

Belle II Experiment Highlights and Future Prospects

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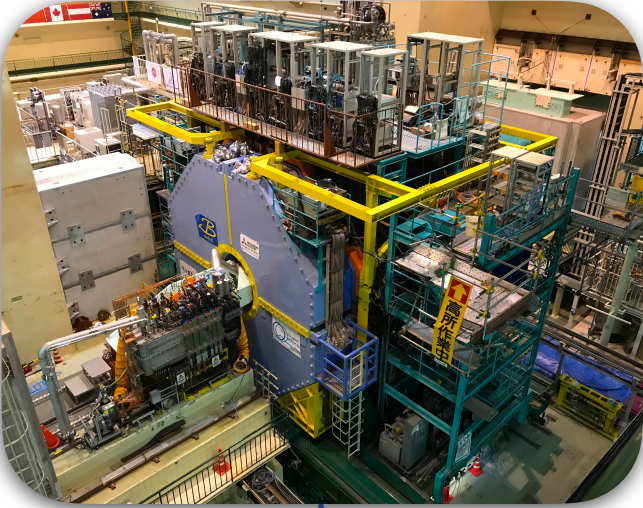
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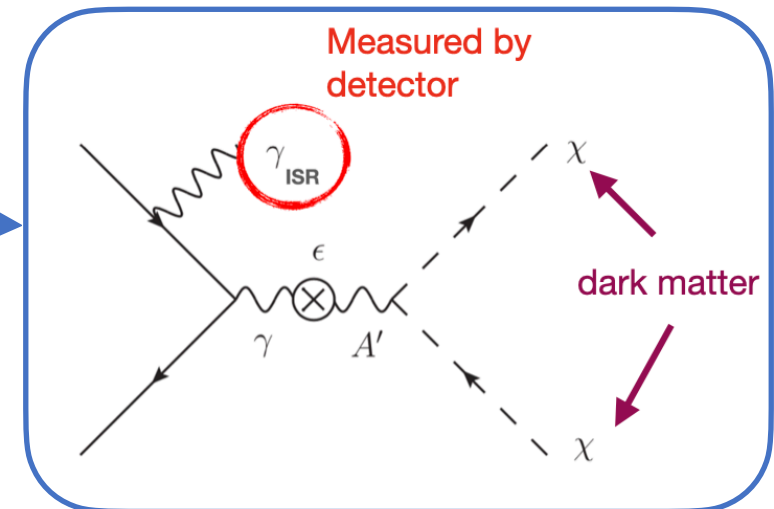
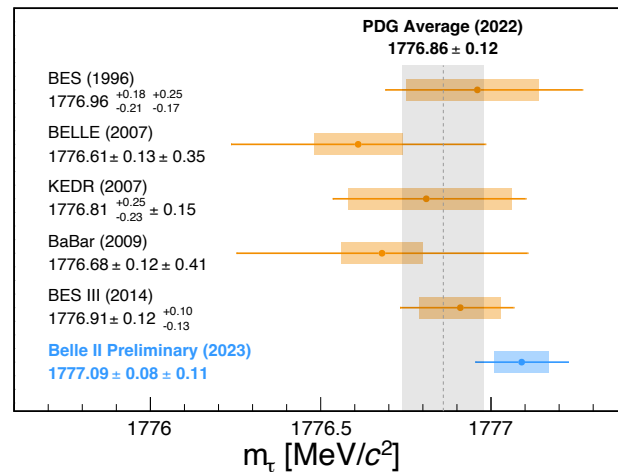


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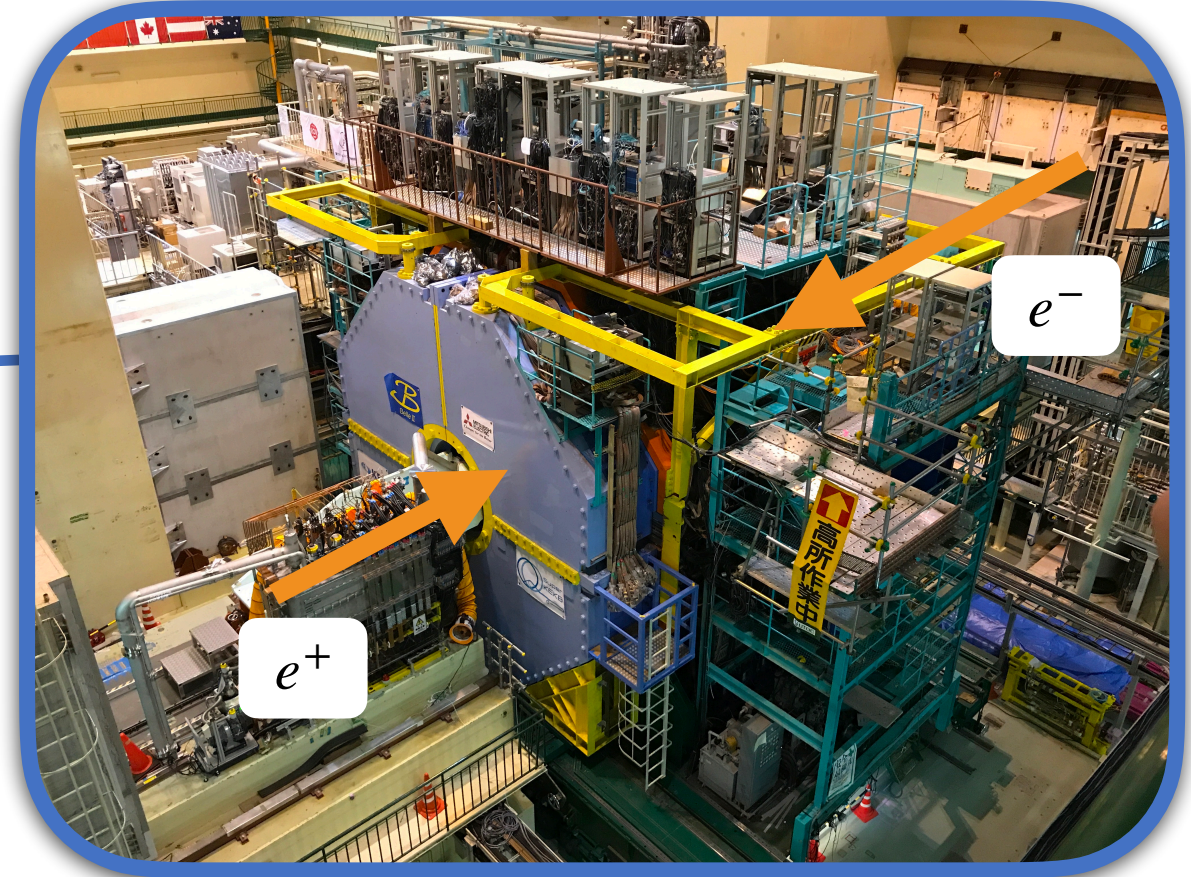
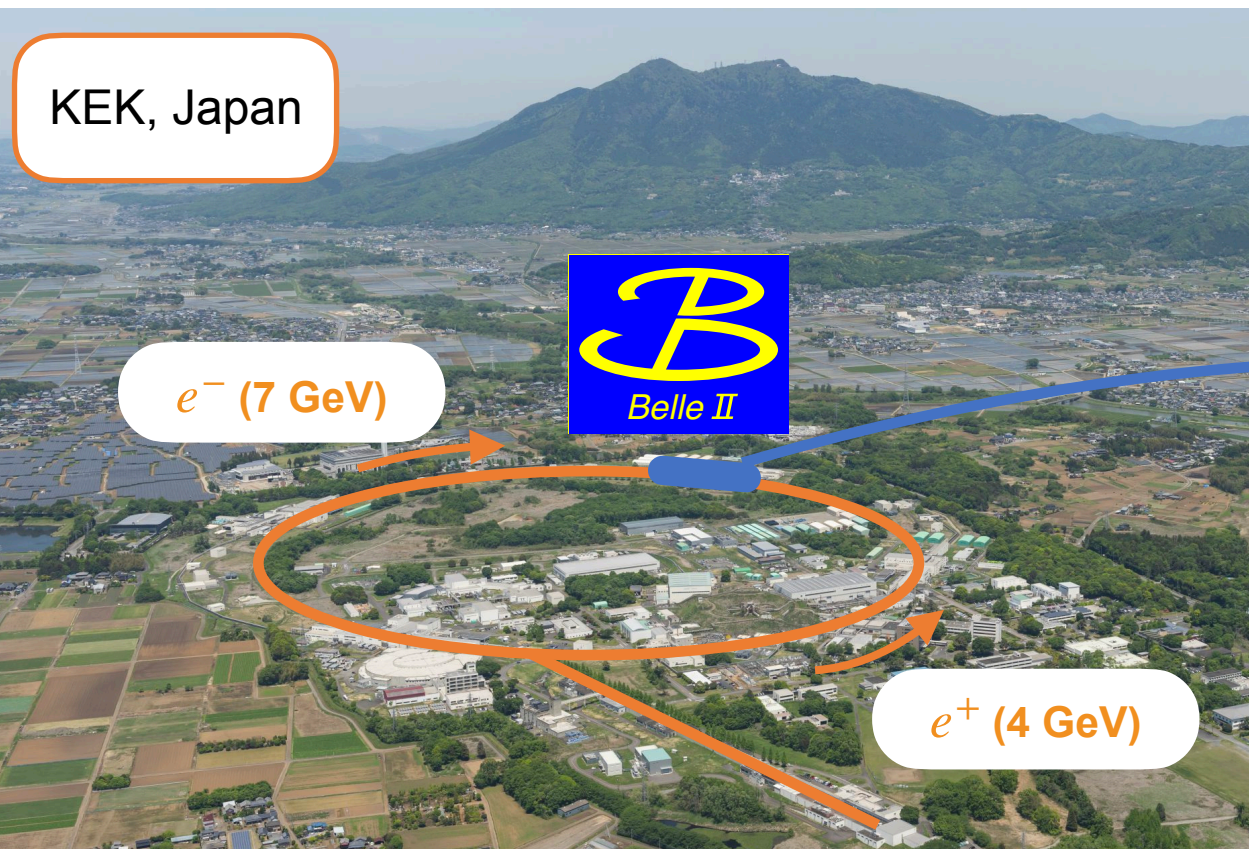


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Belle II Experiment at SuperKEKB

- Next generation B -meson Factory searching for new physics at the intensity frontier.
- Asymmetric-energy e^+e^- collisions at or near $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance ($\sqrt{s} = 10.58$ GeV).
- Targets integrated luminosity of 50 ab^{-1} over experiment lifetime. (Belle $\sim 0.7 \text{ ab}^{-1}$, BaBar $\sim 0.4 \text{ ab}^{-1}$)

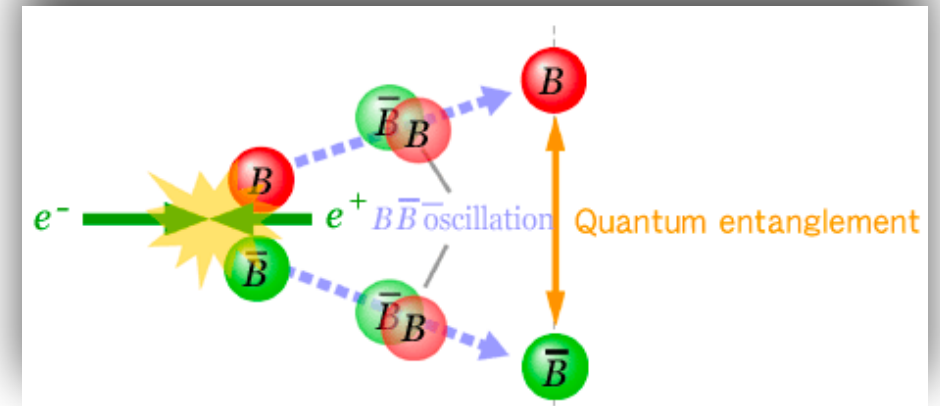
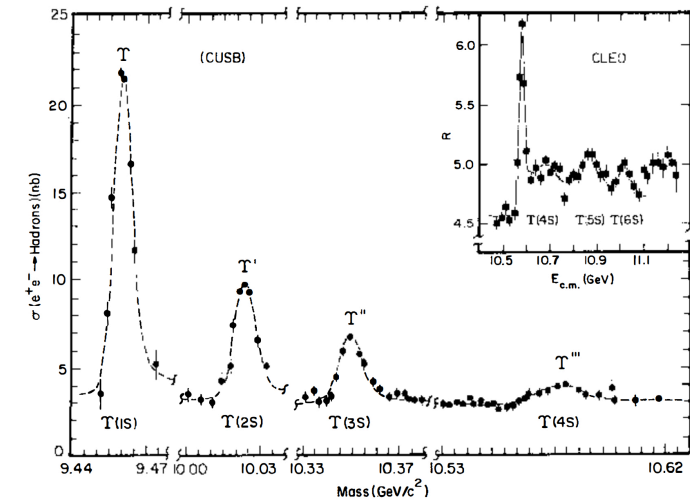


Belle II Physics Program

- Collision energy tuned to $\Upsilon(4S)$ (10.58 GeV).
 - >96% of $\Upsilon(4S)$ decay to entangled B meson pair.
 - Enables precise characterization of CKM matrix and Charge Parity violation.
- Extensive charm, tau and dark sector physics programs also pursued.

