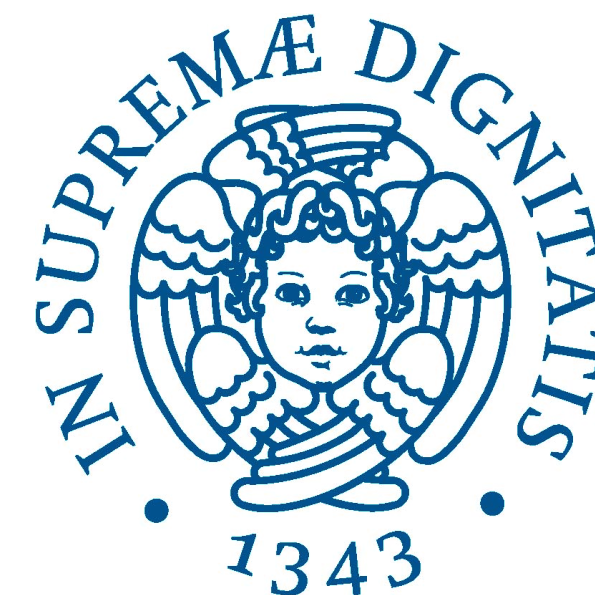


# Flavour Physics in Belle II

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Circular e+e- Colliders - Frascati, 13.09.2022

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# The Flavour Frontier

- The Standard Model has been tremendously successful at describing phenomena recorded at collider experiments.
- However there are several that the SM does not explain, such as:
  - The larger than expected matter-antimatter asymmetry;
  - Neutrino masses;
  - The hierarchy of CKM matrix elements and fermion masses;
  - ...and more.
- Tensions and anomalies e.g. in Lepton Flavour Universality point at the SM being an incomplete picture.

# What can an $e^+e^-$ collider contribute?

- High luminosity colliders can provide unique insight in these problems by providing a clean environment with closed event kinematics.
- Several interesting channels are unique to B-factories:
  - Channels rich in neutral particles ( $\pi^0$ ,  $K_L$ ,  $\eta$ ...) or neutrinos.
  - Modes with hard-to-suppress backgrounds where full knowledge of kinematics is required.
- Independent confirmation of physics results e.g. from LHCb.
  - Especially important in case of future discovery claims.

# Talk Outline

- SuperKEKB and Belle II
- Dataset and Timeline
  
- Charm lifetimes
- CKM:  $V_{ub}/V_{cb}$  puzzle
- Unitarity triangle
- First tests of LFUV
- Tau physics and LFV in tau.

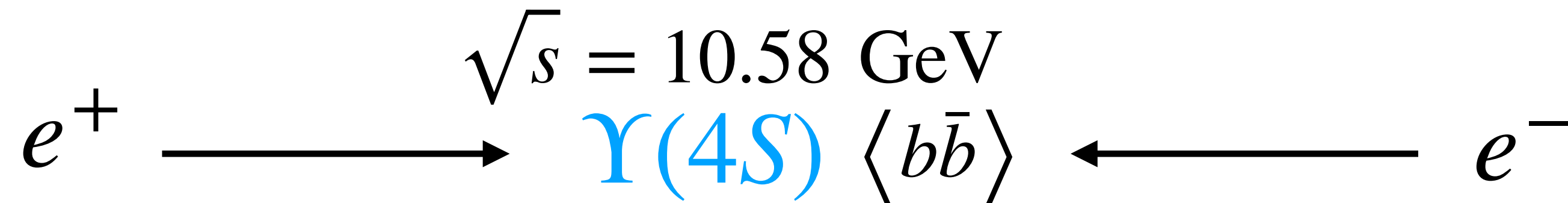


Mainly new results from ICHEP  
+ projections for the future.

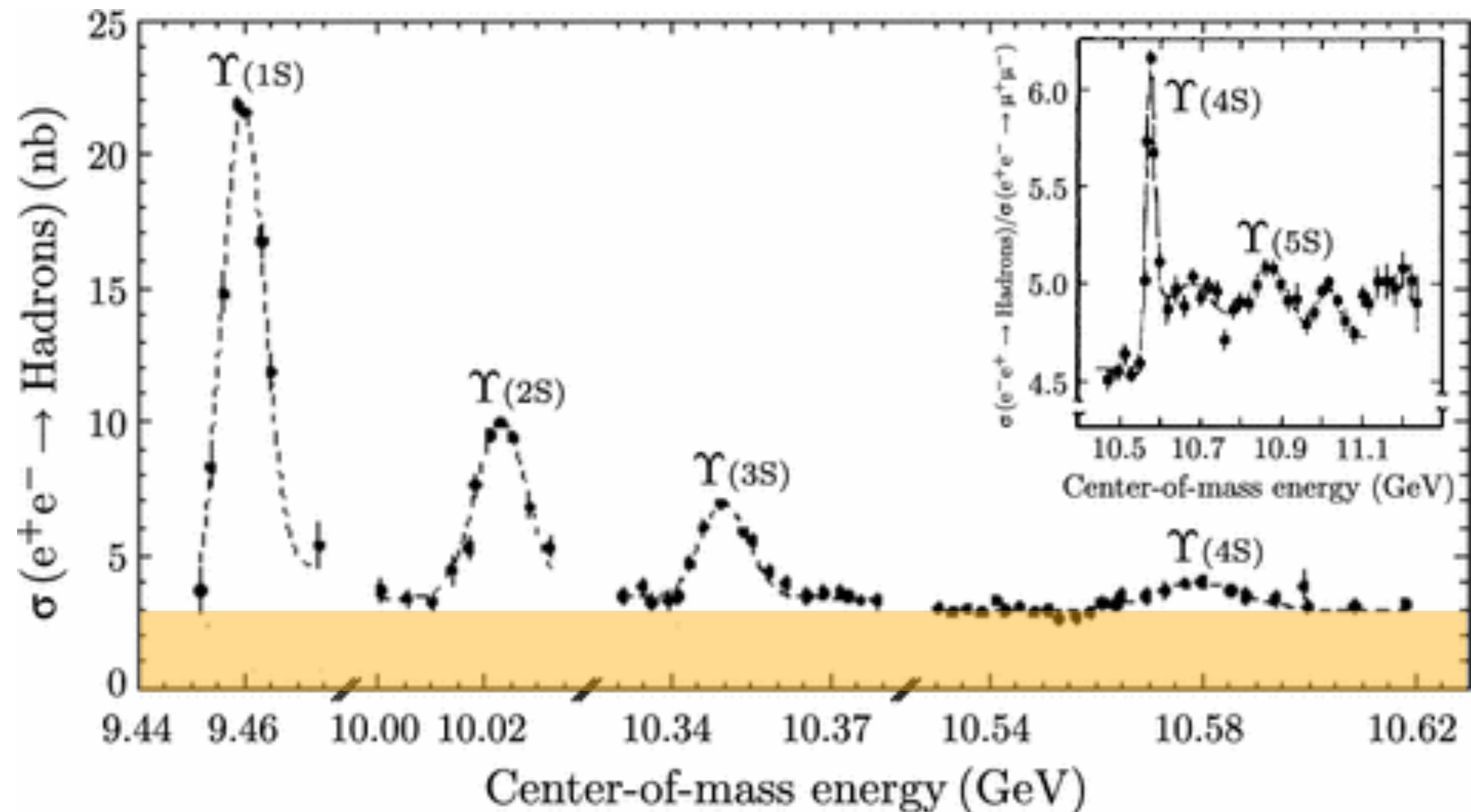


# The Setup for a B-Factory

- Collide  $e^+e^-$  at center of mass energy slightly above  $\sim 2x$  **B-meson mass**:



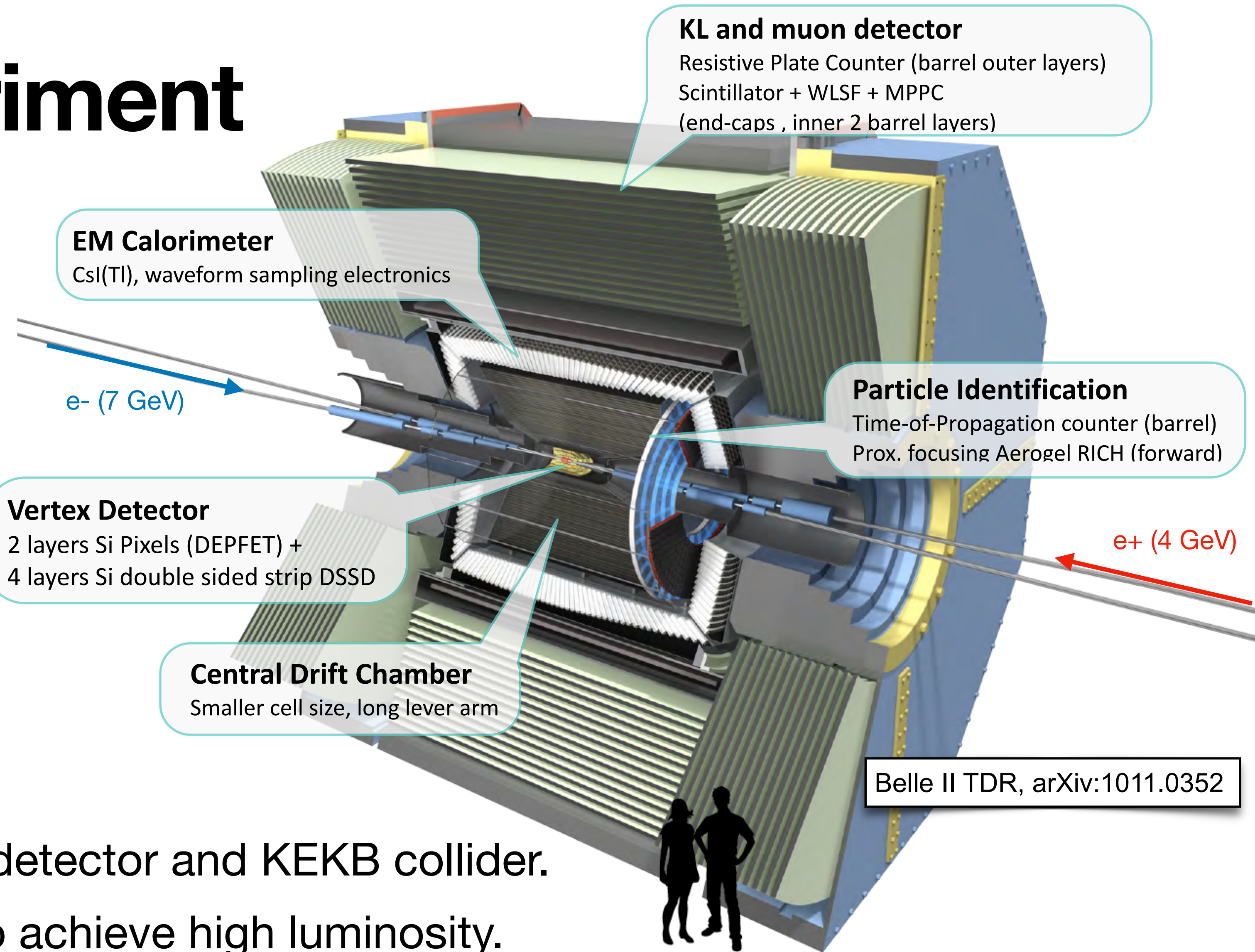
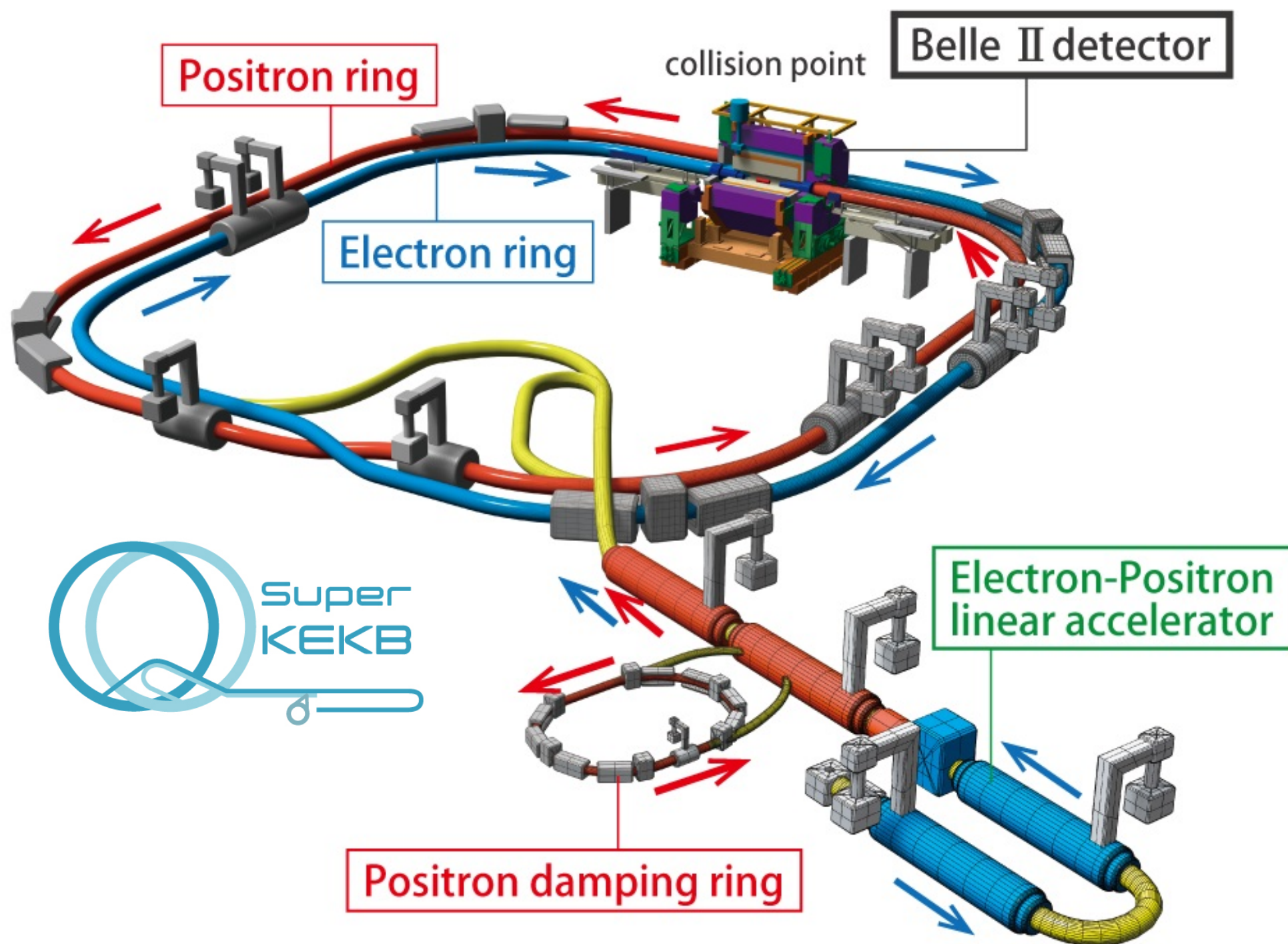
$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S))$	1.05 nb
$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)$	0.92 nb
$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c})$	1.33 nb



- Large, relatively clean samples of **B-mesons, D-mesons** and  **$\tau$ -leptons**.
- Well known initial state + Large solid angle coverage ( $>90\%$ )  $\rightarrow$  **Well constrained decay kinematics**
- Advantage in studies with neutral or missing particles.



# The Belle II Experiment

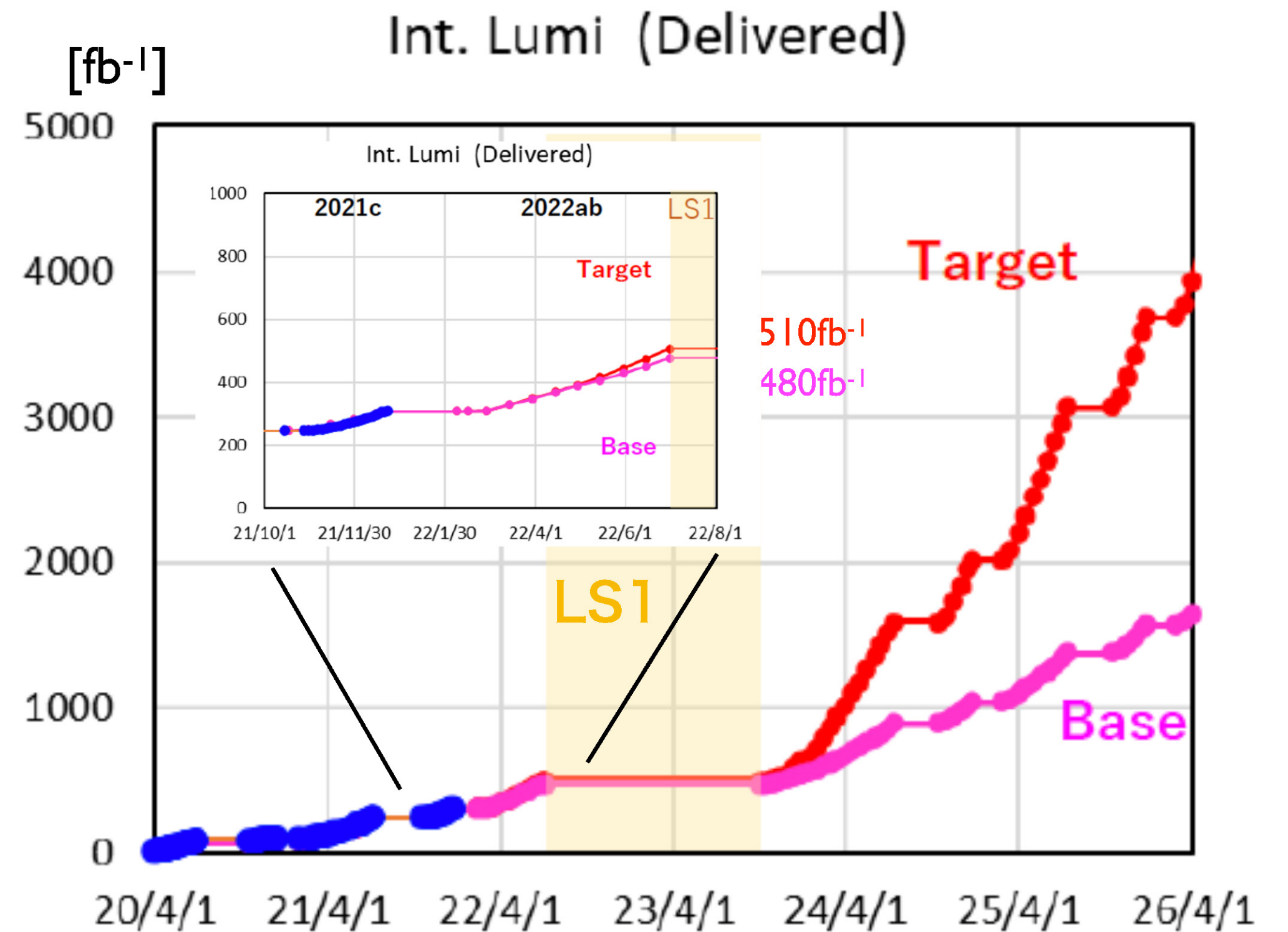


- **Belle II/SuperKEKB** succeed Belle detector and KEKB collider.
- **SuperKEKB:** Nano-beam scheme to achieve high luminosity.
- **Belle II:** new detector with improved vertex reconstruction and particle identification.



# Belle II Timeline

- Roll-in in 2017 followed by commissioning.
- **Full detector operation started in 2019.**
- Achieved **world record** luminosity of  $4.65 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (June 8th, 2022)
  - **x2** Belle instantaneous luminosity
  - **Aiming one order higher**
- Long Shutdown 1 (LS1) started this summer to replace PXD + detector maintenance and improvement.
- **424 fb<sup>-1</sup> at LS1** (**~190 fb<sup>-1</sup>** analyzed so far) can already match BaBar (**~550 fb<sup>-1</sup>**) and challenge Belle (**~1 ab<sup>-1</sup>**) thanks to improved reconstruction performance.

