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Recent Belle II results on hadronic B decays

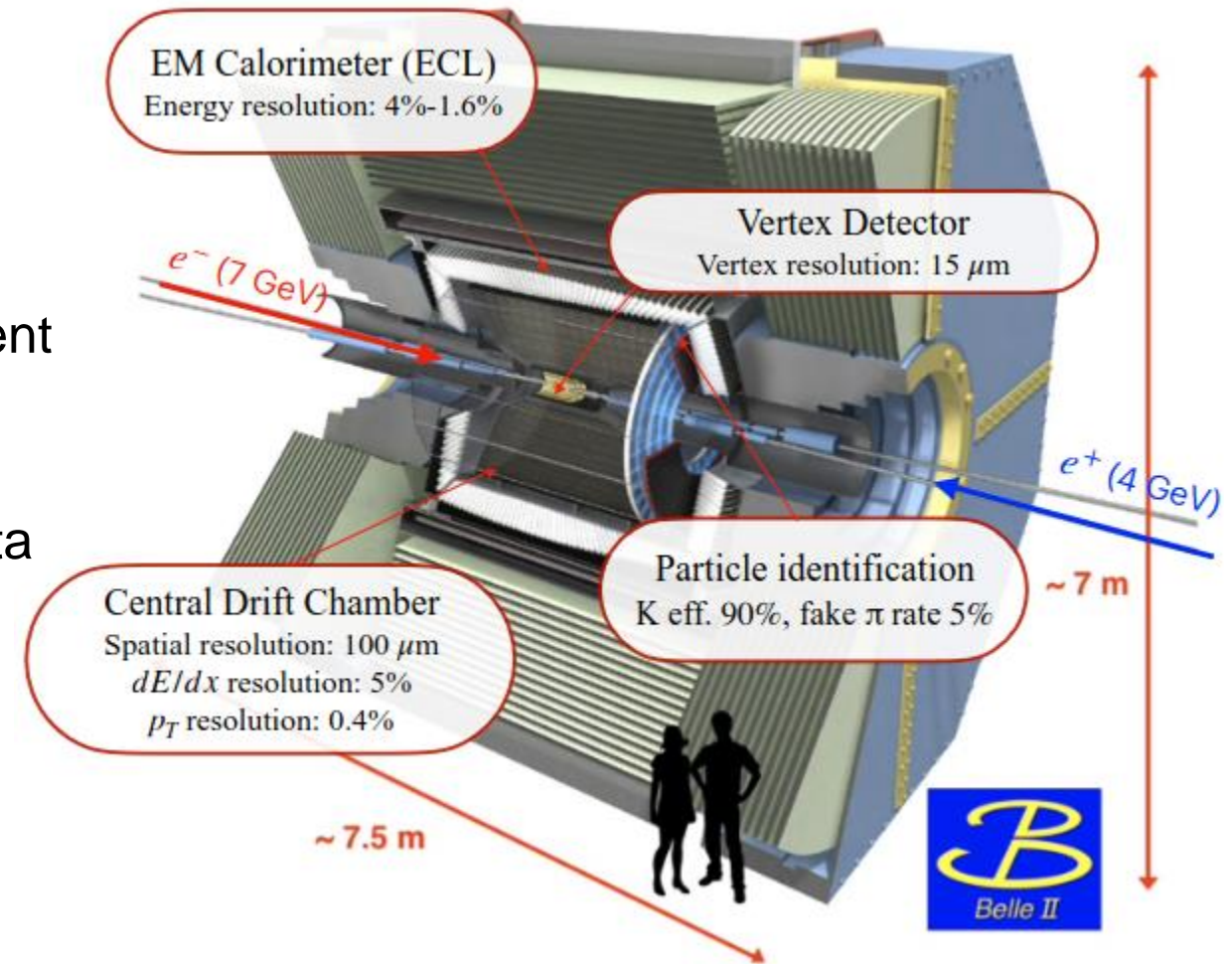
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The Belle II detector

- SuperKEKB: asymmetric e^-e^+ collisions at 10.58 GeV ($Y(4S)$)
- aim at $700 \frac{B\bar{B} \text{ pairs}}{s}$ in low-background environment
- 362 fb^{-1} ($387 \times 10^6 B\bar{B}$ pairs) on-resonance data collected
- record peak luminosity: $4.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



opens window to final states including multiple *neutrinos* and π^0 /*photons*

Hadronic B decays

$b \rightarrow u, c$ trees and $b \rightarrow d, s$ loops

Probe the SM:

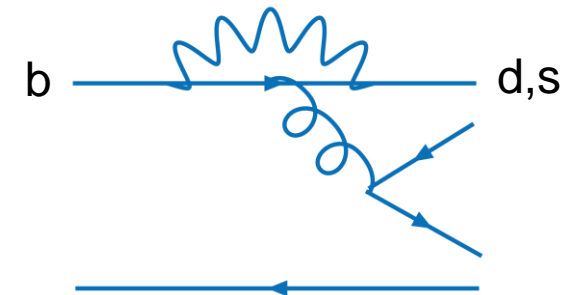
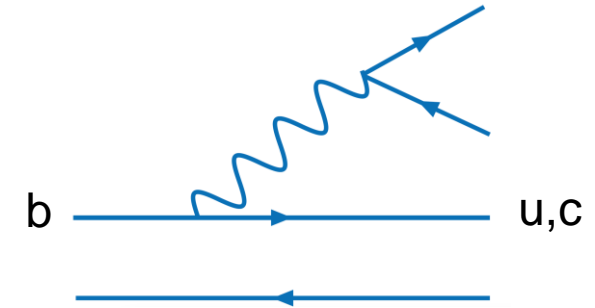
- over-constrain CKM triangle
 - Φ_1 : via time-dependent analysis of e.g. $K_S^0 \pi^0$
 - Φ_2 : via isospin analysis of $B \rightarrow \rho\rho$, $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$
 - Φ_3 : via $B \rightarrow Dh$, $B \rightarrow D^*K$
- via isospin sum rules

Belle II advantages:

- clean environment
- excellent neutral reconstruction

Today:

- observation of new $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} K K_S^0$ modes
- Φ_3 measurements with two methods
- towards Φ_2 with $B \rightarrow \rho\rho, \pi\pi$ decays
- $K\pi$ isospin sum rule



