



# Belle II: status and prospects

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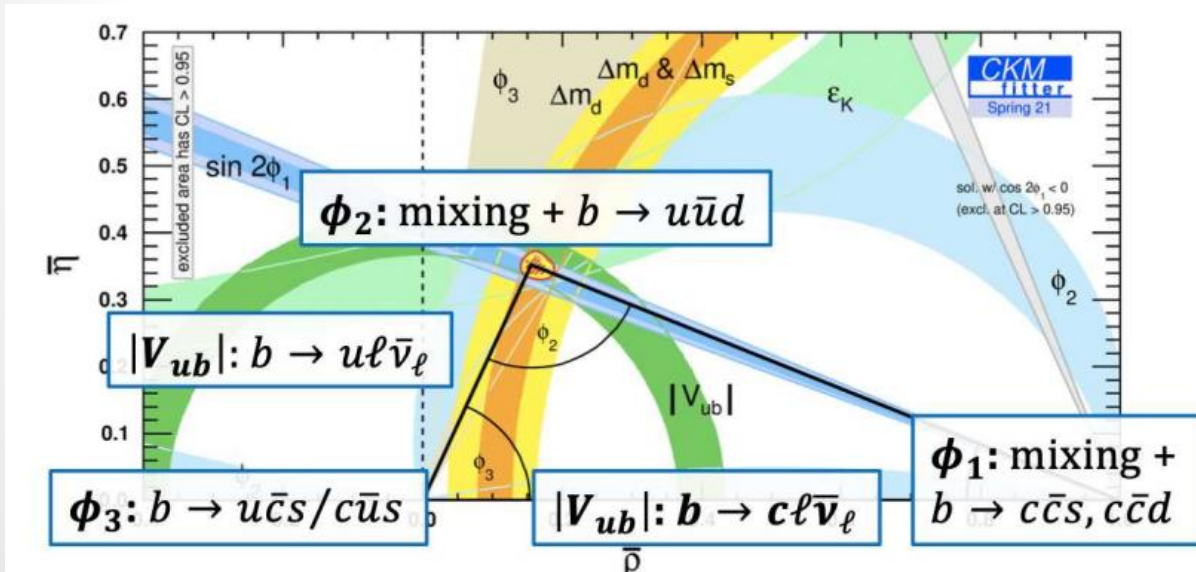


# Overview

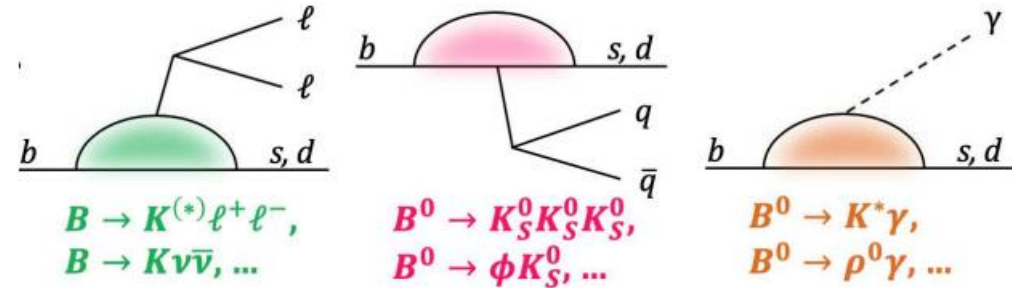
- Introduction to Belle II
- Some recent(-ish) highlights
  - CP violation
  - Anomalies
  - Beyond Bs – dark sector searches
- Prospects

# Why Belle II?

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$  provides a source of  $B$  meson decays in a **low multiplicity** and **kinematically constrained** environment
- Belle and BABAR collected  $1.5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  of such data  $\rightarrow$  **Belle II to collect 30 times more**
- **Approximately one billion B pairs per  $\text{ab}^{-1}$**



1) Further exploration of KM mechanism

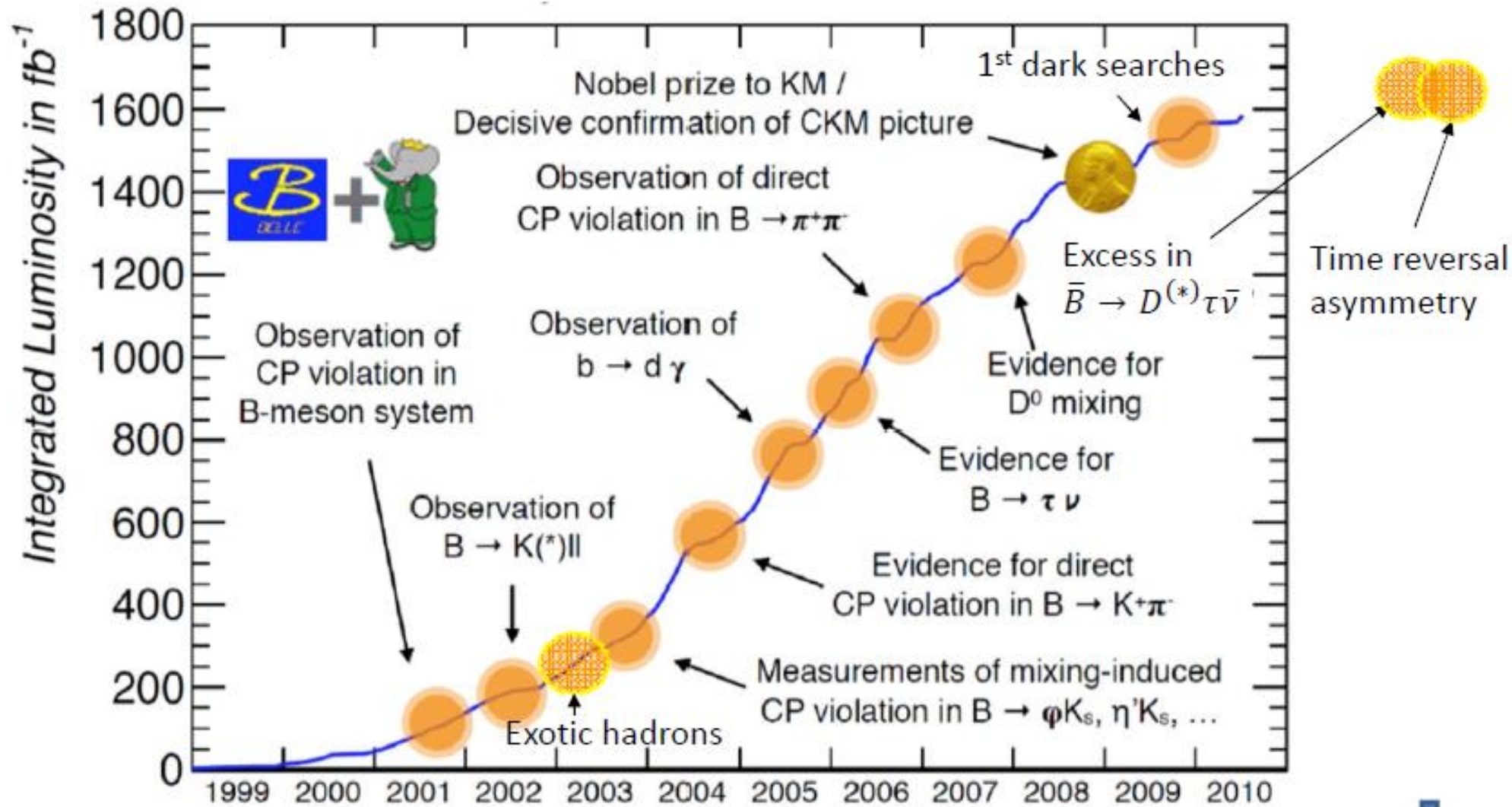


2) Penguins a plenty

3) Not just Bs

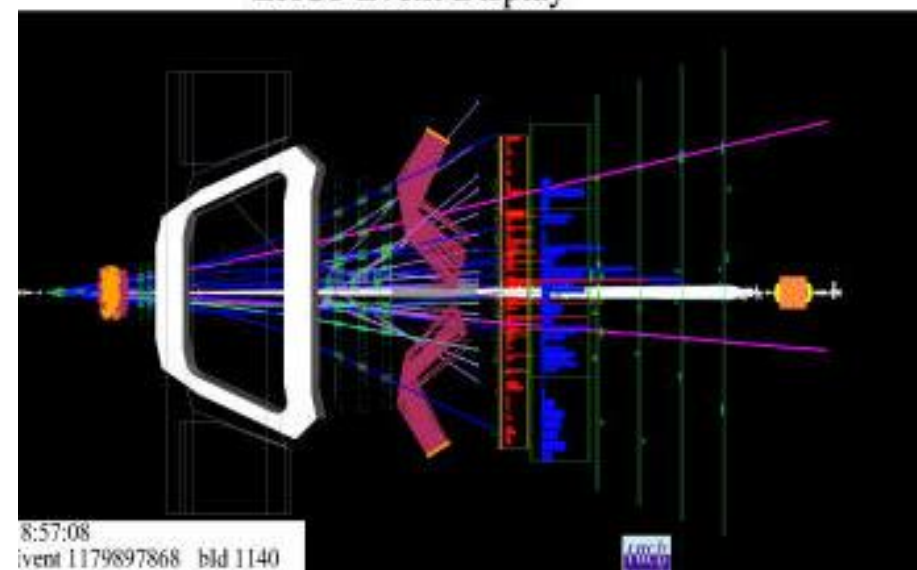
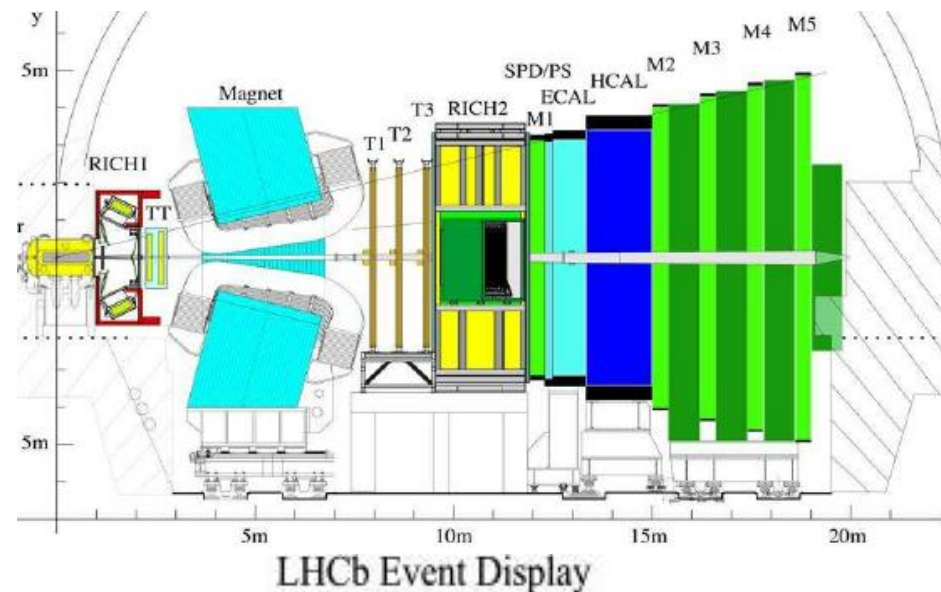
- $\sigma(b\bar{b}) \approx \sigma(c\bar{c}) \approx \sigma(\tau^+\tau^-)$
- quarkonium
- **dark sector** and
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma$  for  $g_\mu - 2$

# Belle and BABAR achievements



# Belle II's rival LHCb in a slide

- 13 TeV pp collisions
  - trillion  $\text{bb}/2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - $6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 13 TeV
  - $+ 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 7/8 TeV
- Forward geometry gets both  $b$  quarks in acceptance and boosted – exploit  $b$  lifetime to separate background
- RICHes for  $\pi/K$  separation
- Full trigger bandwidth for  $B$  physics
- Has been driving flavour physics for the past decade so you might ask....