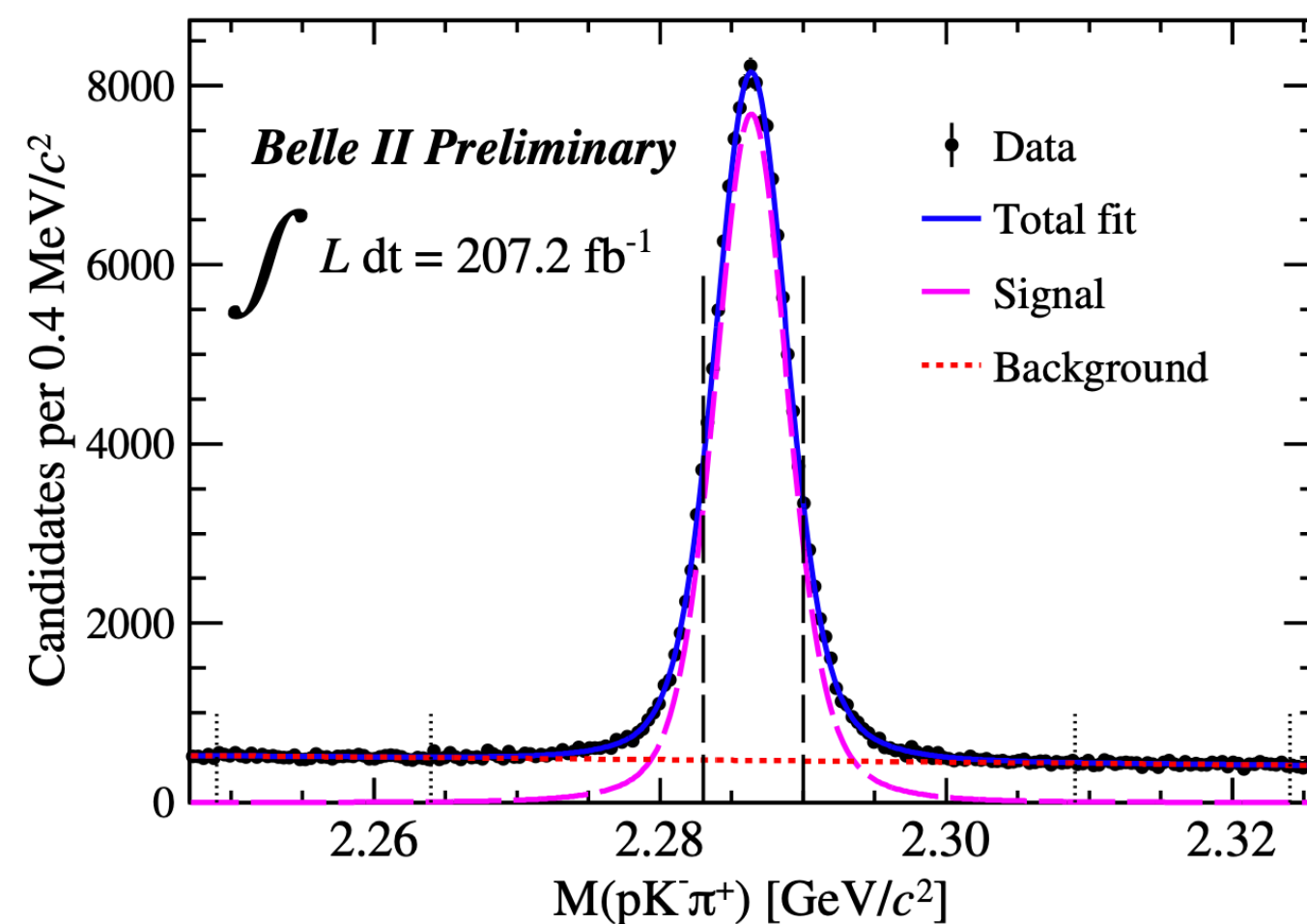
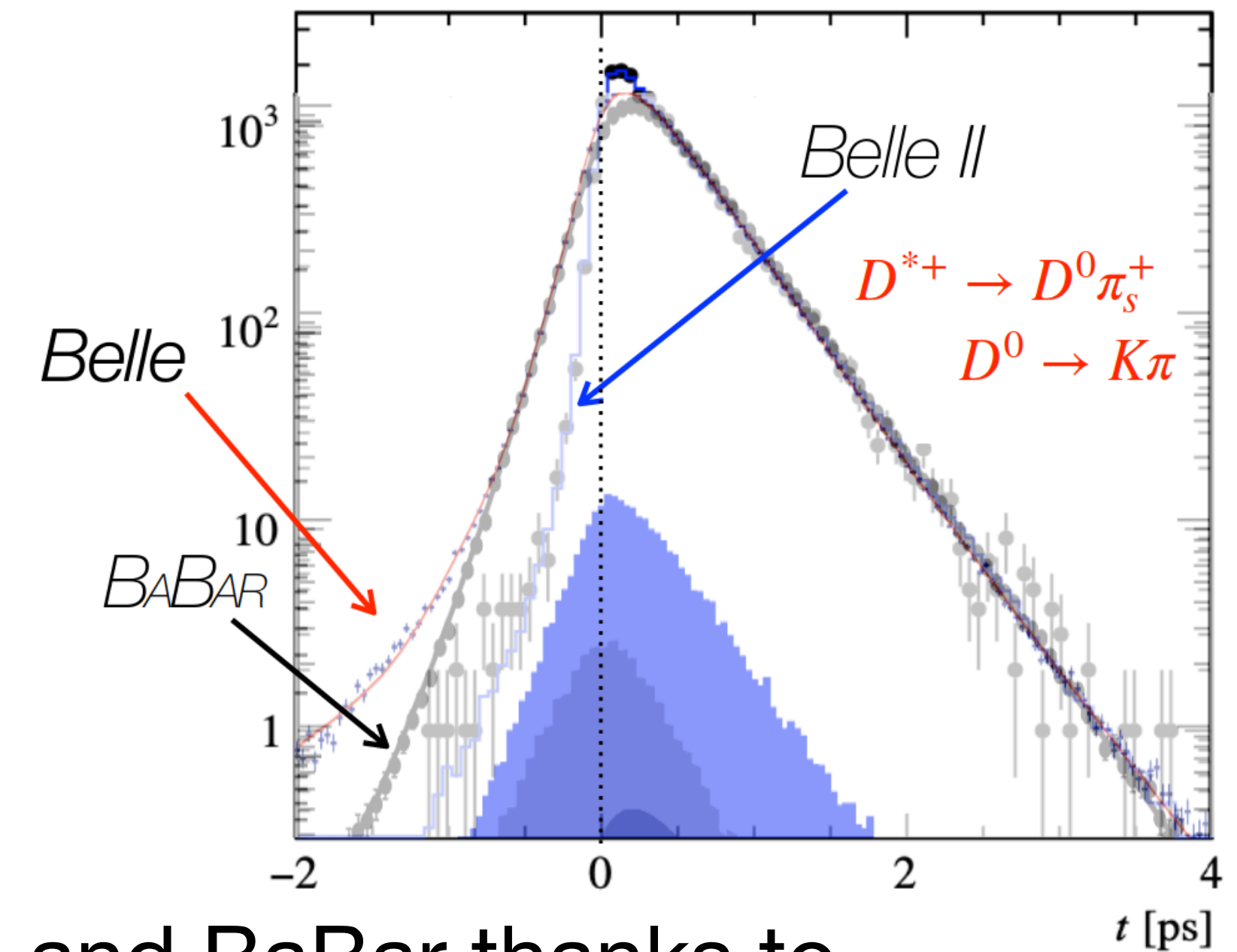


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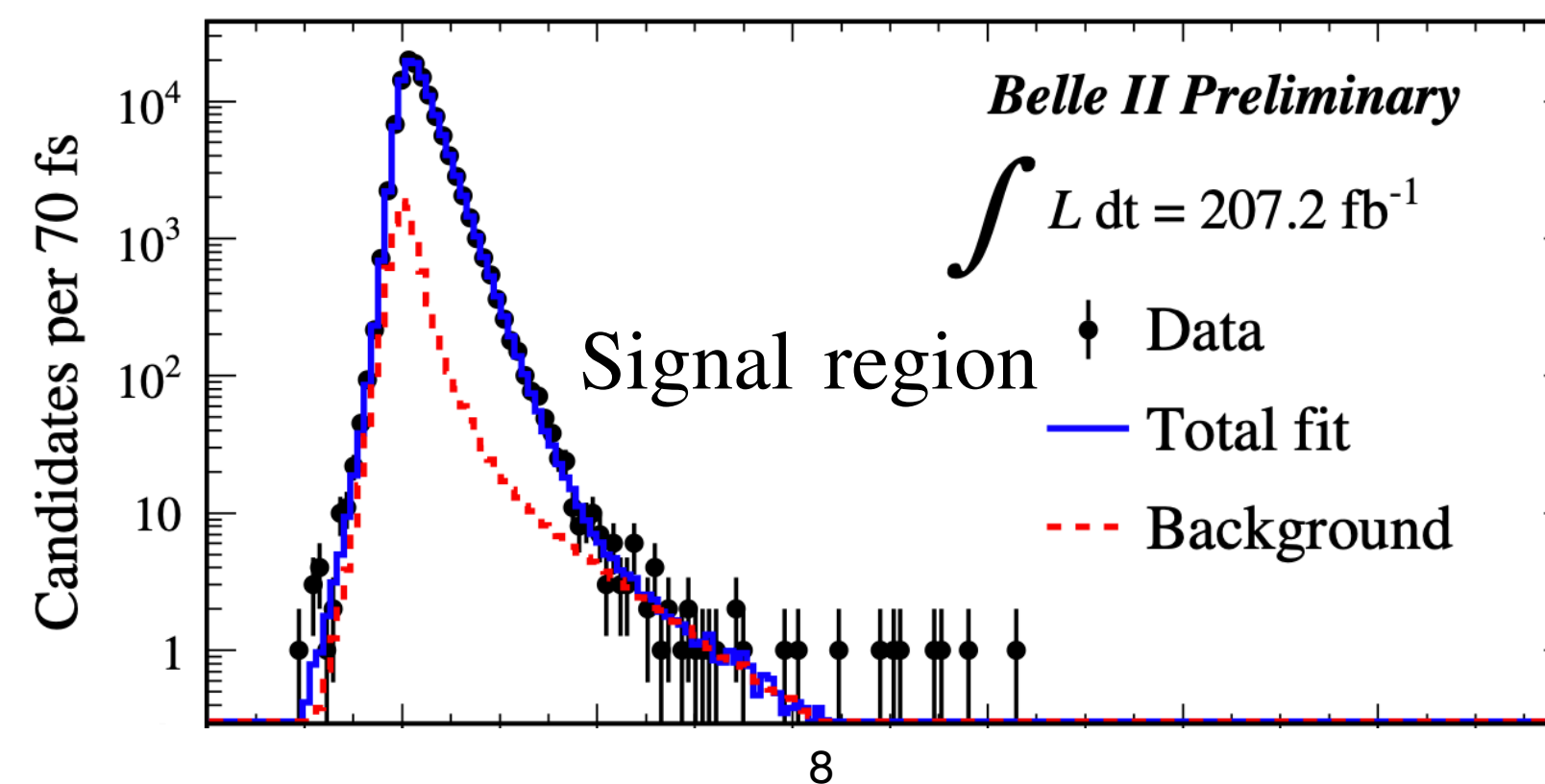
Target: Extrapolation from 2021 with expected improvements

# Charm Lifetimes @ Belle II

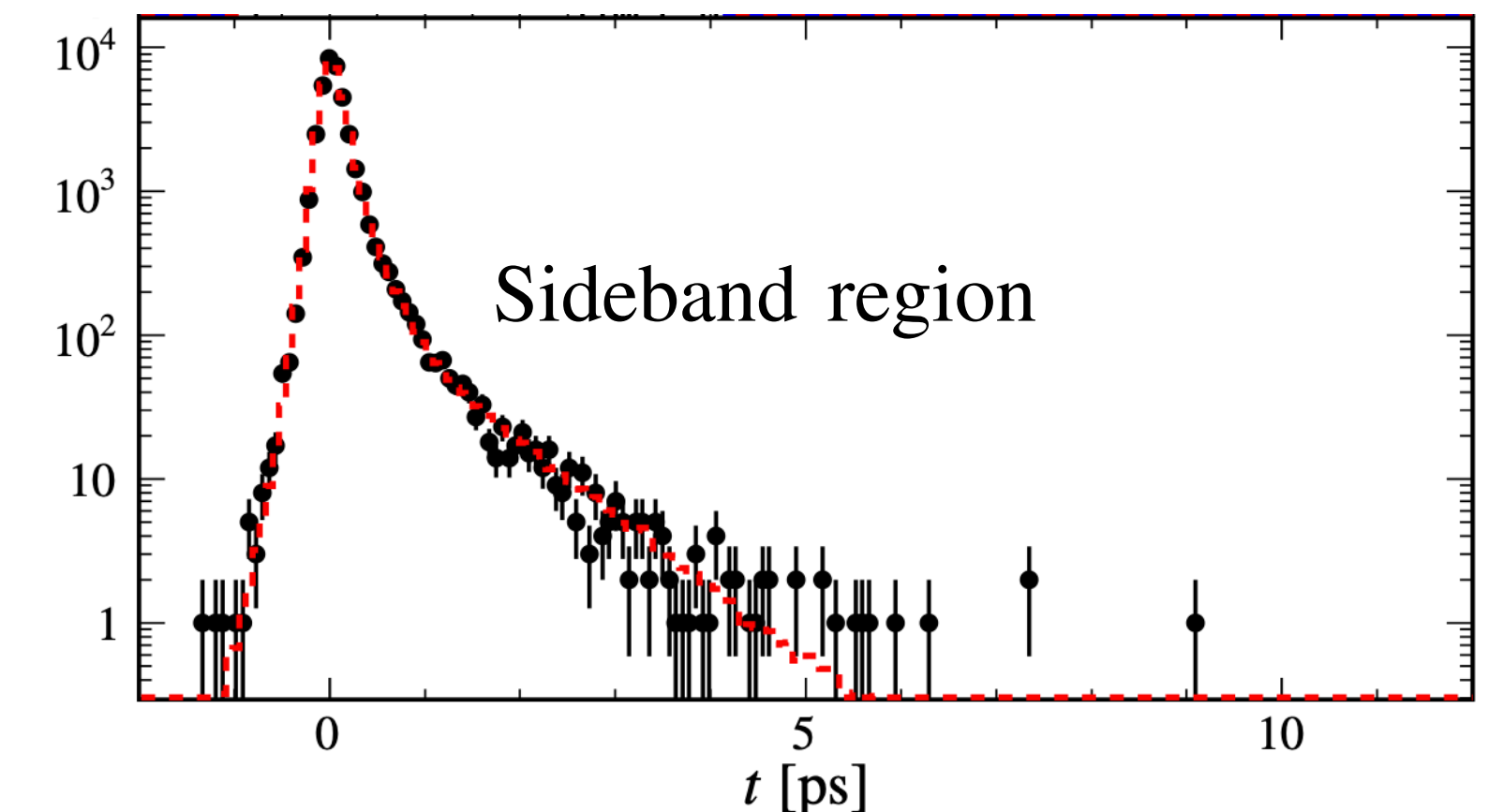
- Important test of effective theory models e.g. strong corrections to weak decays at low energy
- Requires high resolution, carefully controlled systematics
  - New detector offers **2x decay time resolution** of Belle and BaBar thanks to smaller interaction region and vertex detector located closer to the IP.
- 2D fit to signal and sideband regions with BG fraction constrained by mass fit.



Example:  $\Lambda_c^+$  lifetime

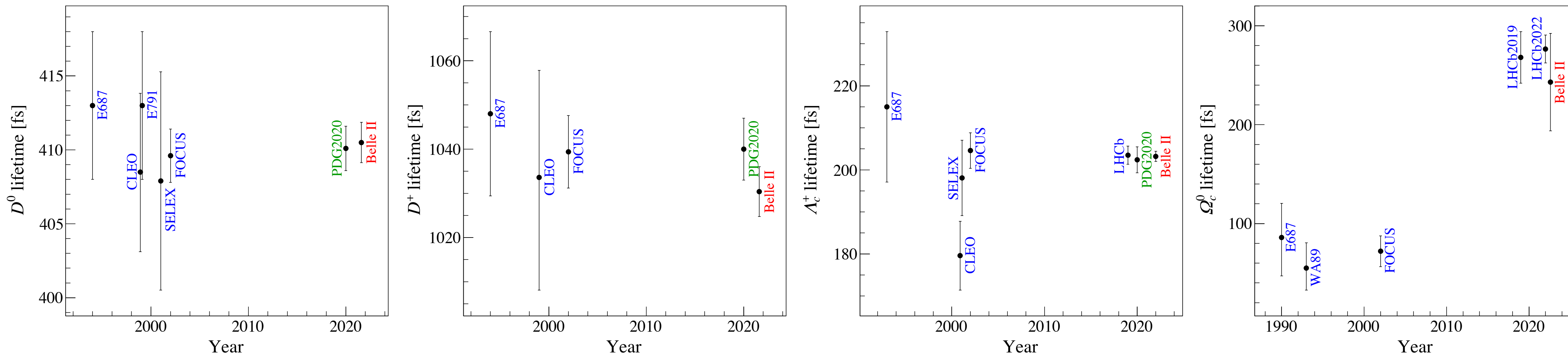


arXiv: 2206.15227



# Charm Lifetimes @Belle II

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- Absolute lifetime measurements of charm hadrons from Belle II:

- Improved knowledge of  $D$  lifetimes, with world-best measurements, after  $\sim 20$  years

$$\tau(D^0) = 410.5 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.8 \text{ fs}$$

$$\tau(D^+) = 1030.4 \pm 4.7 \pm 3.1 \text{ fs}$$

*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **127** 21801(2021)

- World's best  $\Lambda_c^+$  lifetime measurement

$$\tau(\Lambda_c^+) = 203.2 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.8 \text{ fs}$$

*Belle II* preliminary, arXiv: 2206.15227[hep-ex]

- Independent confirmation of LHCb's finding that  $\Omega_c^0$  is not the shortest-lived weakly decaying charm baryon

$$\tau(\Omega_c^0) = 243 \pm 48 \pm 11 \text{ fs}$$

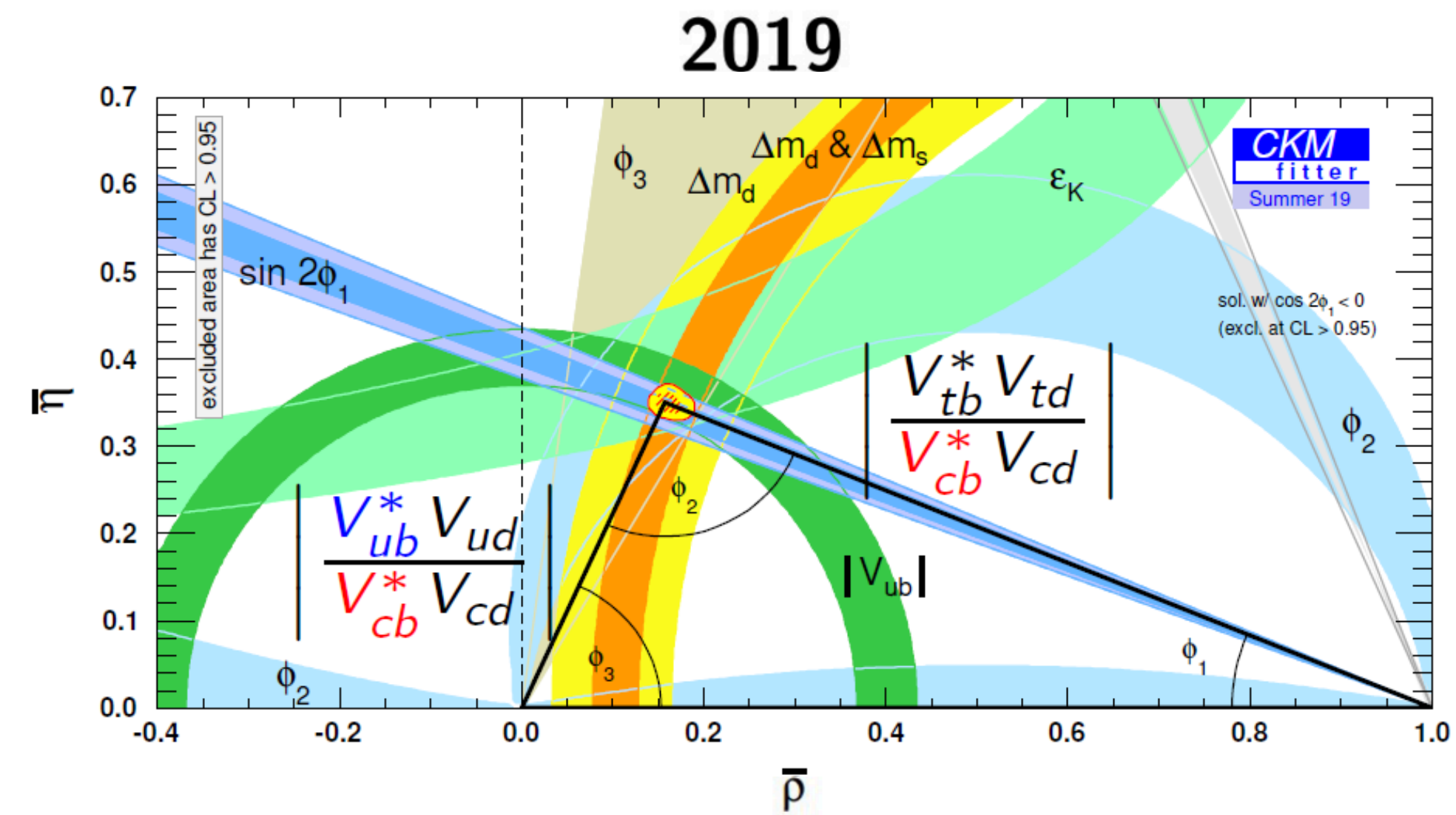
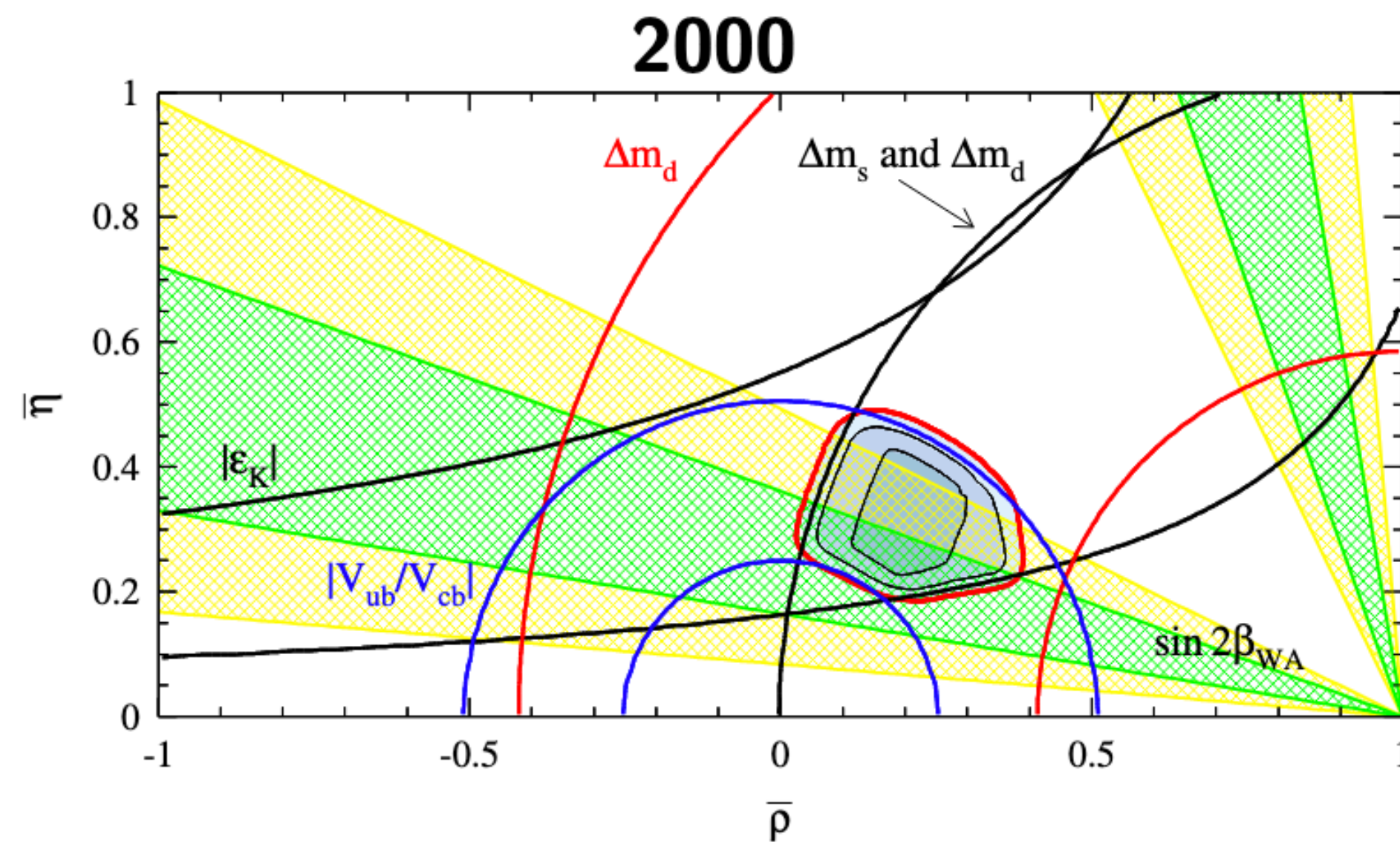
*Belle II* preliminary, new at ICHEP2022