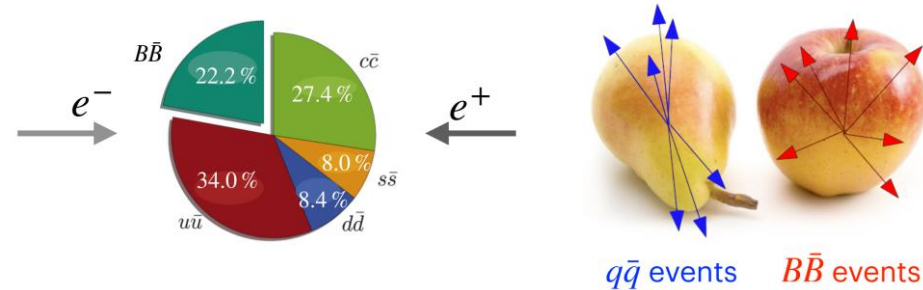
Analysis Workflow

1. Reconstruction

- combine final state particle candidates in kinematic fits to form B candidates

2. Selection

- optimize event-shape multivariate classifier + particle ID criteria



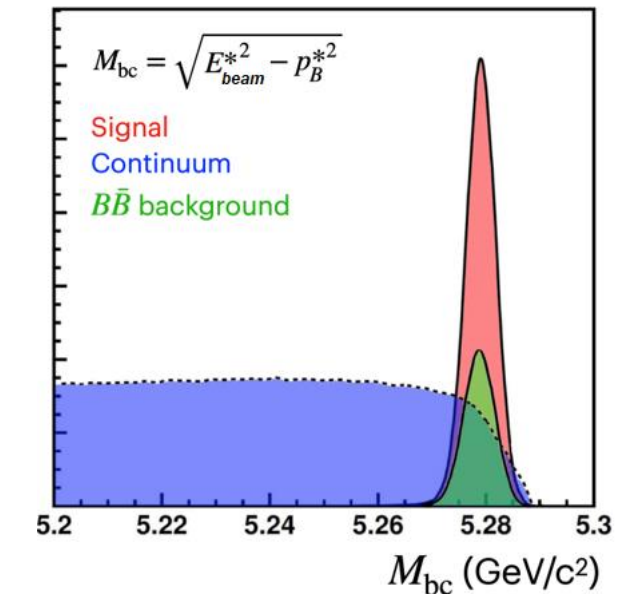
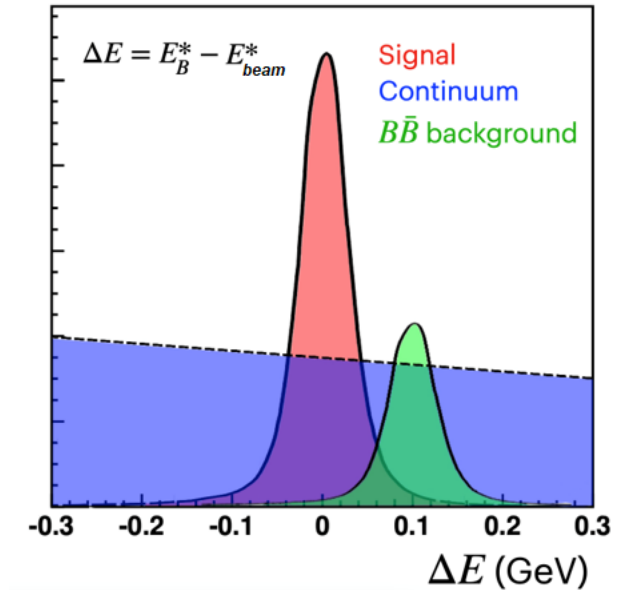
3. Modelling + Fit

- extract models from simulation (+calibrate on data)
- fit to data to extract physics quantities

4. Systematic uncertainties

- toy studies + control modes

Challenges: small BR, high backgrounds, neutrals



$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} K^- K_S^0$ decays

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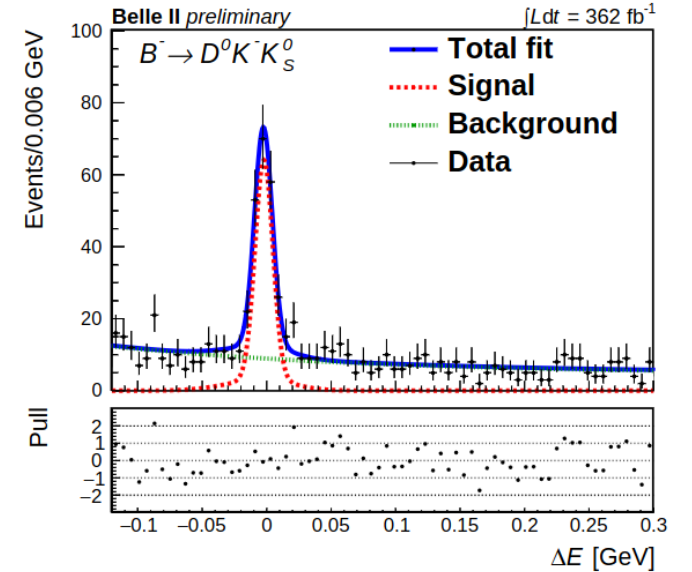
$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} K^- K_S^0$ make up a few % of hadronic BR, but only small fraction of it is measured

serves as input for simulation and tagging techniques

➤ improving our knowledge will improve other analyses

search for possible intermediate states $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} X^- [K^- K_S^0]$