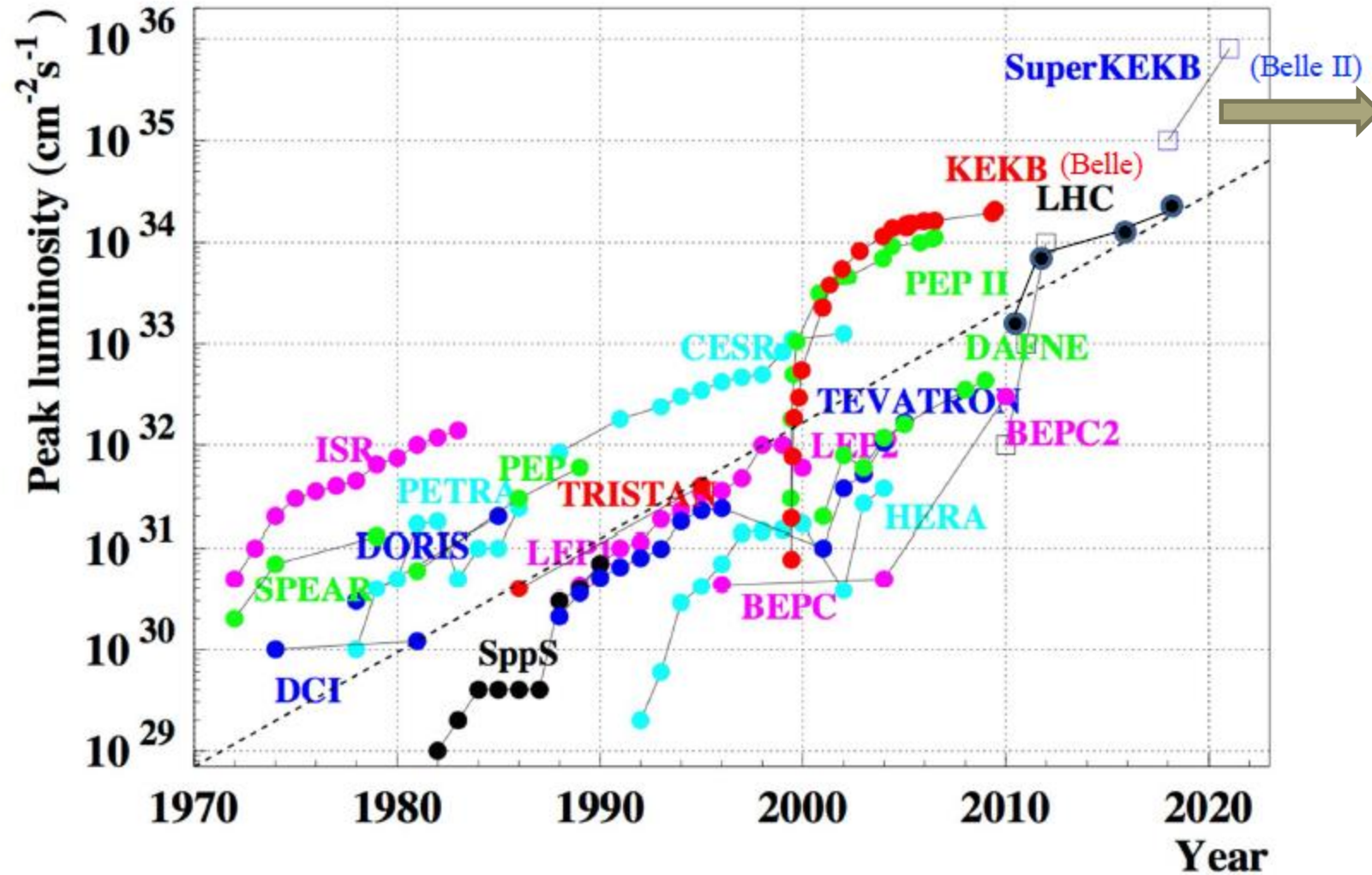


# But isn't LHCb doing everything already?

## Complementarity

| Property                    | LHCb                   | Belle II      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| $\sigma_{b\bar{b}}$ (nb)    | $\sim 150,000$         | $\sim 1$      |
| $\int L dt$ (fb $^{-1}$ )   | $\sim 50$              | $\sim 50,000$ |
| Background level            | Very high              | Low           |
| Typical efficiency          | Low                    | High          |
| $\pi^0, K_S$ reconstruction | Inefficient            | Efficient     |
| Initial state               | Not well known         | Well known    |
| Decay-time resolution       | Excellent              | Very good     |
| Collision spot size         | Large                  | Tiny          |
| Heavy bottom hadrons        | $B_S, B_C, b$ -baryons | Partly $B_S$  |
| $\tau$ physics capability   | Limited                | Excellent     |
| B-flavor tagging efficiency | 3.5 - 6%               | 36%           |

# “Moore’s” Law of Luminosity



# The path to higher luminosity

$$L = \frac{\gamma_{e\pm}}{2er_e} \left( 1 + \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*} \right) \left( \frac{I_{e\pm} \xi^{e\pm}}{\beta_y^*} \right) \left( \frac{R_L}{R_{\xi_y}} \right)$$

Lorentz factor  $\rightarrow \gamma_{e\pm}$   
 Beam current  $\rightarrow I_{e\pm}$   
 Beam-beam parameter  $\xi \propto \sqrt{\frac{\beta^*}{\epsilon}}$   
 Classical electron radius  $\rightarrow r_e$   
 Beam size ratio@IP  $\rightarrow \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*}$   
 1 ~ 2 % (flat beam)  
 Vertical beta function@IP  $\rightarrow \beta_y^*$   
 Lumi. reduction factor (crossing angle) & Tune shift reduction factor (hour glass effect) 0.8 ~ 1 (short bunch)  $\rightarrow \frac{R_L}{R_{\xi_y}}$

**Brute force:** Increase beam currents by a factor of 5-10 ! Increase the beam-beam parameter by a factor of a few (crab cavities).  
 Too hard, too expensive (power, melt beam pipes)

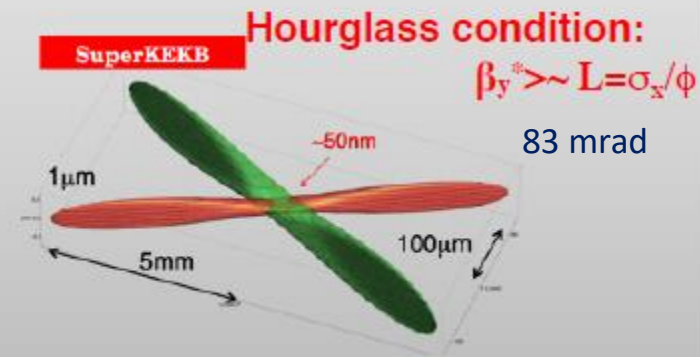
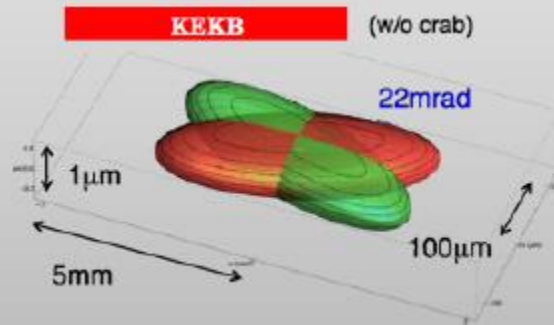
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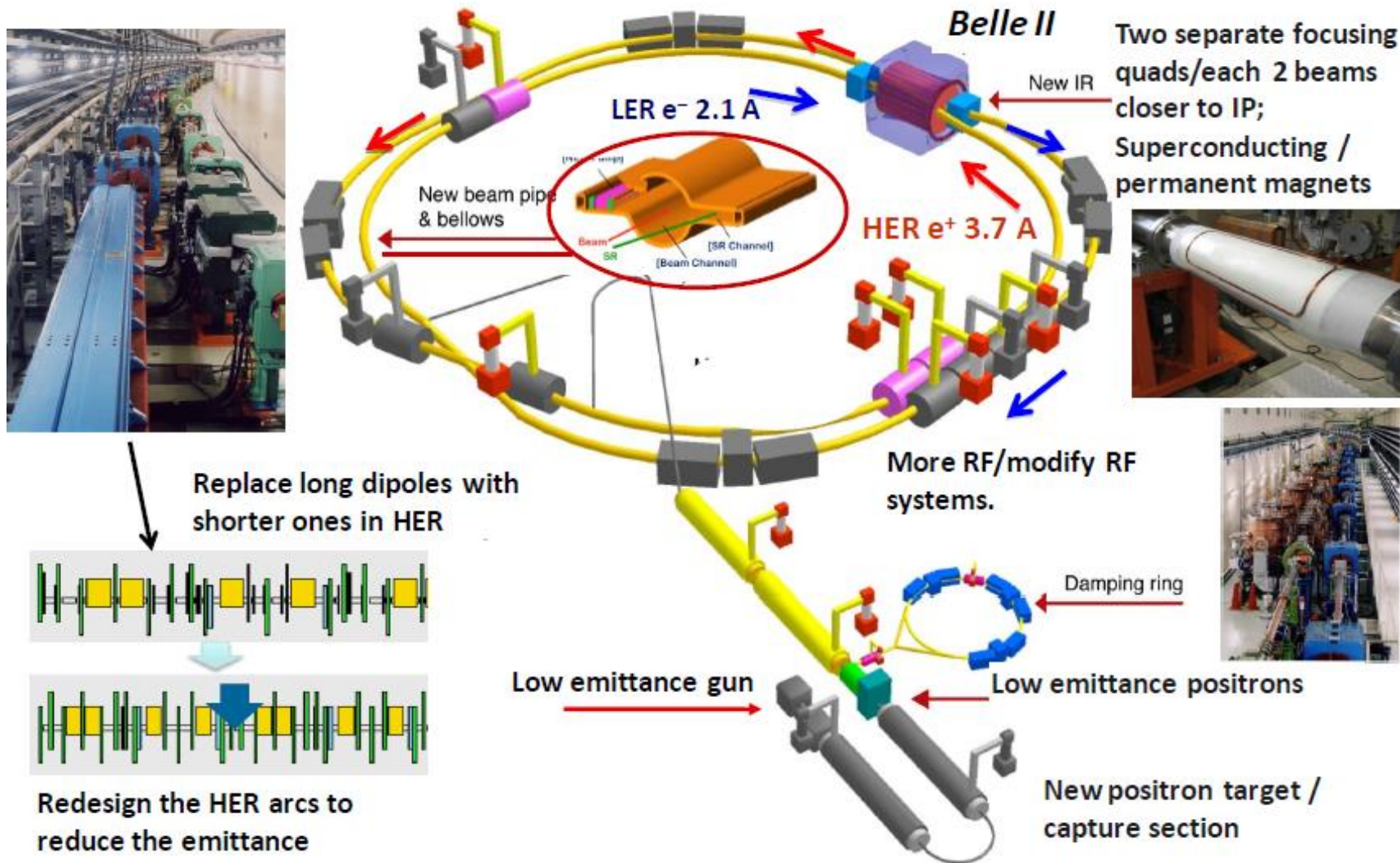
(1) Smaller  $\beta_y^*$  (20 x)