# The CKM Triangle

$$\begin{bmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

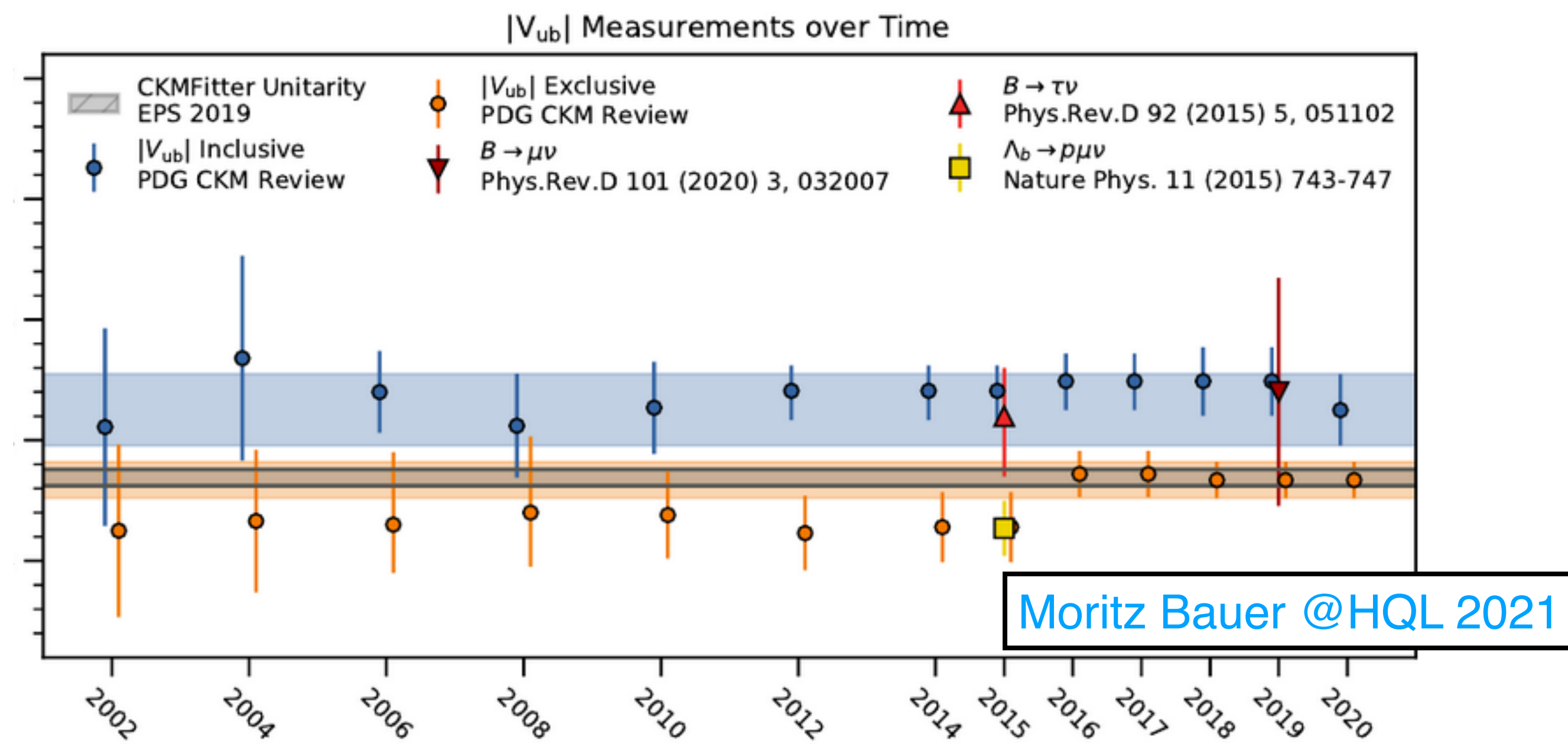
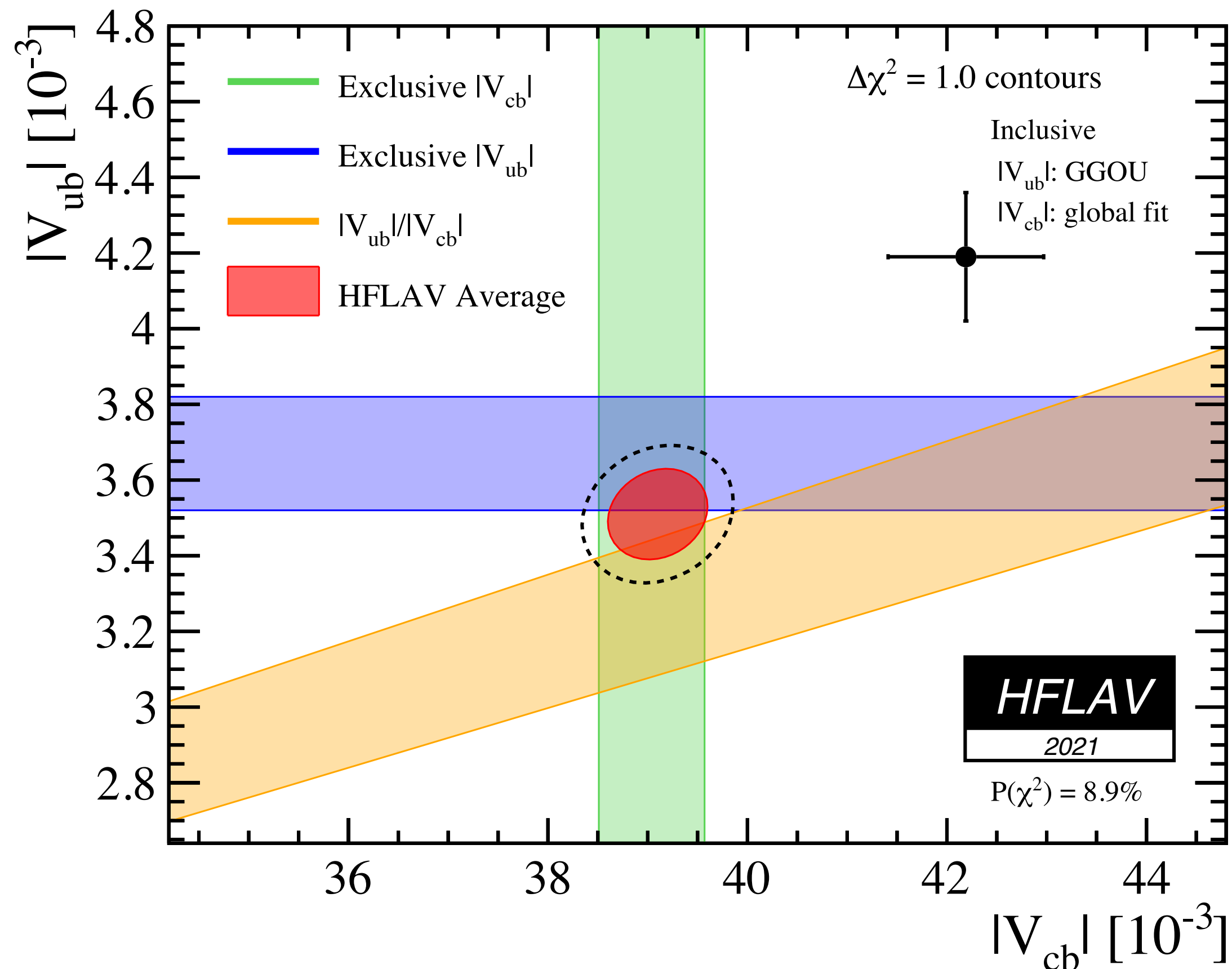
- Tremendous progress in the last 20 years in understanding quark flavour dynamics thanks to BaBar, Belle, LHCb and theory advances.



- Potential for Belle II to go even further by combining unprecedented data set with well controlled kinematics and backgrounds.

# $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$ Puzzles

- Longstanding tension ( $\sim 3\sigma$ ) between inclusive and exclusive measurements
- Crucial input for SM rare decay BF, limits power of CKM unitarity tests

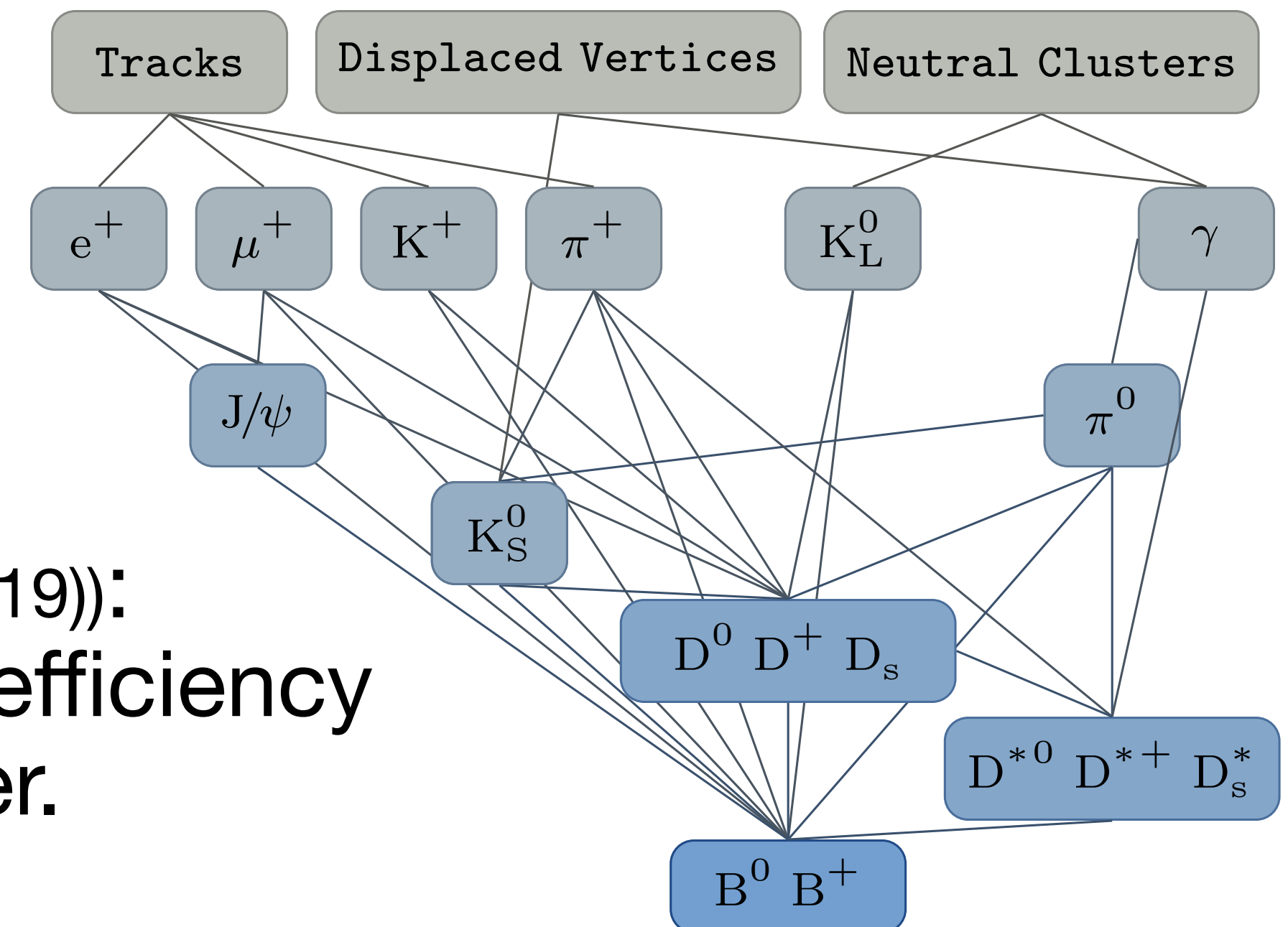
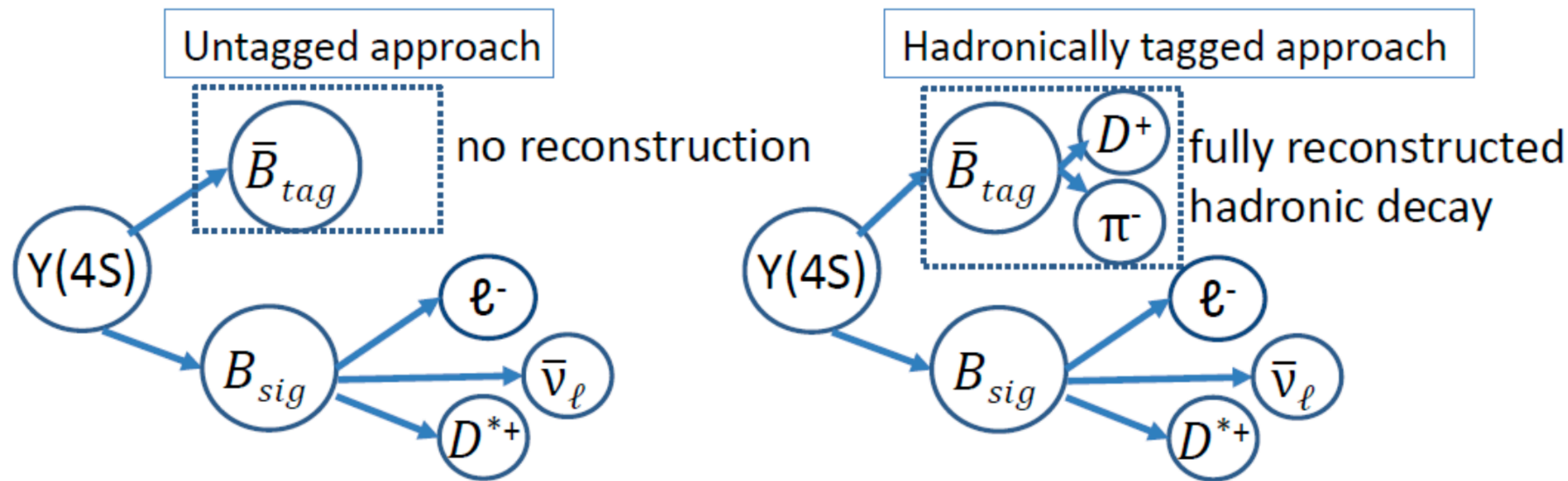
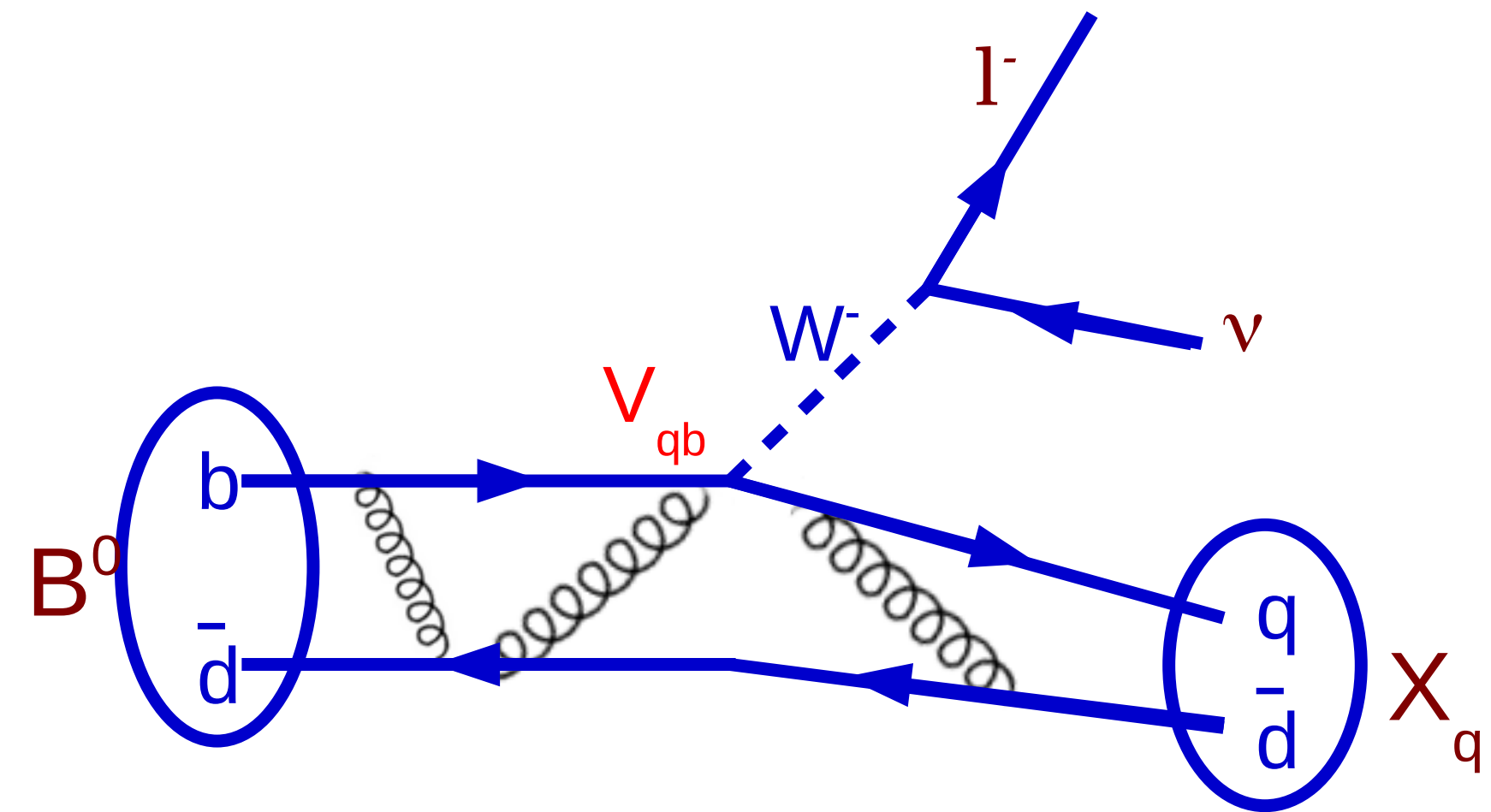




# $|V_{xb}|$ Determination at Belle II

- Measured from tree level semileptonic decays assumed to be free of NP.

- Belle II** can measure  $|V_{xb}|$  in multiple ways: **inclusive** and **exclusive**, **tagged** (high purity) and **untagged** (high statistics) → unique advantage



- Full Event Interpretation** (Comput Softw Big Sci 3, 6 (2019)): New tool for B-tag reconstruction with increased efficiency (0.5 (0.3)% for  $B^+(B^0)$ ) using a multivariate classifier.