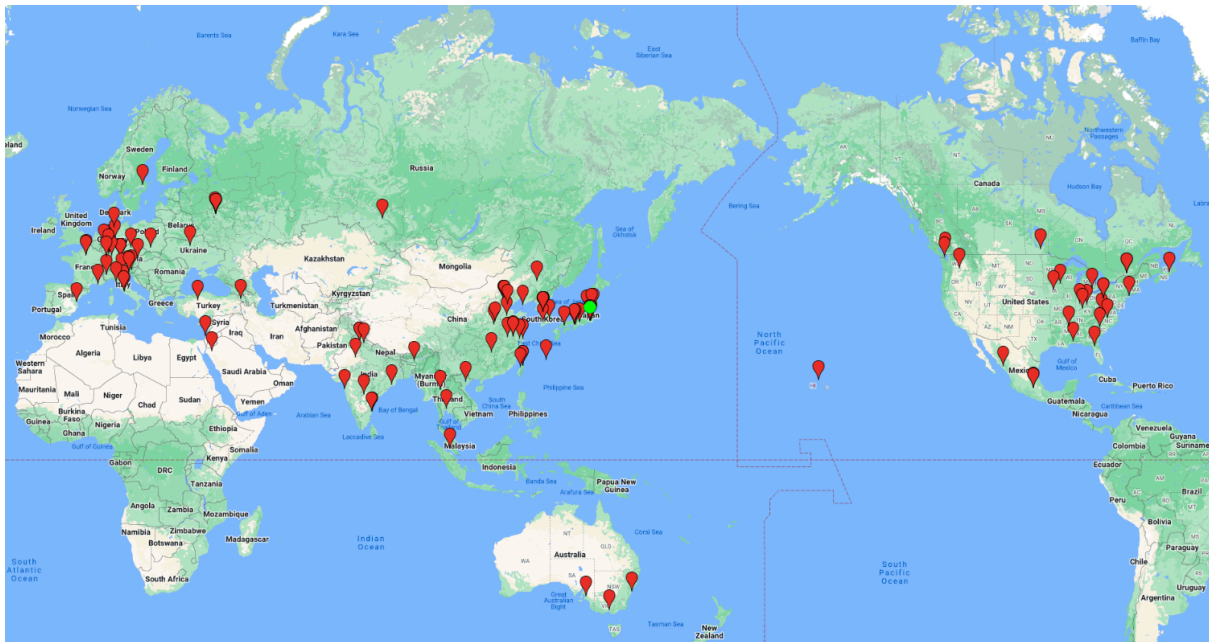
	Production σ (nb)
$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	1.1
$c\bar{c}$	1.3
light $q\bar{q}$	2.1
$\tau^+\tau^-$	0.9
Dark Sector	?

- Precise determination of missing energy/momentum enabled by:
 - ✓ Minimal collision pile-up
 - ✓ Well-known initial conditions
 - ✓ Hermetic detector with high detection efficiency for charged and neutral particles.



Belle II Collaboration and Canadian Participation

- International collaboration of ~1,100 physicists from over 120 institutes, and 26 countries and regions.
- Seven Canadian institutes.
 - ➔ 15 grant eligible, 1 computing physicist, 3 postdocs, 11 graduate students, and 5 undergraduates.



U. British Columbia:

C. Hearty, J. McKenna, M. De Nuccio, M. Wakai, D. Crook

U. Victoria:

M. Roney, R. Sobie, R. Kowalewski, T. Junginger, M. Ebert, T. Grammatico, A. Beaubien, N. Tessema, S. Gholipourverki, S. Taylor

McGill:

A. Warburton, R. van Tonder, A. Fodor, T. Shillington, K. Chu, G. Leverick

U. Manitoba:

S. Longo, J. Mammei, W. Deconinck, M. Gericke, I. Na, S. Saha, A. Tseragotin, A. Shakib

U. Alberta:

S. Robertson

St. Francis Xavier:

H. Ahmed, E. Hunt, M. Penner

TRIUMF:

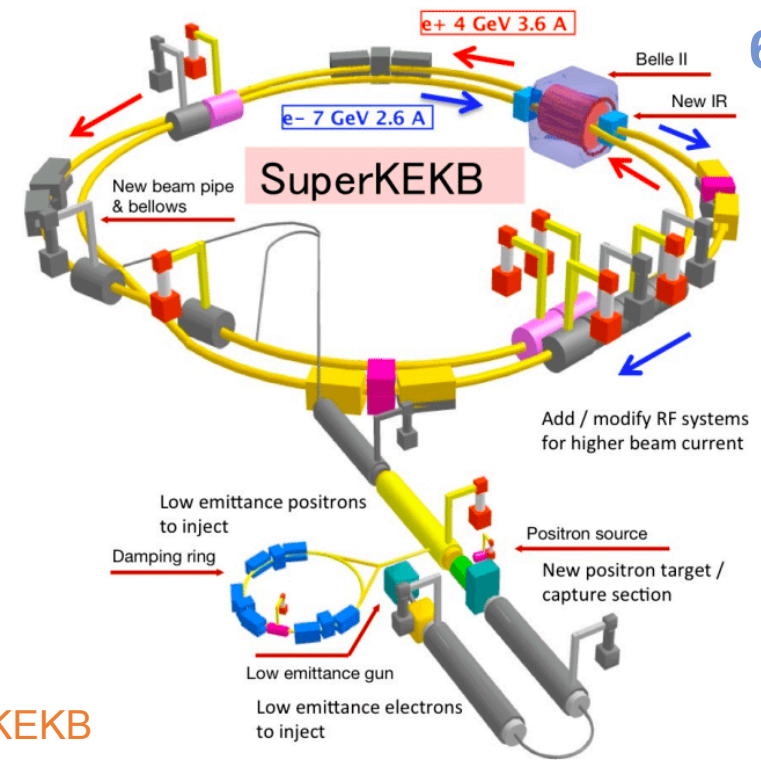
R. Baartman, T. Planche

SuperKEKB Collider

- Targets final luminosity of $8 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ (~40x KEKB collider)
- Achieved through novel nano-beams and higher beam currents.

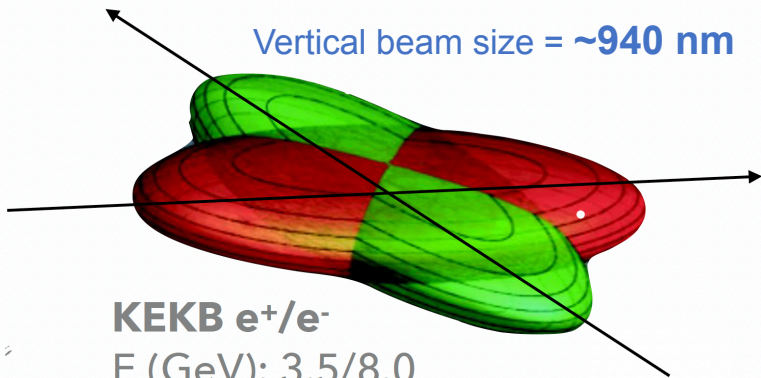
$$L = \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2er_e} \left(\frac{I_{\pm} \xi_{y\pm}}{\beta_{y\pm}^*} \right) \left(\frac{R_L}{R_{\xi_y}} \right)$$

Beam current doubled from KEKB (pointing to I_{\pm})
Vertical beam size at interaction point x20 smaller from KEKB (pointing to $\beta_{y\pm}^*$)



Previous generation

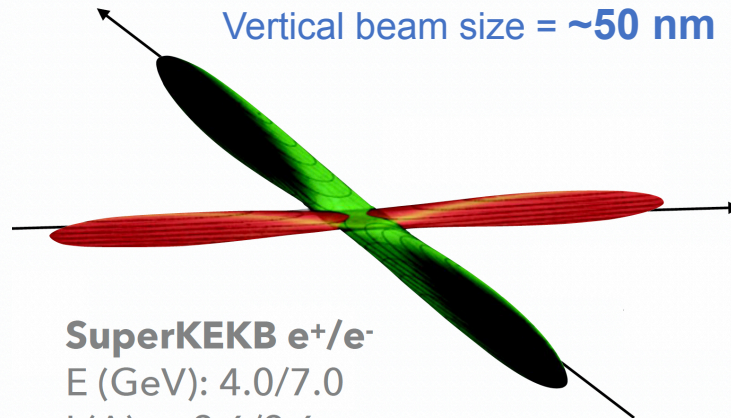
Vertical beam size = ~940 nm



KEKB e⁺/e⁻
 E (GeV): 3.5/8.0
 I (A): ~ 1.6/1.2
 β_{y}^* (mm): ~5.9/5.9

SuperKEKB nano-beams

Vertical beam size = ~50 nm



SuperKEKB e⁺/e⁻
 E (GeV): 4.0/7.0
 I (A): ~ 3.6/2.6
 β_{y}^* (mm): ~0.27/0.3

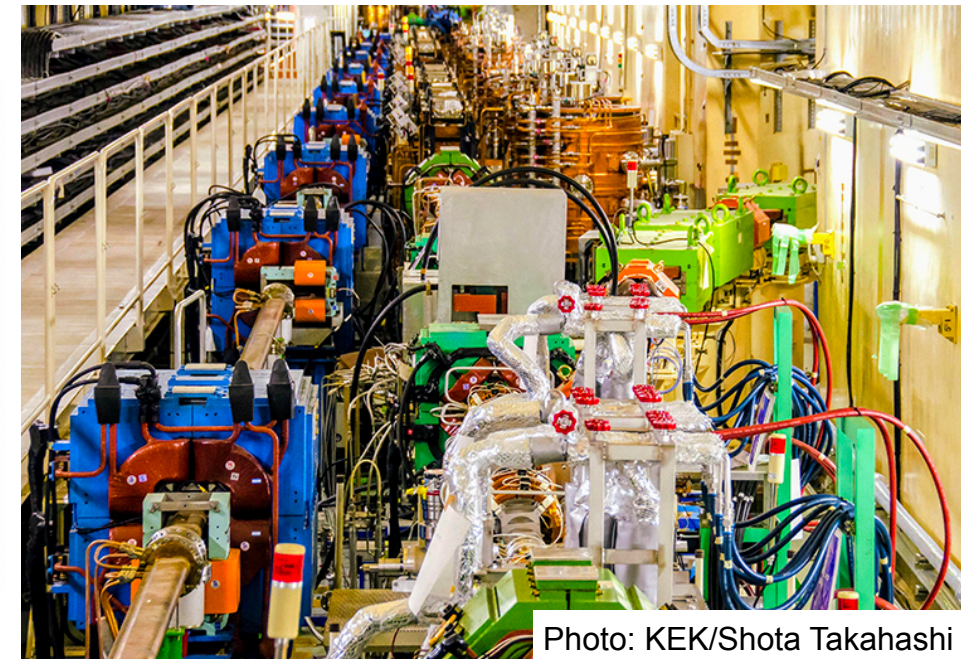
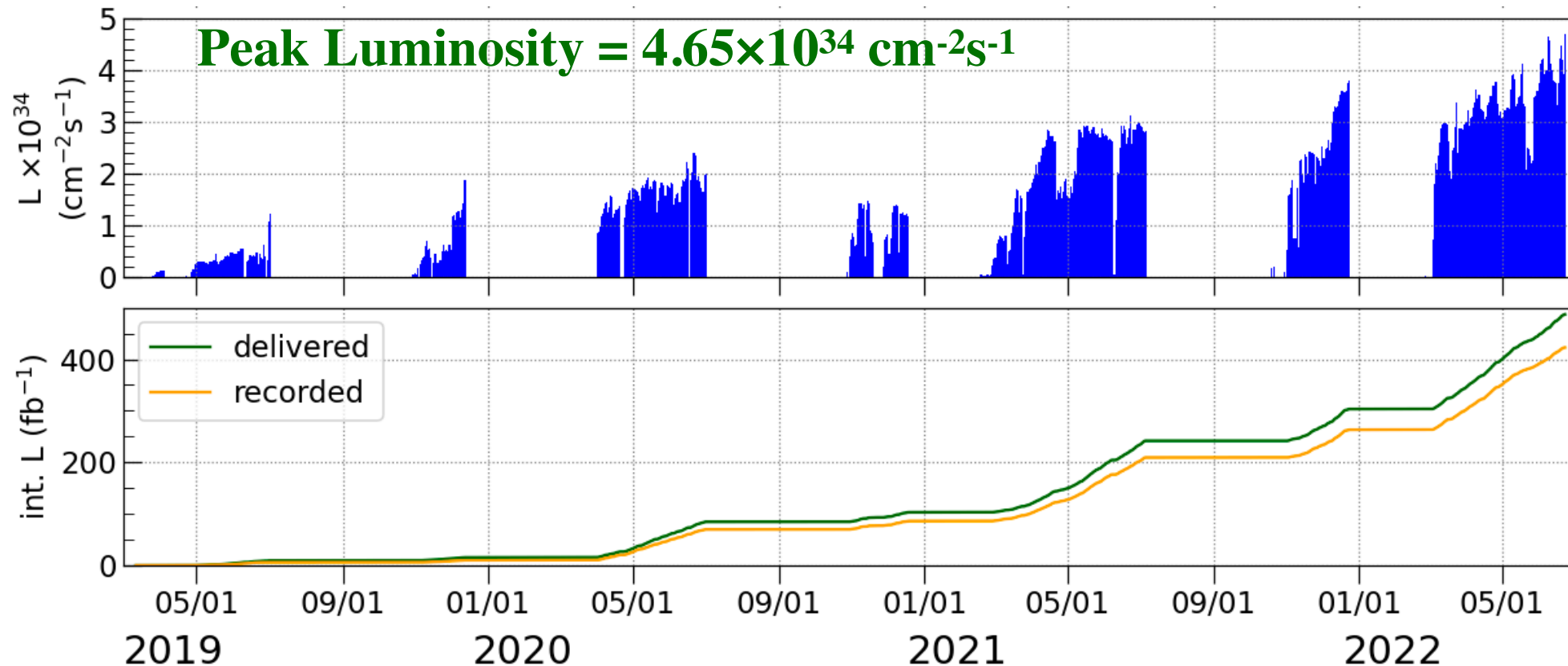
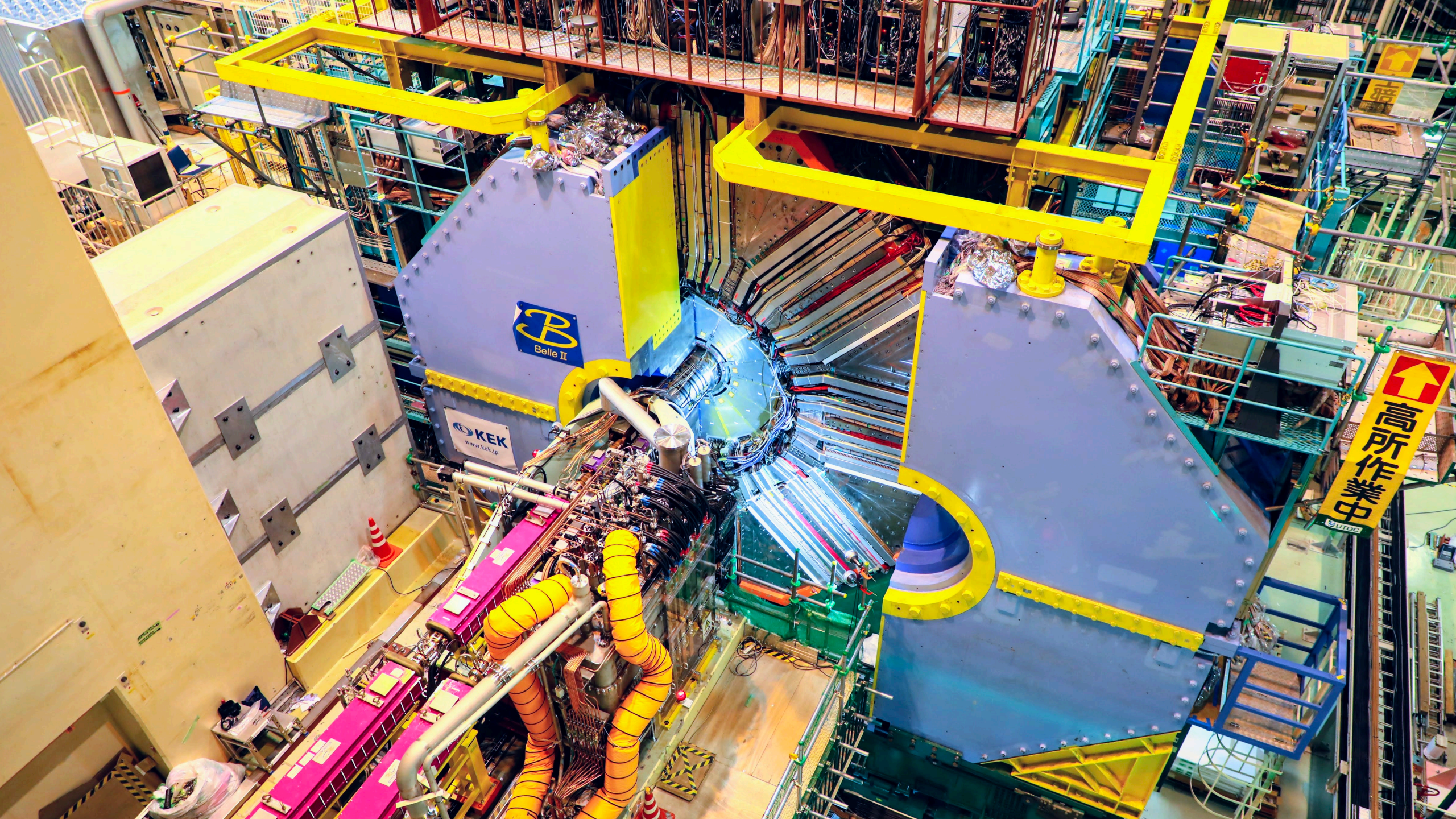