(2) Increase beam currents ( $\sim 2-3x$ )

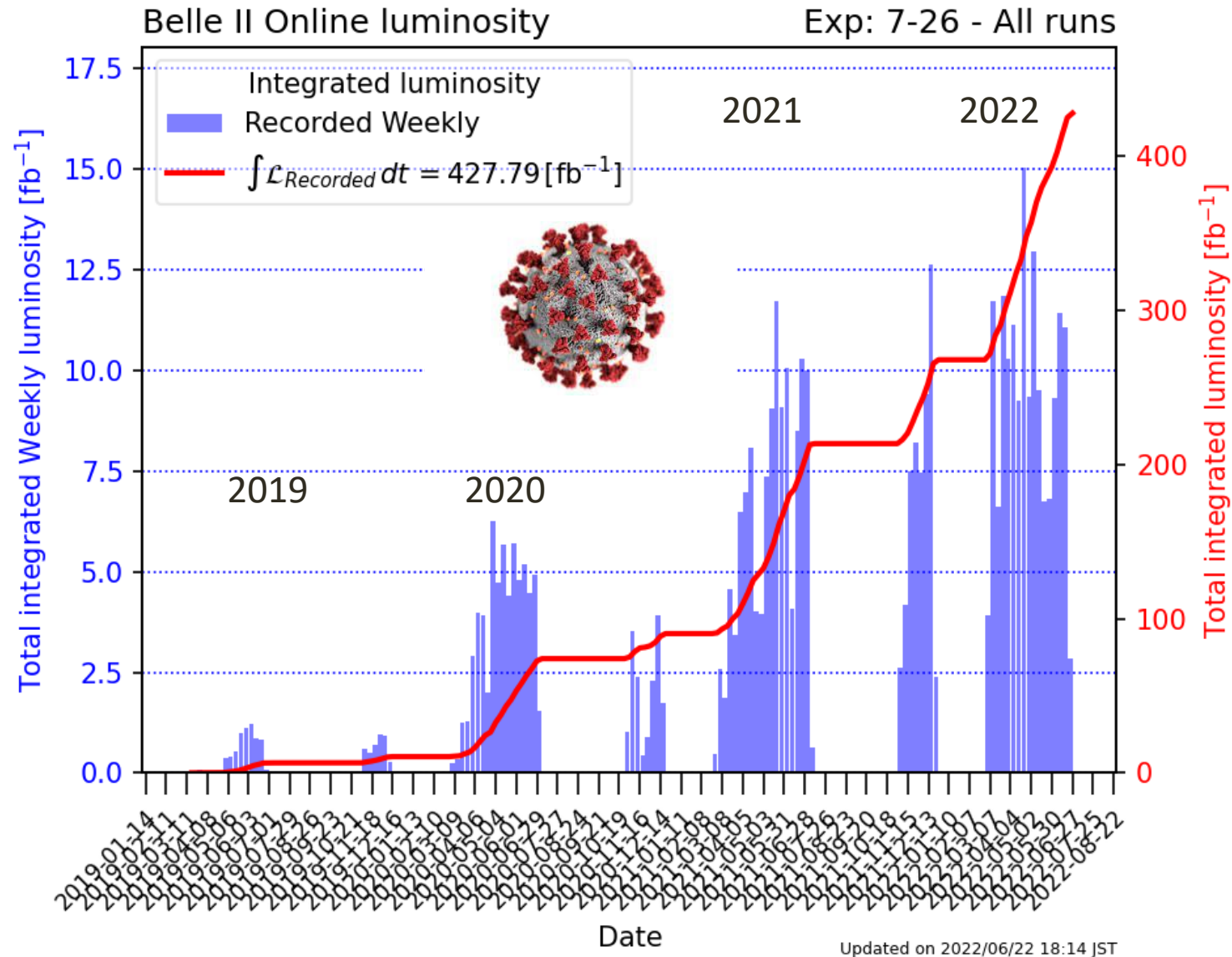


# SUPERKEKB

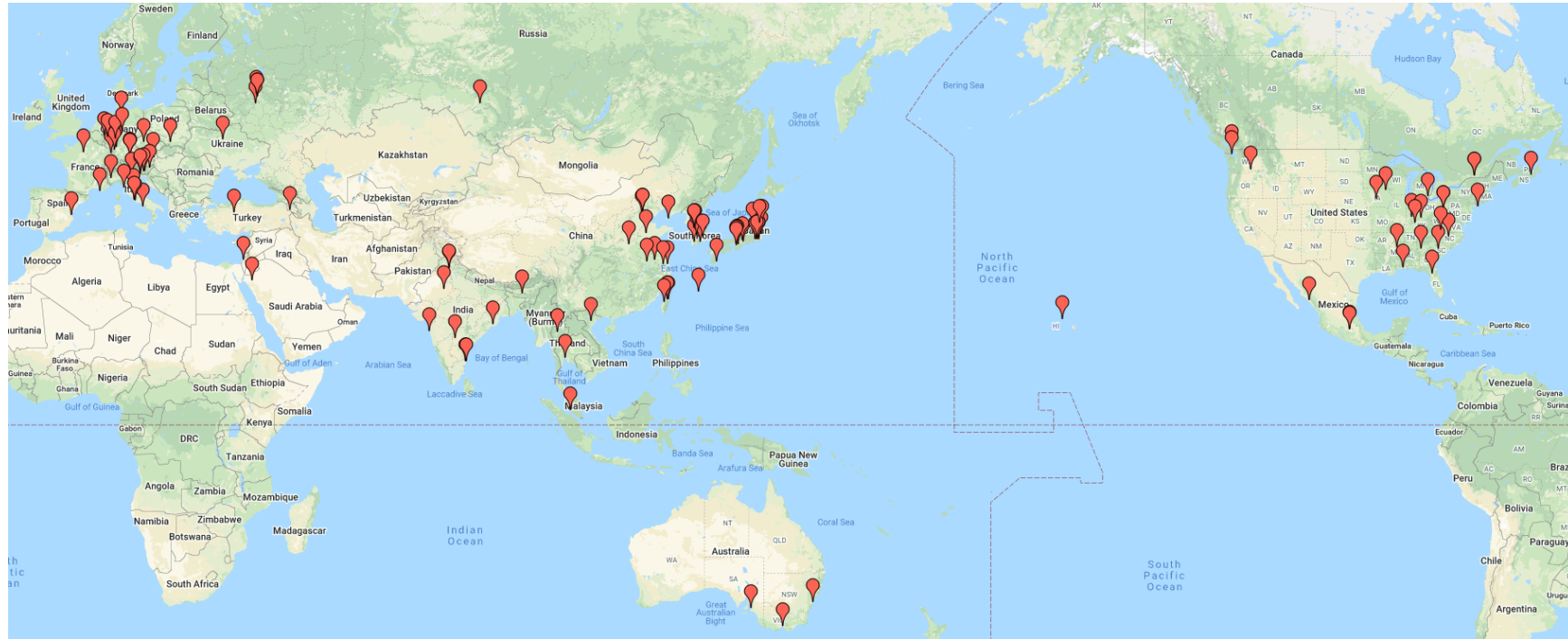
Asymmetric energy: 8 GeV electron 3 GeV positron



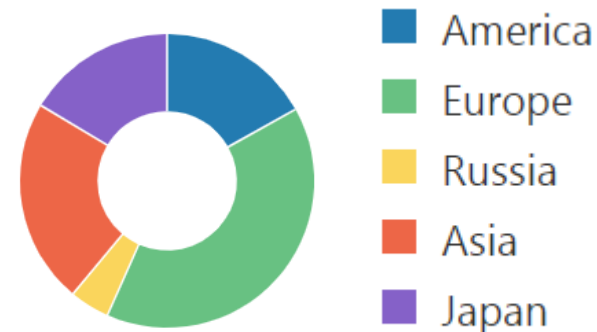
# Integrated luminosity – so far



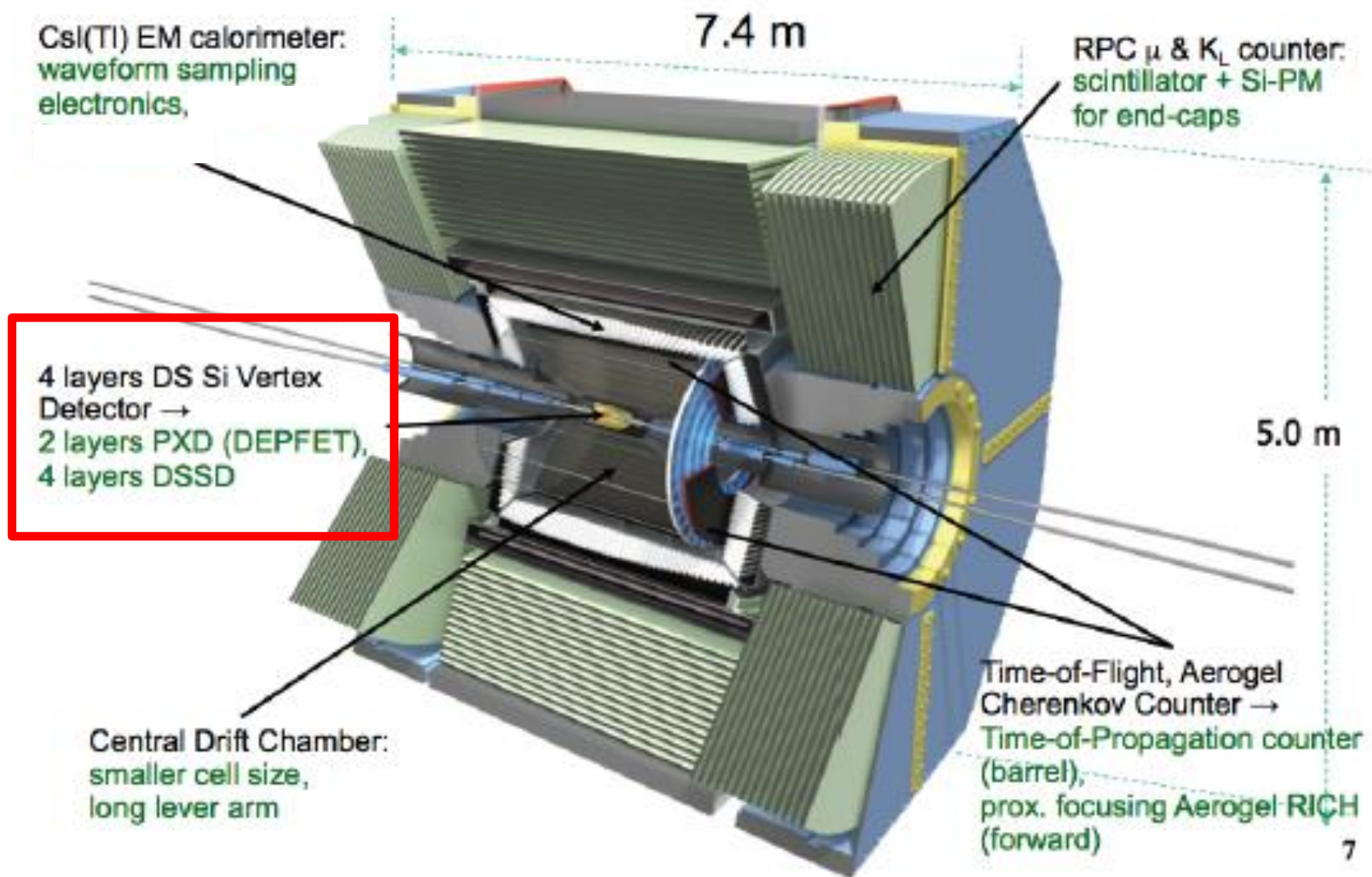
# Belle II Collaboration



O(1000) physicists from 26 countries  
India: ~50 at IITX (X=M, H, G, BBS), MNIT,  
IISER Mohali, TIFR, PU, PAU, UPES