# Tagged $|V_{cb}|$

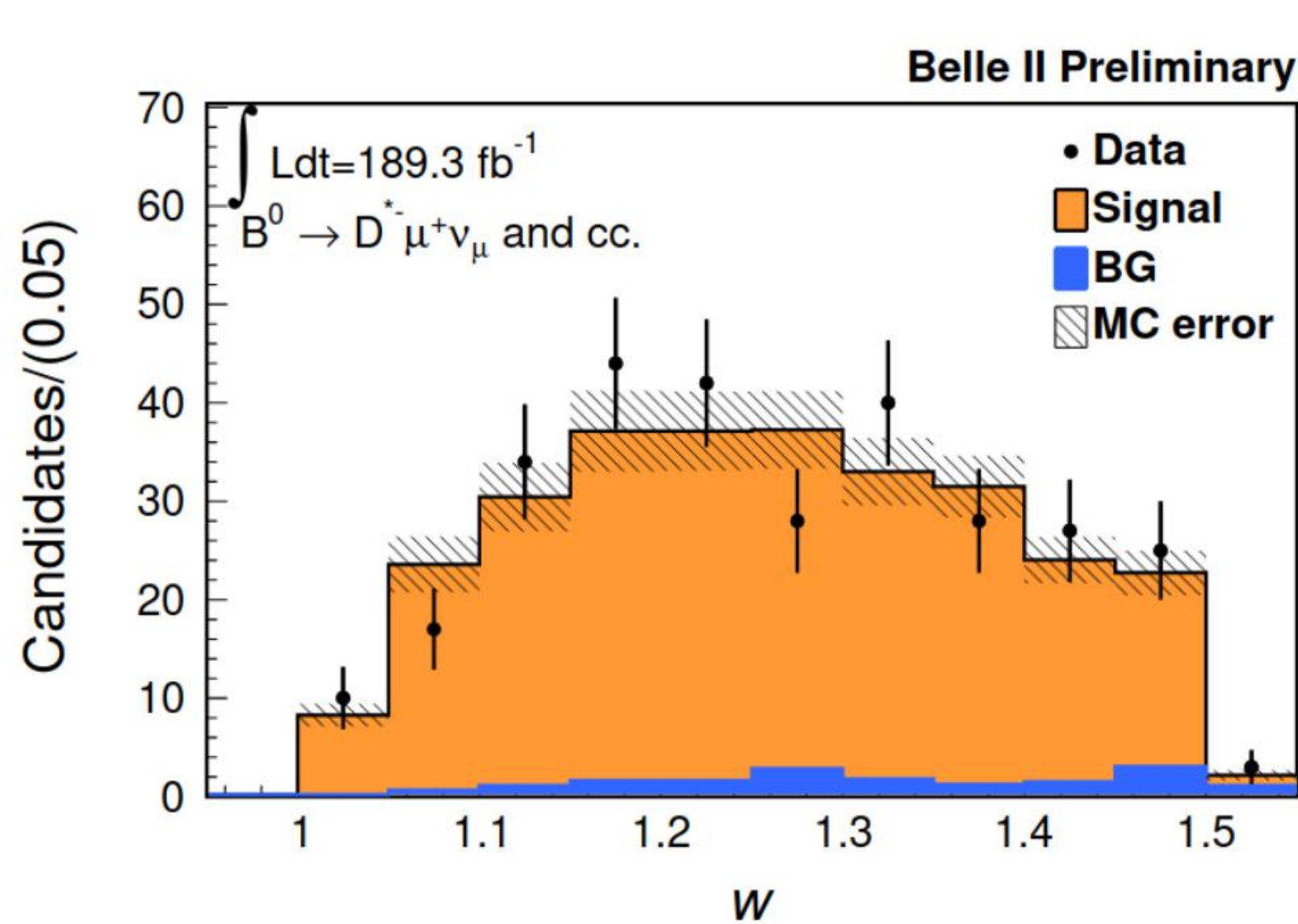
- $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} l^+ \nu$   
 $D^{*-} \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \pi^+$ ,  $\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$   
 with  $\bar{B}^0$ -tag  $\rightarrow$  hadronic

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dw} \propto \mathcal{F}^2(w) |V_{cb}|^2 \eta_{EW}^2$$

$$w = \frac{(m_B^2 + m_{D^{(*)}}^2 - q^2)}{2m_B m_{D^{(*)}}}$$

Normalised momentum transfer  
 $\eta_{EW} = 1.00662 \pm 0.00016$

- $|V_{cb}|$  from fit of the differential decay width with a given parametrization:



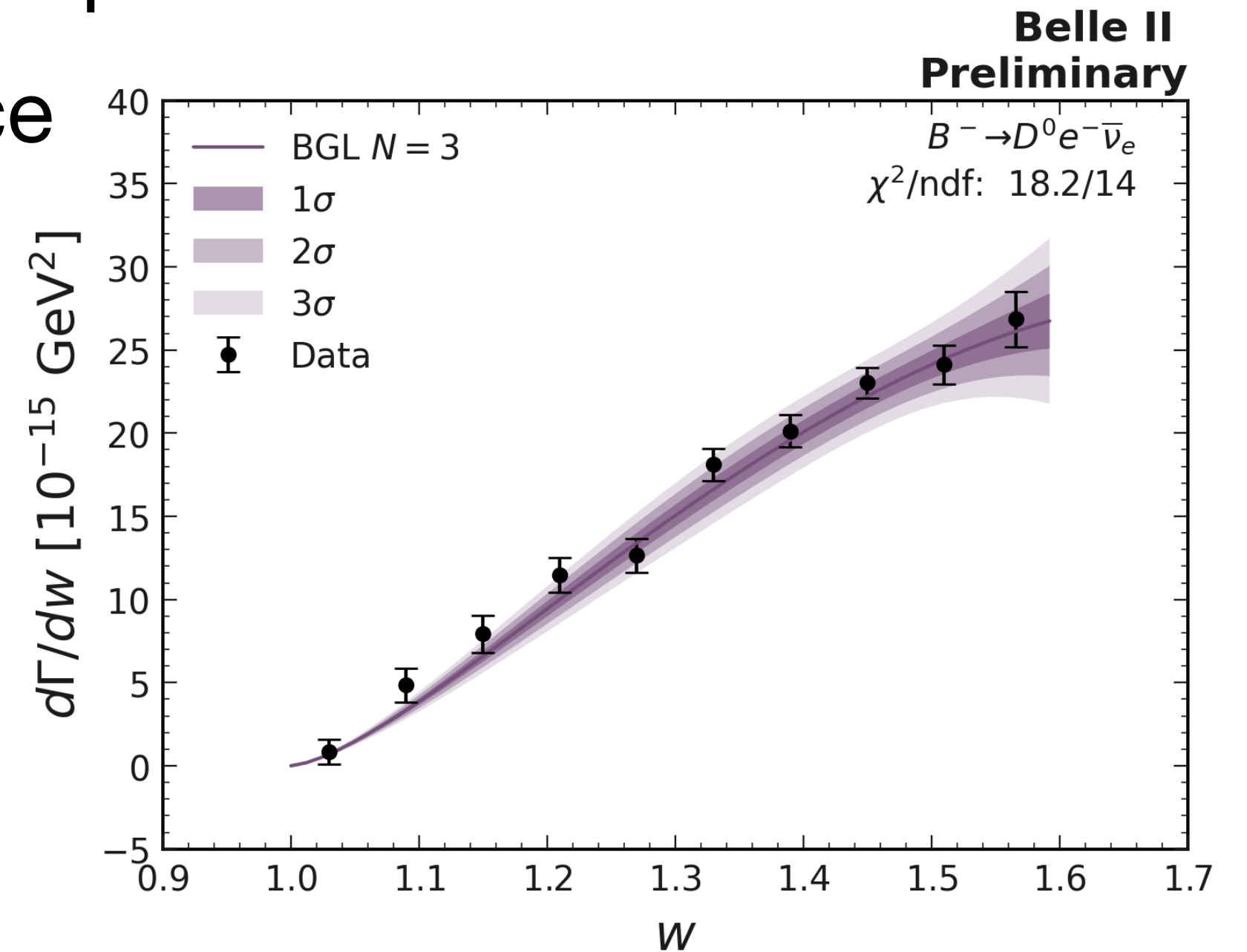
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$$\eta_{EW} |V_{cb}| \times 10^3 = 38.2 \pm 2.8 \text{ (stat+syst)}$$

# Untagged $|V_{cb}|$

- $B^0 \rightarrow D^- l^+ \nu$ ,  $D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-$   
 $B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 l^+ \nu$ ,  $\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$

BGL+lattice



$$\eta_{EW} |V_{cb}| \times 10^3 = 38.53 \pm 1.15 \text{ (stat+syst)}$$

# Untagged $|V_{ub}|$

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- $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$ : challenging due to large background from continuum and B decays  $\rightarrow$  rejected with MVA.

- $\nu$  momentum is inferred from visible rest-of-event.

- Signal extracted with fit to  $q^2 = (p_e + p_\nu)^2$ ,

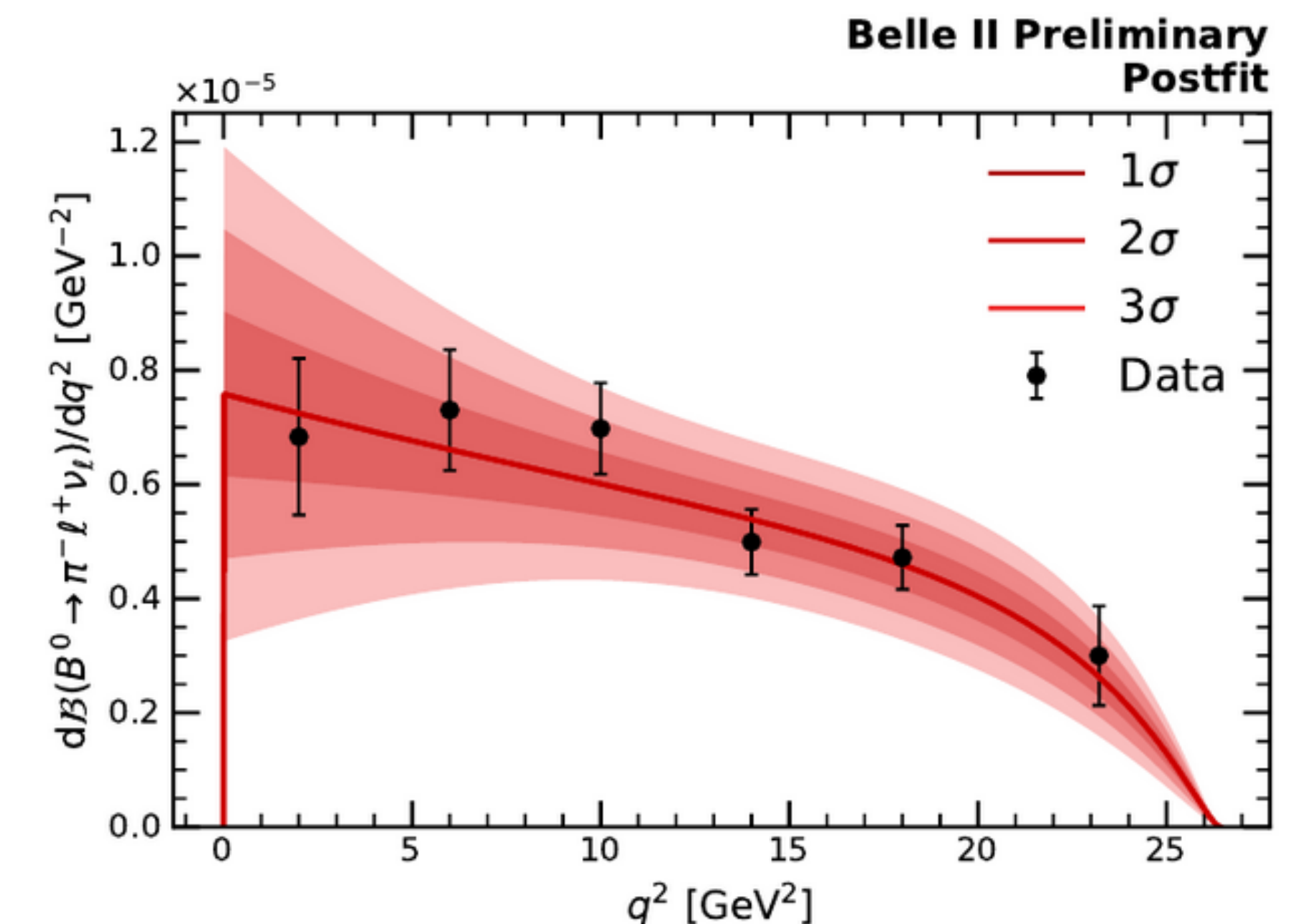
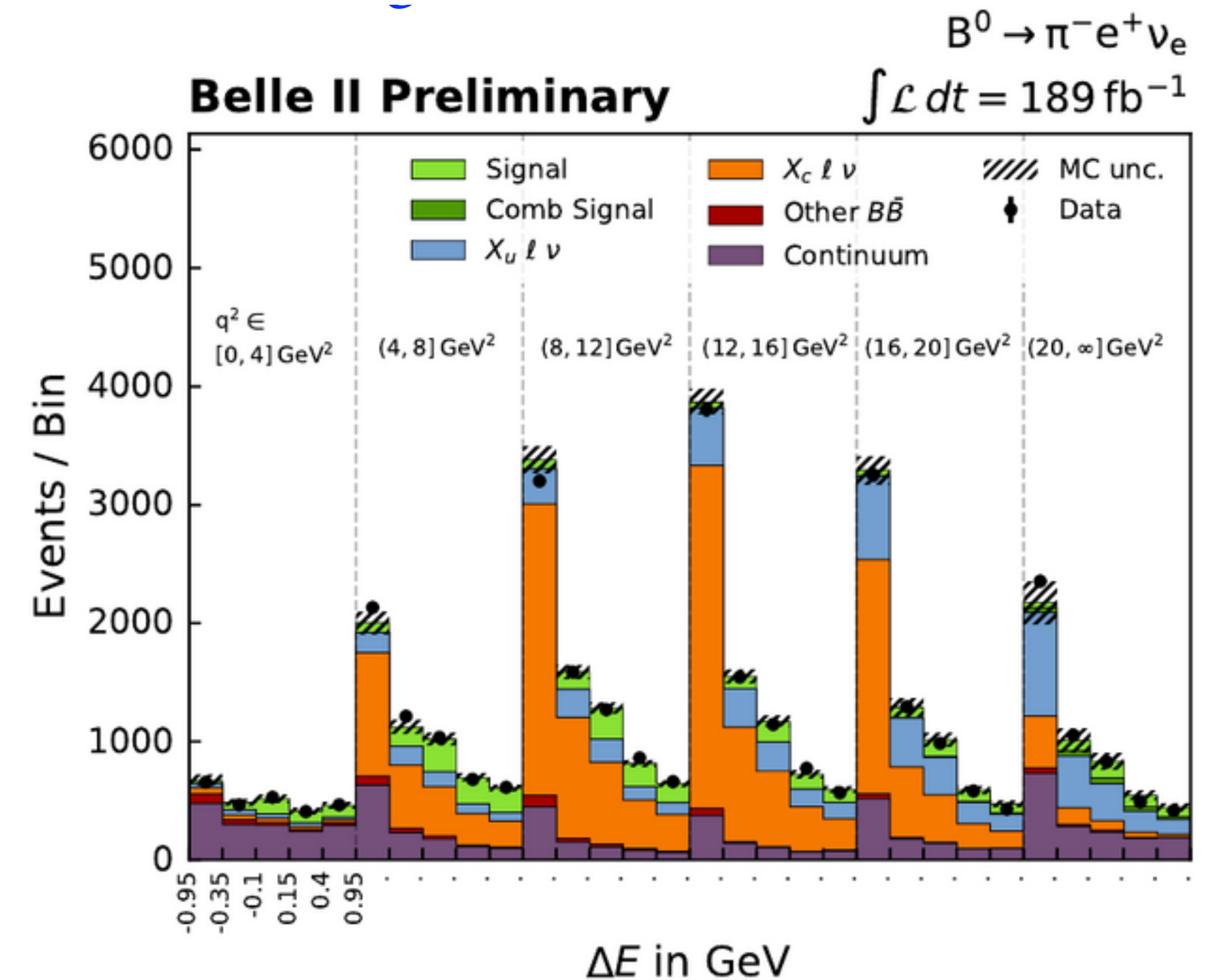
$$M_{BC} = \sqrt{\frac{s}{4} - p_B^{*2}} \text{ and } \Delta E = E_B^* - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}$$

- Branching fraction measurement

$$\mathcal{B}_{B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell} = (1.421 \pm 0.056 \pm 0.126) \times 10^{-4}$$

- Which after input from BCL+lattice QCD becomes

$$\begin{aligned} |V_{ub}|_{B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell} &= \\ &= (3.54 \pm 0.12_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.15_{\text{sys}} \pm 0.16_{\text{theo}}) \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$





# Tagged $|V_{ub}|$

- With a tagged approach the background component can be reduced and it becomes possible to study the more challenging  $B \rightarrow \rho l \nu$  modes.

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$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) = (1.43 \pm 0.27(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4}$$