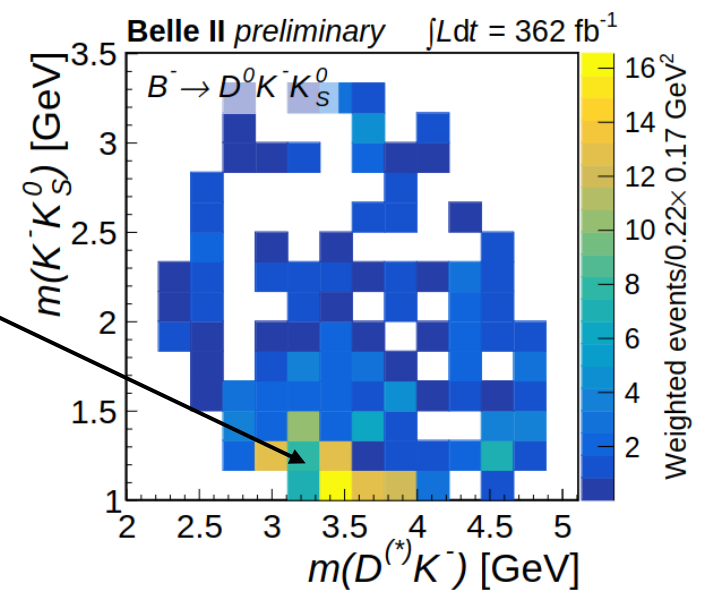
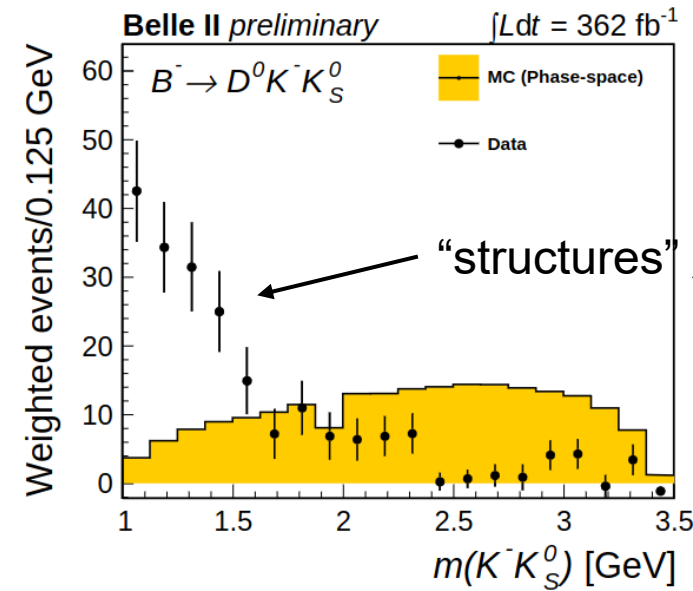
➤ Fit ΔE to obtain 'background' free invariant mass distributions



[arXiv:2305.01321](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.01321)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^- K_S^0) &= (1.89 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.10) \times 10^{-4}, \\ \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^- K_S^0) &= (0.85 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-4}, \\ \mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} K^- K_S^0) &= (1.57 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-4}, \\ \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} K^- K_S^0) &= (0.96 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

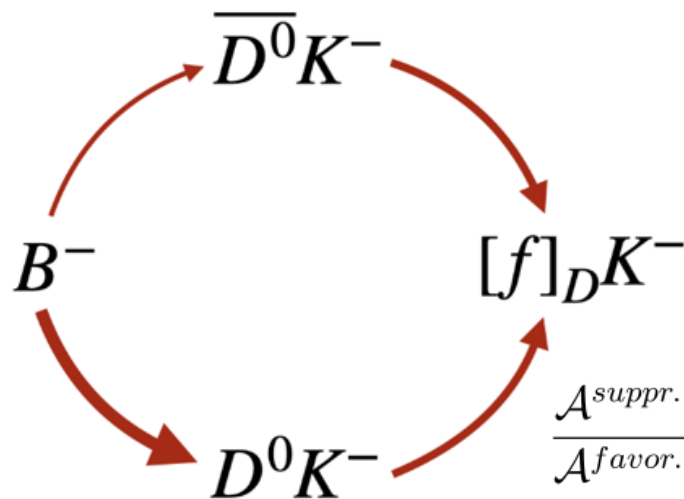
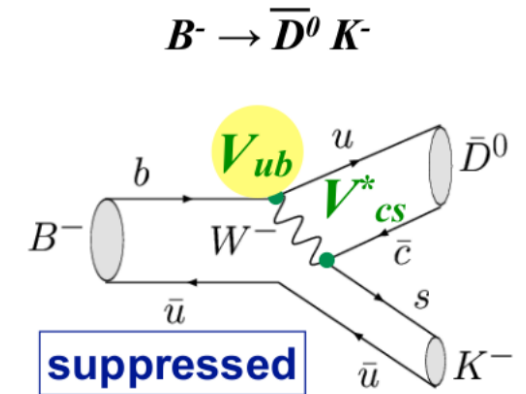
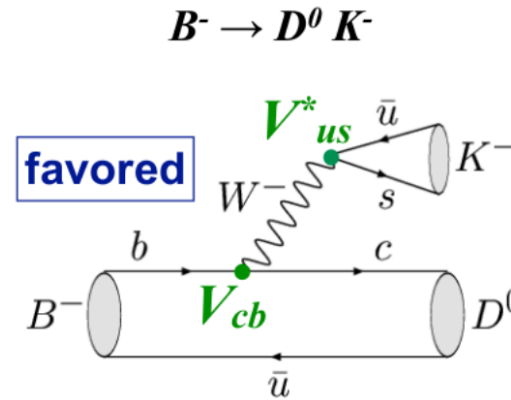
first observation



Measurement of Φ_3

The CKM angle Φ_3

- weak phase between $b \rightarrow c$ and $b \rightarrow u$ tree transitions
- negligible theoretical uncertainty [$O(10^{-7})$] [arXiv:1308.5663](https://arxiv.org/abs/1308.5663)
- current experimental world average $\Phi_3 [^\circ] = 65.9_{-3.5}^{+3.3}$ [HFLAV](https://arxiv.org/abs/1308.5663)
- can be compared to other measurements, possibly sensitive to NP



$$\frac{\mathcal{A}^{suppr.}(B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K^-)}{\mathcal{A}^{favor.}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-)} = r_B e^{i(\delta_B - \Phi_3)}$$

Different methods to extract Φ_3 depending on D decay mode:

- Cabibbo-suppressed decays, e.g. $K_S^0 K^\mp \pi^\pm$ (GLS)
- CP eigenstates, e.g. $K^+ K^-$, $K_S^0 \pi^0$ (GLW)
- self-conjugated multibody decays, e.g. $K_S^0 h^+ h^-$ (BPGGSZ)

Φ_3 via Cabibbo-suppressed modes

$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm, D\pi^\pm$ with $D \rightarrow K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$ (SS: same-sign, OS: opposite-sign)