# The detector



# Belle II – Silicon Vertex Detector

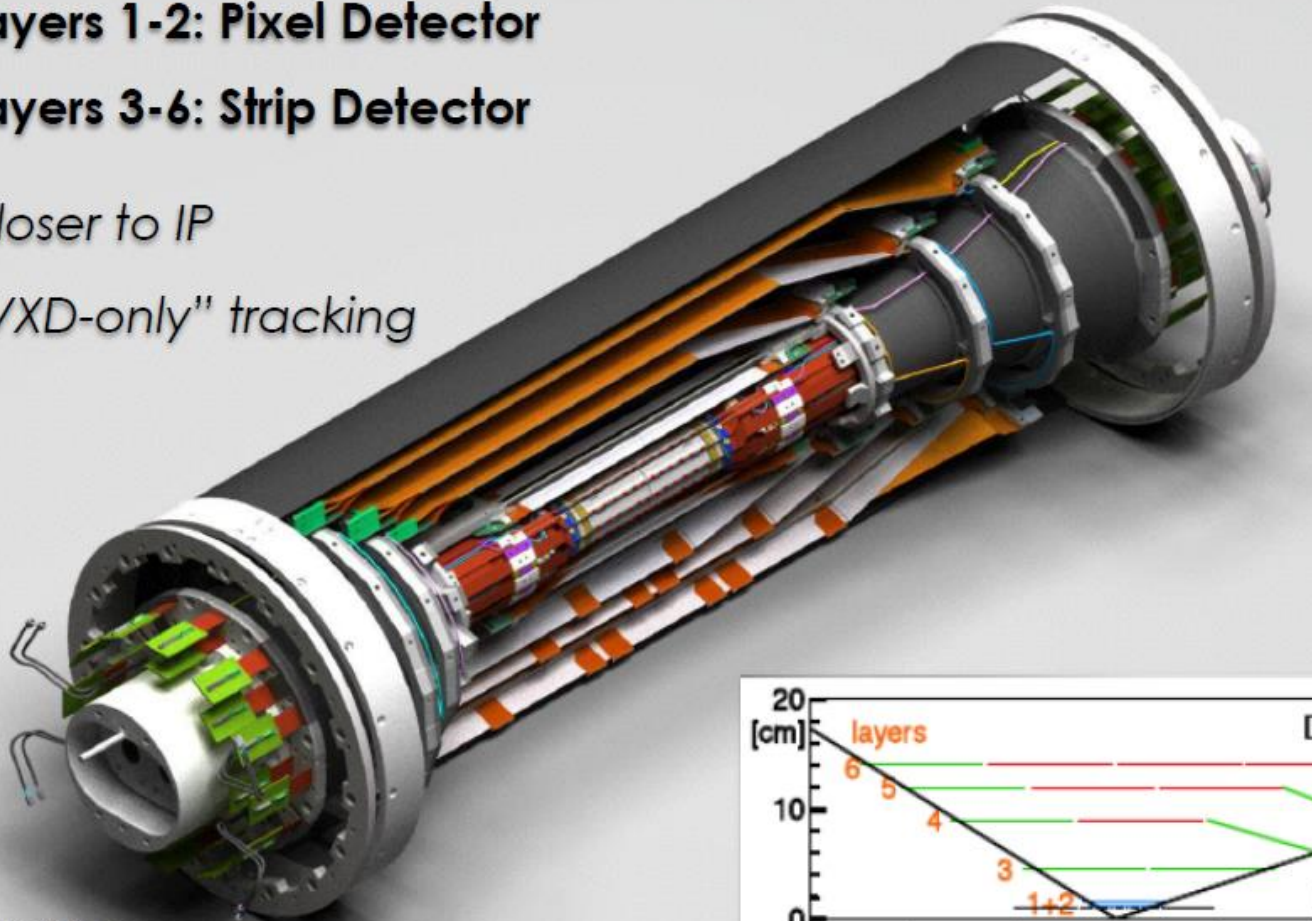
Only one layer of pixels for Phase III

**Layers 1-2: Pixel Detector**

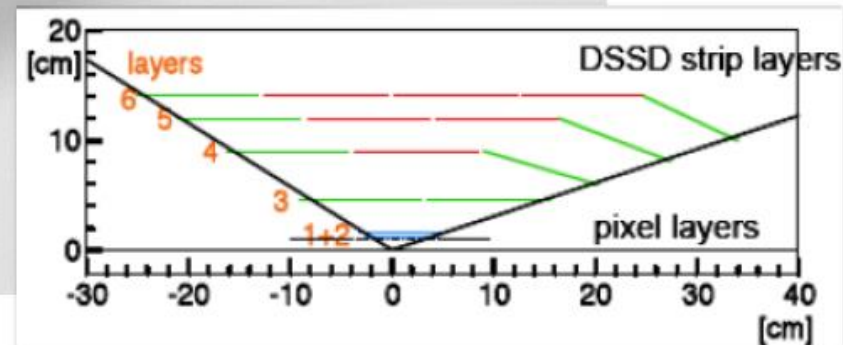
**Layers 3-6: Strip Detector**

*Closer to IP*

*“VXD-only” tracking*

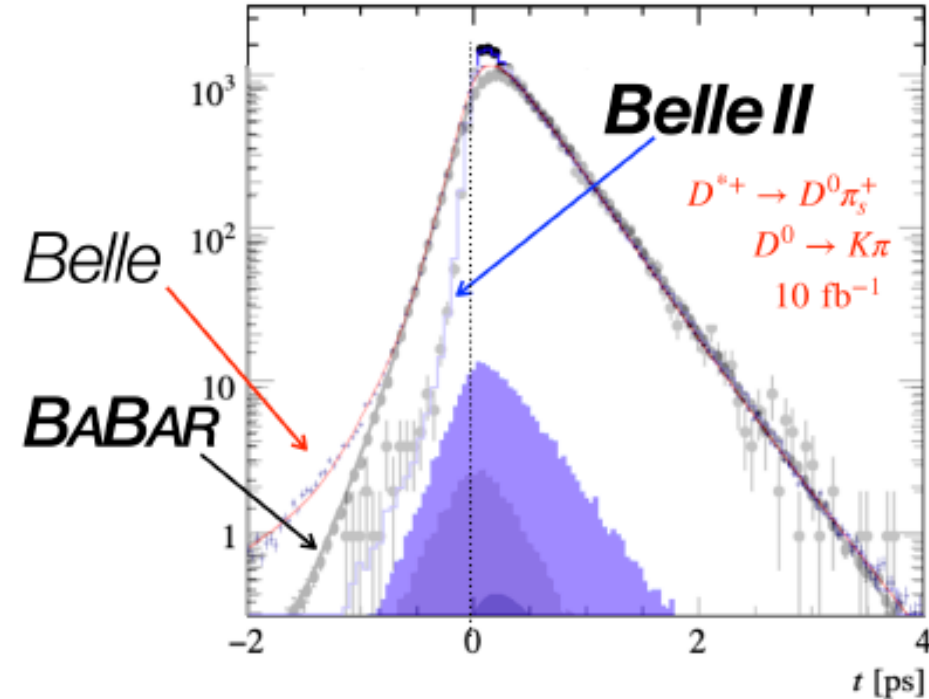
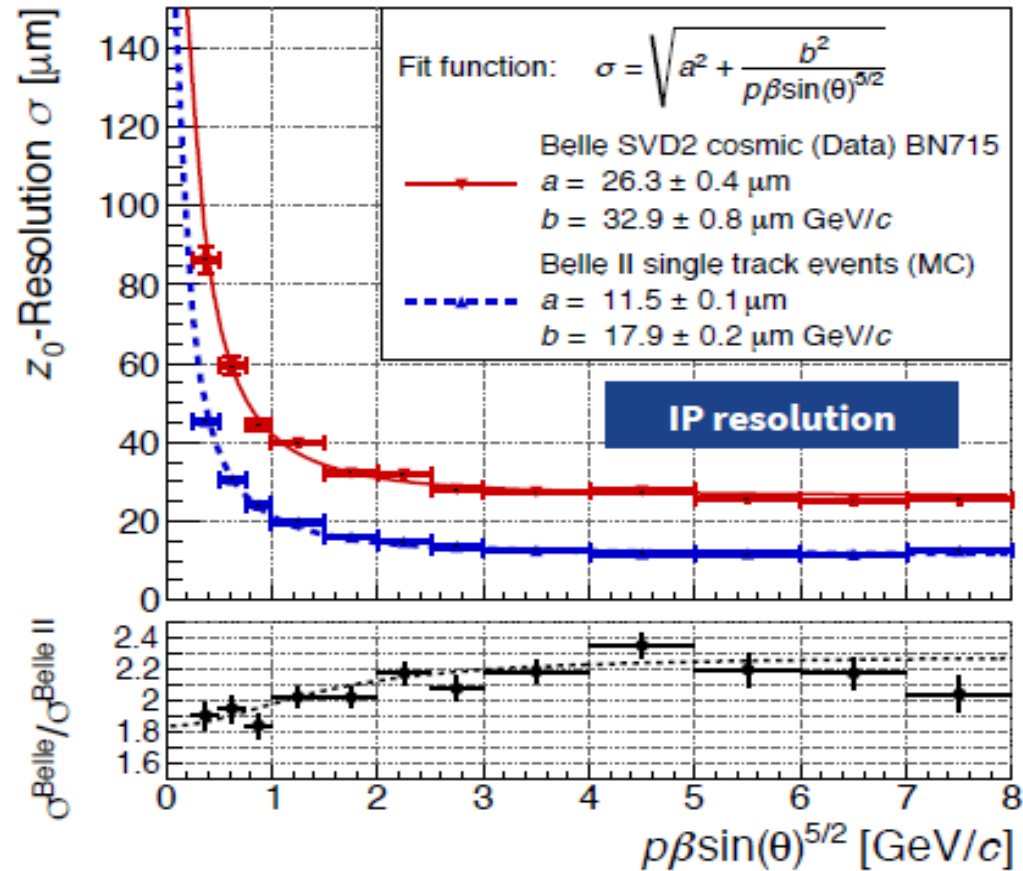