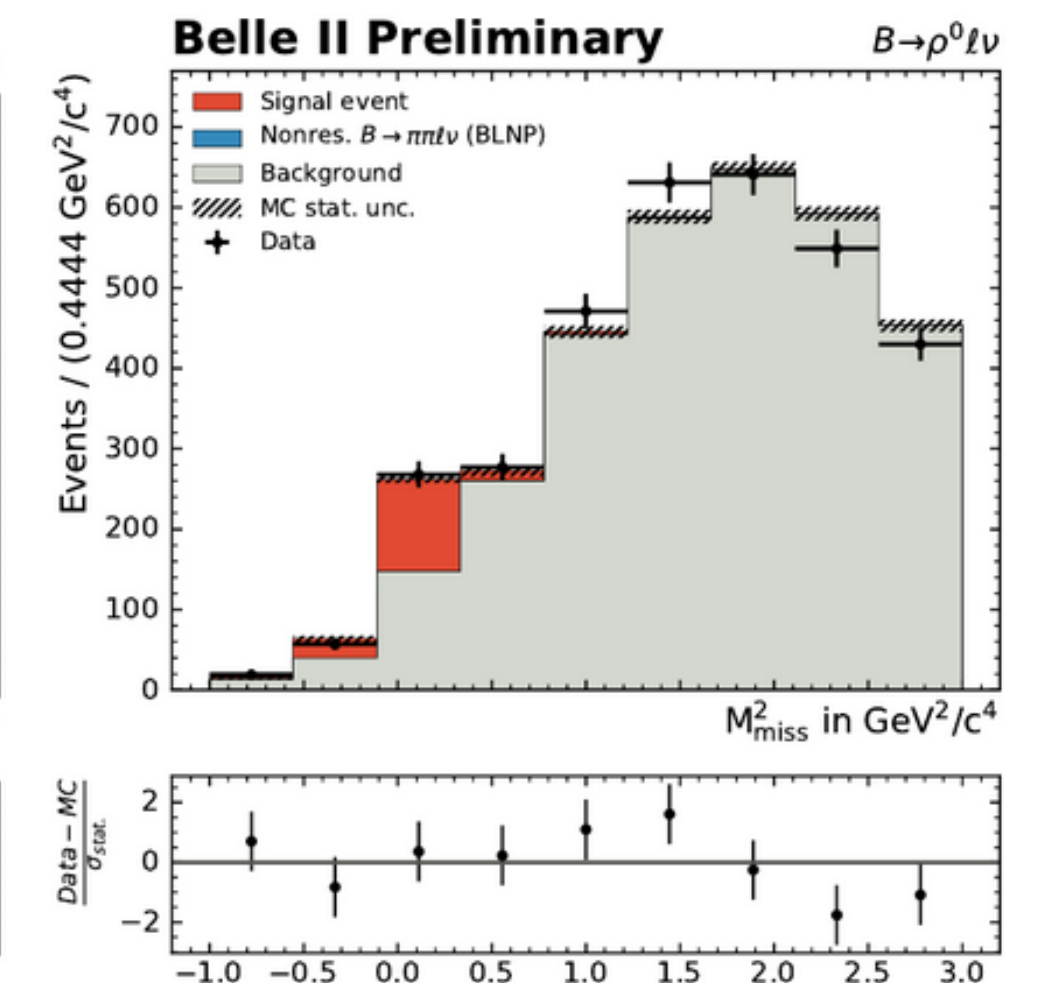
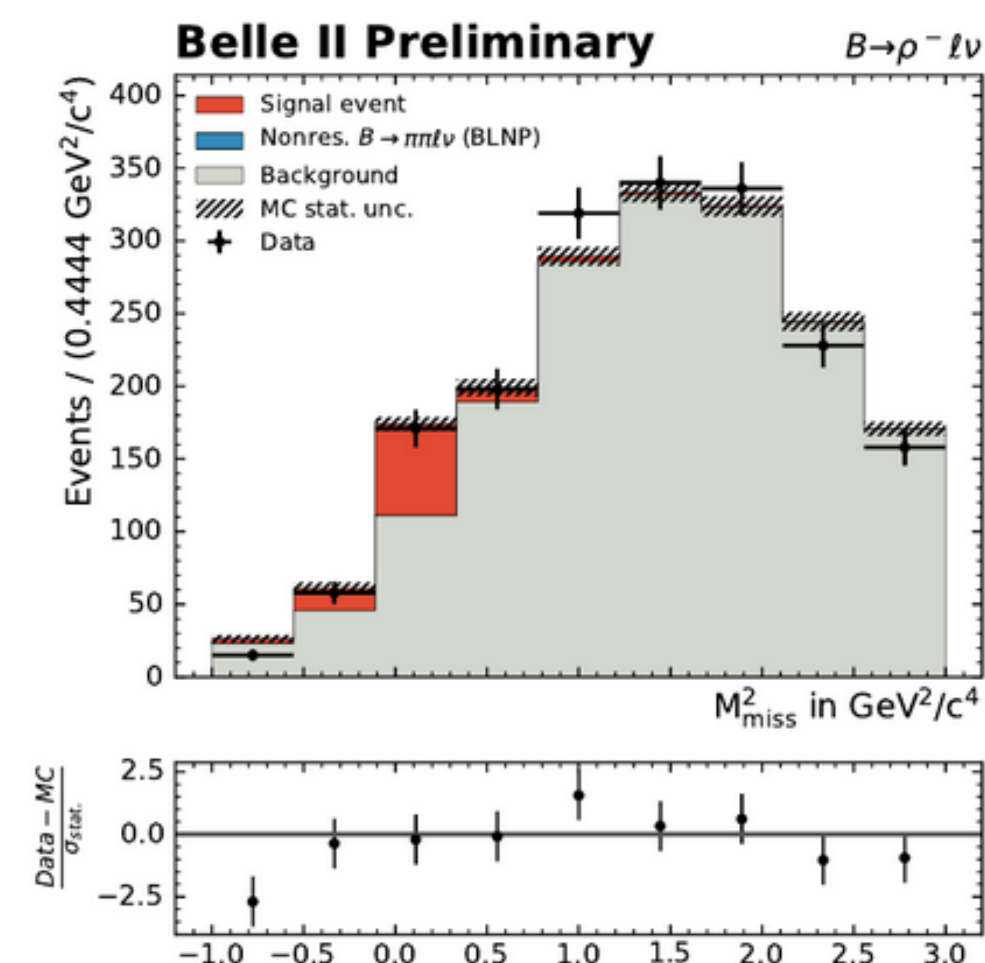
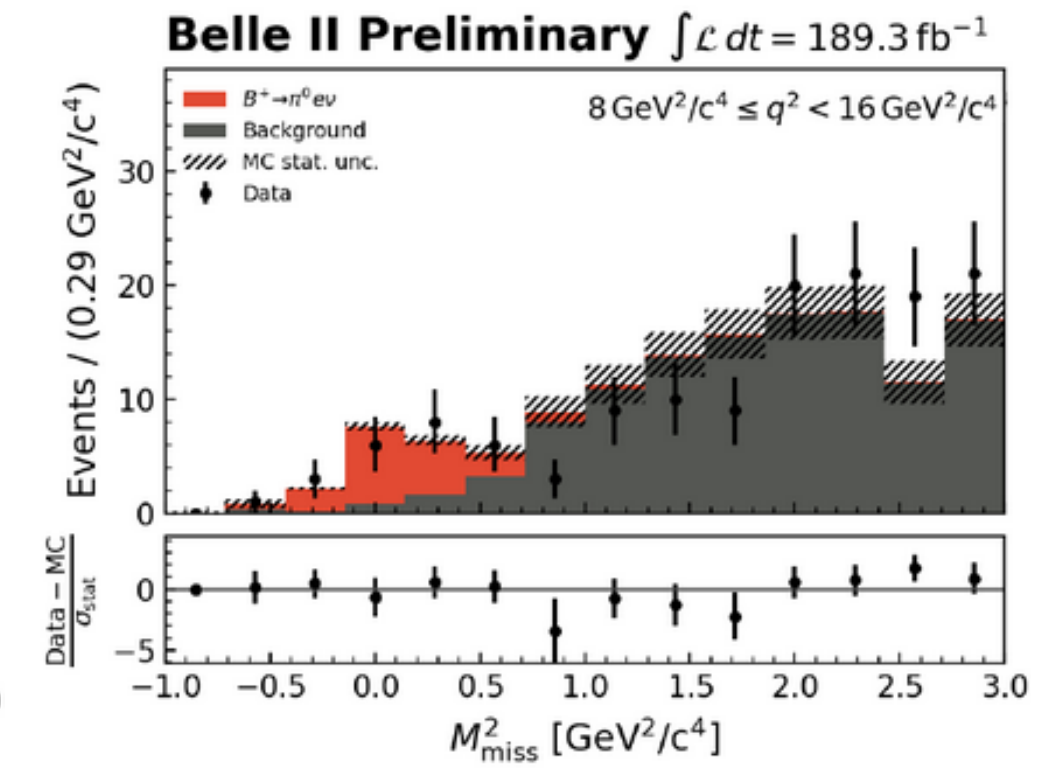
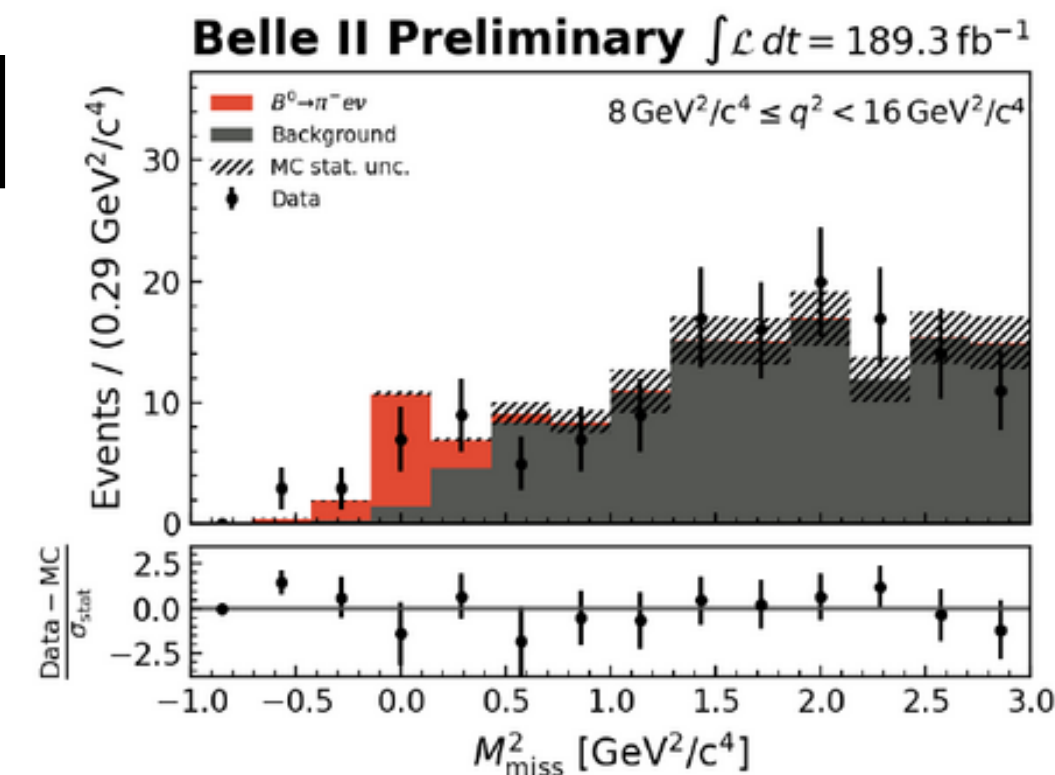
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e) = (8.33 \pm 1.67(\text{stat}) \pm 0.55(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.88 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-3}$$

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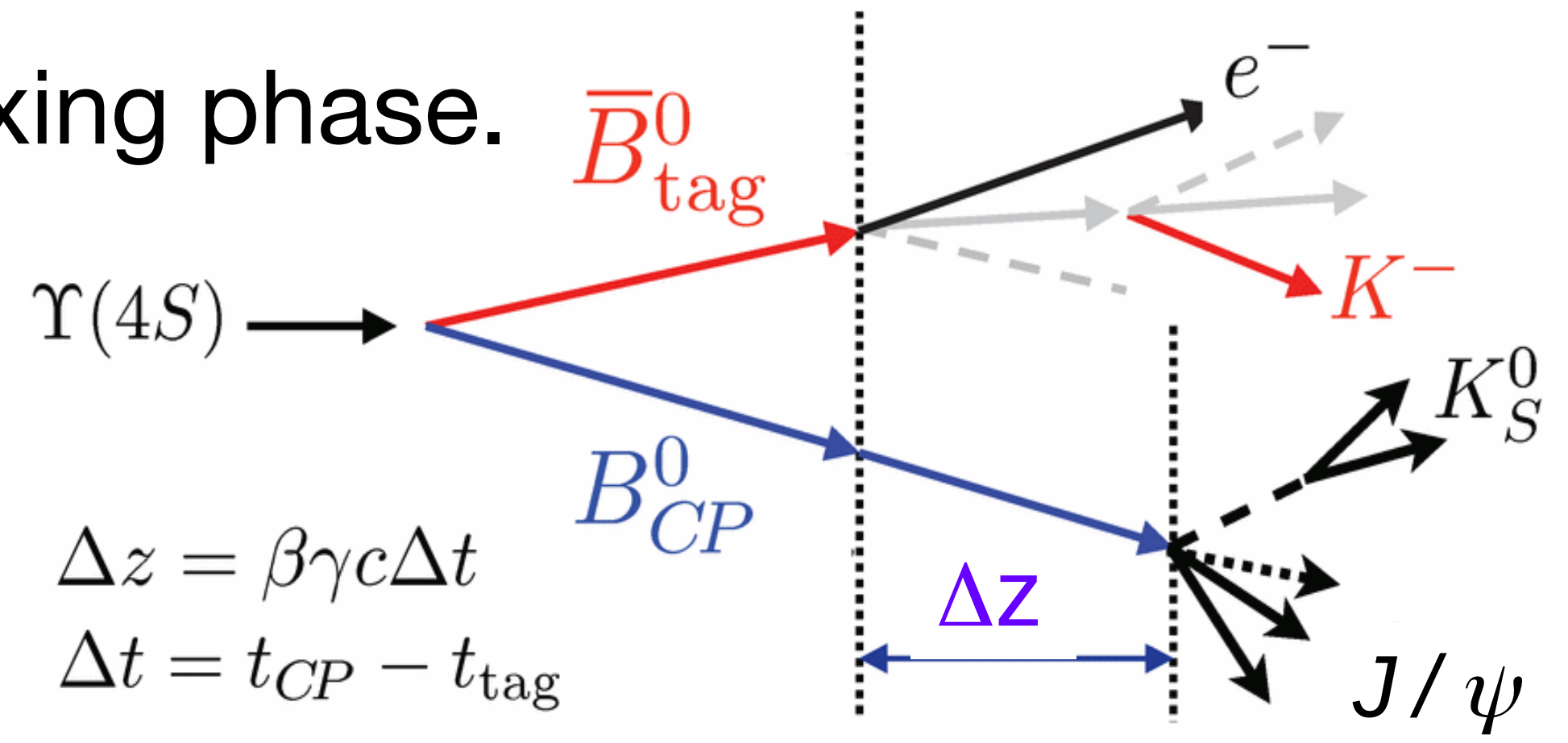
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (4.12 \pm 0.64_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.16_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (1.77 \pm 0.23_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.36_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

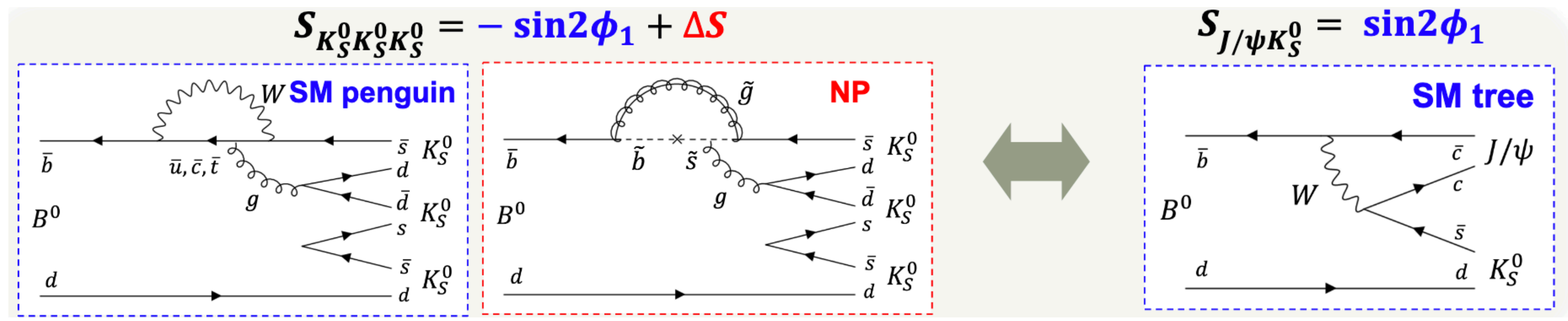


# Measuring $\sin 2\phi_1$ : Time Dependent Analyses

- Flagship B-Factory measurement of the  $B^0$ -mixing phase.
- $B^0$ -tag flavour must be accurately identified  
 → dedicated **flavour tagging** algorithm  
 (Eur. Phys. J. C 82, 283(2022))
- Needs precise B-decay vertex reconstruction
- Comparison between tree and penguin modes could reveal NP:



$\langle \Delta z \rangle \sim 130 \mu\text{m}$  at Belle II





- $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_s$** : Fit of  $\Delta E$  with resolution function parameters calibrated with  $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-} \pi^+$  events

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

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

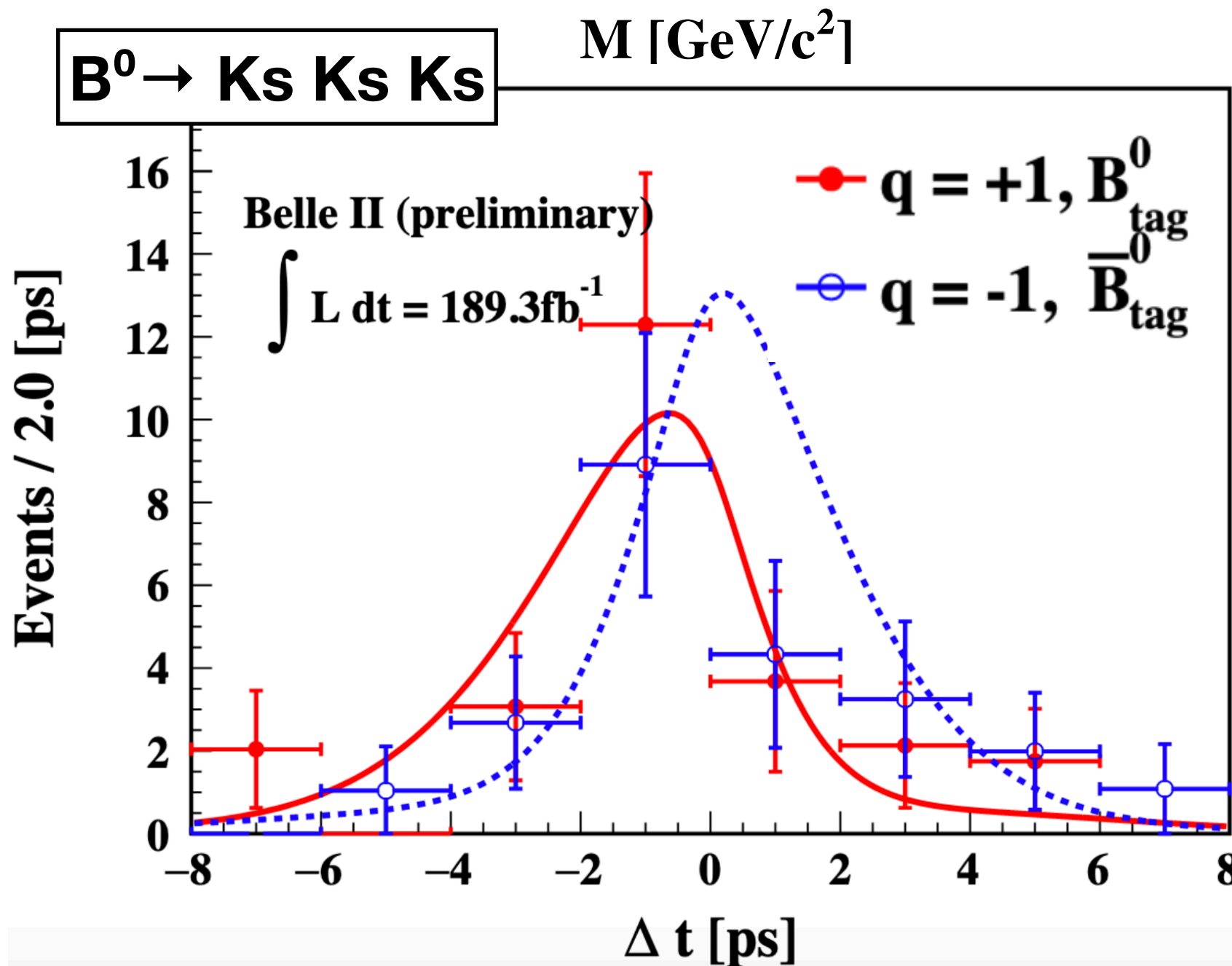
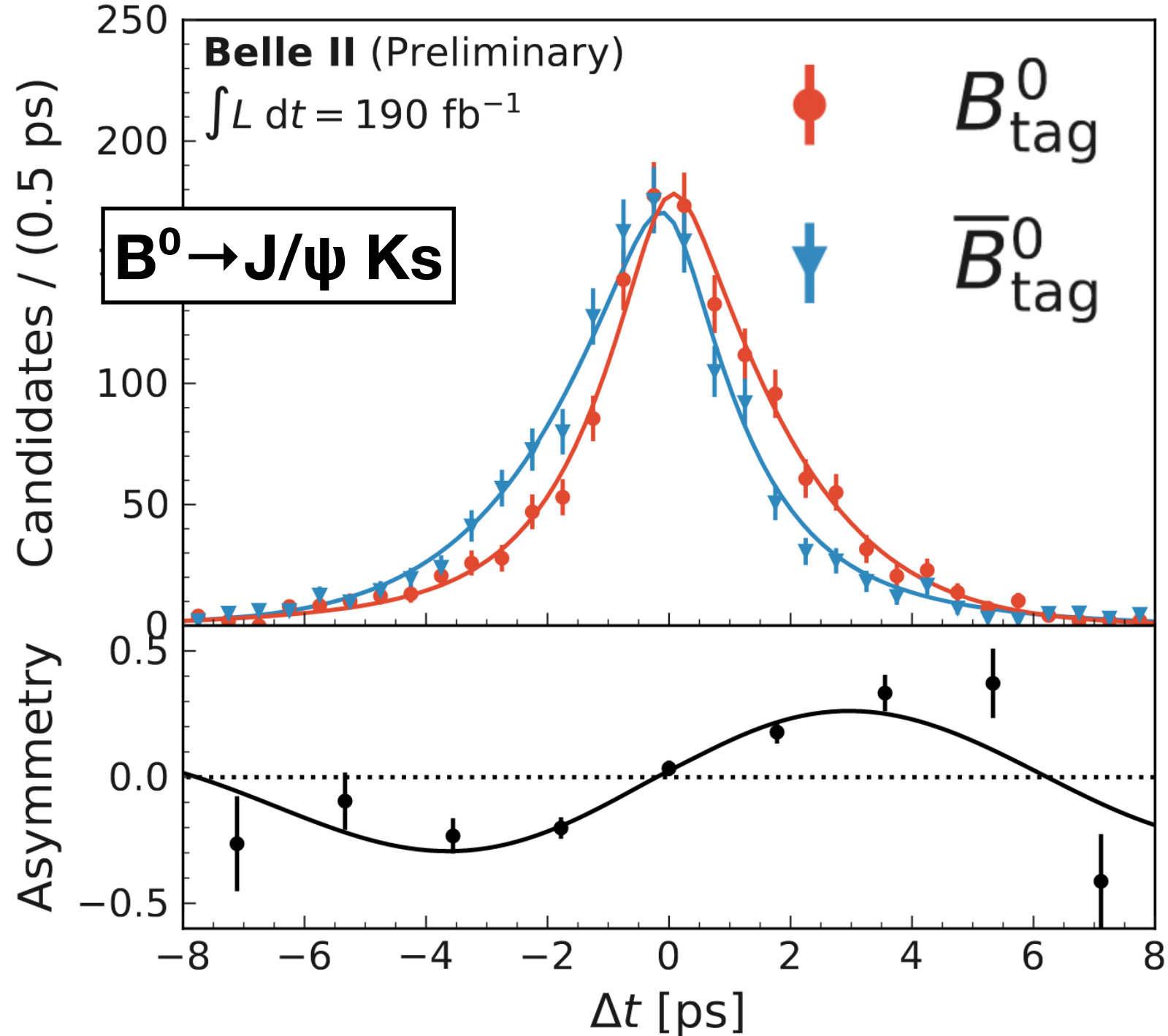
- Other channels e.g.  $K_L$ ,  $\psi(2S)$ , ... can be added in the future.
- $B^0 \rightarrow K_s K_s K_s$** : Unique Belle II sensitivity. Challenging vertexing with no prompt tracks.

- Validated using  $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ K_s K_s$

$$S_{CP} = -1.86 \begin{matrix} +0.91 \\ -0.46 \end{matrix} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst.)}$$

$$A_{CP} = -0.22 \begin{matrix} +0.30 \\ -0.27 \end{matrix} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (syst.)}$$

- Both analyses still **dominated by statistical uncertainties.**



# CKM angle $\phi_2$ : $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$

- $\phi_2$  can be measured from isospin analysis of  $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$  (or  $B \rightarrow \rho\rho$ )
- Belle II can access all channels, including neutrals e.g.  $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ 
  - Requires dedicated MVA to suppress photon background.
  - Flavour tagging is required to determine  $A_{CP}$
  - Calibration factors from  $B^0 \rightarrow D^0(\rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^0) \pi^0$
  - Signal yields from maximum likelihood fit of  $\Delta E$ ,  $M_{bc}$ , and continuum-suppression BDT output.