Photo: KEK/Shota Takahashi

SuperKEKB Operation

- SuperKEKB has doubled the world-record for instantaneous luminosity since starting physics operation in 2019.
- Peak luminosity of $4.65 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ achieved in most recent operating period.






Belle II


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Belle II Detector

Operates as magnetic spectrometer with high detection efficiency for charged and neutral particles.

- Canada provides ~11% of Belle II computing resources.
- CFI-IF awarded for new Tier-1 data storage centre.

Electromagnetic Calorimeter



CsI(Tl) with waveform sampling
5D Calorimetry: Position, energy, time, and pulse shape for particle ID.

K_L^0 and Muon detector

Inner Barrel/Endcaps: Scintillating Strips
Outer Barrel: Resistive Plate Counter

Drift Chamber

He(50%):C₂H₆(50%), Larger size relative to Belle, smaller cells, new electronics.

Trigger:

Hardware < 30 kHz
Software < 10 kHz



Magnet:

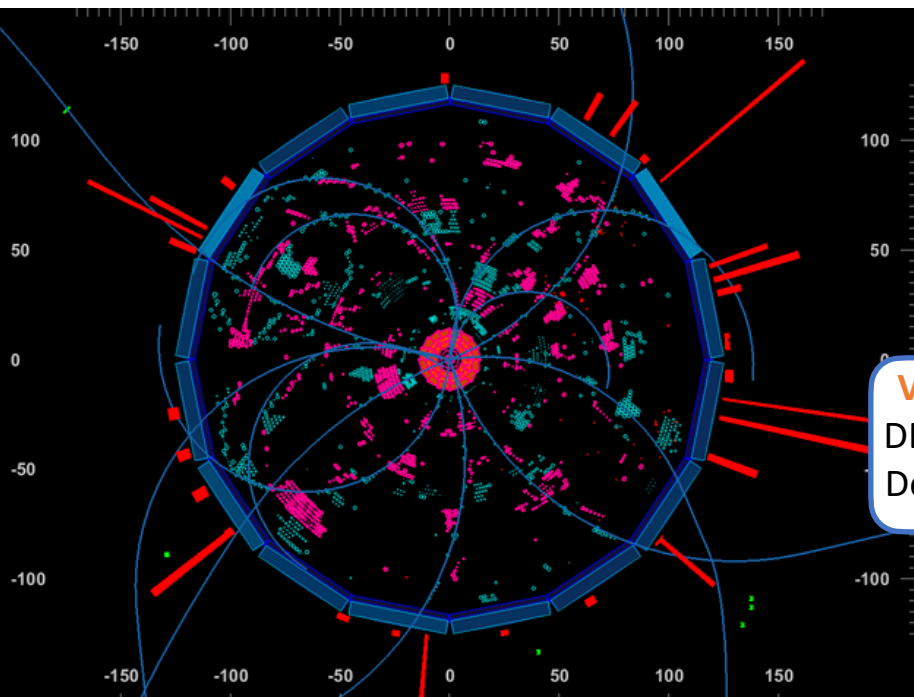
1.5T superconducting

Vertex Detector:

DEPFET pixel detector (2 layers)
Double-sided silicon strip detector (4 layers)

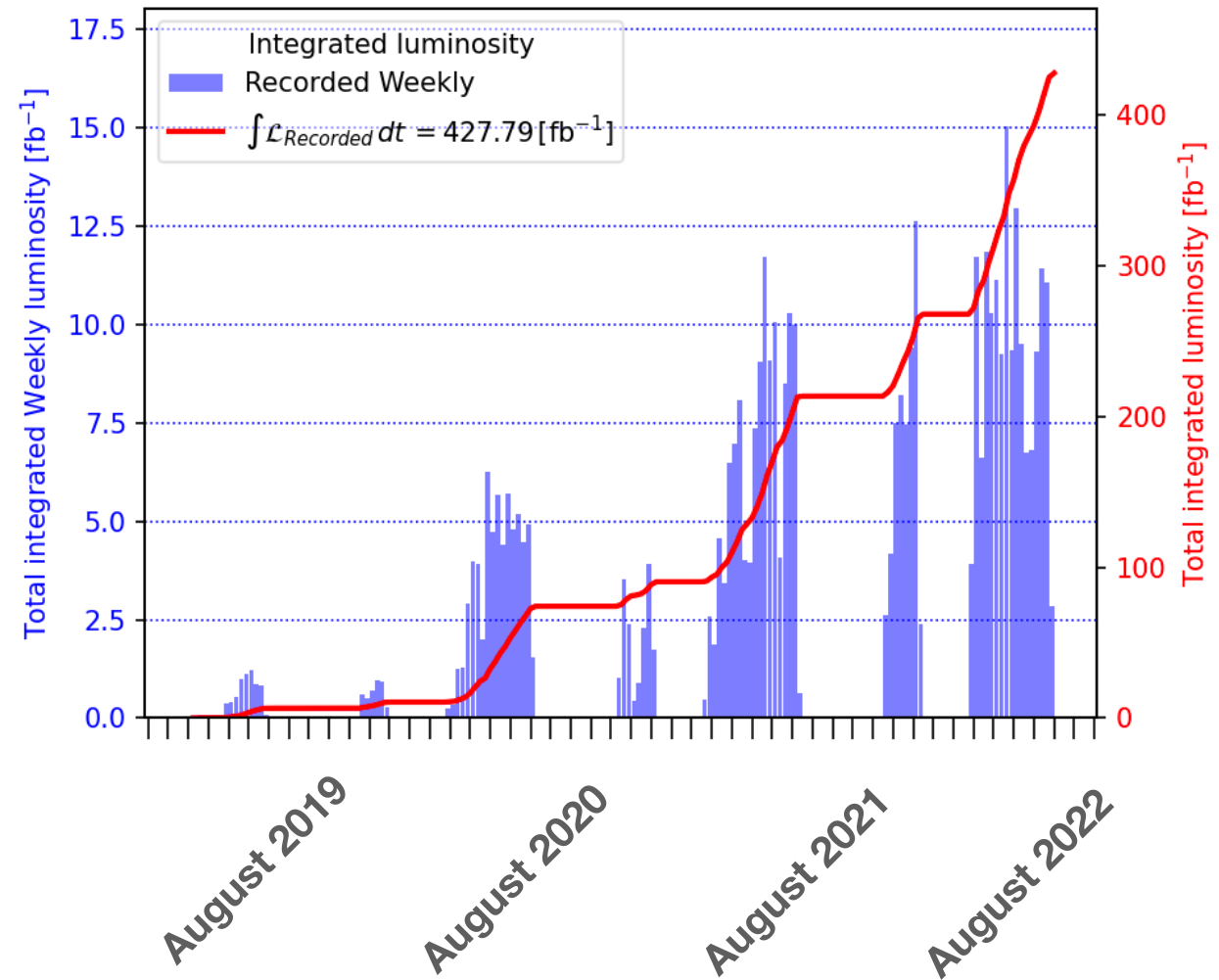
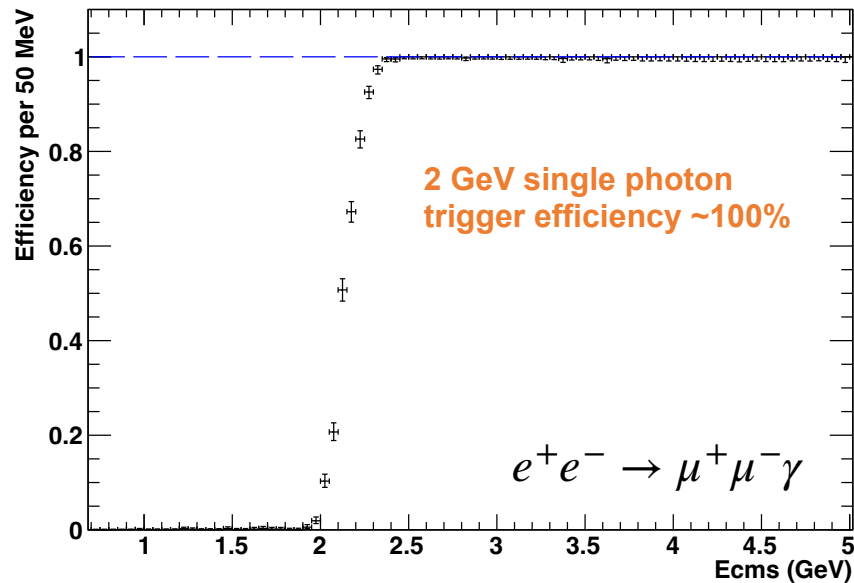
Charged Particle Identification:

Barrel: Time-of-Propagation counter
Forward Endcap: Aerogel Ring-Imaging Cherenkov counter



Belle II Dataset

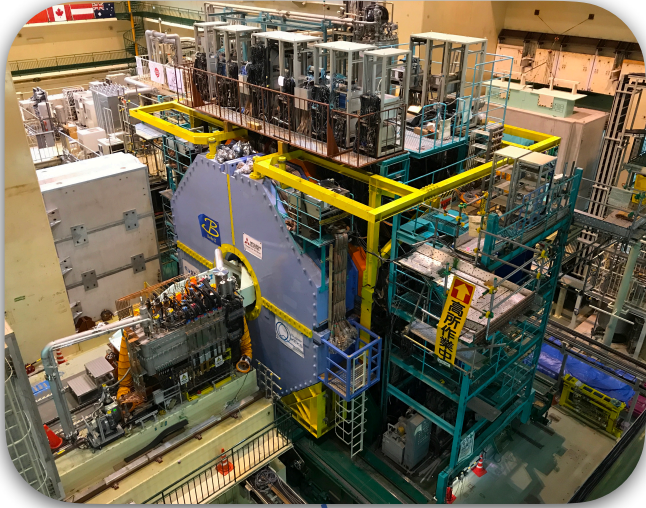
- Total dataset to-date is 427/fb.
 - Equivalent to BaBar dataset was achieved in 1/4 the time and during pandemic.
- Specialized “Dark Sector Triggers” (eg. single photon, single track), enabled for entire dataset.
 - Belle did not have single photon trigger, and BaBar had only for ~10% of dataset.