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# SVD performance

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Belle II decay time resolution  
nearly twice as better as Belle's

**Belle** a factor two worse than **Belle II**

| Belle II                                          | World Average Value          |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| $\tau(D^0) = (410.5 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.8) \text{ fs}$  | $(410.1 \pm 1.5) \text{ fs}$ |
| $\tau(D^+) = (1030.4 \pm 4.7 \pm 3.1) \text{ fs}$ | $(1040 \pm 7) \text{ fs}$    |

# RECENT RESULT: CP VIOLATION

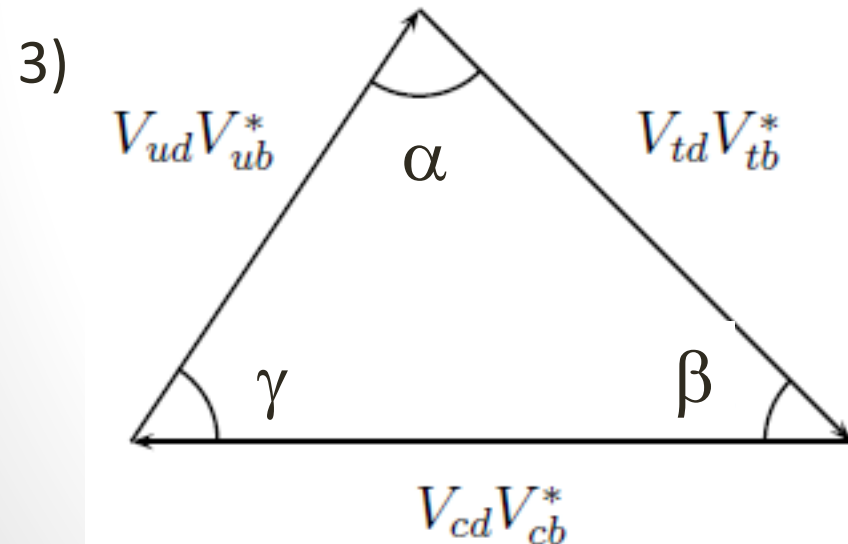
# Visualising CP violation: the unitarity triangle

$$\lambda = \sin \theta_c = 0.22$$

$$1) \left( \begin{array}{cc} \boxed{\begin{matrix} 1 - \lambda^2 / 2 & \lambda \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2 / 2 \\ A\lambda^3 [1 - (\rho - i\eta)] & -A\lambda^2 \end{matrix}} & \boxed{\begin{matrix} A\lambda^3 (\rho - i\eta) \\ A\lambda^2 \\ 1 \end{matrix}} \end{array} \right) + O(\lambda^4)$$

2) Exploit unitarity (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> col.)

$$V_{ud} V_{ub}^* + V_{cd} V_{cb}^* + V_{td} V_{tb}^* = 0$$

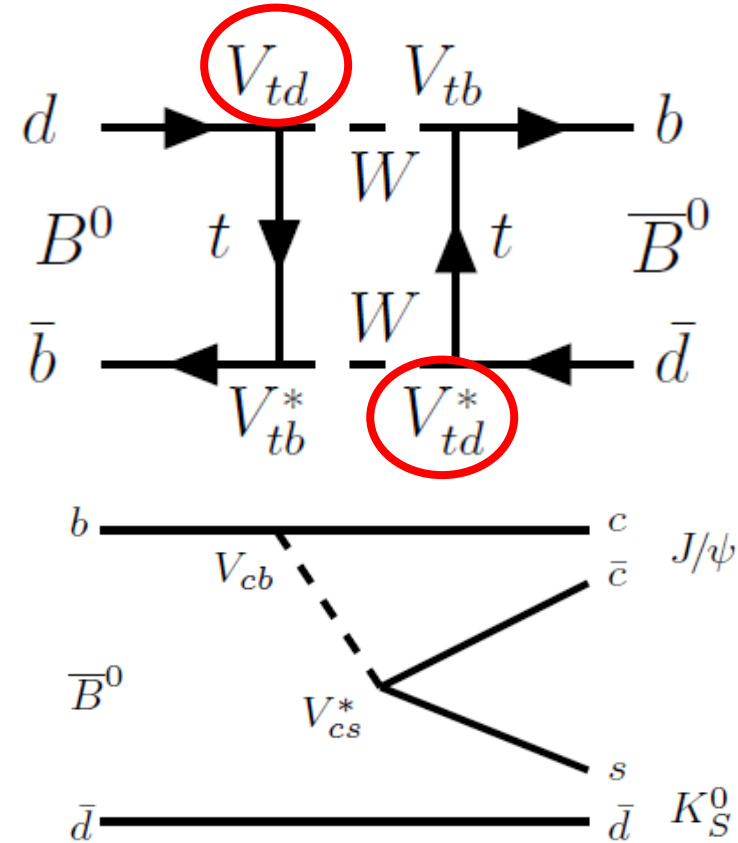
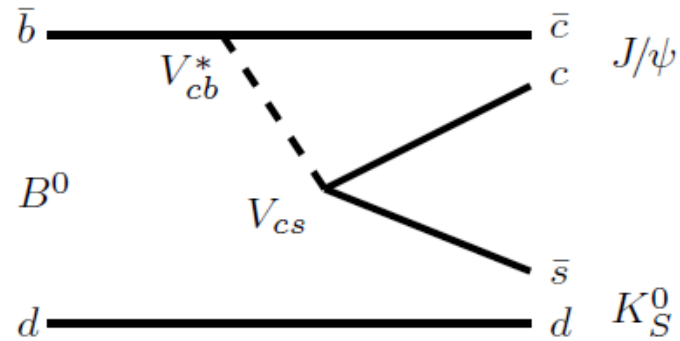


$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1 &= \beta \\ &= \arg \left( -\frac{V_{cd} V_{cb}^*}{V_{td} V_{tb}^*} \right) \\ &\simeq \arg \left( \frac{1}{1 - \rho - i\eta} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# The Golden Mode

$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$  sensitive to

$$\beta = \arg\left(-\frac{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}\right)$$



CP violation in the ‘interference of mixing and decay amplitudes’ – decay time dependent

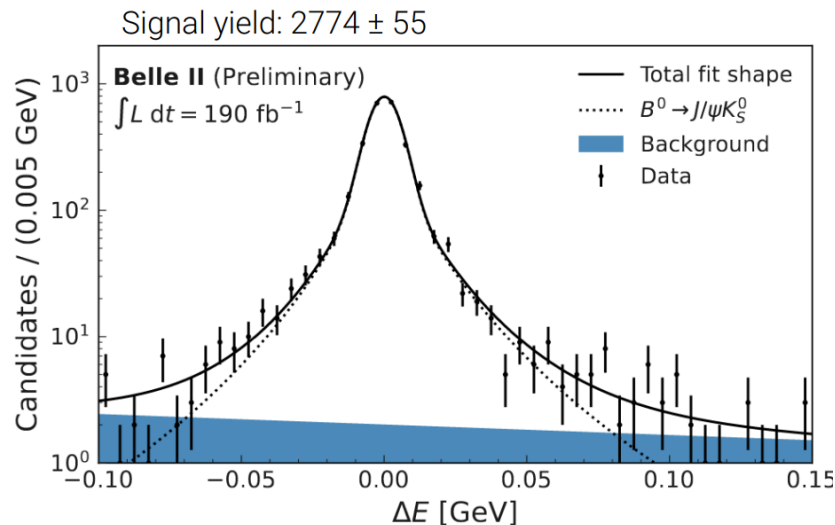
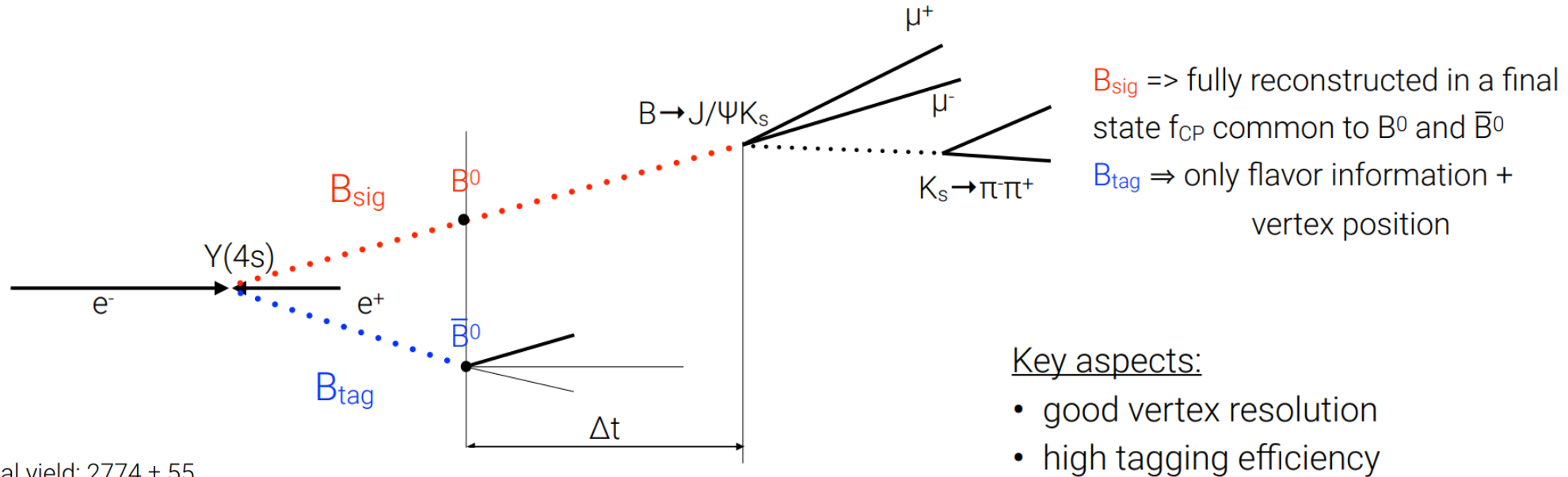
$$A_{CP}(\Delta t) = \frac{\Gamma[\bar{B}^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f] - \Gamma[B^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f]}{\Gamma[\bar{B}^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f] + \Gamma[B^0(\Delta t) \rightarrow f]} = S_f \sin(\Delta m_d \Delta t) - C_f \cos(\Delta m_d \Delta t)$$

In SM  $S_f = \sin 2\beta$  and  $C_f = 0$  when no CPV in  $f$

# Time-dependent CPV violation

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Conference note in preparation

7-GeV electrons on 4-GeV positrons produce  $Y(4S)$  that decays promptly in a quantum-coherent  $B\bar{B}$  pair



$$\epsilon_{\text{eff}}(\text{Belle II}) = (30.0 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.4)\%$$