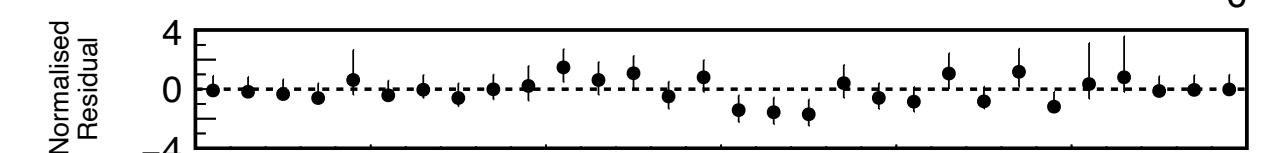
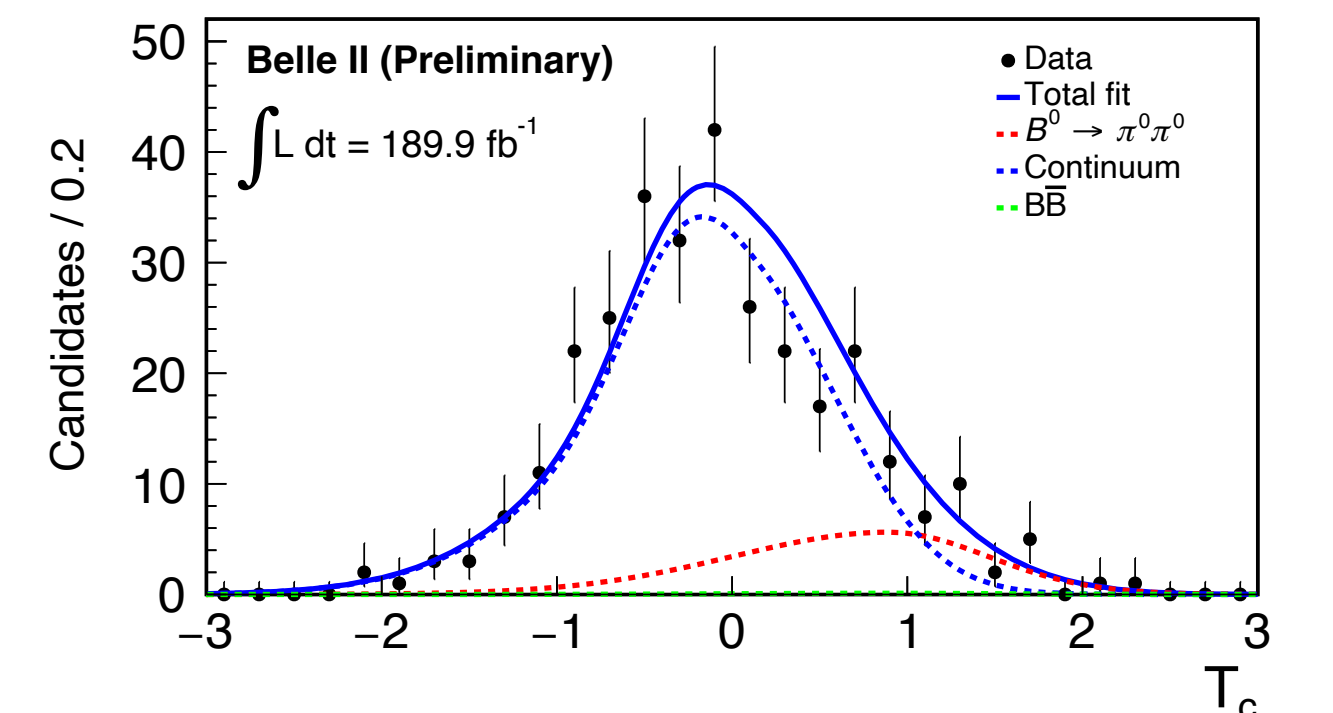
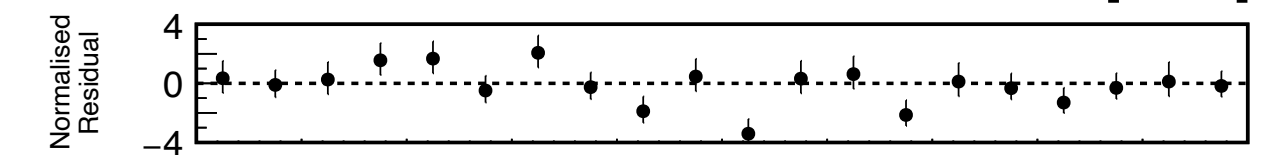
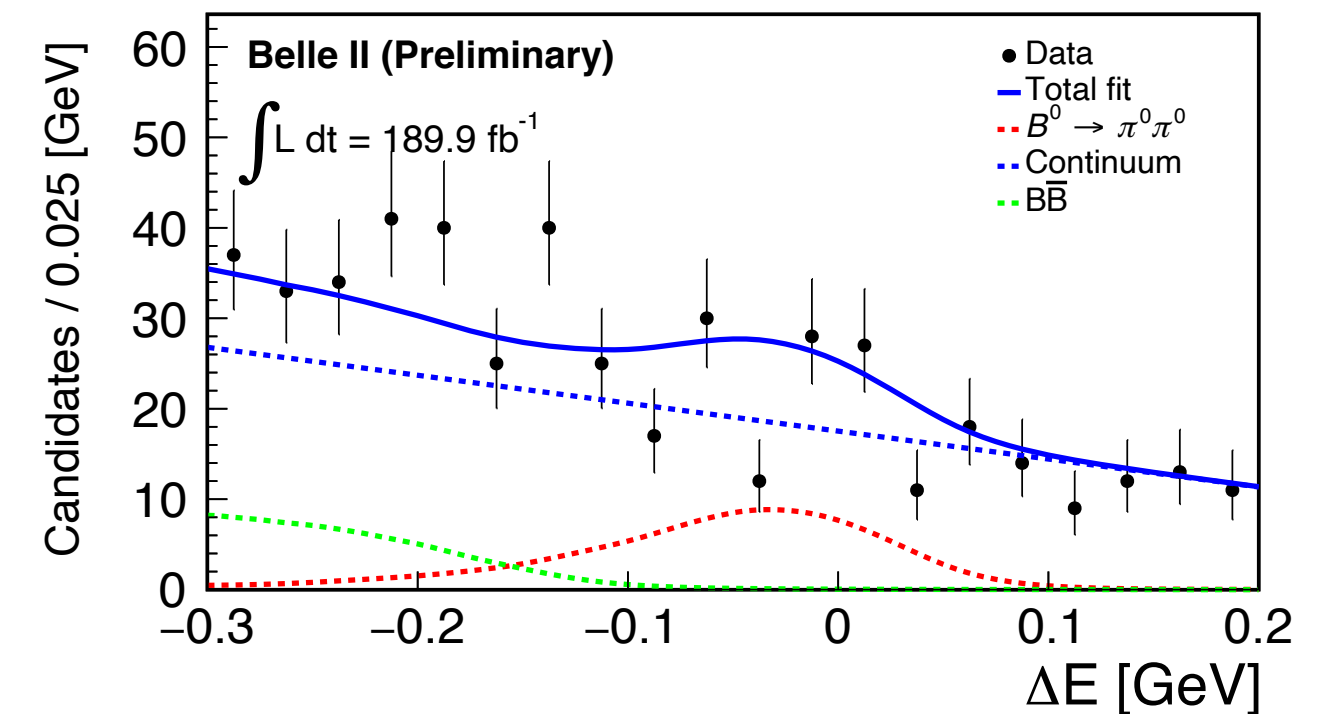
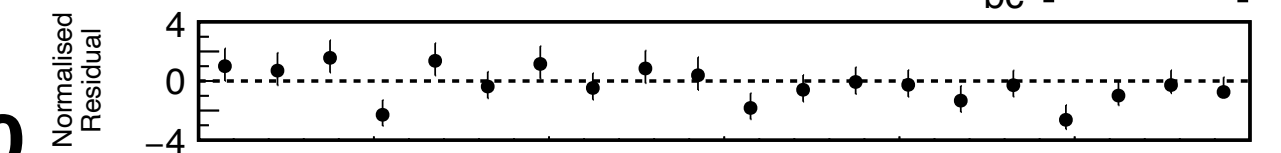
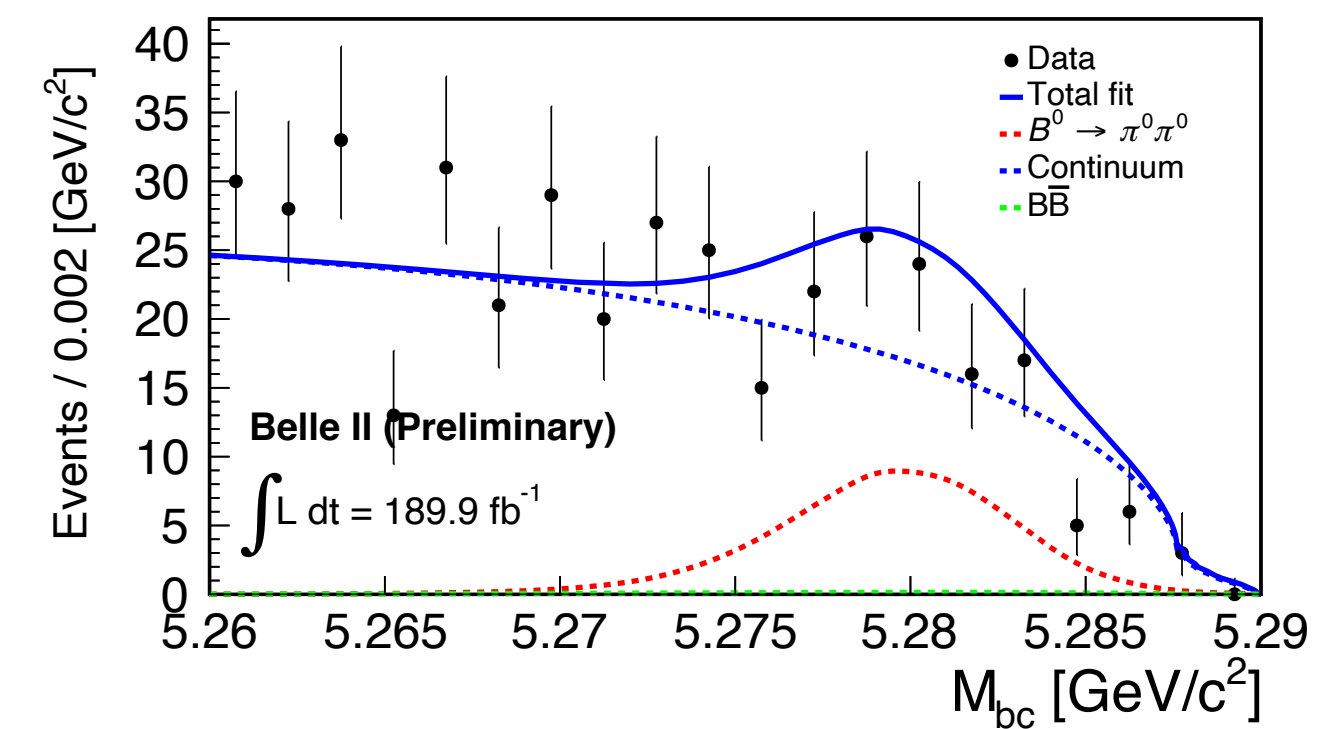
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Results competitive with Belle with a data set of less than one third!

$$\mathcal{A}^{CP} = 0.14 \pm 0.46 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.07 \text{ (syst)}$$

$$\mathcal{B} = (1.27 \pm 0.25 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.17 \text{ (syst)}) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{WA: } \mathcal{A}^{CP} = 0.33 \pm 0.22, \mathcal{B} = (1.59 \pm 0.26) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

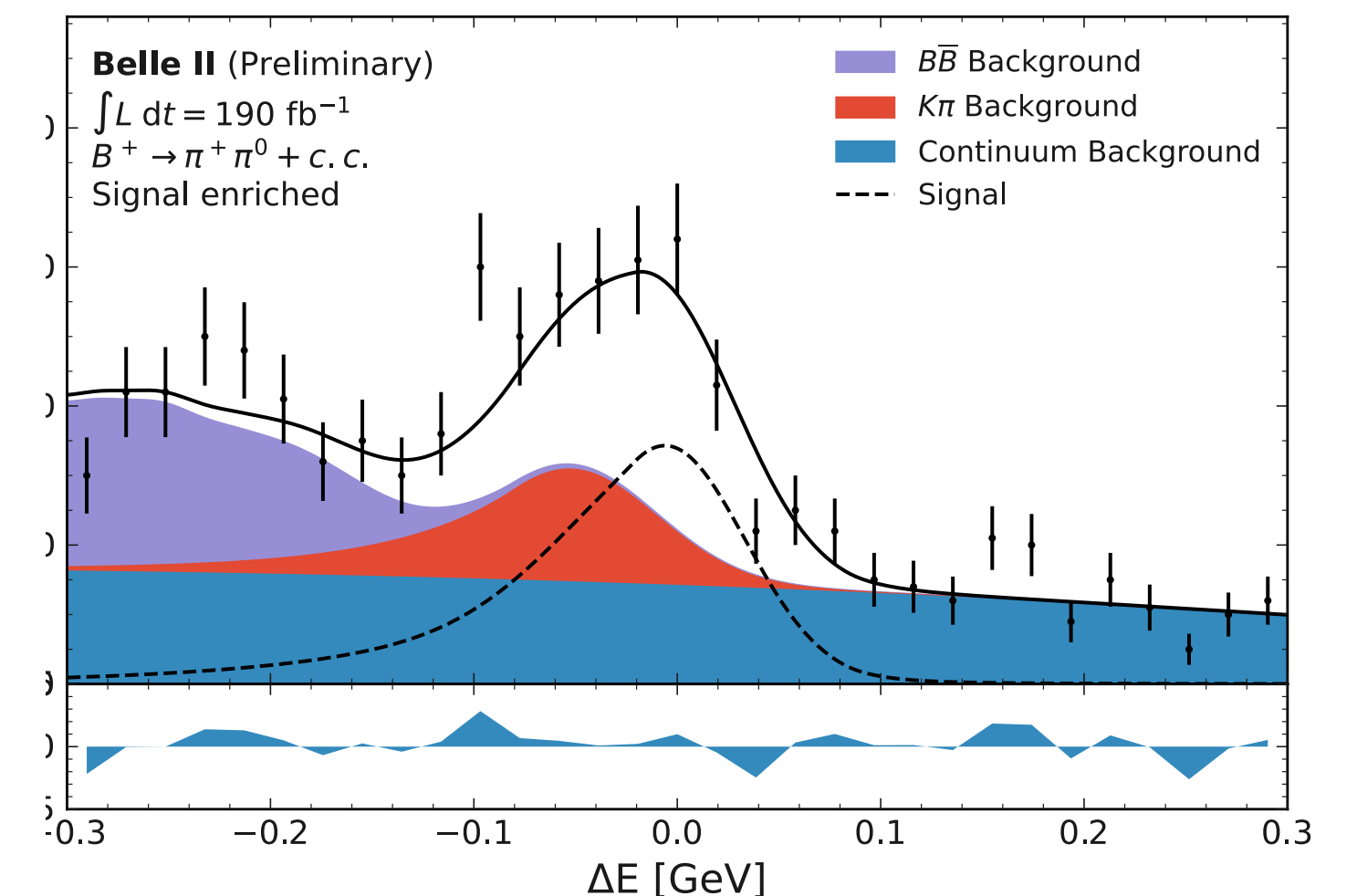
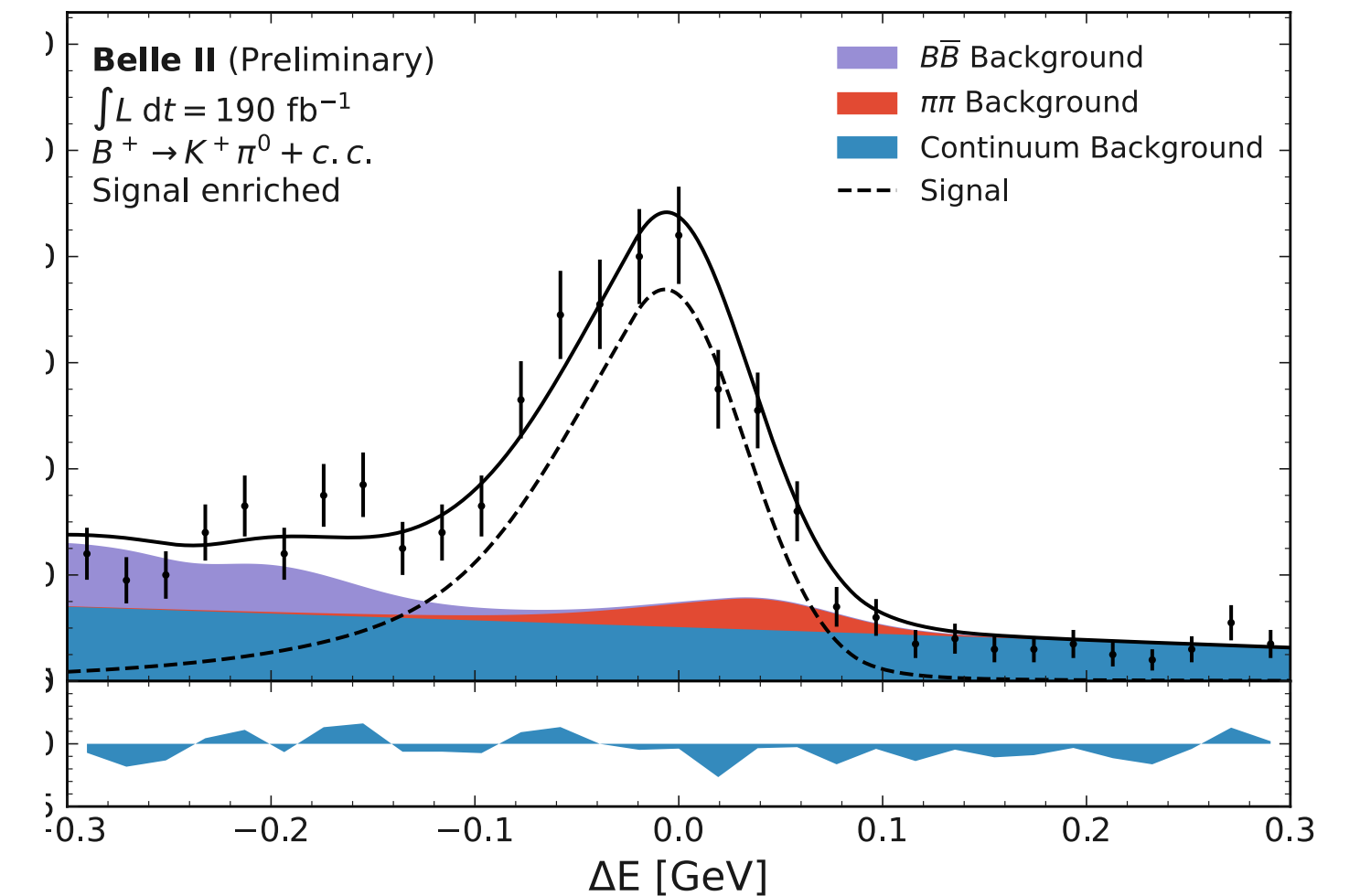


# CKM angle $\phi_2$ : $B^+ \rightarrow h^+ \pi^0$

- $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0$  and  $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  reconstructed using common selection.
  - $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0$  is an input for the "K $\pi$  puzzle", large isospin violation in  $B \rightarrow K\pi$  (see backup)
- ML fit of  $\Delta E$ ,  $M_{bc}$ , and continuum-suppression BDT output.
- Fit shapes controlled from off-resonance data and  $B \rightarrow D(K\pi)\pi$  decays  
→ leading systematic uncertainty from size of control samples.