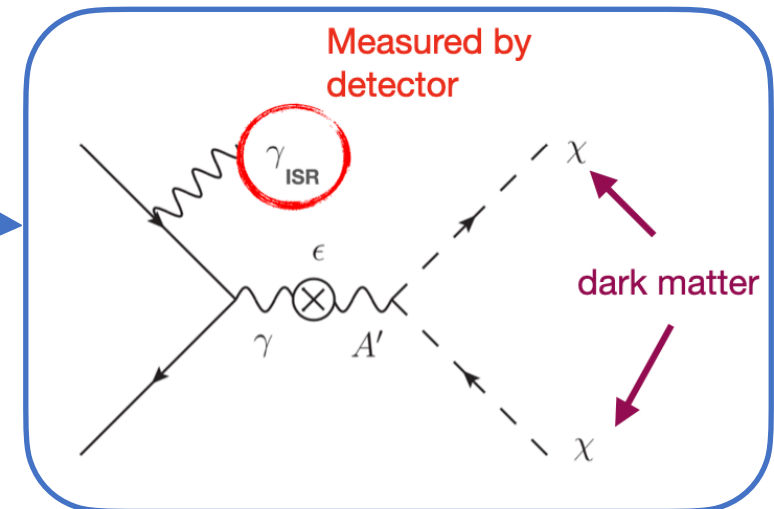
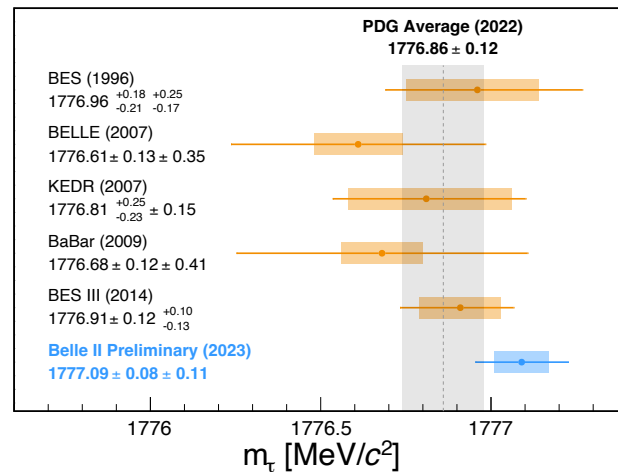
Single Photon Level 1 Trigger Lines:

- At least one photon with $E_{\text{CMS}} > 2$ GeV
- One $E_{\text{CMS}} > 1$ GeV photon in barrel + no other energetic photons
- One $E_{\text{CMS}} > 0.5$ GeV photon in central barrel + no other energetic photons

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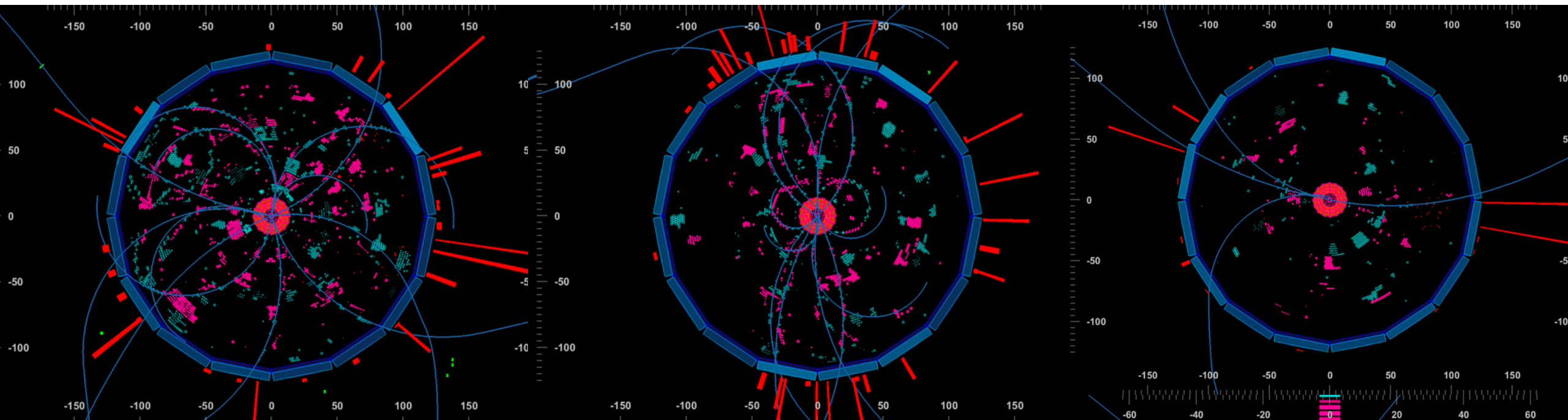


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Recent Belle II Physics Highlights

- Total of 22 papers published/accepted/submitted. ([Belle II Journal Publications](#))
- 10 papers published/accepted in last year.
- This talk will highlight a subset of results from the past year.



Testing Light-lepton Universality

- Standard Model predicts same electroweak coupling for all leptons “Lepton Flavour Universality” (LFU).
- Precision $e - \mu$ universality test completed with 189/fb using **inclusive** semileptonic decays with **hadronic tag**.

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B_{tag} \bar{B}_{sig} \quad B_{tag} \text{ fully reconstructed.} \quad X = \text{anything}$$

$$\bar{B}_{sig} \rightarrow X\ell\nu \quad \ell = e, \mu$$

- Background constrained with off-resonance data. Yield measured with simultaneous fit to p_e^B and p_μ^B spectra.
- Work ongoing to extend to tau flavour.

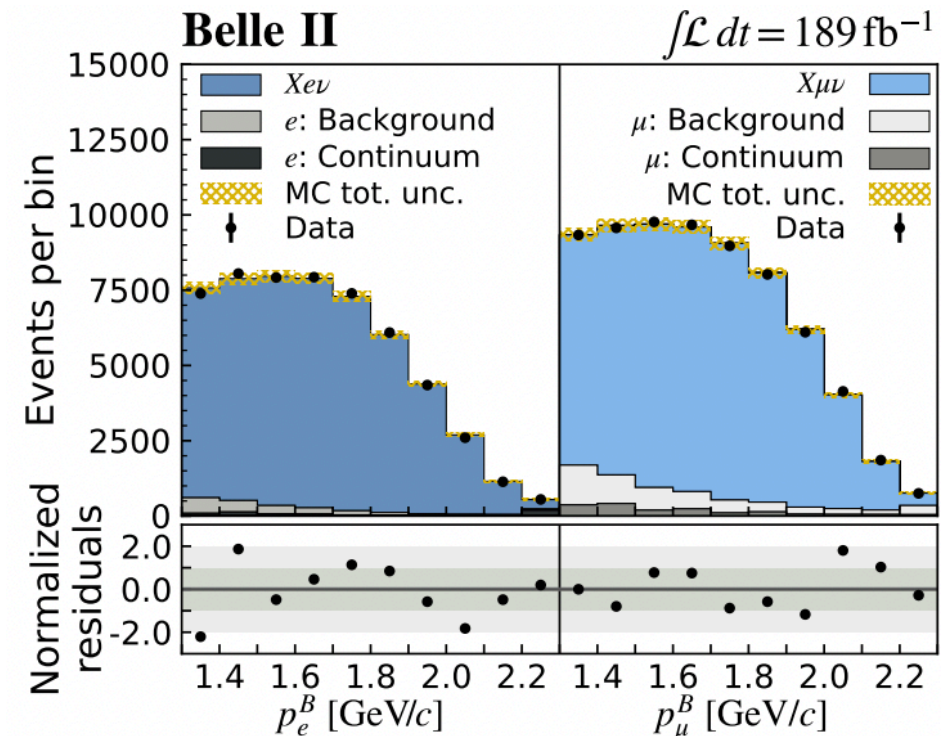
$$R(X_{e/\mu}) = \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X e \nu) / \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X \mu \nu)$$

$$= 1.007 \pm 0.009 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.019 \text{ (syst)}$$

Consistent with Standard Model prediction

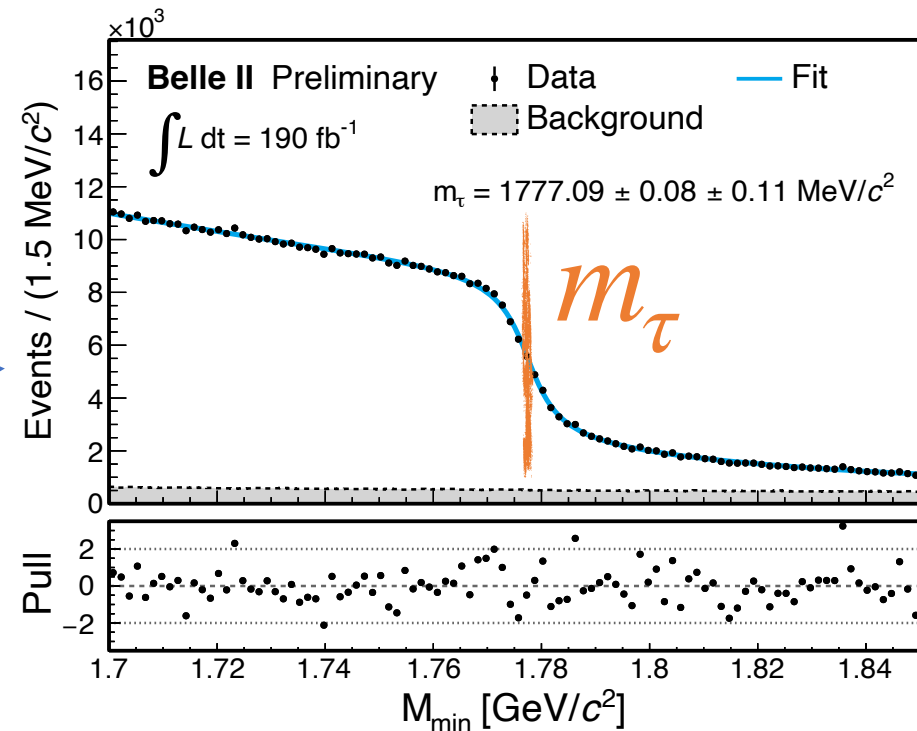
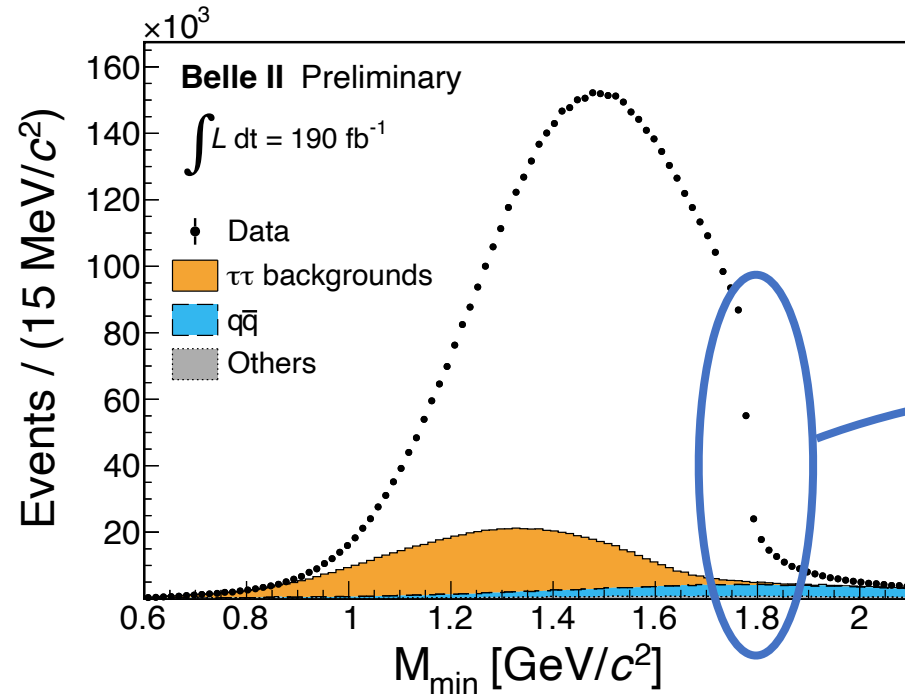
**Most precise test of $e - \mu$ universality
in semileptonic B decays**

arXiv:2301.08266 Accepted to Phys. Rev. Lett.



Precise Measurement of the τ Mass

- τ mass is fundamental parameter of the Standard Model. Uncertainty enters in precision tests of Lepton Flavour Universality, predictions of τ branching fractions, and α_s measurements at τ -mass scale.
- Analysis selects $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ events containing decay $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^-\pi^+\pi^-\nu_\tau$.
- Assume neutrino co-linear with $\vec{p}_{3\pi}$ to obtain:
$$M_{\min} = \sqrt{M_{3\pi}^2 + 2(\sqrt{s}/2 - E_{3\pi}^*)(E_{3\pi}^* - p_{3\pi}^*)} \leq m_\tau$$
- τ mass extracted from threshold of this distribution measured using fit to empirical function.