- measure 4 A_{CP} and 3 BR ratios
 - in full D phase space
 - in $D \rightarrow K^*K$ region (large strong phase difference)

in K^*K region

$$A_m^{Dh} \equiv \frac{N_m^{Dh^-} - N_m^{Dh^+}}{N_m^{Dh^-} + N_m^{Dh^+}}$$

$$R_m^{DK/D\pi} \equiv \frac{N_m^{DK^-} + N_m^{DK^+}}{N_m^{D\pi^-} + N_m^{D\pi^+}}$$

$$R_{SS/OS}^{D\pi} \equiv \frac{N_{SS}^{D\pi^-} + N_{SS}^{D\pi^+}}{N_{OS}^{D\pi^-} + N_{OS}^{D\pi^+}}$$

$$A_{SS}^{DK} = 0.055 \pm 0.119 \pm 0.020,$$

$$A_{OS}^{DK} = 0.231 \pm 0.184 \pm 0.014,$$

$$A_{SS}^{D\pi} = 0.046 \pm 0.029 \pm 0.016,$$

$$A_{OS}^{D\pi} = 0.009 \pm 0.046 \pm 0.009,$$

$$R_{SS}^{DK/D\pi} = 0.093 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.005,$$

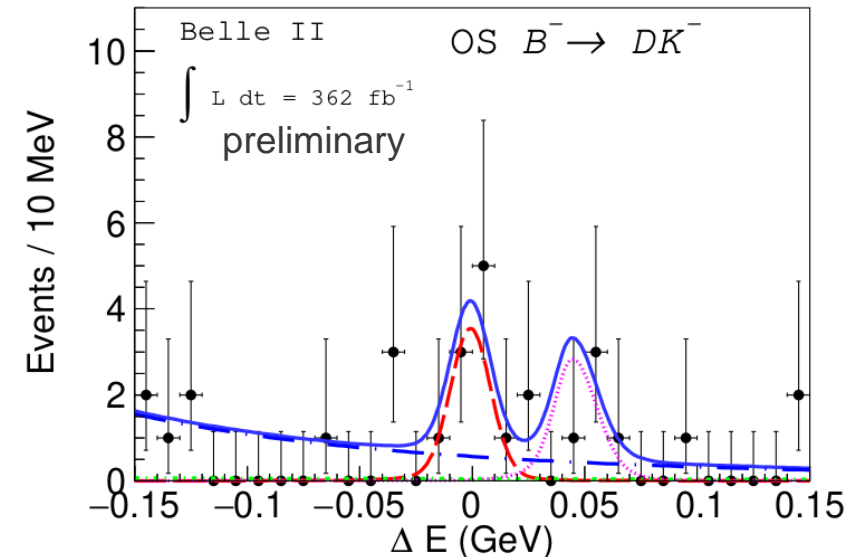
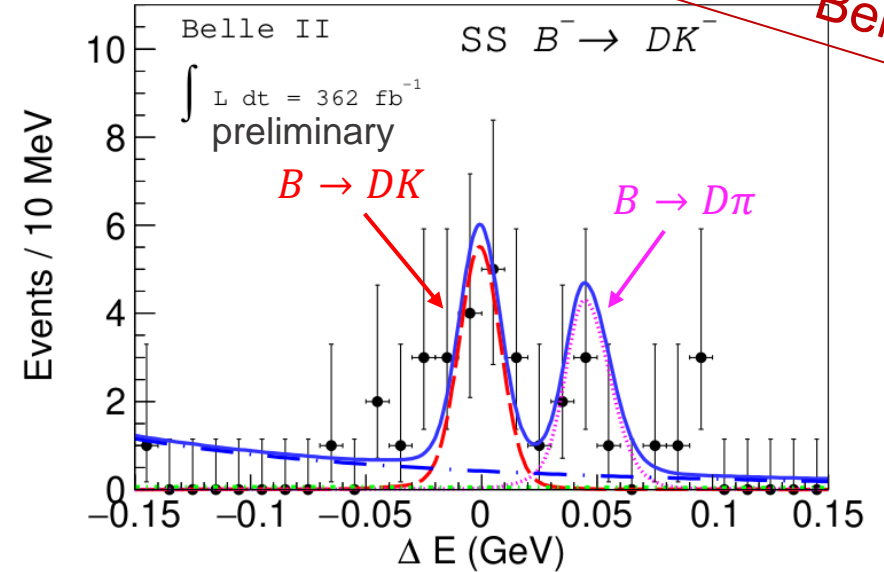
$$R_{OS}^{DK/D\pi} = 0.103 \pm 0.020 \pm 0.006,$$

$$R_{SS/OS}^{D\pi} = 2.412 \pm 0.132 \pm 0.019,$$

[arXiv:2306.02940](https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.02940)

in agreement with LHCb determinations, but less precise
contributes to Φ_3 determination with other Belle and Belle II results

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Φ_3 via CP eigenstates

$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm, D\pi^\pm$ with $D \rightarrow K^+K^-$ (CP-even) or $D \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0$ (CP-odd)

unique to Belle(II)

measure 2 A_{CP} and 2 BR ratios

$$\mathcal{R}_{CP\pm} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}{(\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{\text{flav}}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}_{\text{flav}}K^+))/2} \quad \mathcal{A}_{CP\pm} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) - \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{CP+} = 1.164 \pm 0.081 \pm 0.036,$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{CP-} = 1.151 \pm 0.074 \pm 0.019,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP+} = (+12.5 \pm 5.8 \pm 1.4)\%,$$

