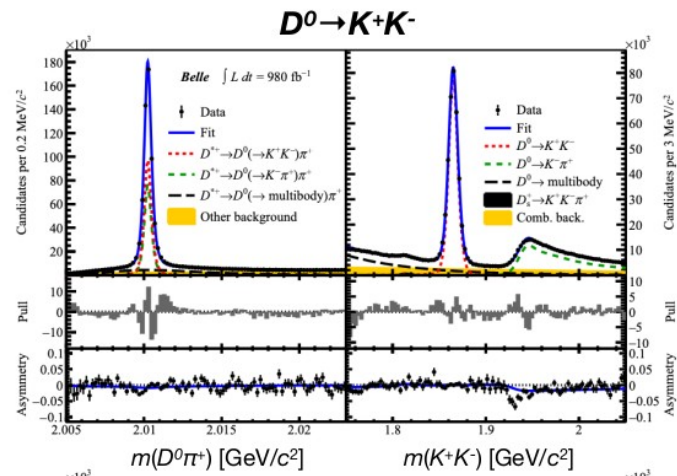
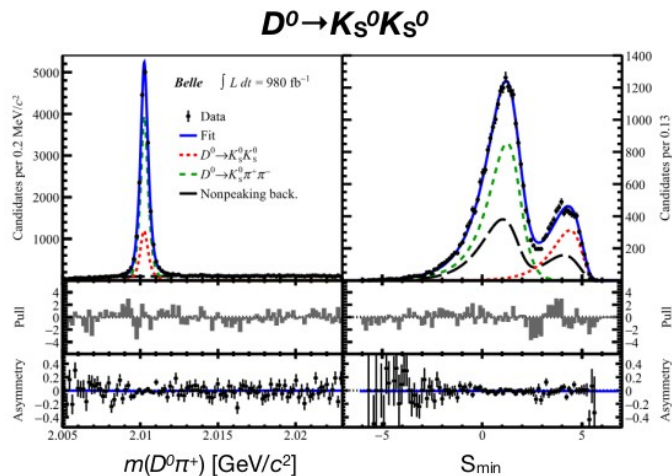


# CFT-tag $D^0 \rightarrow K_S K_S$ , Full set of fits

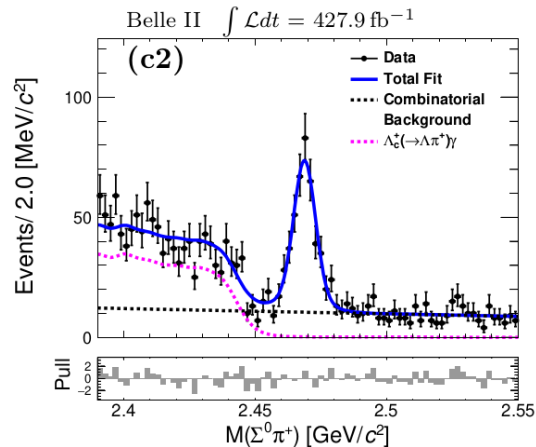
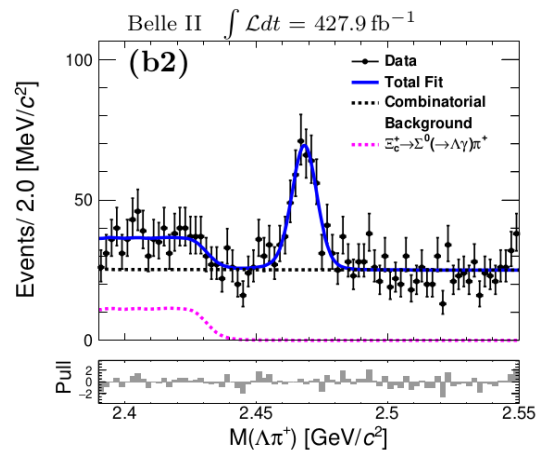
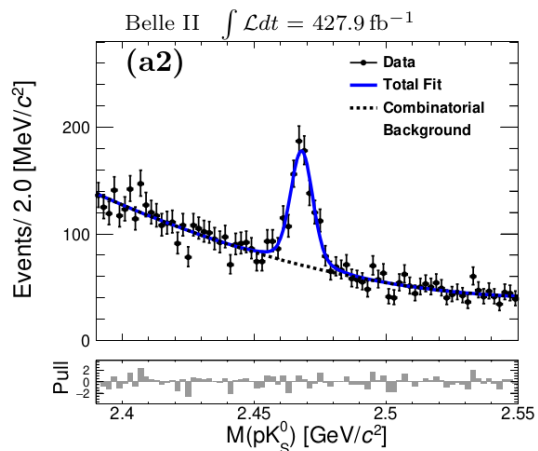
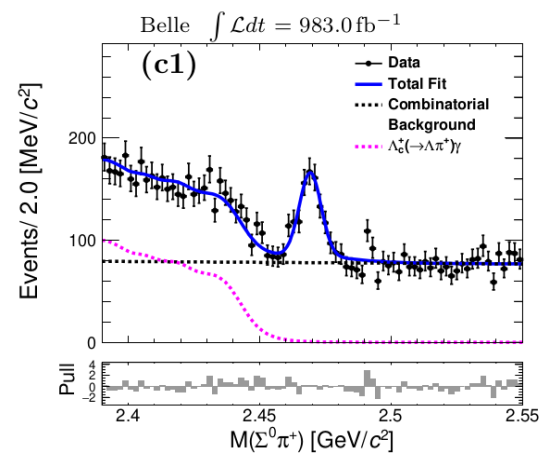
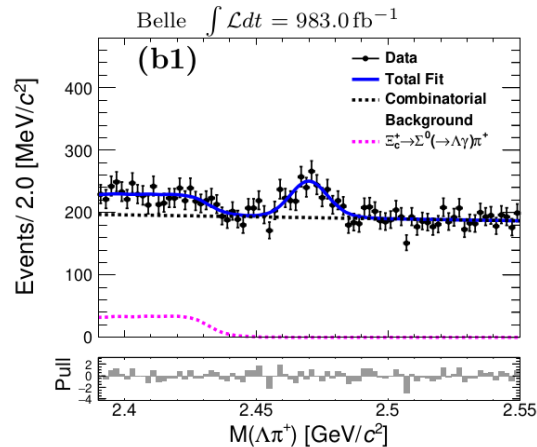
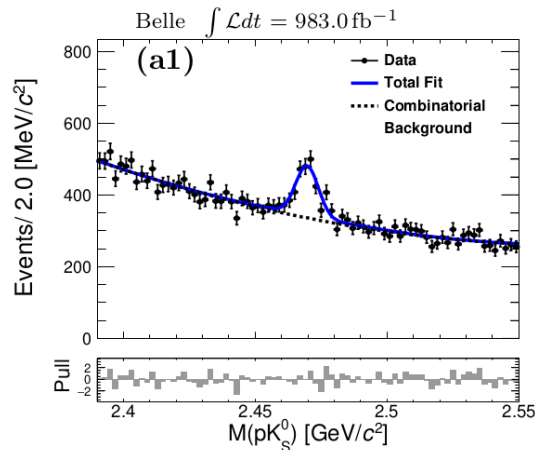