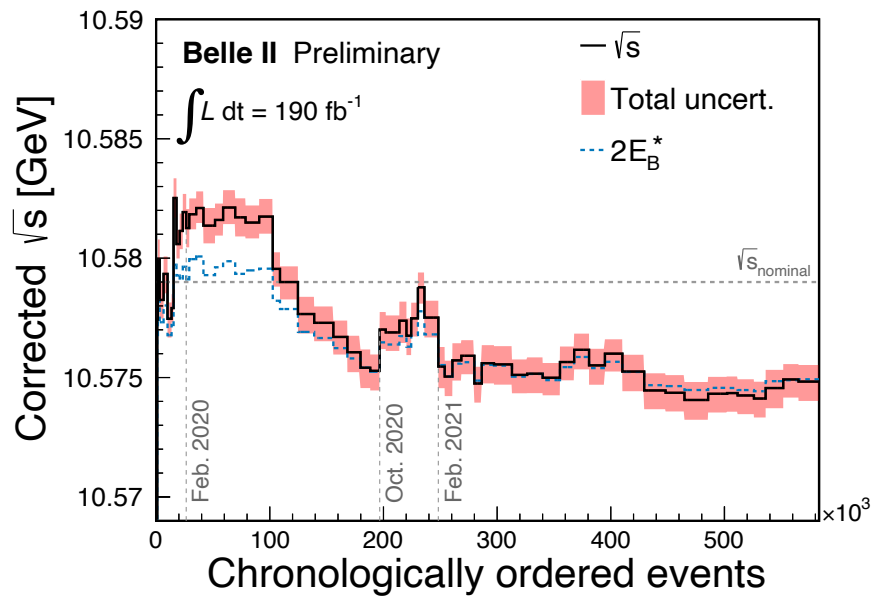


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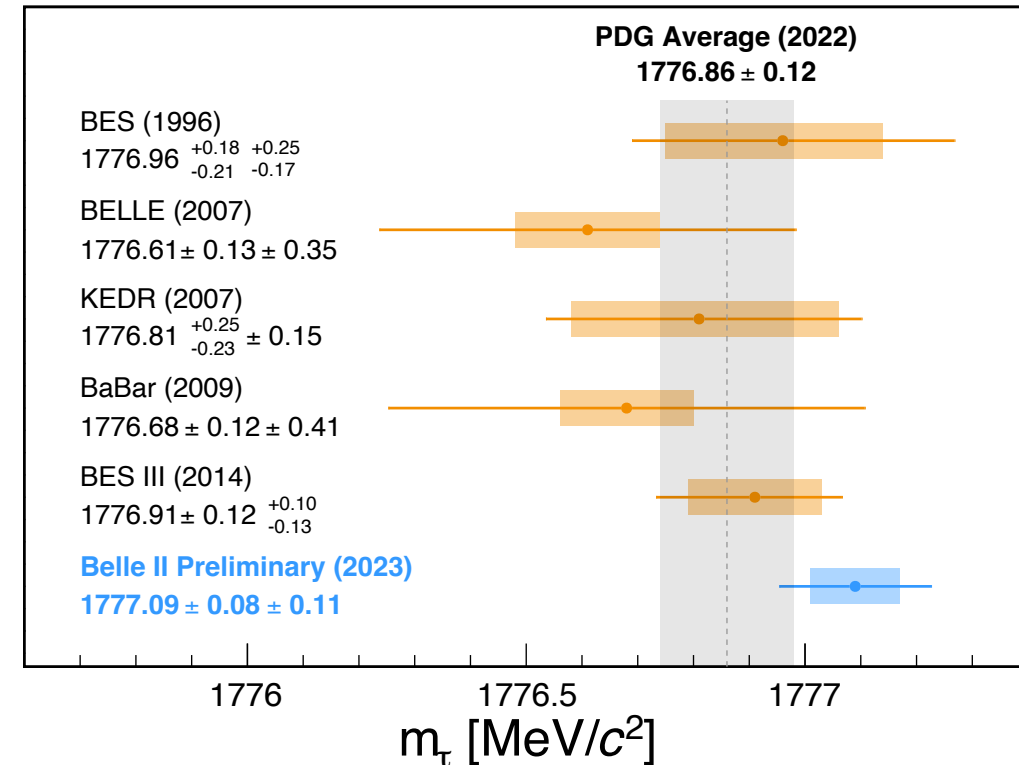
- Precise knowledge of beam energy and track momentum scale required for measurement.
- Result is most precise measurement to-date of the τ mass.

$$\sqrt{M_{3\pi}^2 + 2(\sqrt{s}/2 - E_{3\pi}^*)(E_{3\pi}^* - p_{3\pi}^*)} \leq m_\tau$$

Submitted to Phys. Rev. D [arXiv:2305.19116](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.19116)



Source	Uncertainty [MeV/c ²]
Knowledge of the colliding beams:	
Beam-energy correction	0.07
Boost vector	< 0.01
Reconstruction of charged particles:	
Charged-particle momentum correction	0.06
Detector misalignment	0.03
Fit model:	
Estimator bias	0.03
Choice of the fit function	0.02
Mass dependence of the bias	< 0.01
Imperfections of the simulation:	
Detector material density	0.03
Modeling of ISR, FSR and τ decay	0.02
Neutral particle reconstruction efficiency	≤ 0.01
Momentum resolution	< 0.01
Tracking efficiency correction	< 0.01
Trigger efficiency	< 0.01
Background processes	< 0.01
Total	0.11



Invisible Z' Search

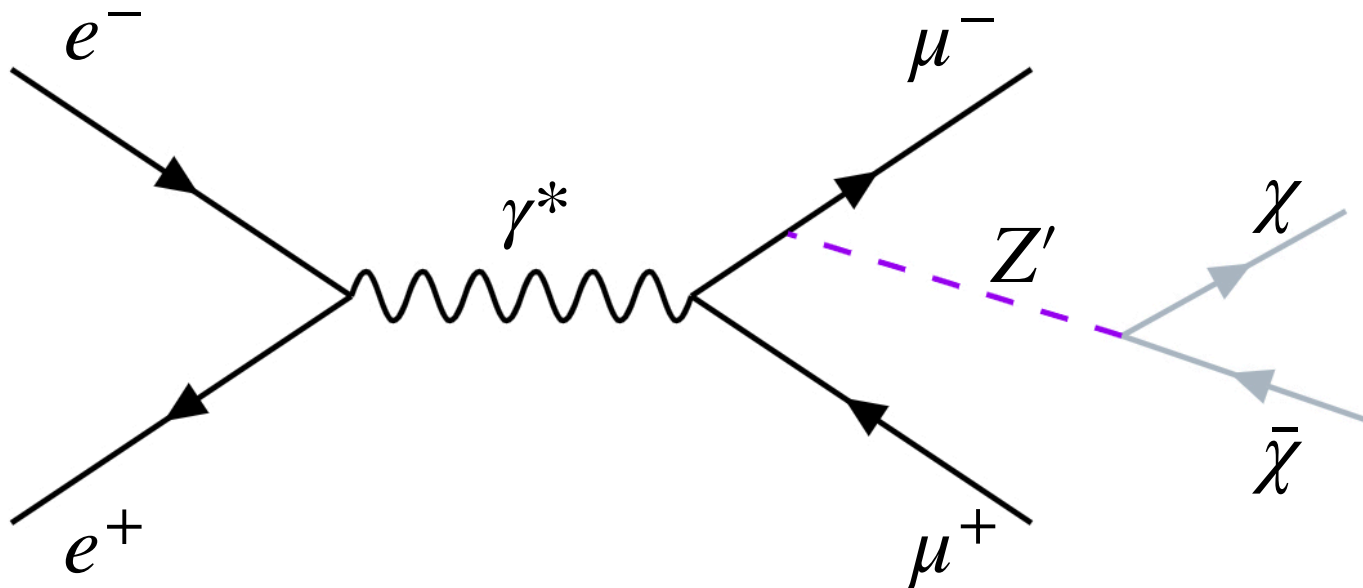
- Search for massive Z' vector boson with coupling to only muon and tau ($L_\mu - L_\tau$ extension of SM).
 - Predicts dark matter candidate and could explain current muon $g - 2$ tension.

B. Shuve and I. Yavin, [Phys. Rev. D 89, 113004 \(2014\)](#).

W. Altmannshofer, S. Gori, S. Profumo, and F. S. Queiroz, [J. High Energy Phys. 12 \(2016\) 106](#).

W. Altmannshofer, S. Gori, M. Pospelov, and I. Yavin, [Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 091801 \(2014\)](#).

- Search completed at Belle II via $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-Z', Z' \rightarrow \text{Invisible}$



Recoil mass computed with detected muons peaks at Z' mass.

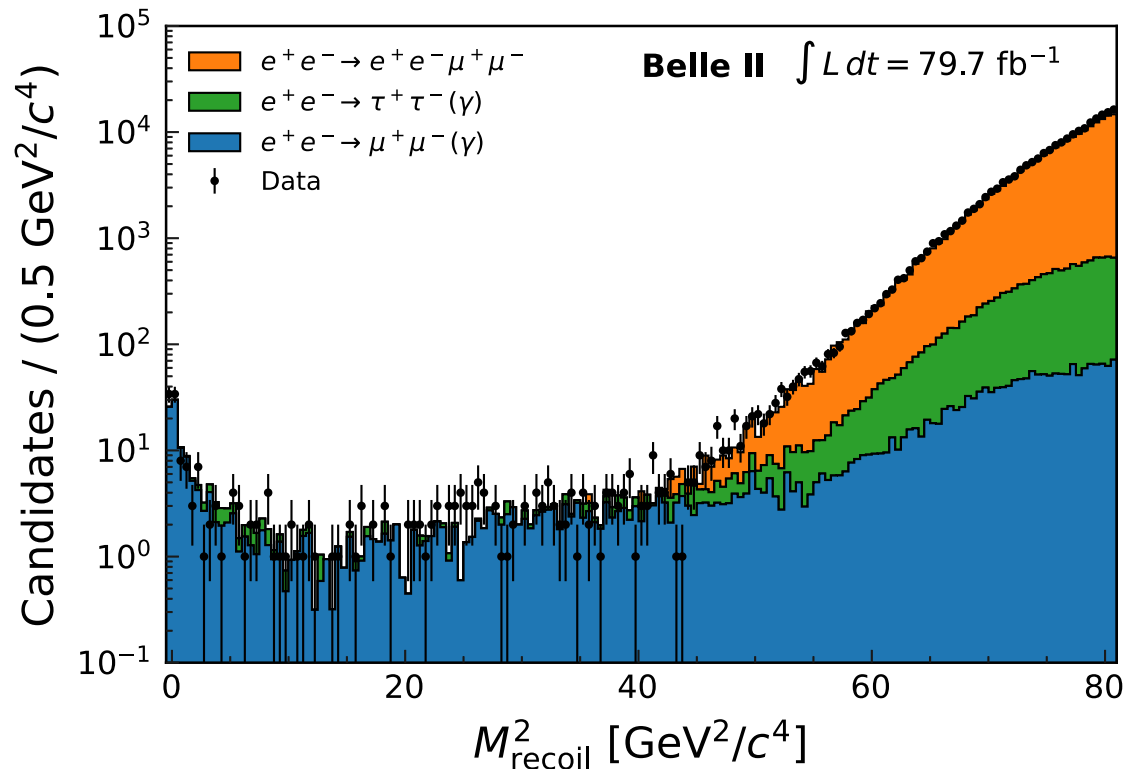
Invisible Z' Search

- Backgrounds arise from:

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$ where photon is not reconstructed

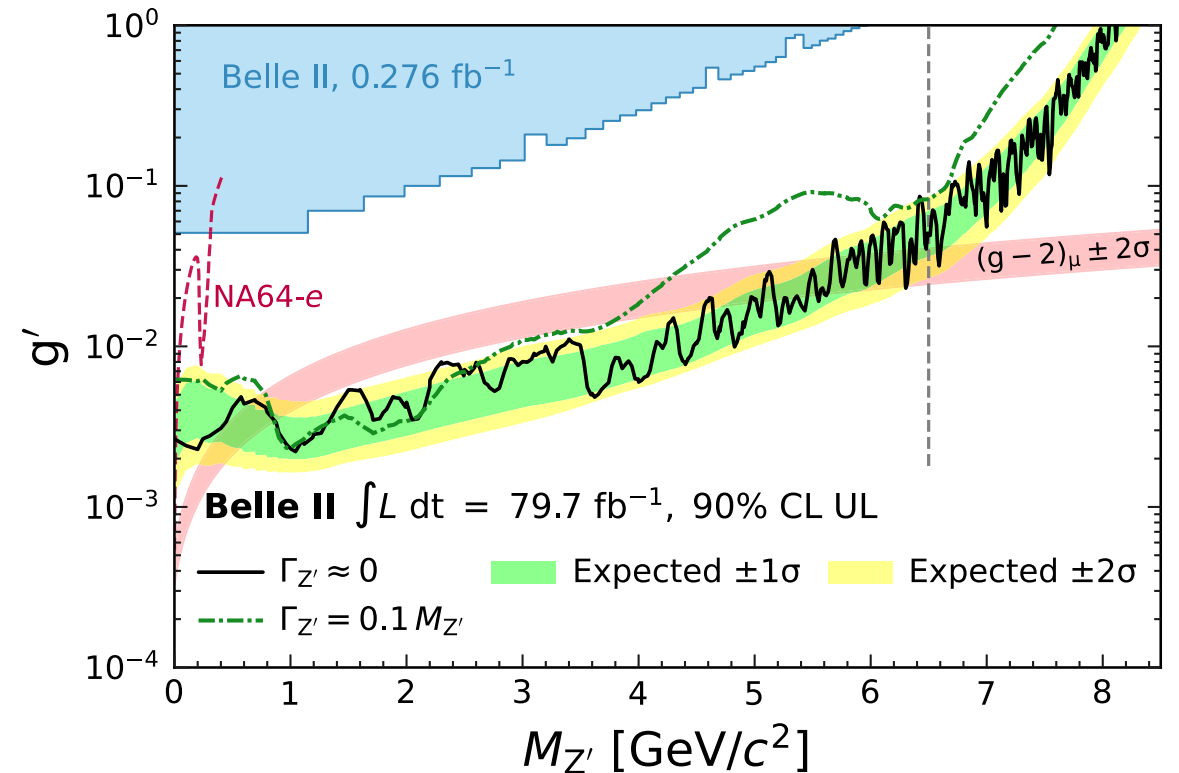
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-(\gamma)$ neutrinos escape detector

$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$ with e^+e^- not in acceptance

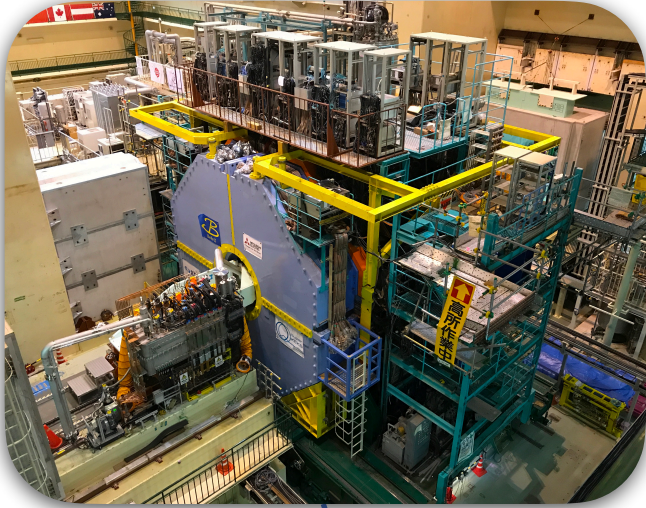


- No significant excess observed in $79.7/\text{fb}$.
- Part of Z' parameter space, which could explain muon $g - 2$ tension is excluded.