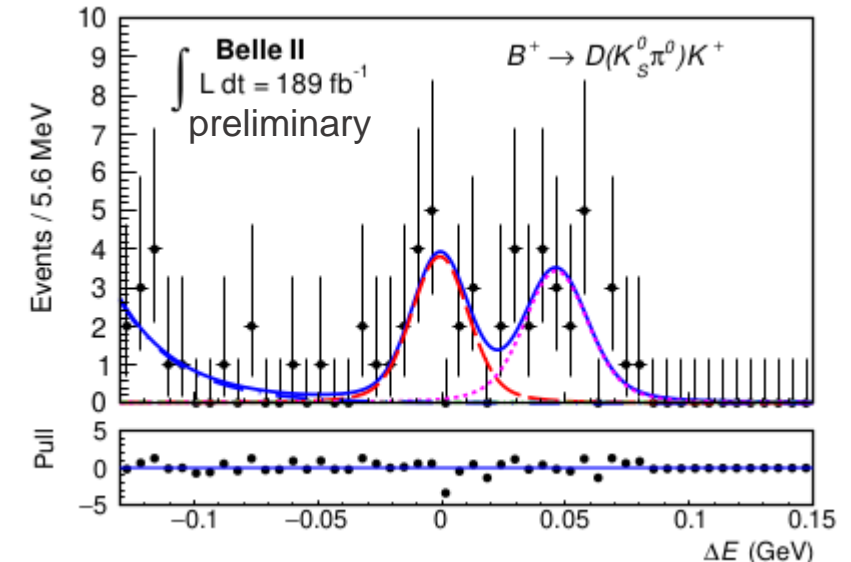
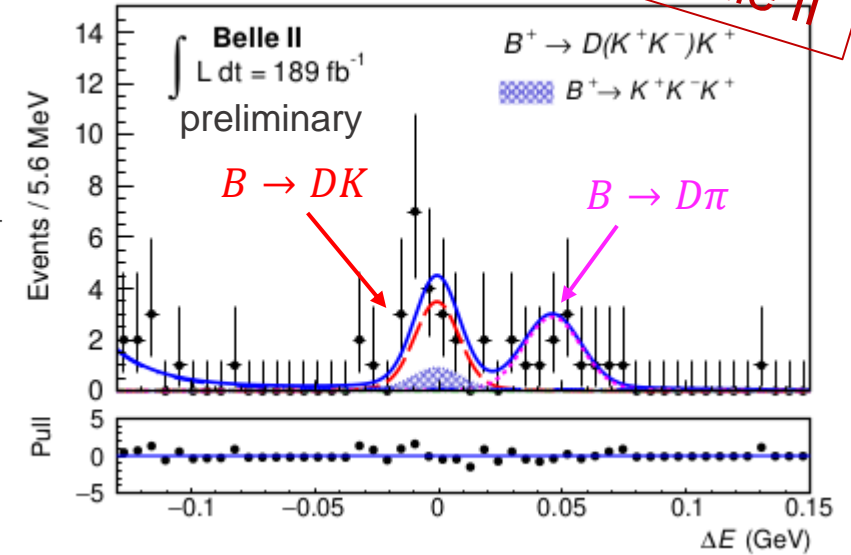
$$\mathcal{A}_{CP-} = (-16.7 \pm 5.7 \pm 0.6)\%$$

[arXiv:2308.05048](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.05048)

3.5 σ evidence for $\mathcal{A}_{CP+} \neq \mathcal{A}_{CP-}$

in agreement with world average
contributes to Φ_3 determination with other Belle and Belle II results

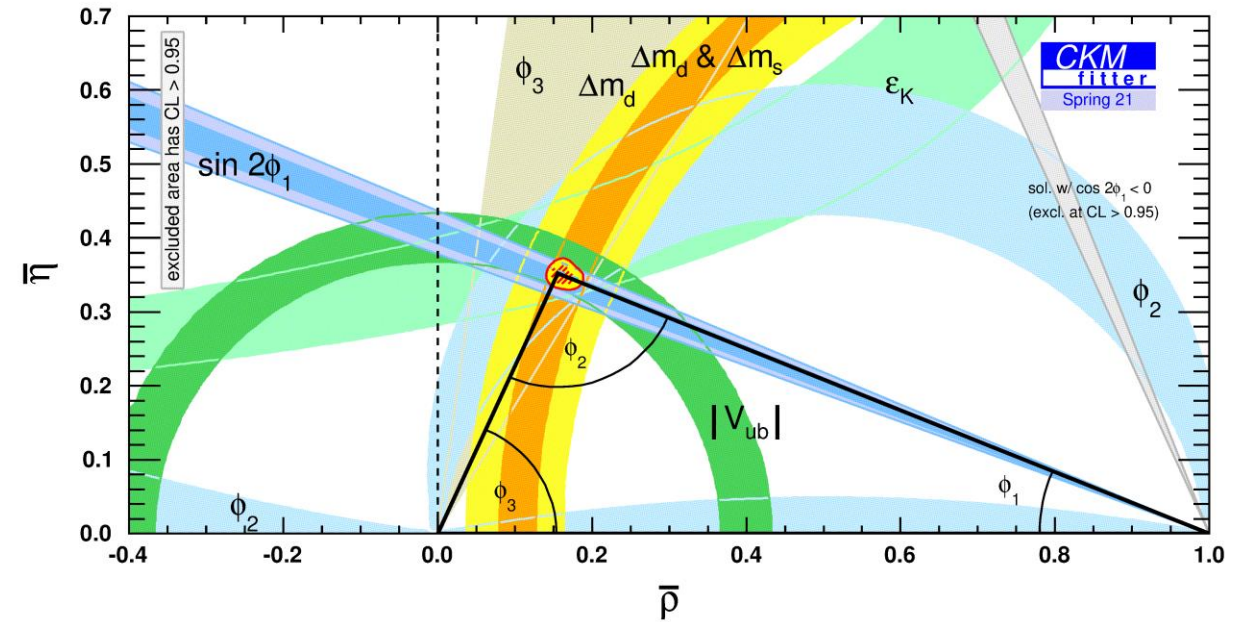
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Towards Φ_2