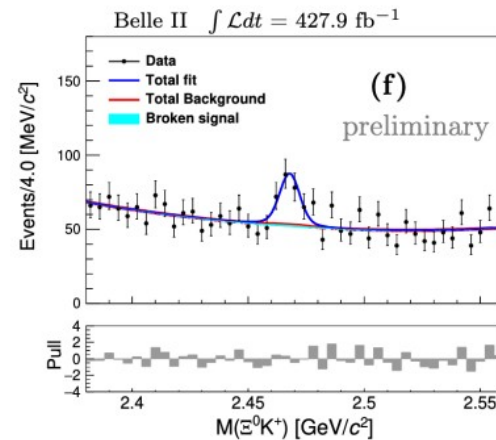
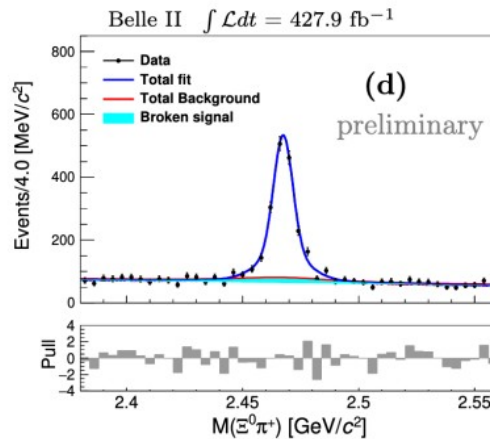
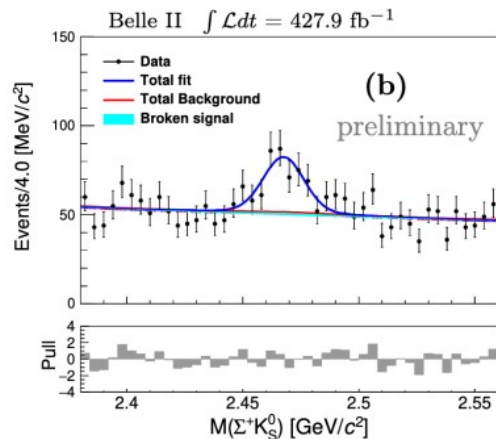
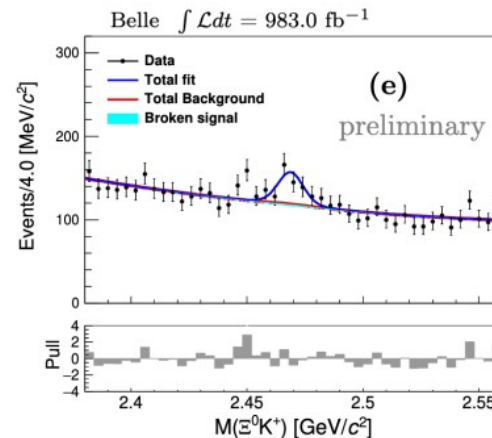
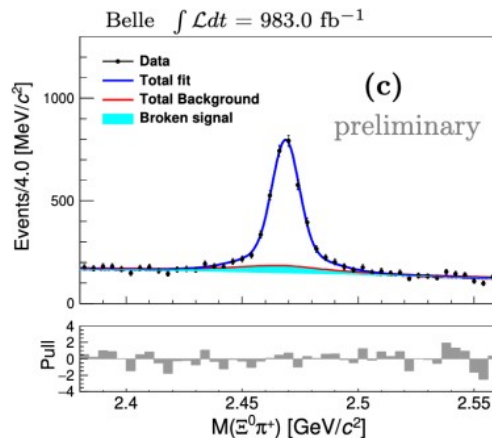
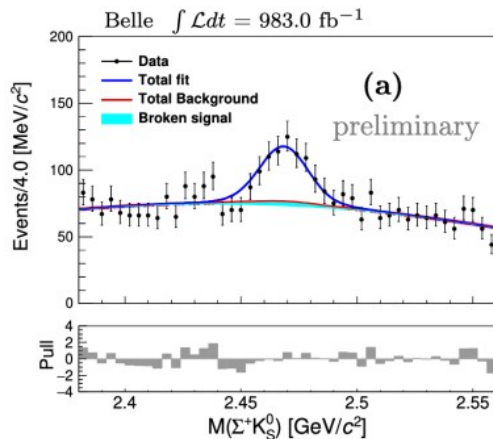
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# $\Xi_c^+$ invariant mass fits