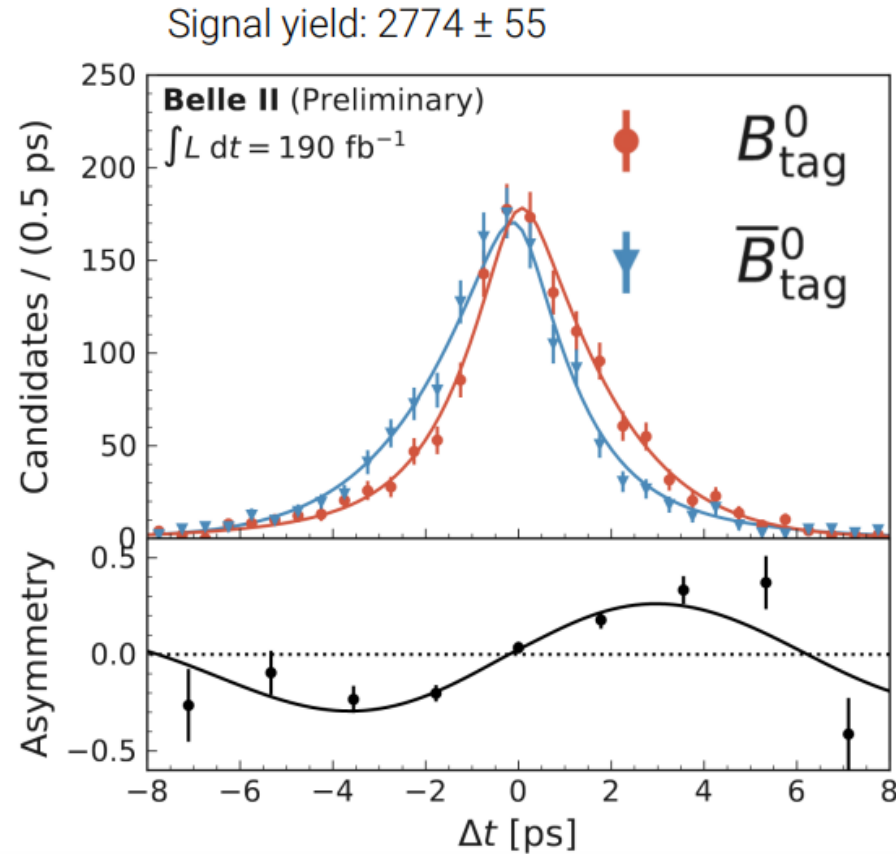
$$\Delta E = E_B - E_{\text{beam}} \text{ (in c.m. frame)}$$

## sin2 $\phi_1$ results

Apply analysis to  $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$  sample

| Source                                       | $\sigma(S_{CP})$ | $\sigma(A_{CP})$   |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Statistical                                  | 0.0622           | 0.0439             |
| $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-} \pi^+$ sample size | 0.0111           | 0.0093             |
| Analysis bias                                | 0.0080           | 0.0020             |
| Signal charge asymmetry                      | 0.0027           | 0.0126             |
| $w_6^+ = 0$ limit                            | 0.0014           | 0.0001             |
| Resolution function parametrization          | 0.0039           | 0.0008             |
| $\tau_{B^0}, \Delta m_d$                     | 0.0007           | 0.0002             |
| Alignment                                    | 0.0020           | 0.0042             |
| Beam spot                                    | 0.0024           | 0.0020             |
| Momentum scale                               | 0.0005           | 0.0013             |
| $\sigma_{\Delta t}$ binning                  | 0.0050           | 0.0051             |
| Multiple candidates                          | 0.0005           | 0.0008             |
| Tag-side interference                        | 0.0020           | +0.0380<br>-0.000  |
| Total systematic                             | 0.0159           | +0.0418<br>-0.0173 |

Milestone: tools are ready for an impactful sin2 $\phi_1$  measurement



$$S_{CP} = 0.720 \pm 0.062 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.016 \text{ (syst.)}$$

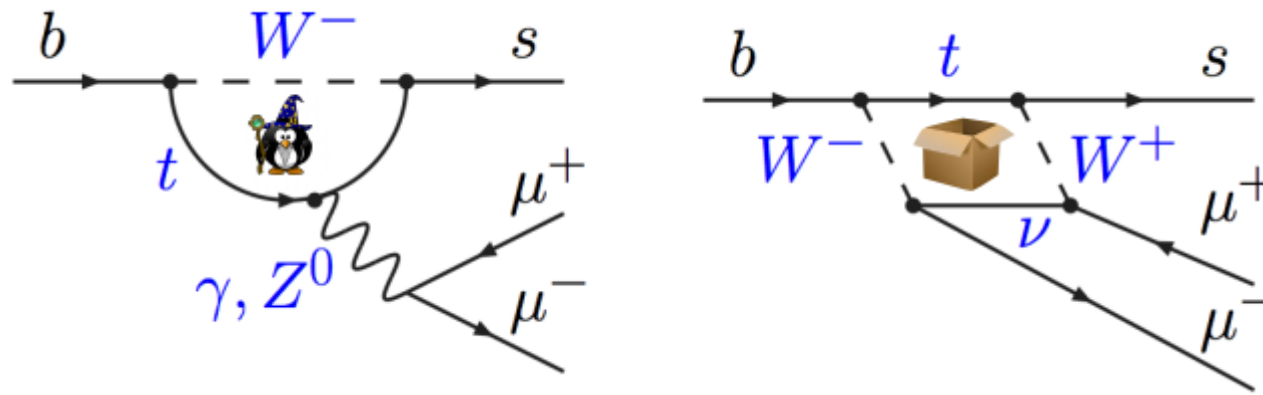
$$A_{CP} = 0.094 \pm 0.044 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.042}_{-0.017} \text{ (syst.)}$$

What next? Gluonic penguin modes  $B^0 \rightarrow \phi K_S^0$  and  $B^0 \rightarrow \eta' K_S^0$  - BSM physics can shift  $S_{CP}$  and  $A_{CP}$

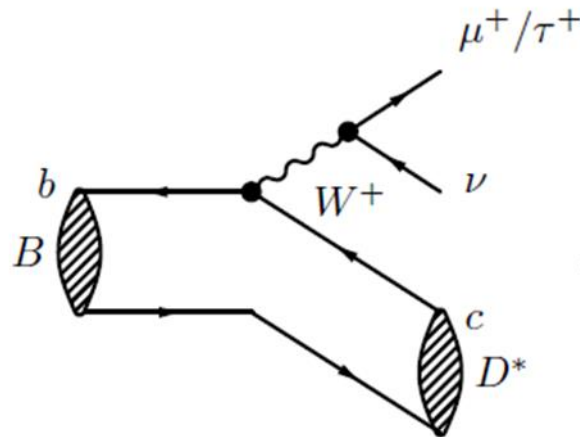
RECENT-ISH RESULT: ANOMALY RELATED

# Overview of modes with anomalies

- Flavour changing neutral current  $b \rightarrow sll$  at loop level only

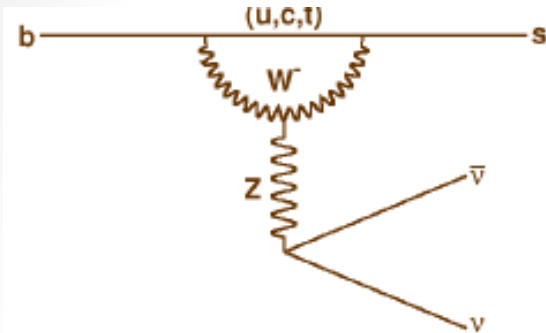


- Tree level  $b \rightarrow c \tau \nu$  semileptonic



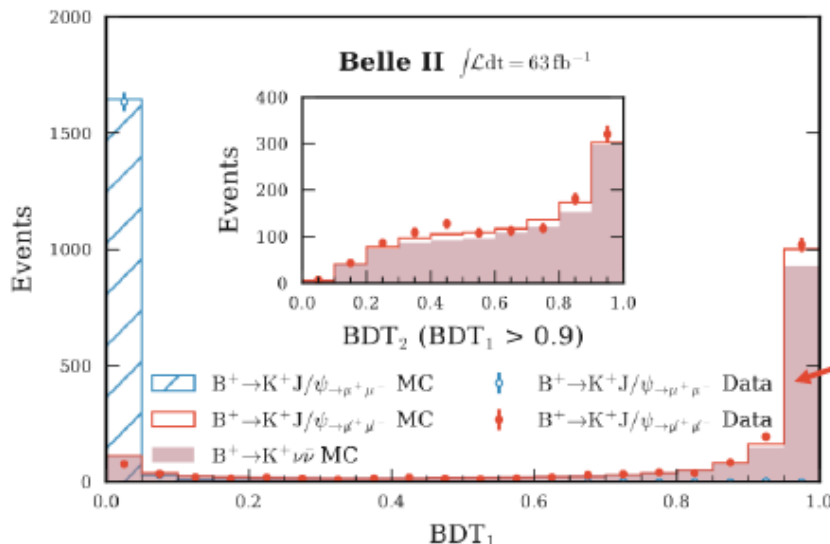
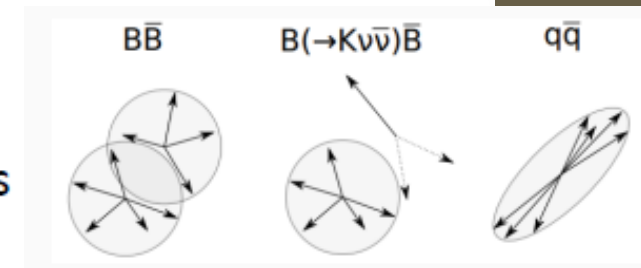
|                          | Pro                                   | Con                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| $b \rightarrow sll$      | New physics reach $O(10 \text{ TeV})$ | One experiment                |
| $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$ | Three experiments                     | New physics near the EW scale |

# $b \rightarrow s \nu \nu$ - PRL 127, 181802 (2021)



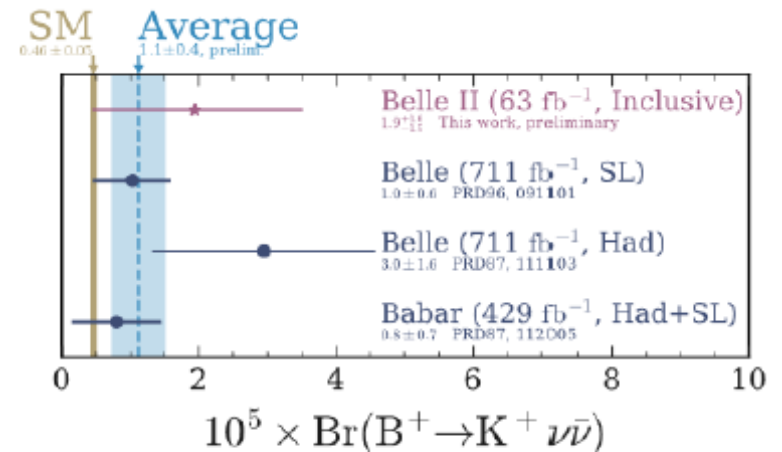
- Transition mediates by a virtual Z-boson.
- SM prediction for the  $\text{BF}[B \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}]_{\text{SM}}$  is  $(4.6 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-6}$  [B2TIP, PTEP 2019, 123C01].