The CKM angle Φ_2

- least known angle of the CKM
- current experimental world average
 $\Phi_2 [^\circ] = 85.2^{+4.8}_{-4.3}$ [HFLAV](#)
- $\sin(2\Phi_2) \sim \text{TDCPV } b \rightarrow u\bar{u}d$ transitions (if only tree contributions)
- loop contributions introduce shift
- tree and loop contributions can be disentangled exploiting $B \rightarrow \pi\pi, \rho\rho$ isospin relations
- need to measure BR and A_{CP} of all $B \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, \pi^+\pi^0, \pi^0\pi^0$ modes
 $\rightarrow \rho^+\rho^-, \rho^+\rho^0, \rho^0\rho^0$



$$\Phi_2 = \arg\left(-\frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}\right)$$

unique to Belle II

$B \rightarrow \pi\pi$ results

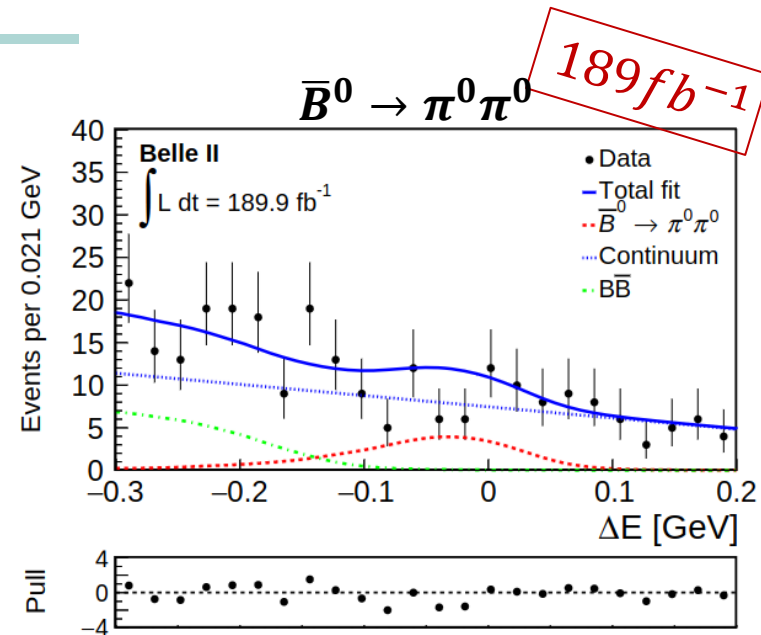
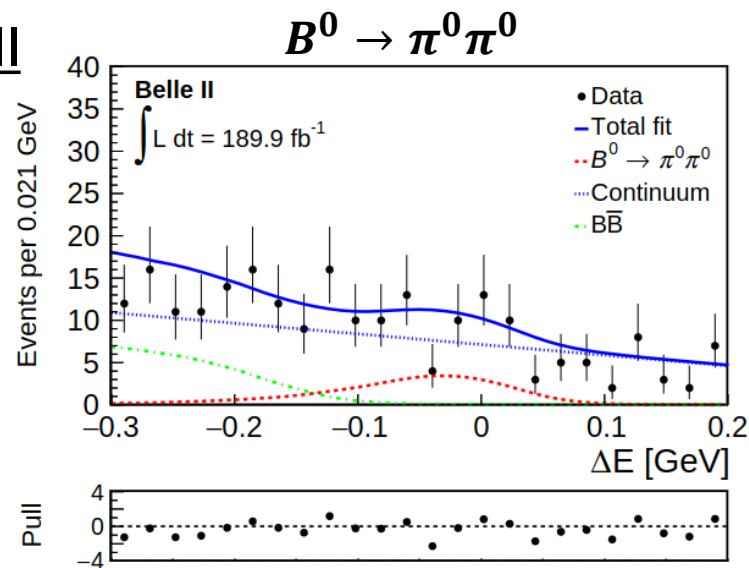
First measurement of $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ at Belle II

- unique channel to Belle II
- 4 photons in final state
- large background

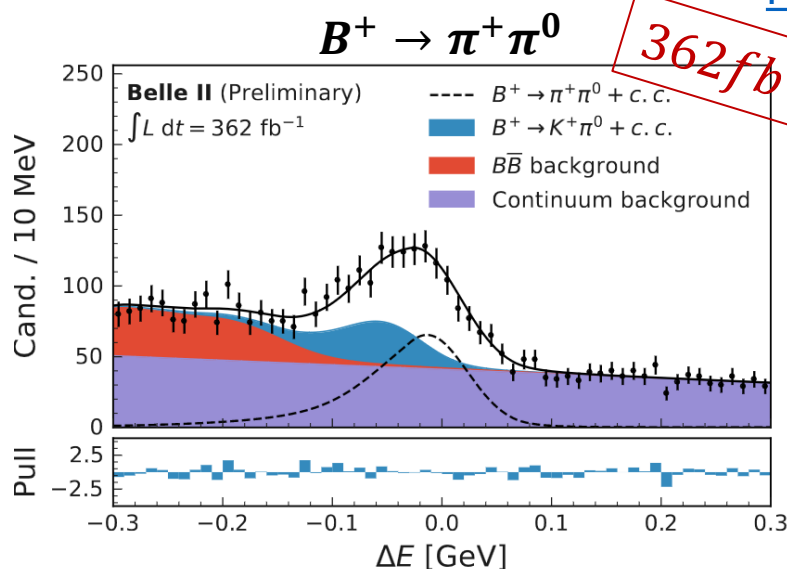
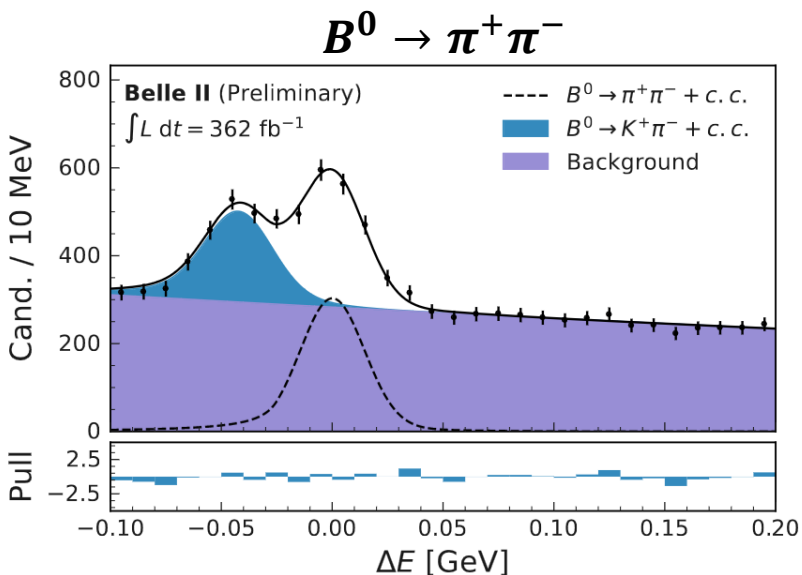
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = (1.38 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.22) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = 0.14 \pm 0.46 \pm 0.07$$

- same BR precision as Belle with 1/3 of data



[Phys. Rev. D 107, 112009](#)