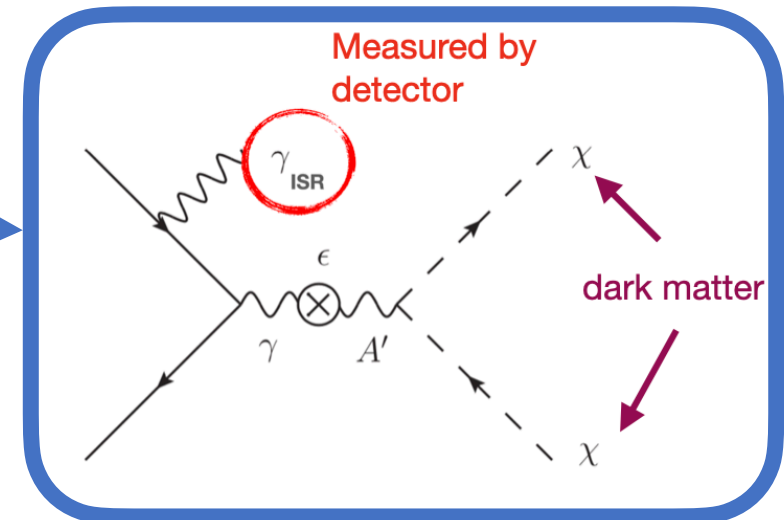
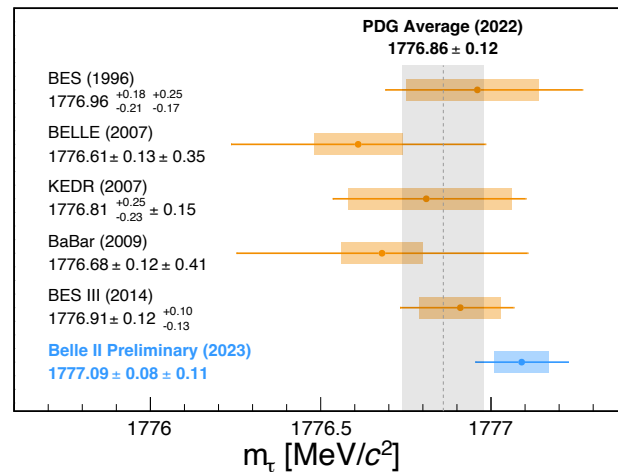
Belle II Collaboration Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 231801 (2023)



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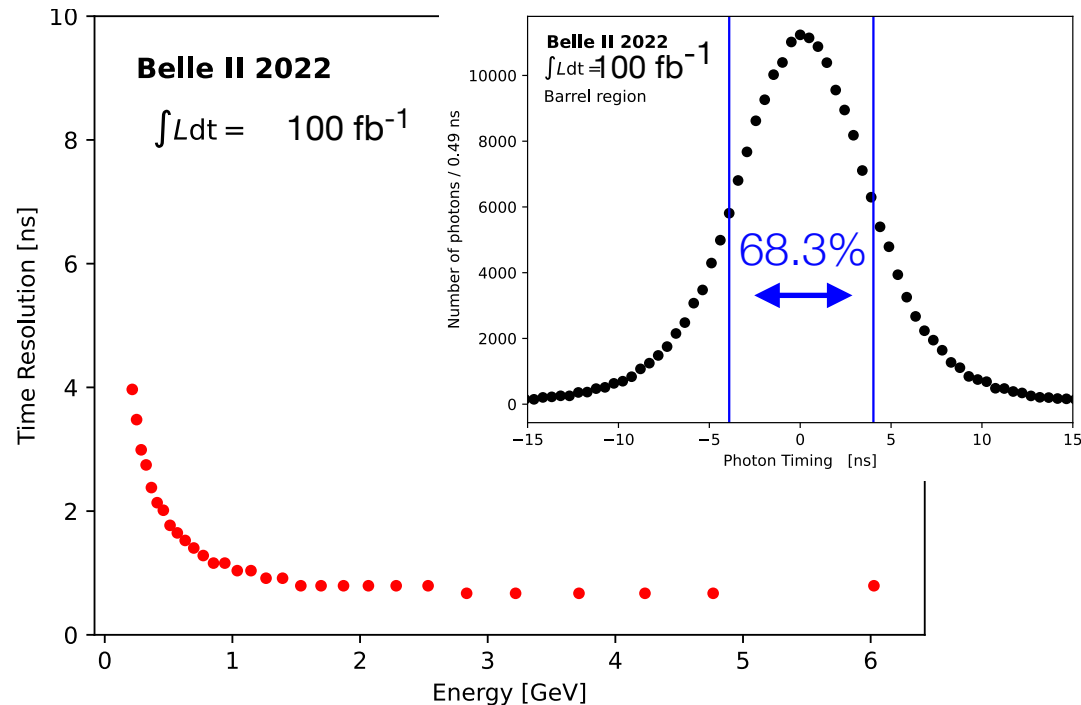
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Photon Timing and Pulse Shape Discrimination Calibrations

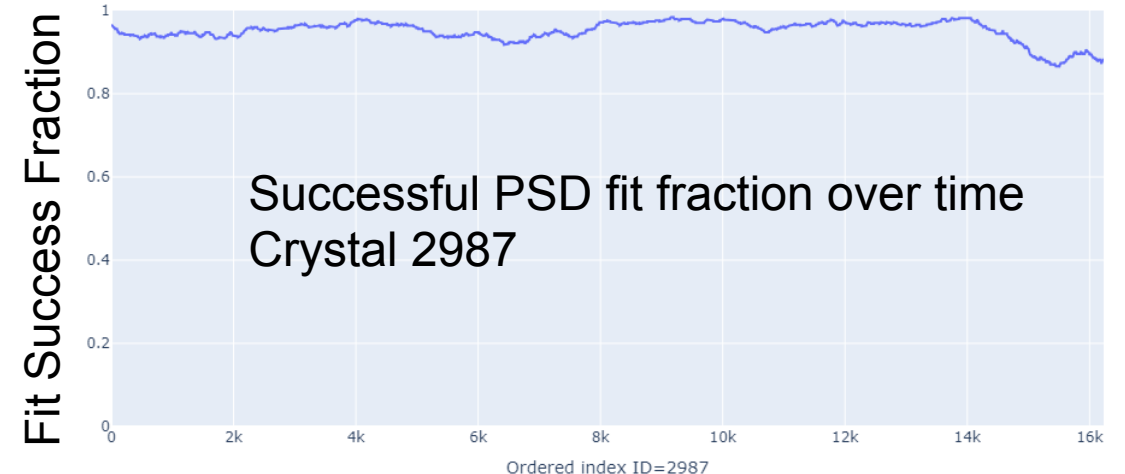
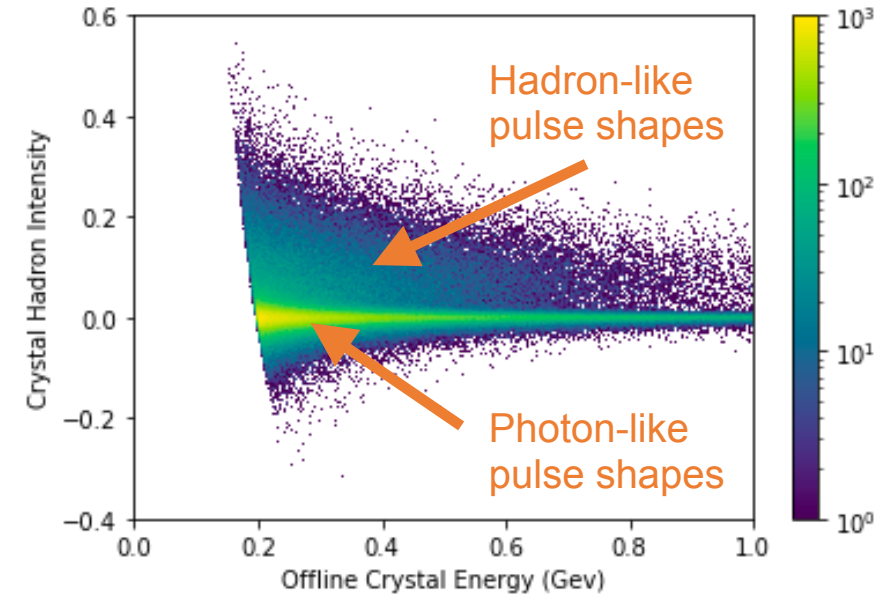
- Calorimeter timing is critical to reject beam-background photons.
- Automated tool under development to calibrate photon timing resolution with $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ events.

Raynette van Tonder



- First evaluations of pulse shape discrimination performance over time.

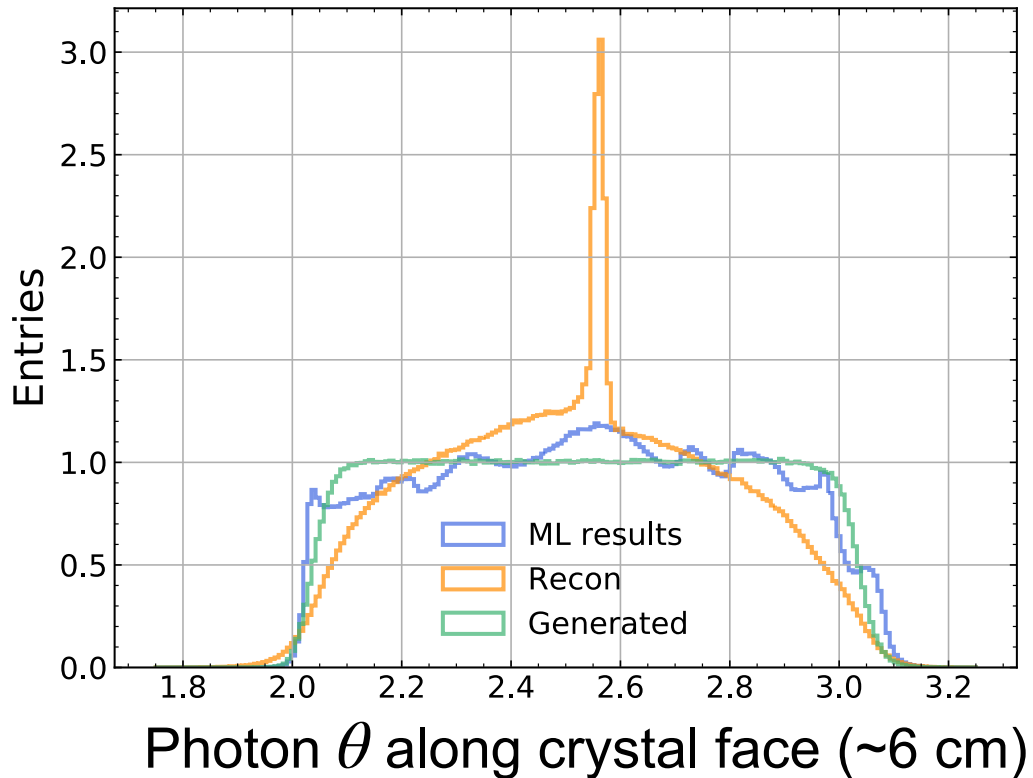
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Machine Learning to Improve Position Reconstruction in the Calorimeter

Miho Wakai

- Known bias in calorimeter reconstruction tends to put photon position towards the center of the crystal.
- Limits high-momentum π^0 mass resolution.
- Feedforward neural network trained to improve position reconstruction of a photon in the calorimeter.



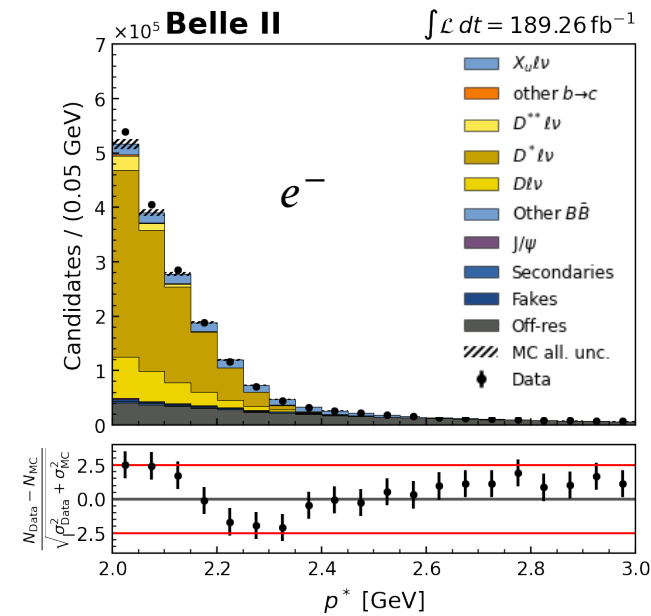
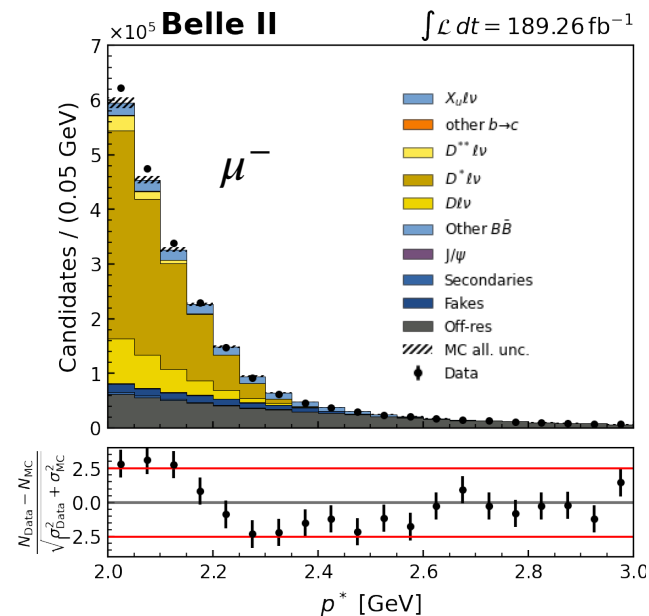
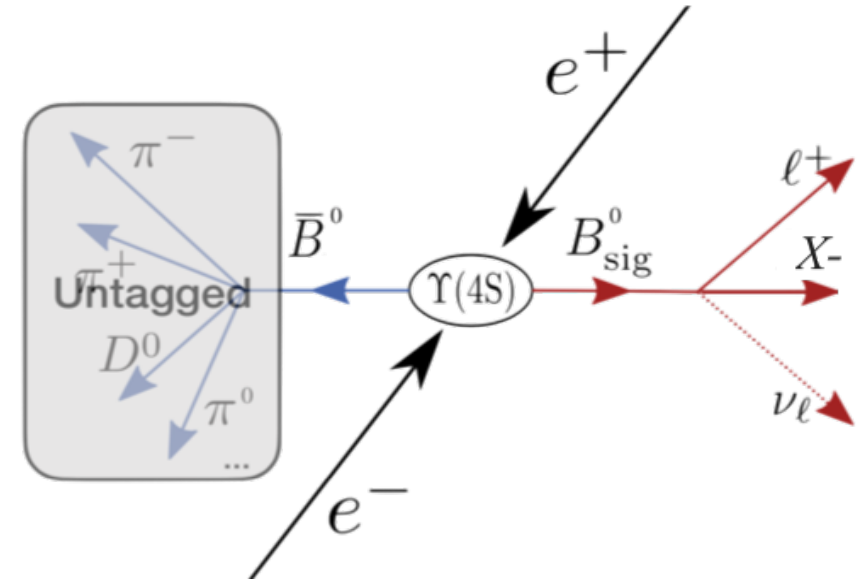
- Network uses energies of 5×5 grid of crystals in photon cluster to predict photon position.
- Network reduces bias and improves high-momentum π^0 mass resolution by 7%.
- Paper in preparation.