- 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



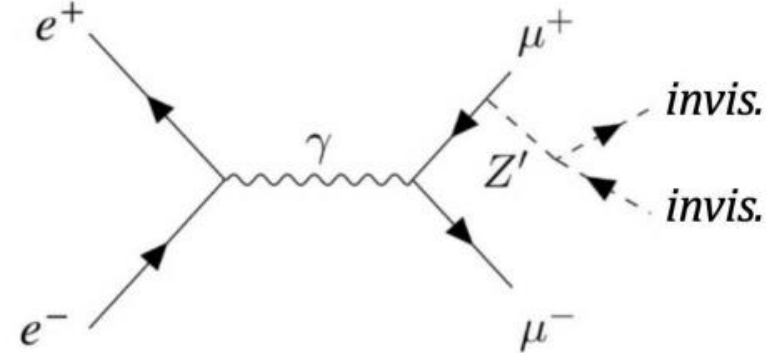
Sensitivity with just 63 fb<sup>-1</sup> data is already close to previous searches with significantly large data-set.

## RECENT RESULT: DARK SECTOR

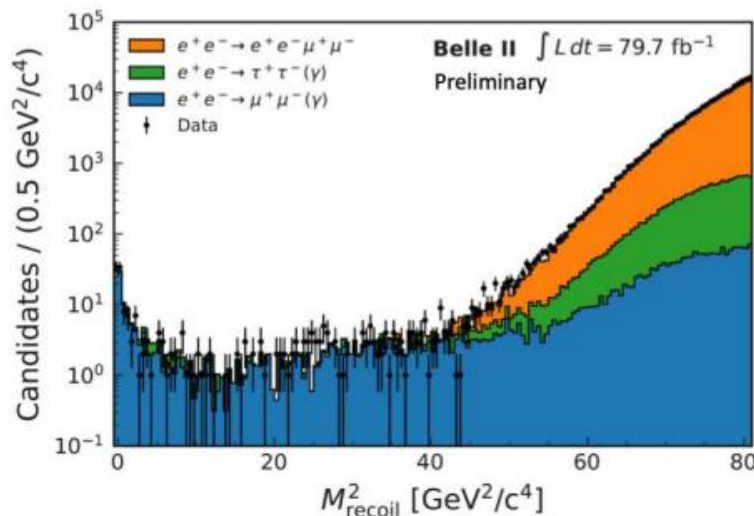
# $Z' \rightarrow \text{invisible}$ – to be submitted to PRL

$L_\mu - L_\tau$  gauge boson  $Z'$  couples only to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation leptons

- Avoids stringent existing limits on electron and quark couplings
- Could explain  $(g-2)_\mu$  and other flavour anomalies, e.g.  $R_{D^{(*)}}$ ,  $R_{K^{(*)}}$
- $Z' \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$  process (mostly relevant for  $m_{Z'} < 2m_\mu$ ).  
More generally  $Z'$  could be mediator to dark sector, coupling to dark  $\chi$  via  $Z' \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}$



$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + E_{\text{miss}}$$



$Z'$  produced by “ $Z'$  -strahlung” process from final-state muon

- Previous limits by BABAR and Belle on  $Z' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

$Z'$  reconstructed in recoil of di-muon pair

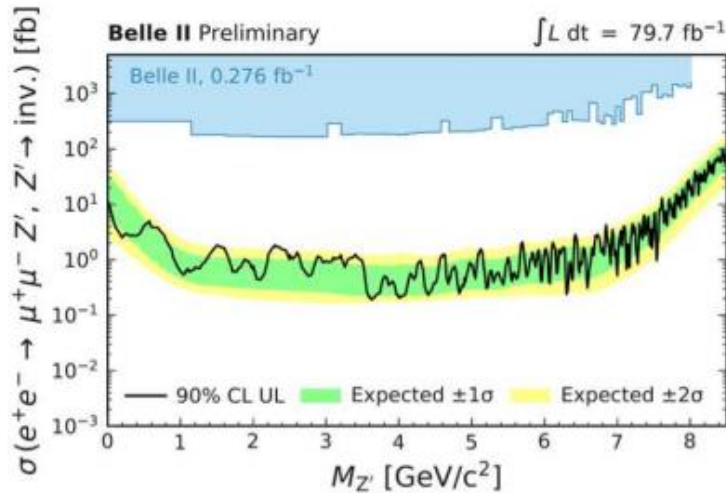
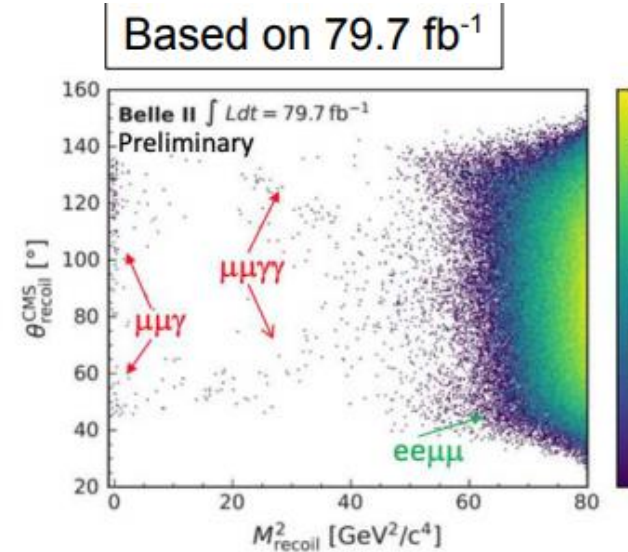
- 2-track trigger w/ muon  $p_{T^\mu} > 0.4 \text{ GeV}/c$
- No extra energy ( $\gamma, \pi^0$ ) present in the event

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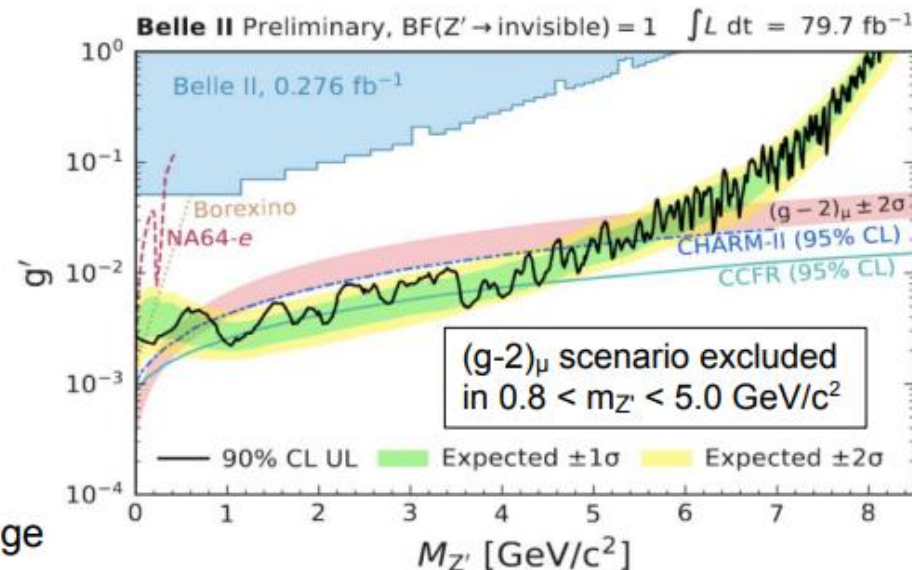
Backgrounds originate from QED processes which mimic the  $\mu^+\mu^- + E_{\text{miss}}$  final state, typically due to detector acceptance effects:

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- \gamma (\gamma)$  undetected photon(s)
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- (\gamma)$  muonic  $\tau$  decays and mis-ID
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \mu^+\mu^-$  missing  $e^+e^-$

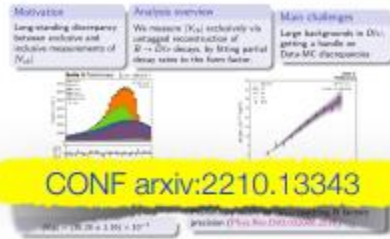
Neural Net based on kinematic variables optimized for background suppression



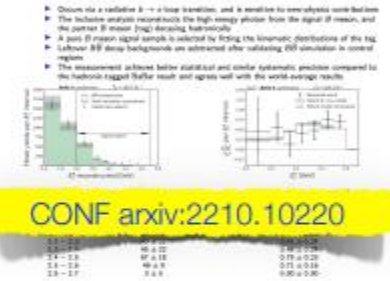
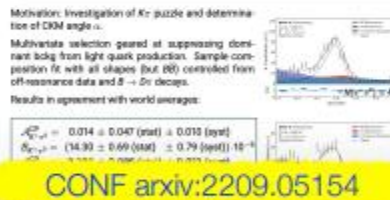
No significant excess seen within signal mass range



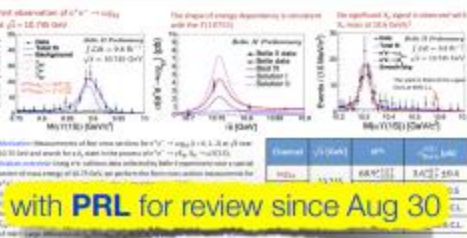
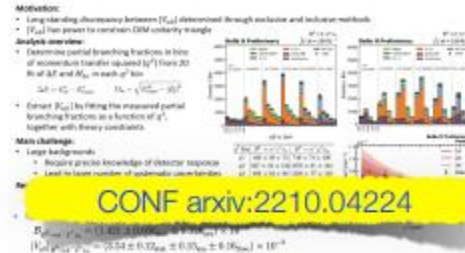
$|V_{cb}|$  from untagged  $B \rightarrow D \ell \nu$  decays



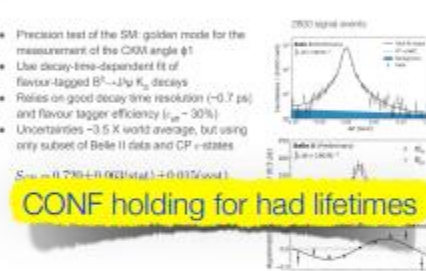
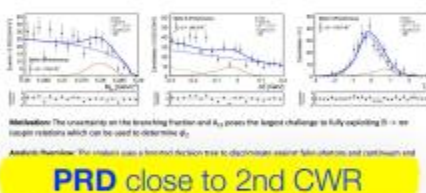
Inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  using hadronic tagging

BF and  $A_{CP}$  in  $B^+ \rightarrow h^+ \pi^0$ 

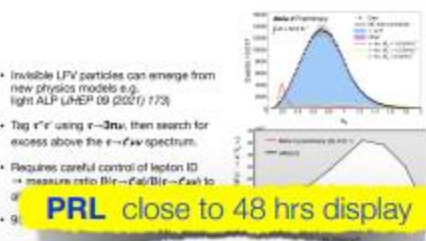
Observation of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega\chi_b$  and search for  $\chi_b$  at a  
and near 10.75 GeV