$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = (5.83 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0) = 5.10 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.27 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0) = -0.081 \pm 0.054 \pm 0.008$$

- compatible with world averages
- worlds best $BR(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)$

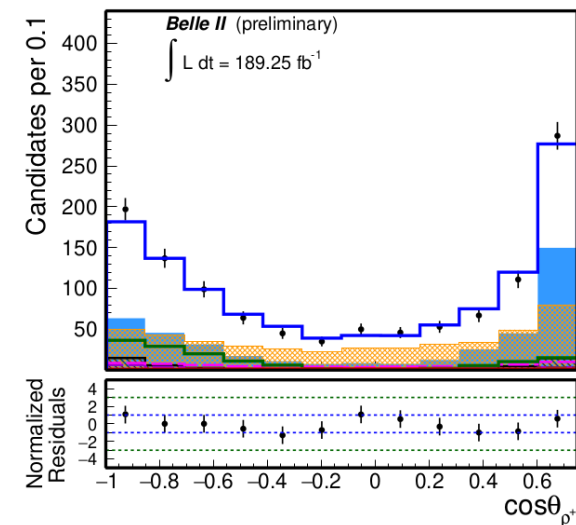
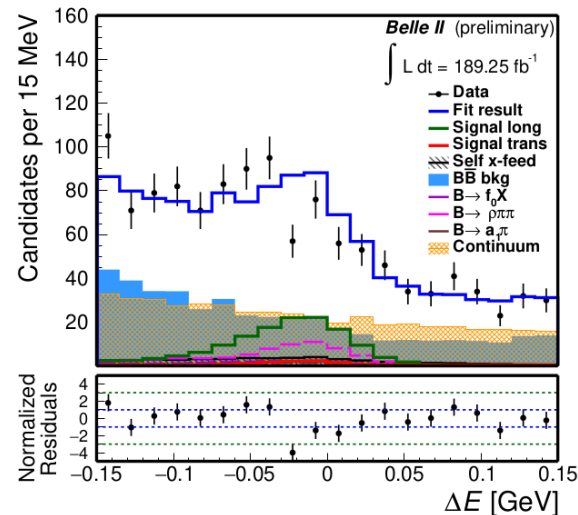
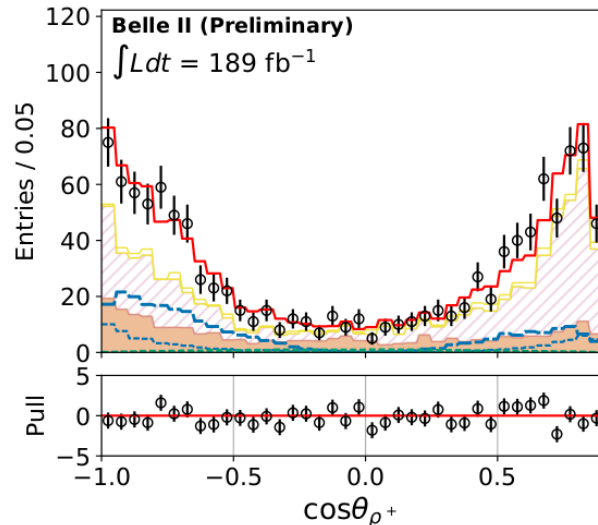
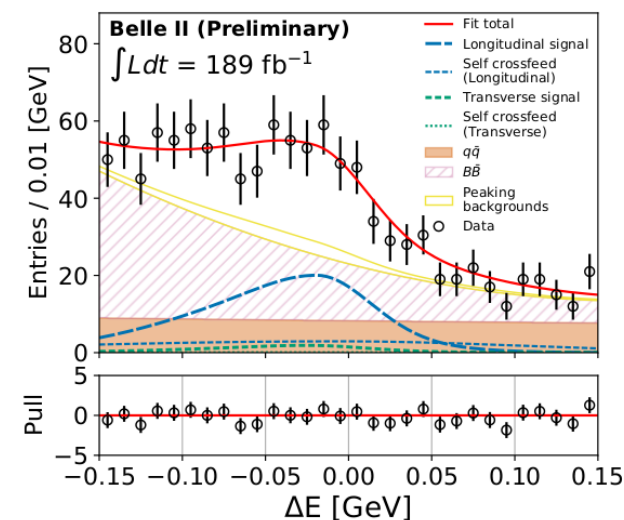
$B \rightarrow \rho\rho$ results

189 fb⁻¹

- 4 final state particles, including π^0
- non-negligible contribution from peaking backgrounds
- need to perform angular analysis to disentangle longitudinal from transversal polarization

$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^-$

$B^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^0$



$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^-) = [2.67 \pm 0.28 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.28 (\text{syst})] \times 10^{-5},$$

$$f_L = 0.956 \pm 0.035 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.033 (\text{syst})$$

[arXiv:2208.03554](https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.03554)

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^0) = [23.2_{-2.1}^{+2.2} (\text{stat}) \pm 2.7 (\text{syst})] \times 10^{-6},$$

$$f_L = 0.943_{-0.033}^{+0.035} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.027 (\text{syst}),$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP} = -0.069 \pm 0.068 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.060 (\text{syst})$$

[arXiv:2206.12362](https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.12362)