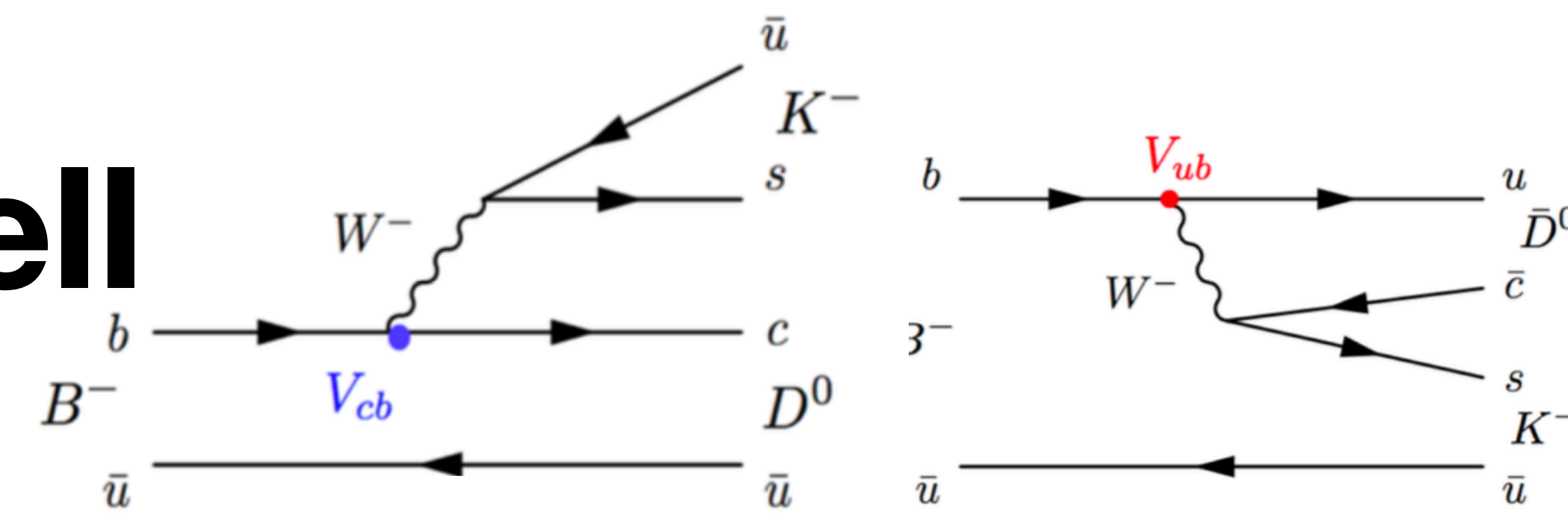
$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A}_{K^+ \pi^0}^{\text{CP}} &= 0.014 \pm 0.047 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.010 \text{ (syst)} \\
 \mathcal{B}_{K^+ \pi^0} &= (14.30 \pm 0.69 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.79 \text{ (syst)}) \cdot 10^{-6} \\
 \mathcal{A}_{\pi^+ \pi^0}^{\text{CP}} &= -0.085 \pm 0.085 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.019 \text{ (syst)} \\
 \mathcal{B}_{\pi^+ \pi^0} &= (6.12 \pm 0.53 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.53 \text{ (syst)}) \cdot 10^{-6}
 \end{aligned}$$

WA:  $\mathcal{A}_{K^+ \pi^0}^{\text{CP}} = 0.030 \pm 0.013$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_{\pi^+ \pi^0}^{\text{CP}} = 0.03 \pm 0.04$

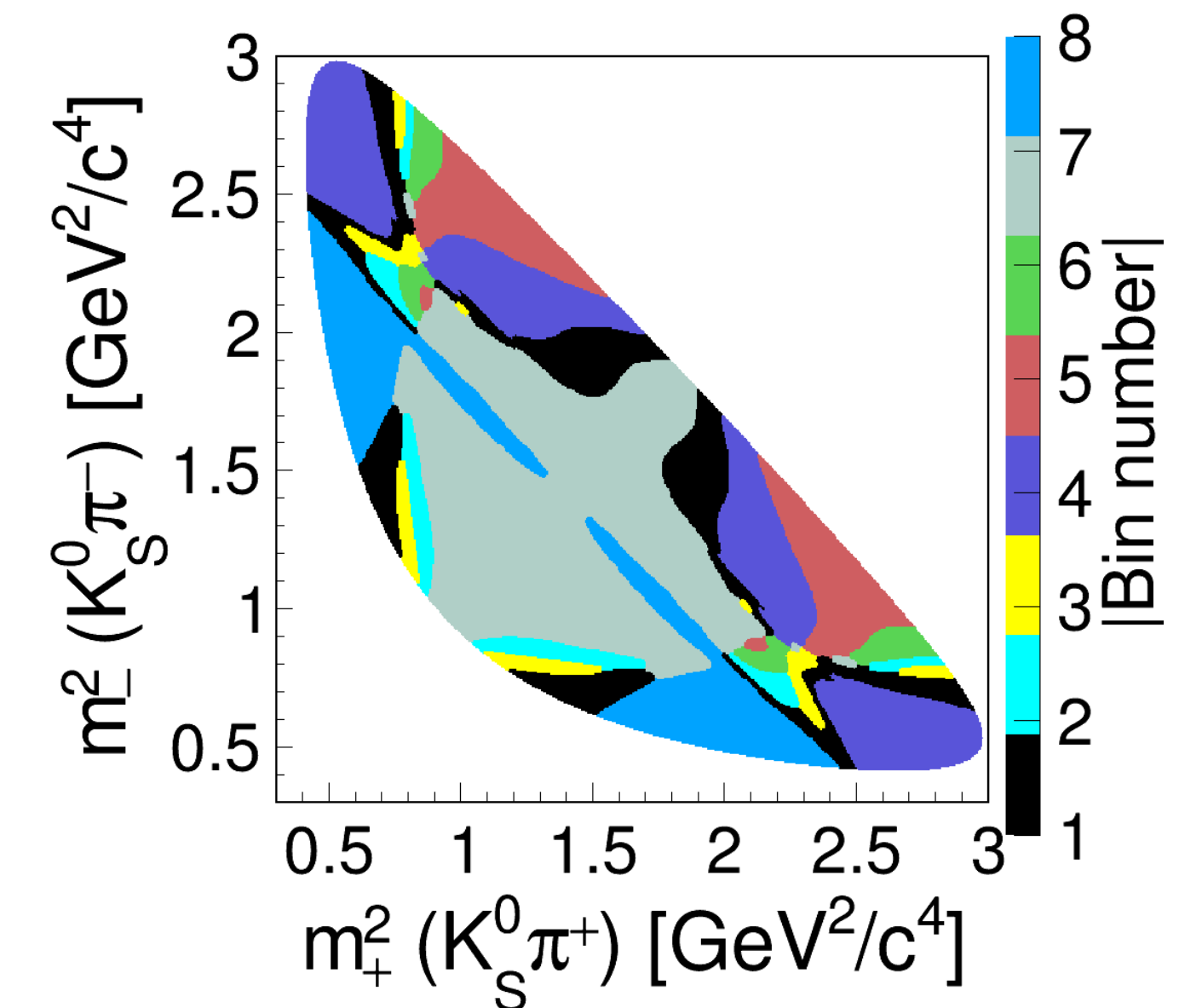




# CKM angle $\phi_3$ @Belle+BelleII



- Measured from interference of  $b \rightarrow c\bar{u}s$  (**favoured**) and  $b \rightarrow u\bar{c}s$  (**suppressed**)
- Tree level process  $\rightarrow$  SM benchmark mode, input for CKM fit.  $\longrightarrow$  *current status*:  $(66.2^{+3.4}_{-3.6})^\circ$
- Competing with LHCb in this channel is difficult but still very important.
- Several techniques to extract the weak phase exist.
- **First combined Belle (711 fb<sup>-1</sup>) and Belle II (128 fb<sup>-1</sup>) analysis**
  - Using the BPGGSZ technique: model independent Dalitz plot.
  - Most sensitive single analysis, dominates at Belle/Belle II.



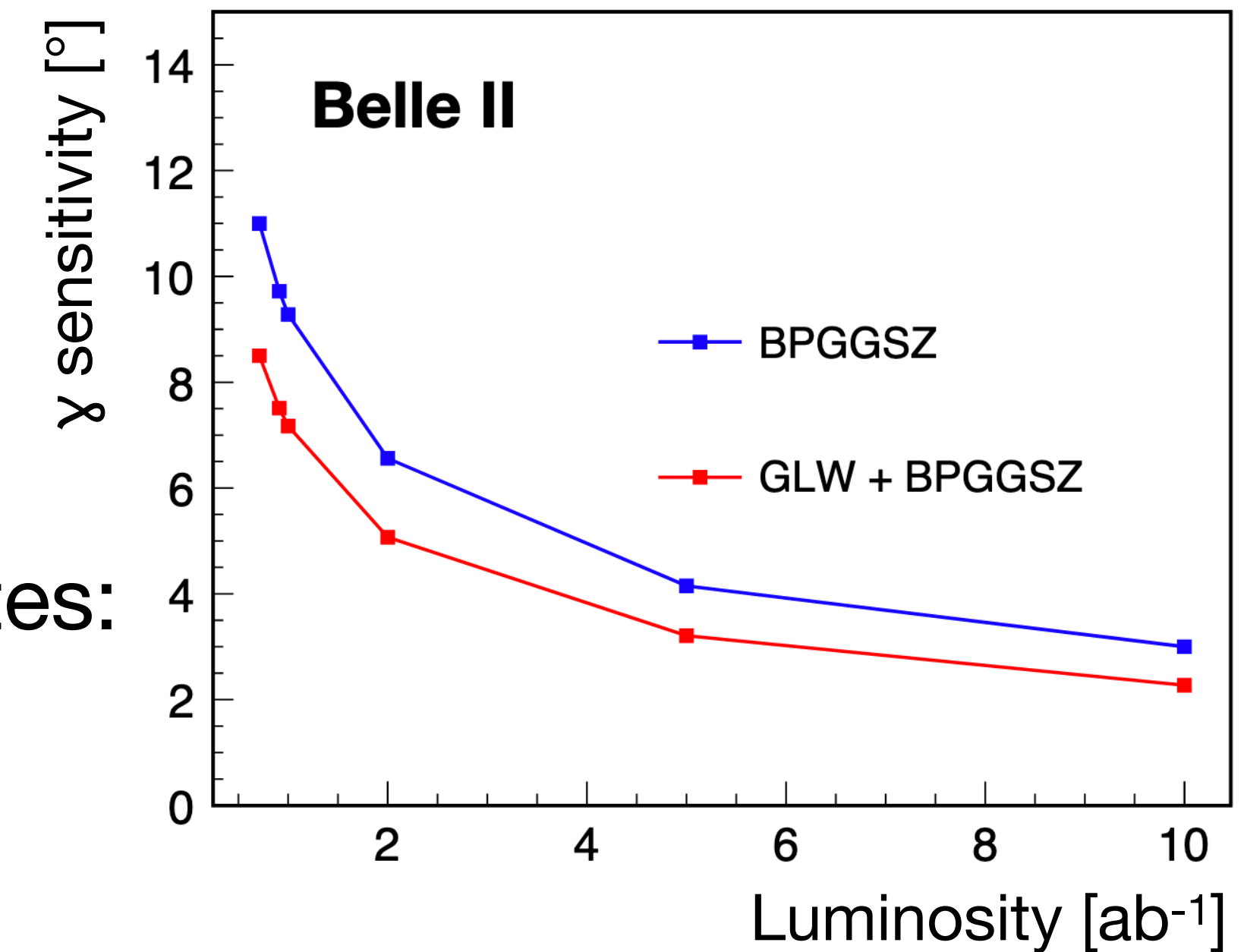
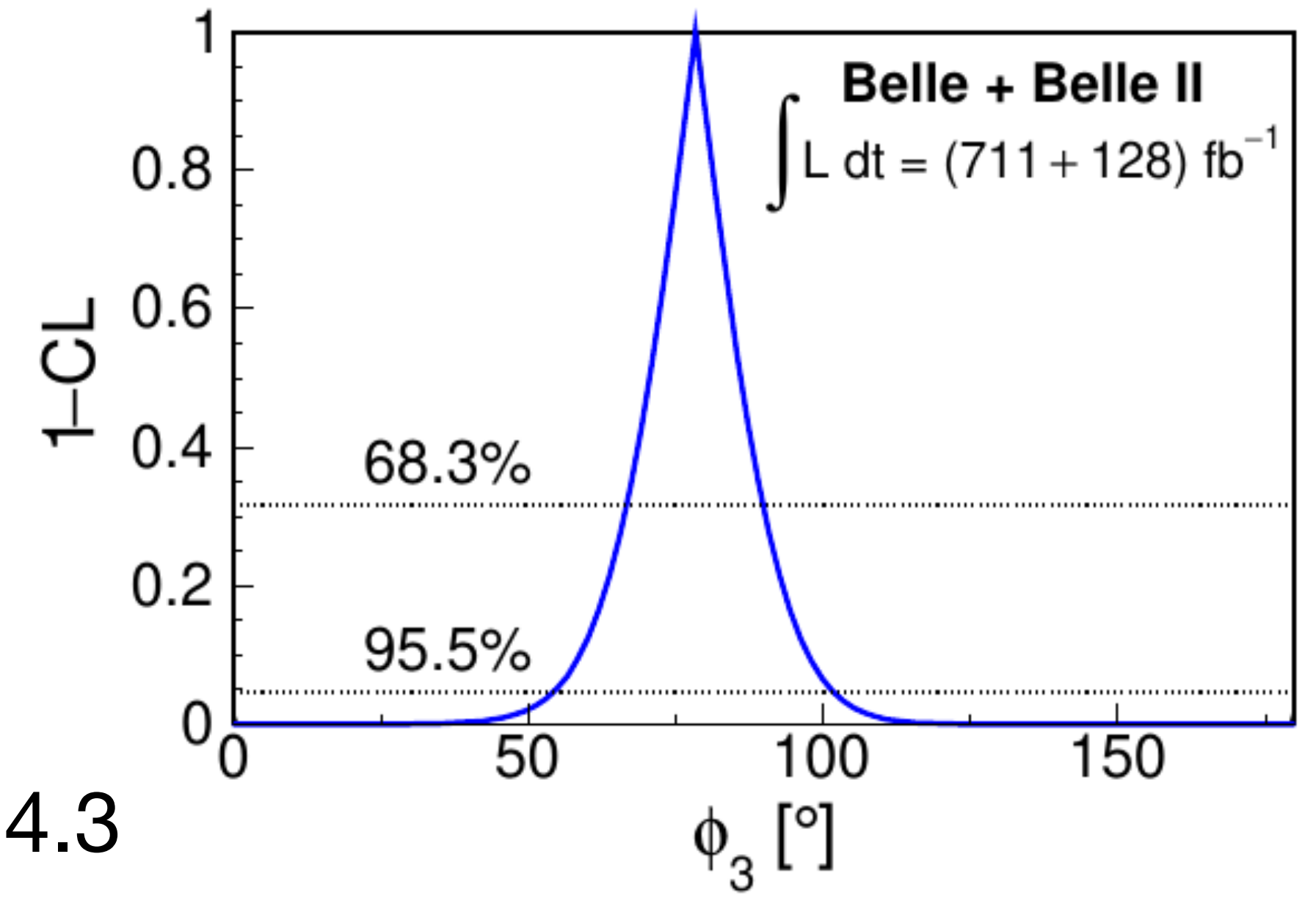


# CKM angle $\phi_3$ @Belle+BelleII

- $\delta_B [^\circ] = 124.8 \pm 12.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)} \pm 1.7 \text{ (ext)}$   
 $r_B = 0.129 \pm 0.024 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.001 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.002 \text{ (ext)}$   
 $\phi_3 [^\circ] = 78.4 \pm 11.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (ext)}$

- Previous Belle (711 fb<sup>-1</sup>) result:  $\phi_3 [^\circ] = 77.3^{+15.1}_{-14.9} \pm 4.1 \pm 4.3$   
Phys. Rev. D 85, 112014 (2012)

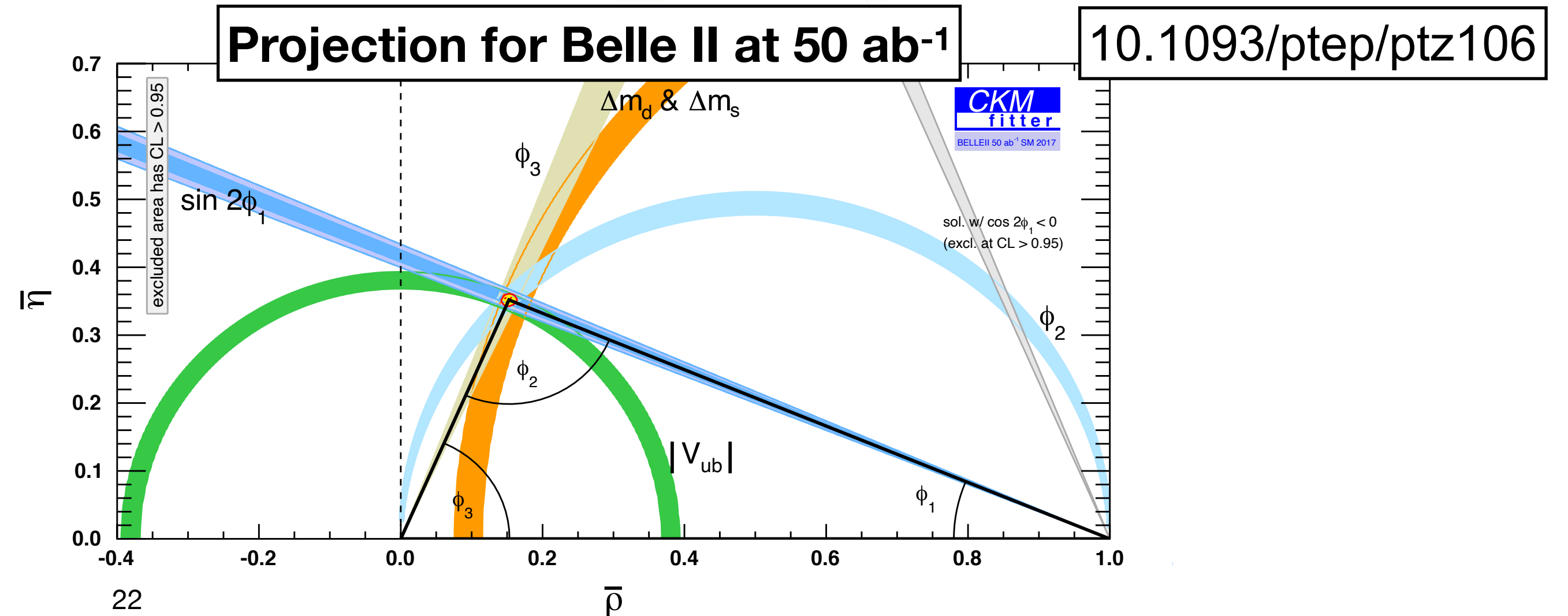
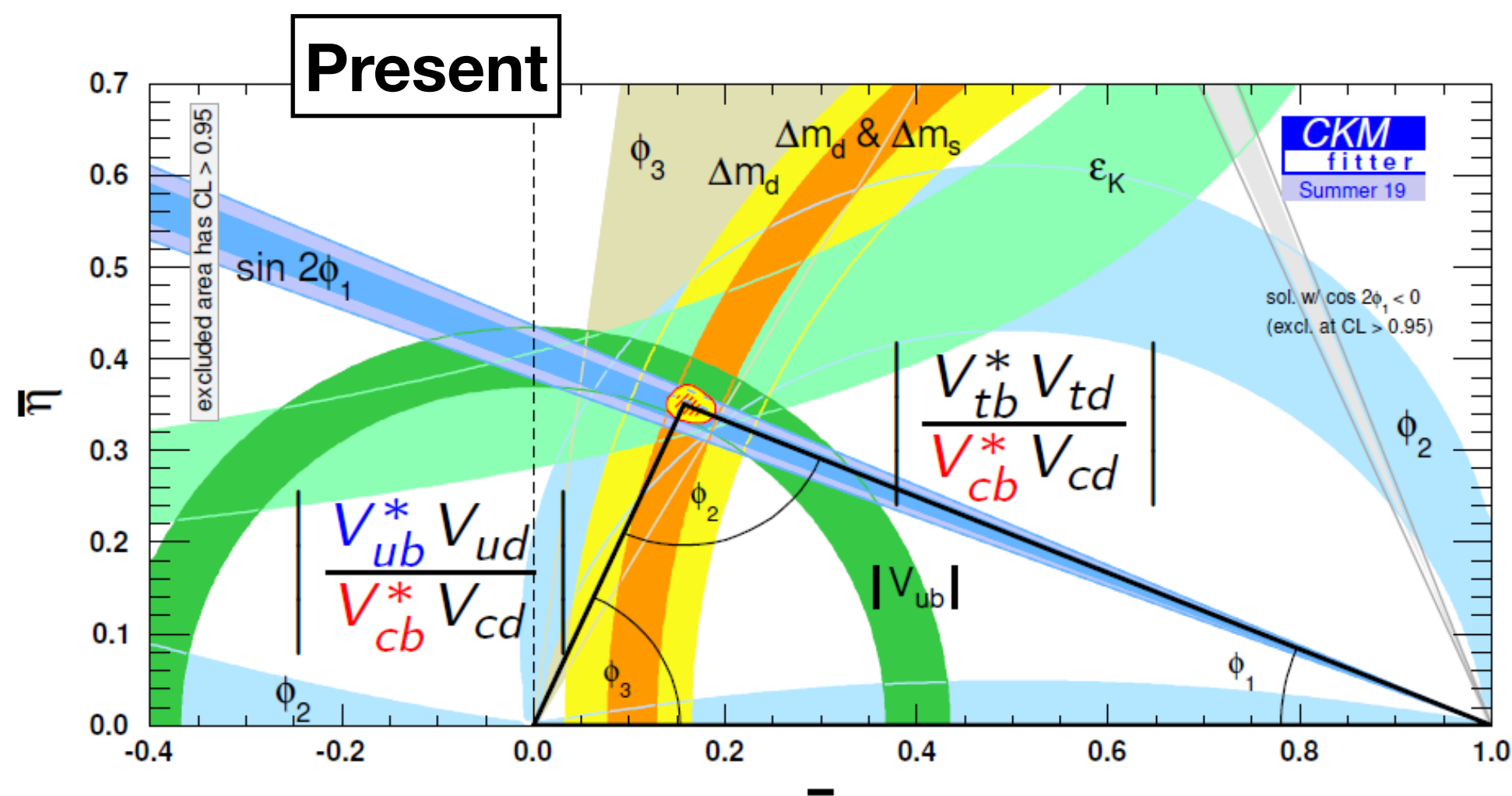
- Total improvements equivalent to **doubling statistics**.
  - Better** K<sub>s</sub> selection, bkg suppression, analysis strategy.
  - Improved systematics** from BES III external input.
- Expect <3° uncert. at 10 ab<sup>-1</sup> by including more D final states:
- Measurement is still **statistically dominated**.