 $|\text{Vub}|$  from untagged  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  decays

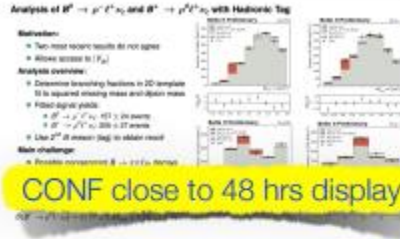
$B^0$  mixing phase  $\phi_1/\beta$  from  $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$

BF and  $A_{CP}$  in  $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ 

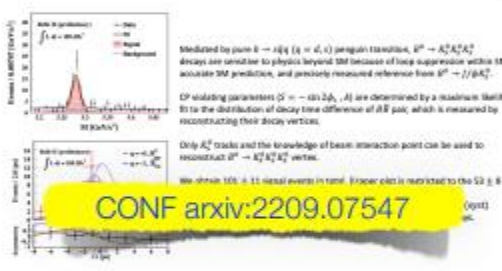
Search for  $\tau \rightarrow \ell \alpha$  (invisible)



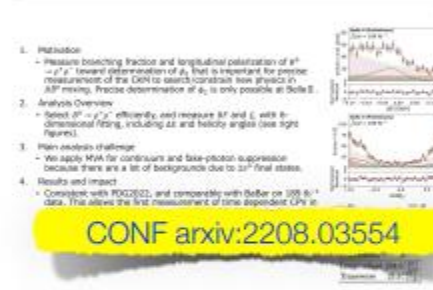
BF( $B \rightarrow \rho \ell \nu$ ) from tagged decays



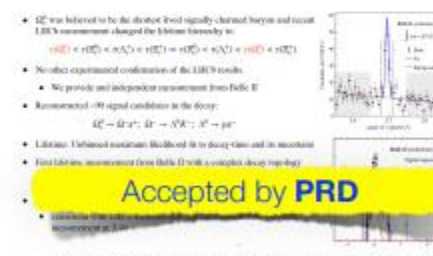
$CP$  violation in  $B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0 K_S^0$  decays

Measurement of  $R(K)$  in resonant decays

Search for  $Z', S, ALP \rightarrow \pi\pi$  in  $\mu\mu\pi\pi$  final states

LFU test in semileptonic  $B$  decaysBF and fL in  $B^0 \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^-$ 

### Measurement of the $\Omega_c$ lifetime



Search for an invisible  $Z'$  in  $\mu\mu + \text{missing energy}$





## BELLE II PROSPECTS

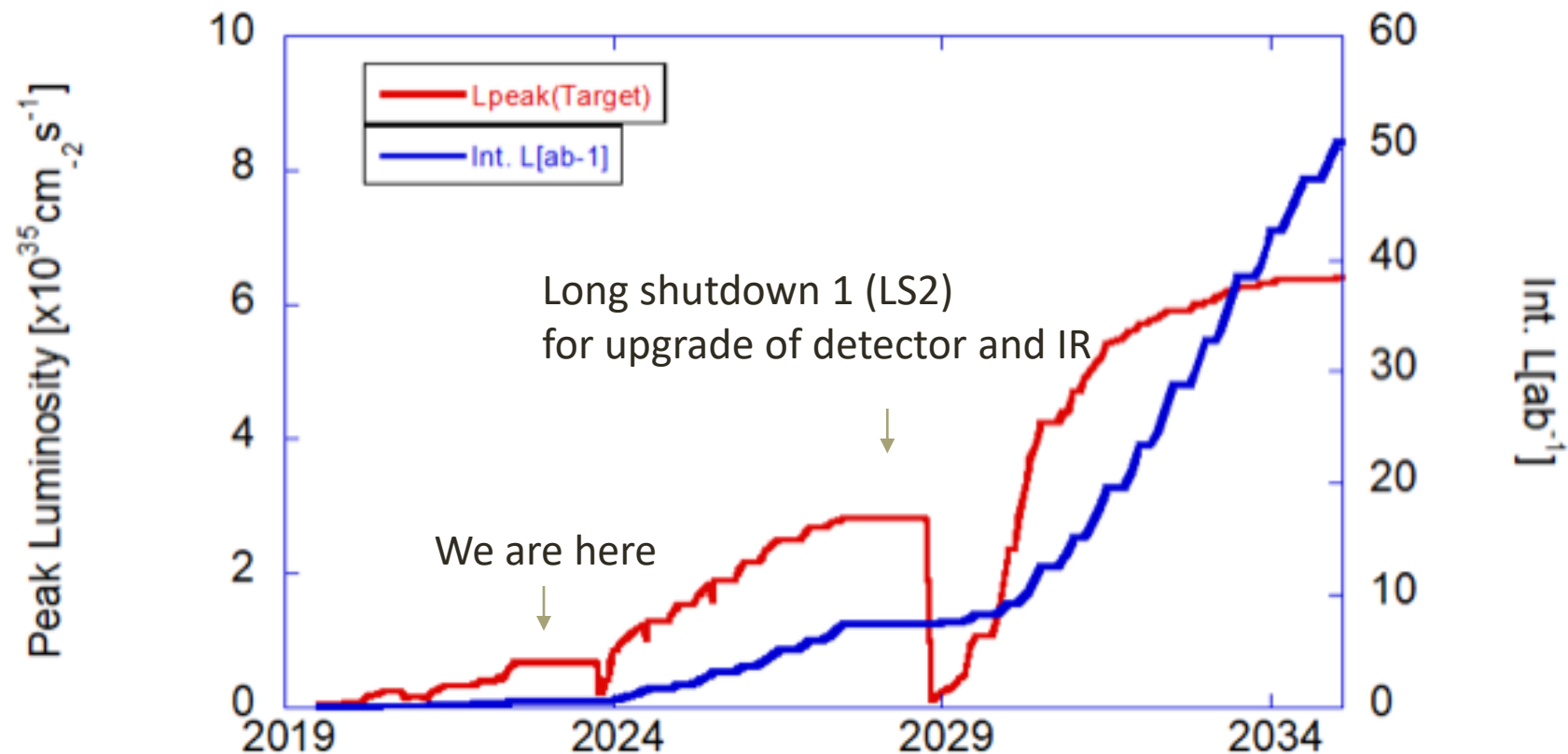
# Belle II data taking plan

High backgrounds from the beams have made stable running at high luminosity difficult

We have not accumulated data at the rate anticipated

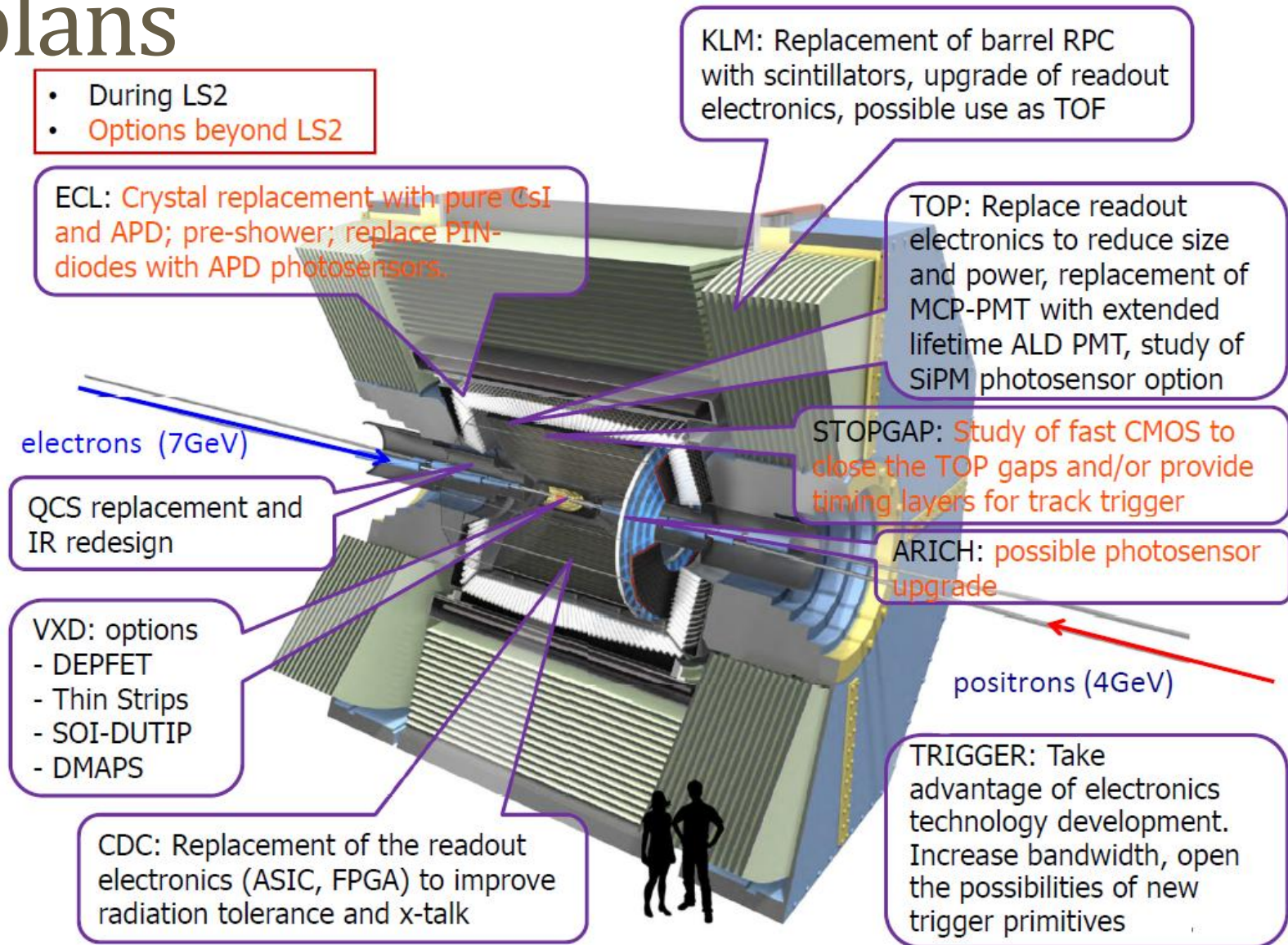
Long shutdown ongoing: accelerator and detector improvements

Path to  $2 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  but thereafter more work required



# Upgrade plans

- Many plans and possibilities
  - + polarized beams for  $\sin^2\theta_w$
- Work on a Conceptual Design Report begun to be delivered in 2023
- Followed by a Technical Design Report in 2024
- Shutdown end of 2026 or 2027 for installation



# Conclusions

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2207.06307.pdf> - Belle II Snowmass  
Nitty gritty and up to date predictions of what we can achieve

- Belle II is up and running since 2019
- First significant results are coming in B, charm, tau, dark sector and spectroscopy
- We have a BABAR sized data set in hand to do much more in the next year of shutdown
  - Measurements are benefiting from improved techniques, e.g., machine learning
- Then onward to  $10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  and a few  $\text{ab}^{-1}$  data set by 2026
  - Unique reach for missing energy, neutral, tau and dark sector
- Path to  $50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  unclear but active upgrade programme underway so this can be delivered by the middle of the next decade