extension to full sample promising

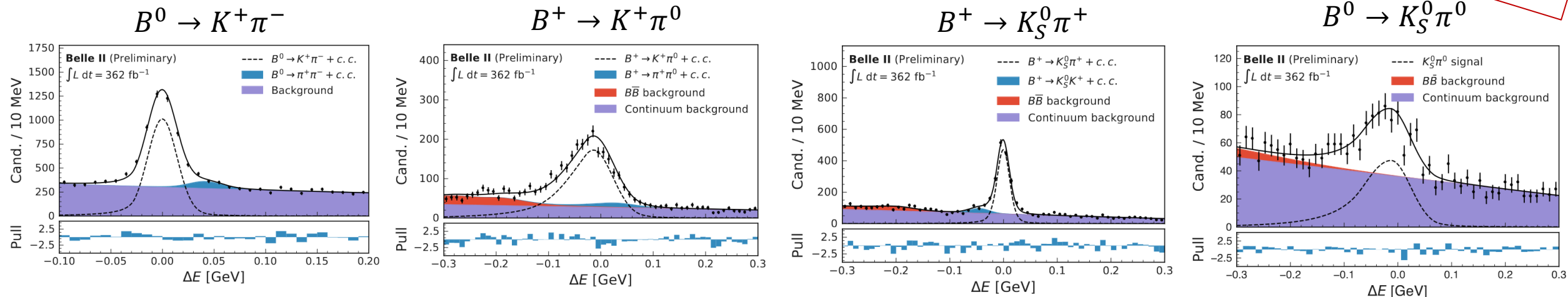
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$$I_{K\pi} = A_{K^+\pi^-} + A_{K^0\pi^+} \frac{Br(K^0\pi^+)}{Br(K^+\pi^-)} \frac{\tau_{B^0}}{\tau_{B^+}} - 2A_{K^+\pi^0} \frac{Br(K^+\pi^0)}{Br(K^+\pi^-)} \frac{\tau_{B^0}}{\tau_{B^+}} - 2A_{K^0\pi^0} \frac{Br(K^0\pi^0)}{Br(K^+\pi^-)} \approx 0$$

- direct and precise method to test SM in hadronic B decays
- SM prediction: 0 within 1% precision ([Phys. Lett. B627 \(2005\) 82-88](#))
- provides stringent null test of SM
- Belle II measures all modes in coherent way with unique access to $B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0$ (limits $I_{K\pi}$)

362 fb⁻¹



$K\pi$ isospin sum rule

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

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) = (20.67 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.62) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) = -0.072 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.007$$

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

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0) = (13.93 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.71) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0) = 0.013 \pm 0.027 \pm 0.005$$

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

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) = (24.37 \pm 0.71 \pm 0.86) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+) = 0.046 \pm 0.029 \pm 0.007$$

$$B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0) = (10.40 \pm 0.66 \pm 0.60) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0) = -0.06 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.05$$

competitive with world averages, BRs limited by systematics ($\pi^0, f^{+-/00}$)

$B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0$ combined with time-dependent analysis ([arXiv:2206.07453](https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.07453))

➤ world's best $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(K_S^0 \pi^0) = -0.01 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.05$

$$I_{K\pi} = -0.03 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.05 \quad (\text{world average: } I_{K\pi} = 0.13 \pm 0.11)$$

competitive with world average with $362 fb^{-1}$

Summary

- Hadronic B decays offer a large and diverse physics program
 - Enable improvement of descriptions in generic B simulations
 - Constrain unitarity of the weak interactions of quarks through measurements of Φ_1 , Φ_2 , Φ_3
 - Offer sensitive SM tests based on flavor symmetries (e.g., isospin sum rules)
- Belle II has unique / competitive reach owing to its efficient performance in reconstruction of neutral particles
- Today shown contributions to the determination of Φ_3 , world leading results on isospin sum rules and promising progress toward determination of Φ_2
- Shutdown since July 2022 to replace pixel detector, restart in December

Thank you

Backup

Φ_3 via Cabibbo-suppressed modes


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$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm, D\pi^\pm$ with $D \rightarrow K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$ (SS: same-sign, OS: opposite-sign)

- 2 \mathcal{A}_{CP} for DK ($D\pi$):

$$\mathcal{A}_{SS}^{DK} \equiv \frac{N_{SS}^- - N_{SS}^+}{N_{SS}^- + N_{SS}^+}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{OS}^{DK} \equiv \frac{N_{OS}^- - N_{OS}^+}{N_{OS}^- + N_{OS}^+}$$

Physics meanings 

$$\mathcal{A}_{SS}^{DK} = \frac{2r_B r_D \kappa \sin(\delta_B - \delta_D) \sin \phi_3}{1 + r_B^2 r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \kappa \cos(\delta_B - \delta_D) \cos \phi_3}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{OS}^{DK} = \frac{2r_B r_D \kappa \sin(\delta_B + \delta_D) \sin \phi_3}{1 + r_B^2 + r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \kappa \cos(\delta_B + \delta_D) \cos \phi_3}$$

- 3 ratios:

$$\mathcal{R}_{SS}^{DK/D\pi} \equiv \frac{N_{SS}^- + N_{SS}^+}{N'_{SS}^- + N'_{SS}^+}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{OS}^{DK/D\pi} \equiv \frac{N_{OS}^- + N_{OS}^+}{N'_{OS}^- + N'_{OS}^+}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{SSIOS}^{D\pi} \equiv \frac{N_{SS}^- + N_{SS}^+}{N'_{OS}^- + N'_{OS}^+}$$

Physics meanings 

$$\mathcal{R}_{SS}^{DK/D\pi} = R \frac{1 + r_B^2 r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \kappa \cos(\delta_B - \delta_D) \cos \phi_3}{1 + r_B'^2 r_D'^2 + 2r_B' r_D' \kappa \cos(\delta_B' - \delta_D) \cos \phi_3}$$

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Φ_3 via CP eigenstates

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unique to Belle(II)

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP^\pm} = \frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP^\pm}K^-) - \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP^\pm}K^+)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP^\pm}K^-) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP^\pm}K^+)} = \pm \frac{r_B \sin \delta_B \sin \phi_2}{1 + r_B^2 \pm 2r_B \cos \delta_B \cos \phi_3},$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{CP^\pm} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP^\pm}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP^\pm}K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{flav}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{flav}K^+)} \approx \frac{R_{CP^\pm}}{R_{flav}}, \text{ with}$$

$$R_X \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_X K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_X K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_X \pi^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_X \pi^+)}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathcal{R}_{CP^\pm} = 1 + r_B^2 \pm 2 \cos \delta_B \cos \phi_3, \\ \mathcal{A}_{CP^\pm} = \pm 2r_B \sin \phi_3 / \mathcal{R}_{CP^\pm} \end{cases}, \text{ assuming CP conservation in } B^\pm \rightarrow D\pi^\pm$$

• Channels:

- Signal: $B \rightarrow D(\rightarrow KK, K_S^0\pi^0)K$
- R_{flav} control channel: $B \rightarrow D(\rightarrow K\pi)K$
- R_X control channel: $B \rightarrow D\pi$

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$$\mathcal{R}_{CP+} = 1.164 \pm 0.081 \pm 0.036,$$

2.2 σ above world average

- large r_B
- stringent constraint Φ_3