Inclusive analysis of $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$

Andrea Fodor

- Semileptonic B -meson decays play a critical role in the determination of the CKM quark-mixing matrix elements $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$.
- Measurement of branching fraction of $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ decays via:

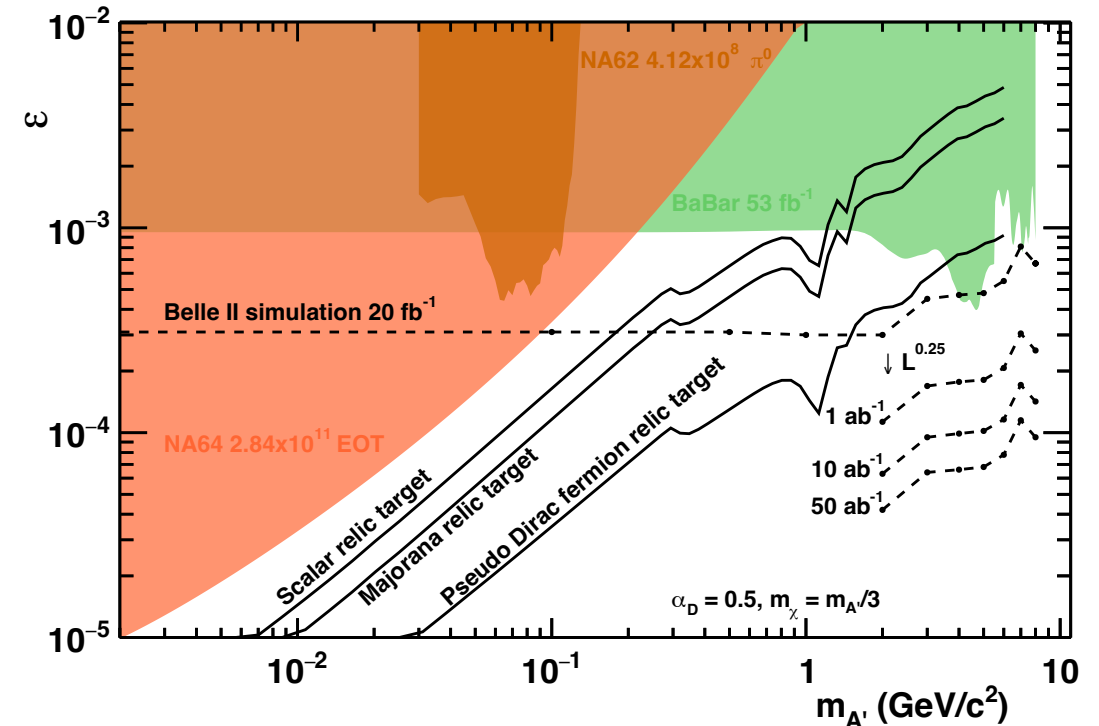
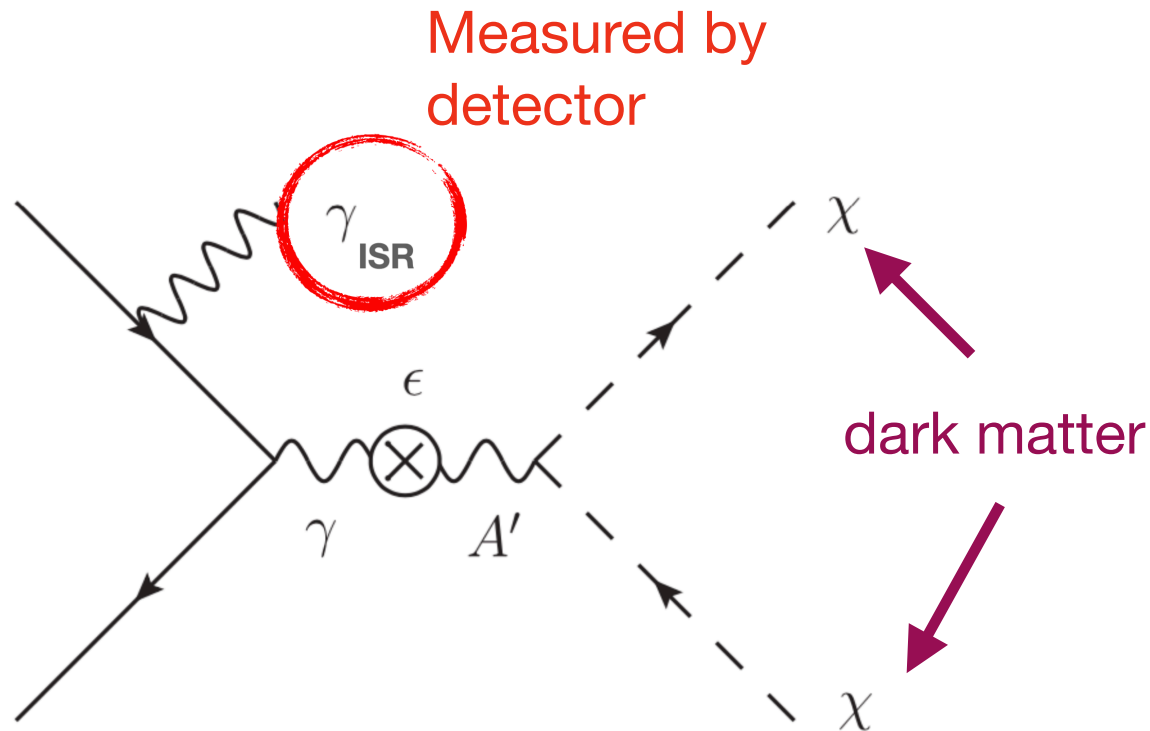
Inclusive and untagged analysis: Only the outgoing lepton is selected and the companion B meson is not reconstructed.
- Use endpoint region of the lepton momentum ($p_\ell^* > 2.0$ GeV) in the CM frame to avoid the dominant background from the decay $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$



Dark Photon Search (Invisible Decays)

- Dark photon is a spin-1 gauge boson that would mediate the dark EM force.
- Interacts through **kinetic mixing** with Standard Model photon.
- If dark photon is allowed kinematically to decay to dark matter, detector signature is a single high energy **photon**.
- Belle II will explore parameter space consistent with observed relic DM abundance.

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Michael De Nuccio

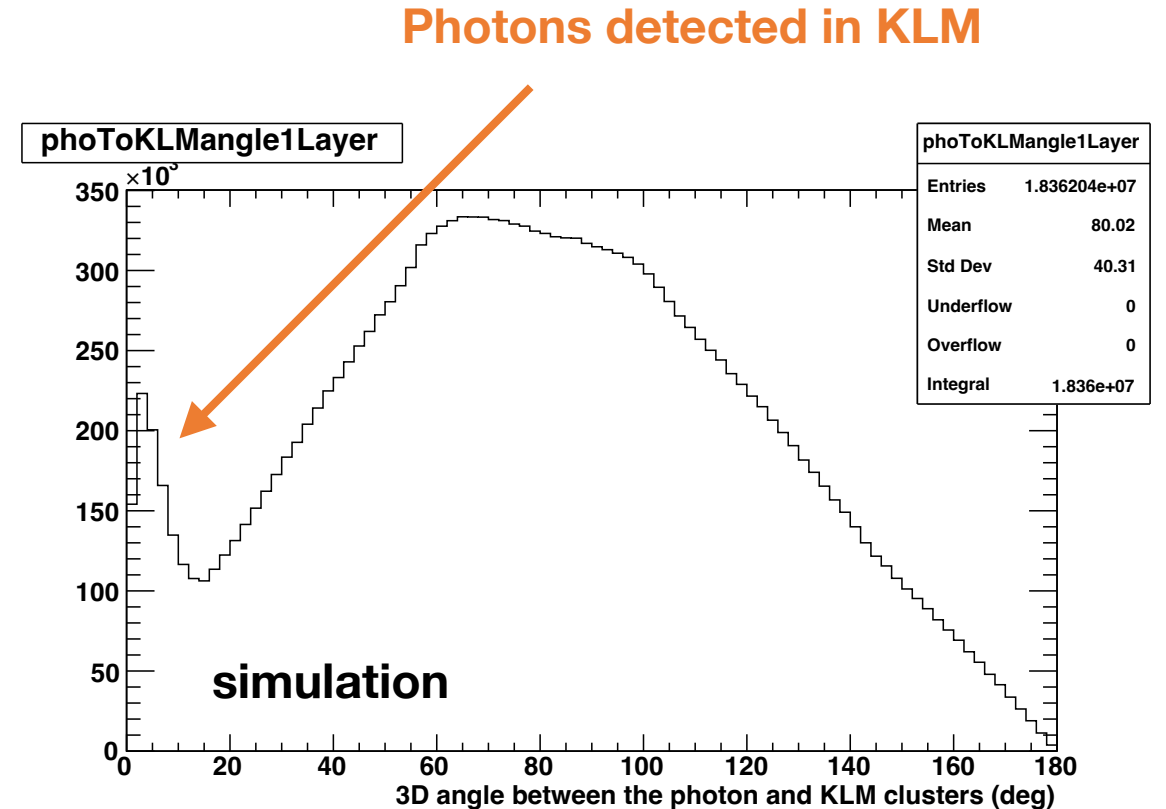
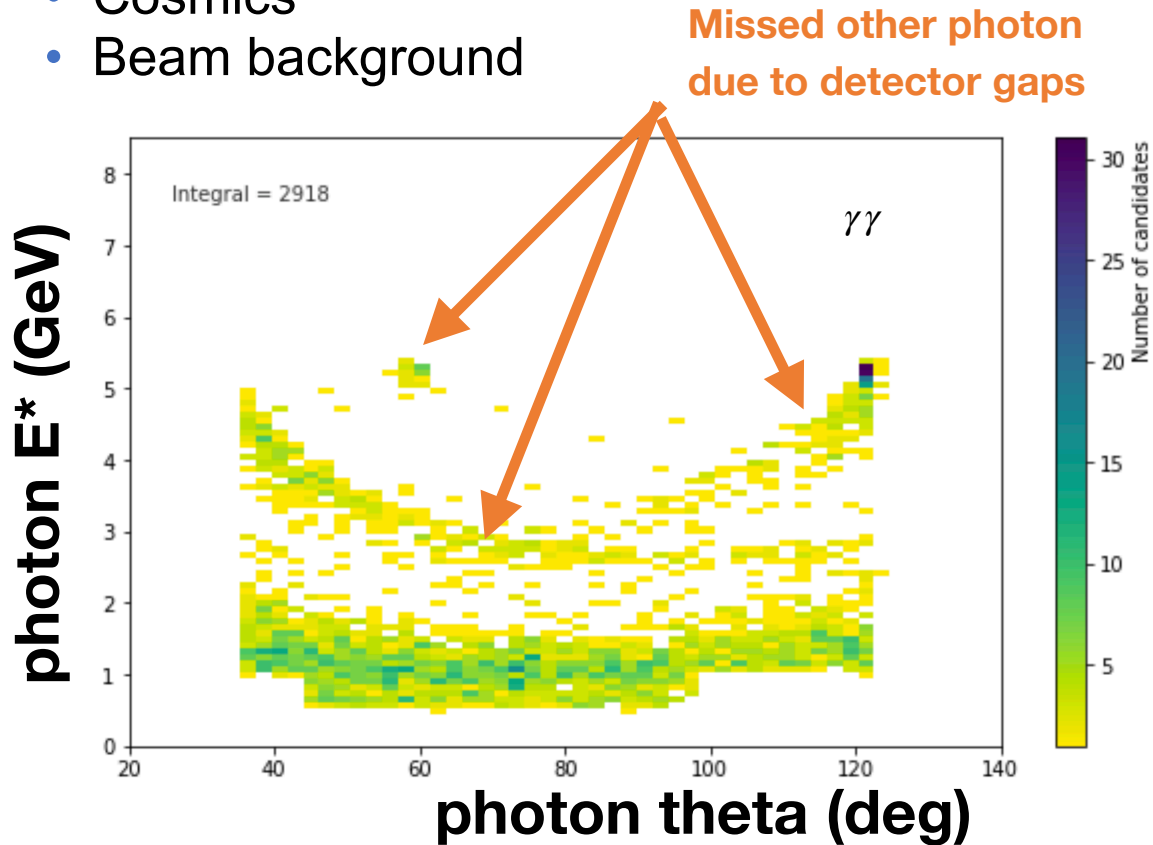