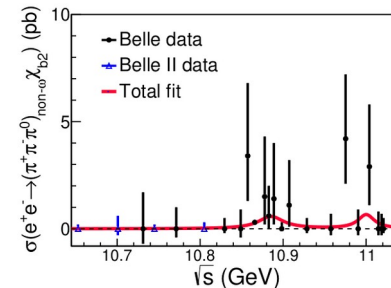
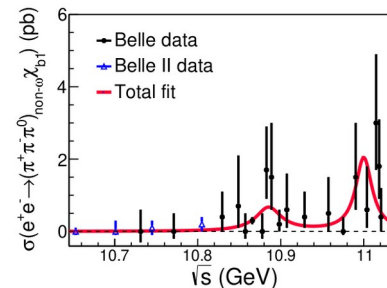
# $\Xi_c^+$ invariant mass fits



# Energy dependence of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{bJ}(1P))$ , $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega \chi_{bJ}(1P))$



$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10753) \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{b1})$	$(0.00 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.02) \text{ eV } (<0.08 \text{ eV})$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10753) \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{b2})$	$(0.00 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.02) \text{ eV } (<0.07 \text{ eV})$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10860) \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{b1})$	$(0.26 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.12) \text{ eV}$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10860) \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{b2})$	$(0.17 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.04) \text{ eV}$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(11020) \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{b1})$	$(0.48 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.18) \text{ eV}$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(11020) \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)_{\text{non-}\omega} \chi_{b2})$	$(0.14 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.10) \text{ eV}$



$M(\Upsilon(10753))$	$(10756.1 \pm 3.4 \pm 2.7) \text{ MeV}/c^2$
$\Gamma(\Upsilon(10753))$	$(32.2 \pm 11.3 \pm 14.9) \text{ MeV}$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10753) \rightarrow \omega \chi_{b1})$	$(1.46 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.17) \text{ eV}$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10753) \rightarrow \omega \chi_{b2})$	$(1.29 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.30) \text{ eV}$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10860) \rightarrow \omega \chi_{b1})$	$(0.02 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.04) \text{ eV } (<0.09 \text{ eV})$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(10860) \rightarrow \omega \chi_{b2})$	$(0.00 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.02) \text{ eV } (<0.07 \text{ eV})$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(11020) \rightarrow \omega \chi_{b1})$	$(0.01 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03) \text{ eV } (<0.07 \text{ eV})$
$\Gamma_{ee}\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(11020) \rightarrow \omega \chi_{b2})$	$(0.17 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.05) \text{ eV } (<0.43 \text{ eV})$