Dark Photon Search (Invisible Decays)

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Michael De Nuccio

- Main analysis backgrounds:

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma(\gamma)$, with all but one out of acceptance or missed
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma_{ISR}$ with e^+e^- out of acceptance or missed
- Cosmics
- Beam background



Dark Photon Search (Visible Decays)

Thomas Grammatico

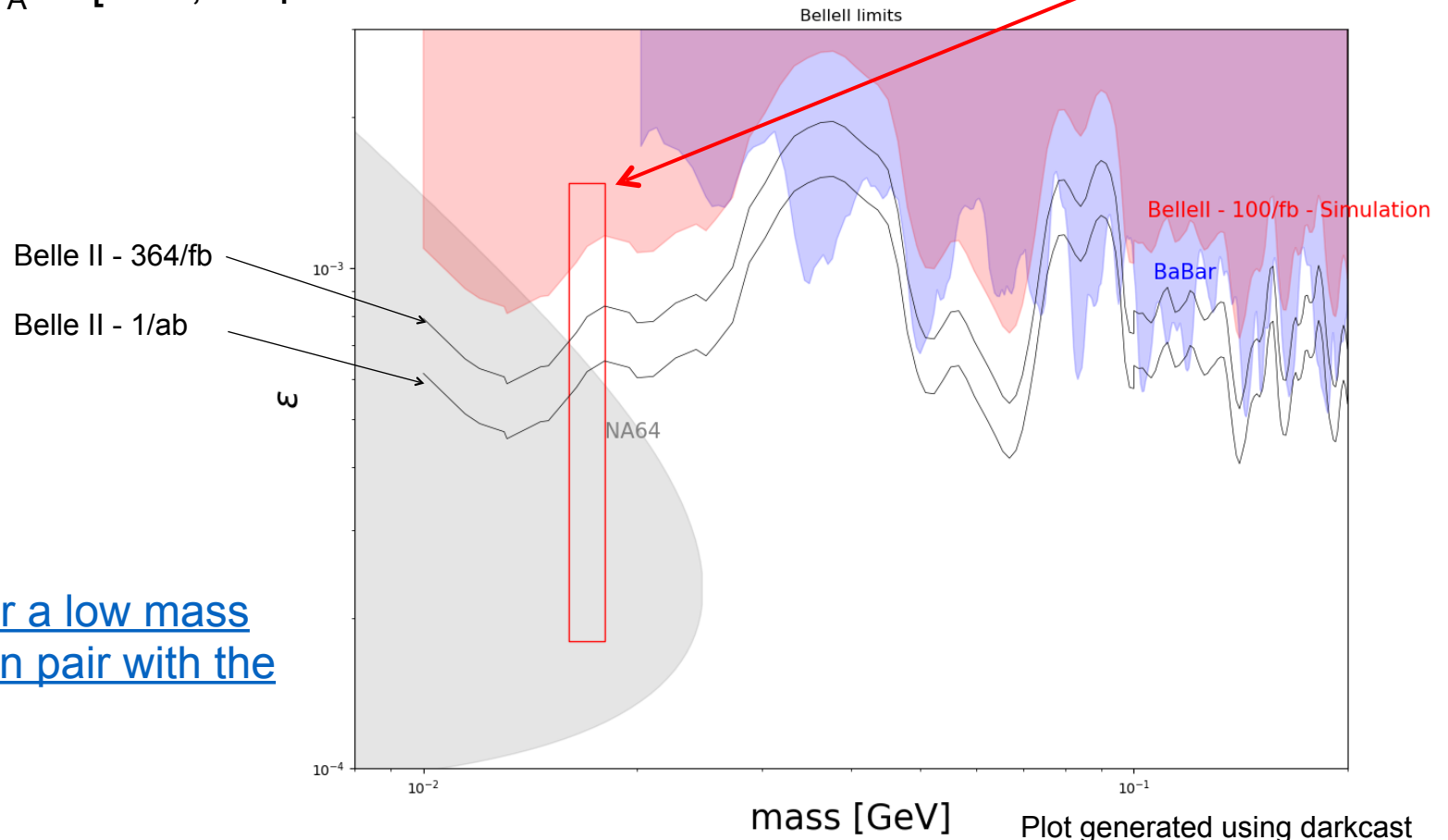
- Atomki collaboration observed an **anomaly** in decay of **beryllium** excited states to **electron pair** [Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 042501 (2016)]
 - ~ 17 MeV **protophobic** dark photon? Unknown experimental/nuclear physics effect?

- Study $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma [A' \rightarrow e^+ e^-]$ decays ; $m_{A'}$ in [0.01, 0.2] GeV

- Main backgrounds are radiative Bhabha and $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma [\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-]$ photon conversion events

- Pre-preliminary study with Belle II simulated samples shows promising results

Atomki anomaly region

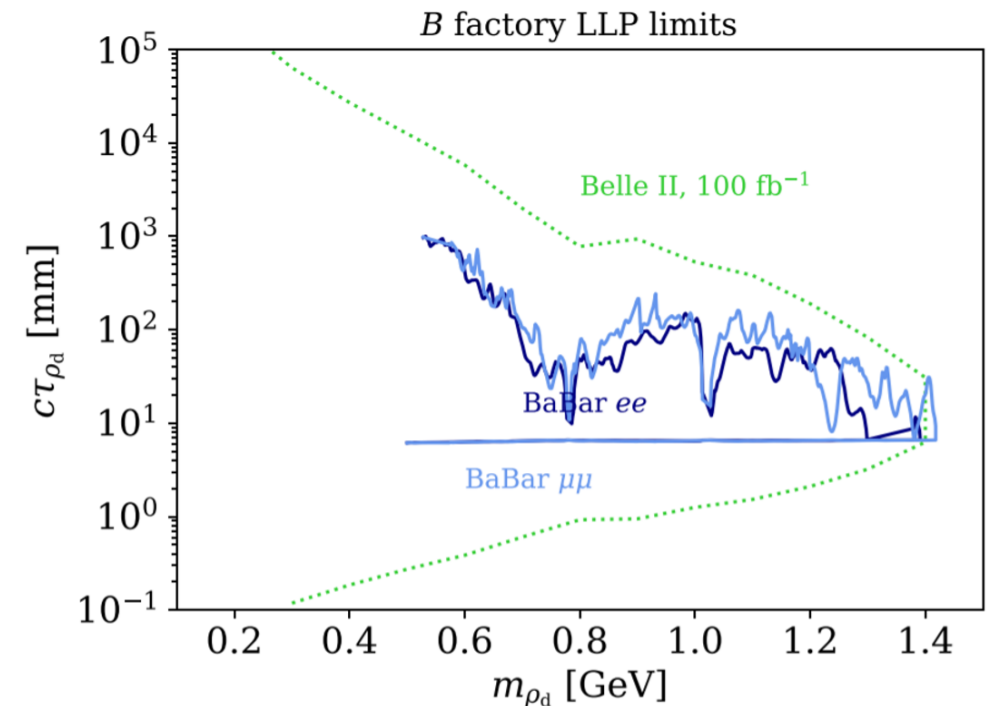
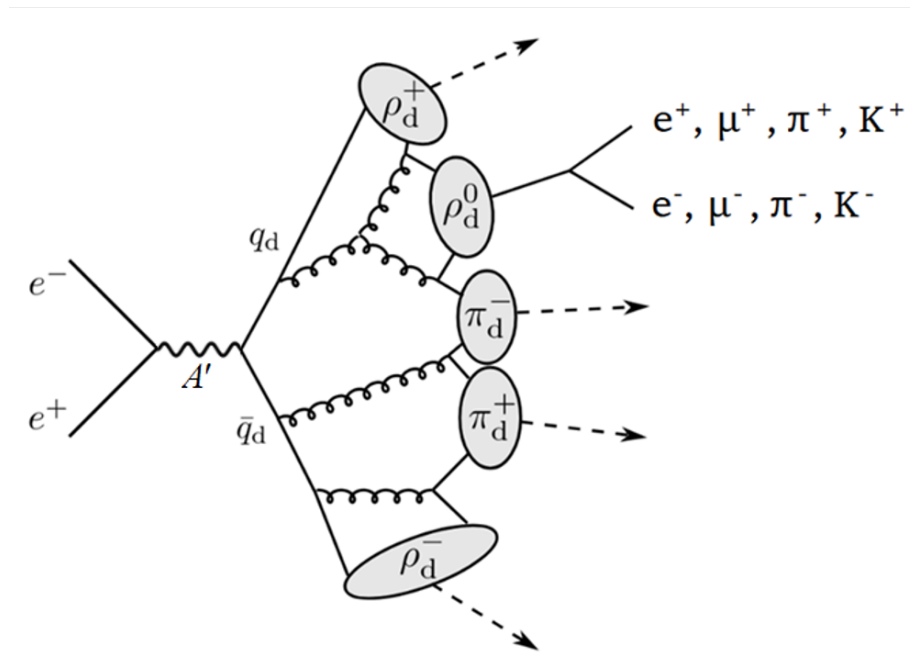


See talk: **Thomas Grammatico** [Search for a low mass dark photon decaying to an electron-positron pair with the Belle II detector](#)

Dark Shower Search at Belle II

Miho Wakai

- Strongly interacting dark sector coupled to SM through a dark photon mediator.
- Dark quarks form bound states: dark pseudoscalars π_d^0, π_d^\pm and vector mesons ρ_d^0, ρ_d^\pm .
- Dark pions are stable and are the dark matter candidates.
- ρ_d^0 couples to the SM through kinetic mixing.
- Detector signature is displaced vertex with two charged tracks.



Chiral Belle Upgrade: Polarized SuperKEKB Beams

- Canada-led upgrade initiative to introduce polarized beams at SuperKEKB (aim for 70% polarized).
- Would open wide-range of new and unique physics opportunities.

✓ Mu pair ALR

✓ Tau pair ALR

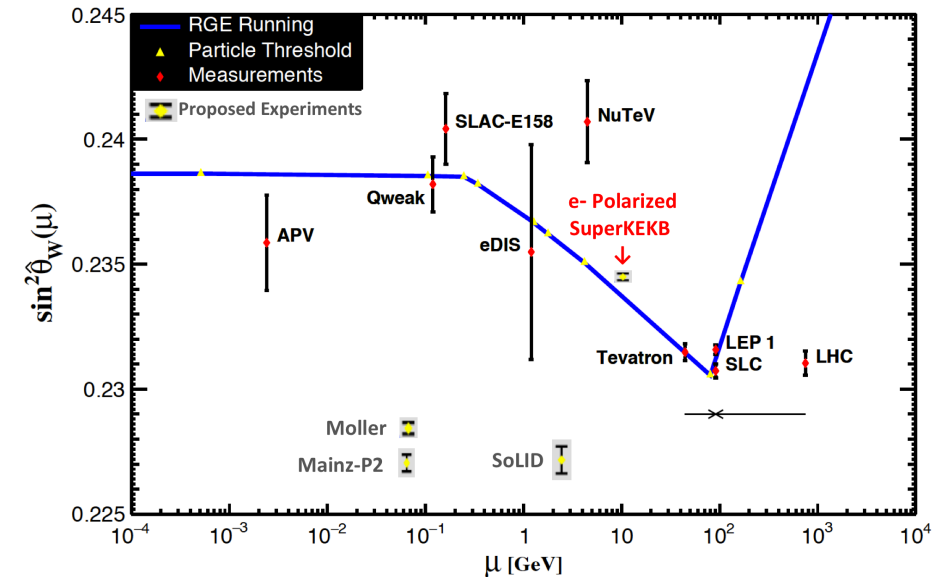
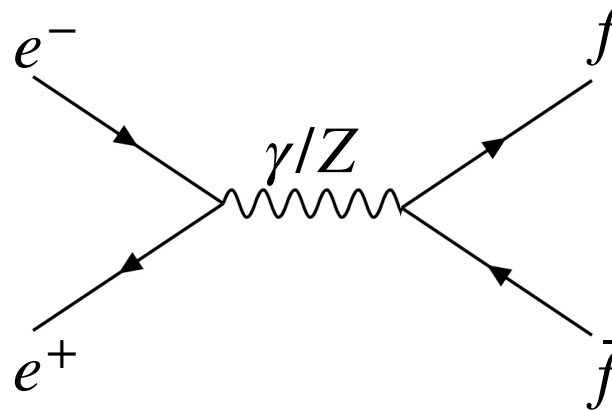
✓ Charm and bottom pair ALR

✓ $\sin^2 \theta_W$

✓ Tau $g - 2$, Tau EDM, Tau LFV

ALR = Left-Right Asymmetry

$$A_{LR}^f(\text{SM}) = \frac{\sigma_L^f - \sigma_R^f}{\sigma_L^f + \sigma_R^f} = \frac{sG_F}{\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha Q_f} g_A^e g_V^f$$



- Technical Design Report in preparation. See talk:

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Michael Roney [The Chiral Belle Project: Polarized Beams at SuperKEKB/Belle II](#)

arXiv:2205.12847: Snowmass 2021 White Paper Upgrading SuperKEKB with a Polarized Electron Beam: Discovery Potential and Proposed Implementation

Belle II Talks @ CAP 2023

19 June 2023, 14:00

Thomas Grammatico [Search for a low mass dark photon decaying to an electron-positron pair with the Belle II detector](#)

19 June 2023, 17:00

Alexandre Beaubien [Simulating noise waveforms in the Belle II electromagnetic calorimeter \(ECL\) using generative adversarial neural networks \(GANs\)](#)

21 June 2023, 11:00

Garrett Leverick [Discriminating Hadronic Split Offs Using the KLM at Belle-II](#)

21 June 2023, 11:15

Caleb Miller [Demonstration of Tau Polarimetry for SuperKEKB Polarization Upgrade](#)

Conclusion

- Belle II is a world-unique facility with many exciting physics opportunities.
- Multiple world-leading results published since arrival of first data.
- Luminosity and physics output expected to continue to ramp up.
 - Anticipate 120 times more data to arrive over experiment lifetime.

Many opportunities for new personnel interested in joining!