# High luminosity prospects

Uncertainties from arXiv: 2203.11349

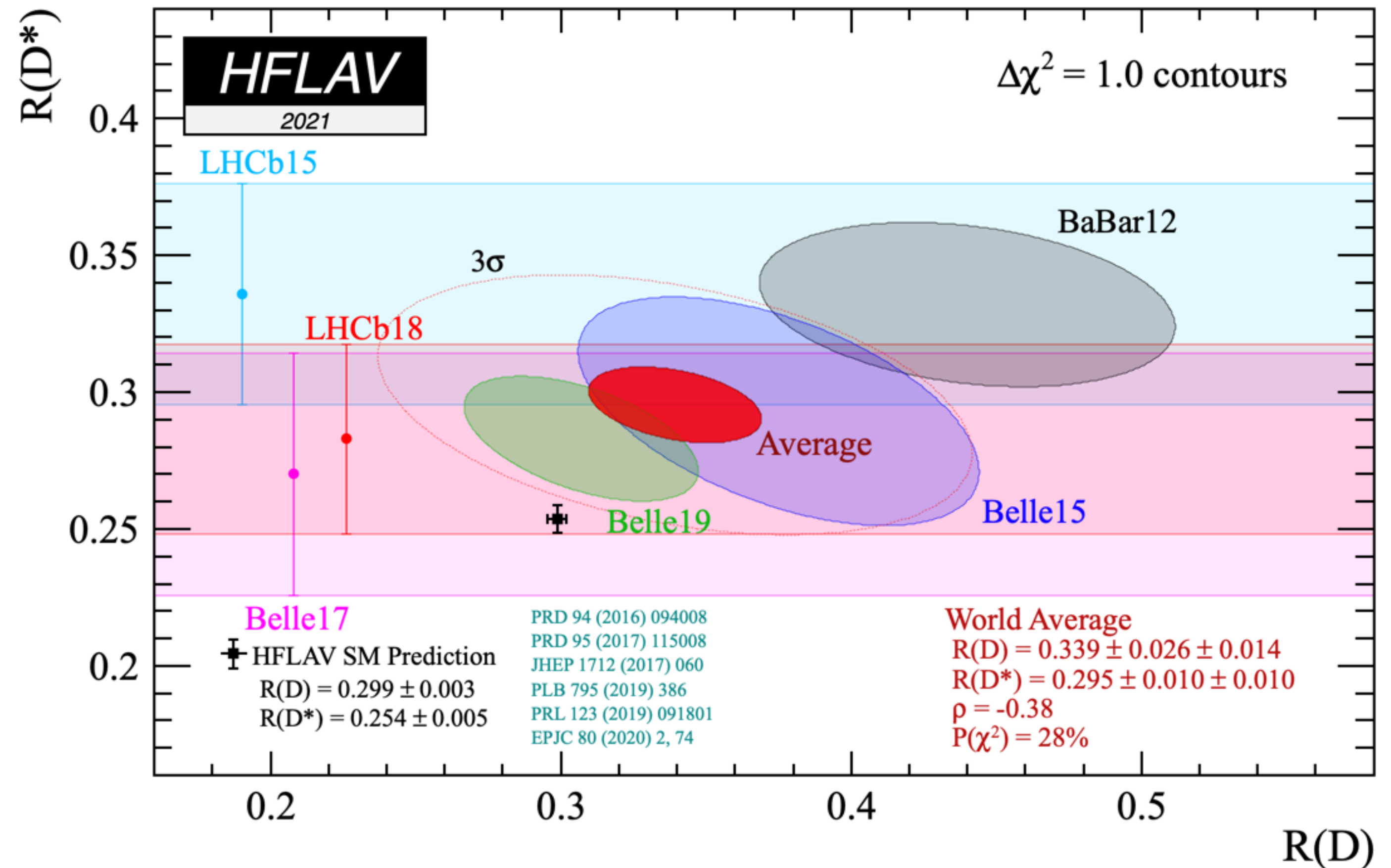
Observable	2022 Belle(II), BaBar	Belle-II 5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	Belle-II 50 ab <sup>-1</sup>	Belle-II 250 ab <sup>-1</sup>
$\sin 2\beta/\phi_1$	0.03	0.012	0.005	0.002
$\gamma/\phi_3$ (Belle+BelleII)	11°	4.7°	1.5°	0.8°
$\alpha/\phi_2$ (WA)	4°	2°	0.6°	0.3°
$ V_{ub} $ (Exclusive)	4.5%	2%	1%	< 1%



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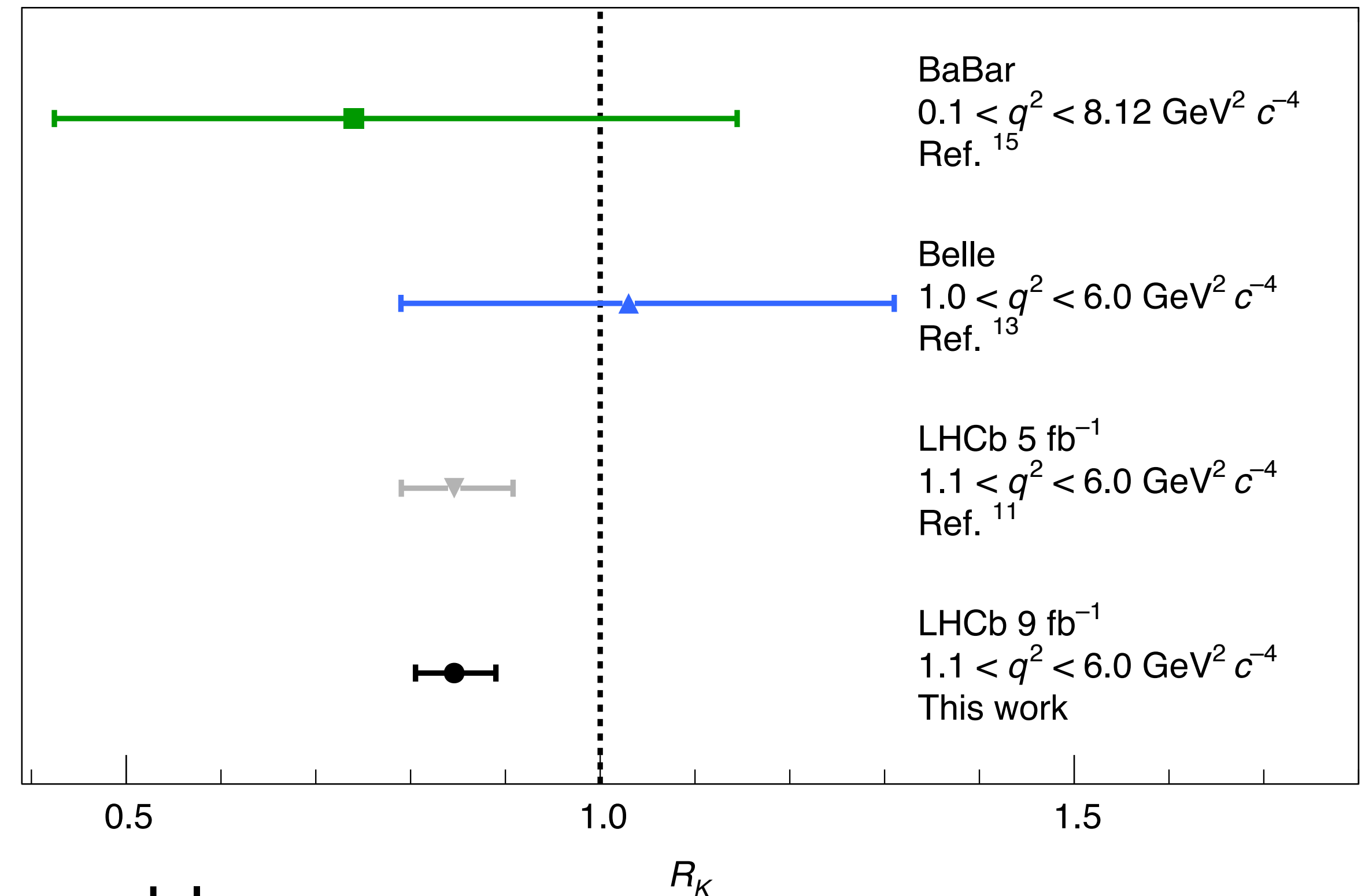


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$$R_K = \frac{BF(B \rightarrow K\mu^+\mu^-)}{BF(B \rightarrow Ke^+e^-)}$$



- ...and  $b \rightarrow sll$  anomalies in angular observables.

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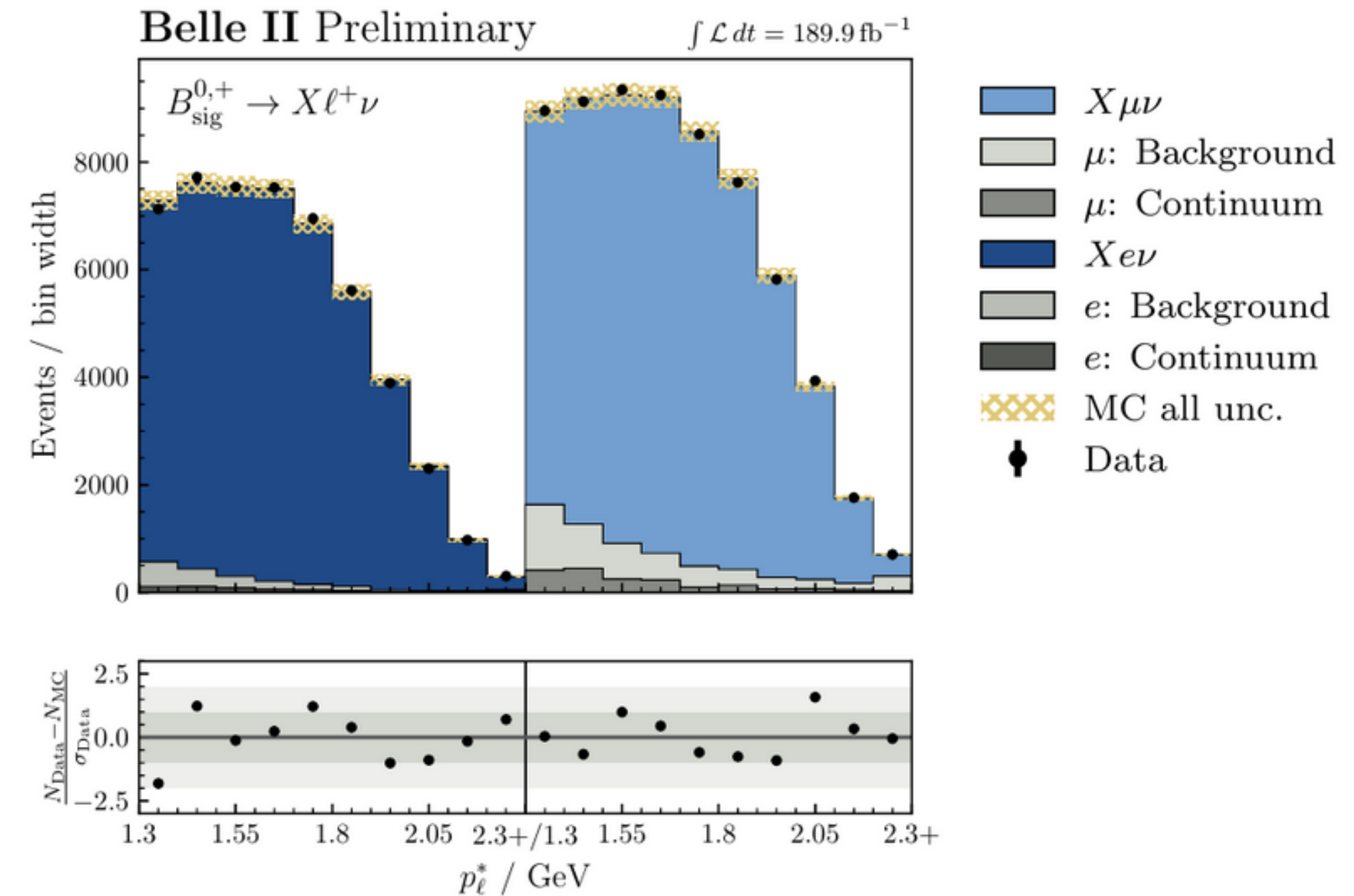
# Independent test of LFU: $R(X_{e/\mu})$

- $R(X_{e/\mu}) = \frac{BF(B \rightarrow Xe\nu)}{BF(B \rightarrow X\mu\nu)}$  with hadronic tag.

- Binned template fit on CM lepton momentum.
- Backgrounds fixed from off-resonance data and sidebands while  $Xl\nu$  floats freely.

- Result:  $R(X_{e/\mu})^{p_\ell^* > 1.3\text{GeV}} = 1.033 \pm 0.010^{\text{stat}} \pm 0.020^{\text{syst}}$

- Most precise measurement, in agreement with SM and previous Belle measurement.
- Systematically dominated → can be improved with better lepton ID
- Paves the way for a measurement of  $R(X_{\tau/\ell}) = BF(B \rightarrow X\tau\nu)/BF(B \rightarrow X\ell\nu)$

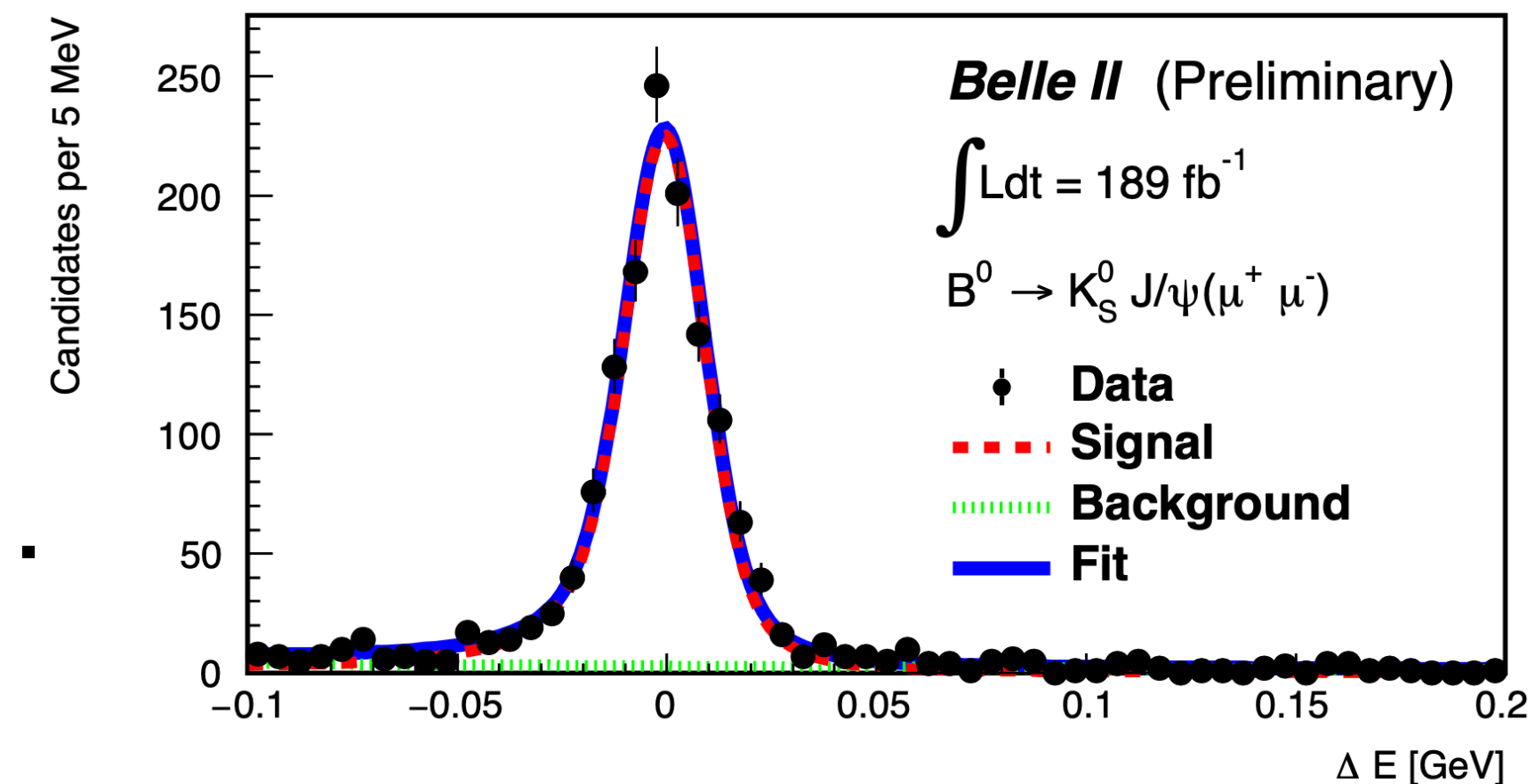
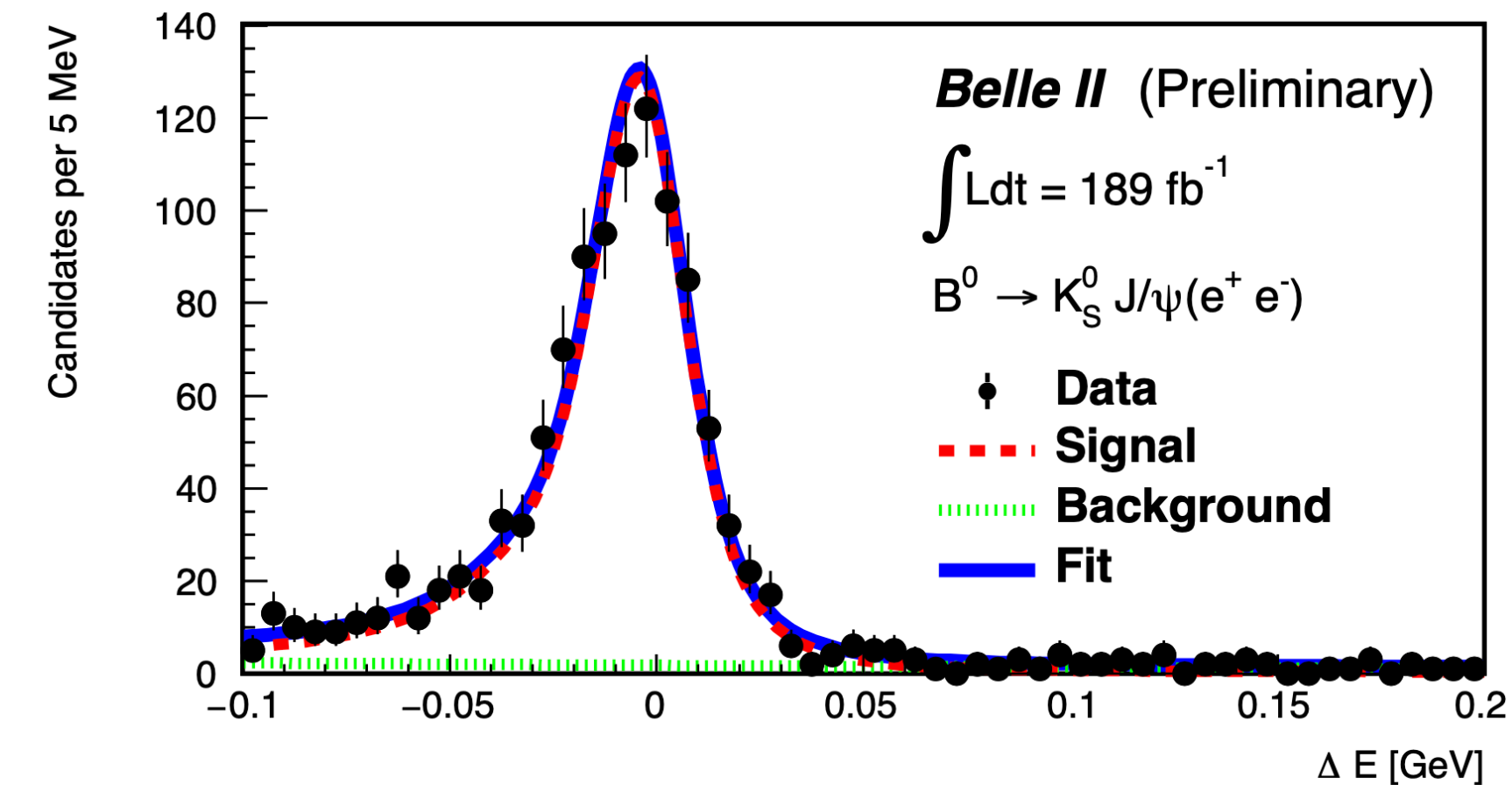


# Preparing to measure $R(K^*)$

- Intermediate step: measure  $R_K(J/\psi) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)K)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow J/\psi(e^+e^-)K)}$
- Tree level, process, so no violation expected.
- Validates  $R_K$  measurement and lepton identification.
- Simultaneous fit of  $M_{bc}$  and  $\Delta E$ .

Observable	Belle II	Belle (2021)
$R_{K^+}(J/\psi)$	$1.009 \pm 0.022 \pm 0.008$	$0.994 \pm 0.011 \pm 0.010$
$R_{K_S^0}(J/\psi)$	$1.042 \pm 0.042 \pm 0.008$	$0.993 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.010$

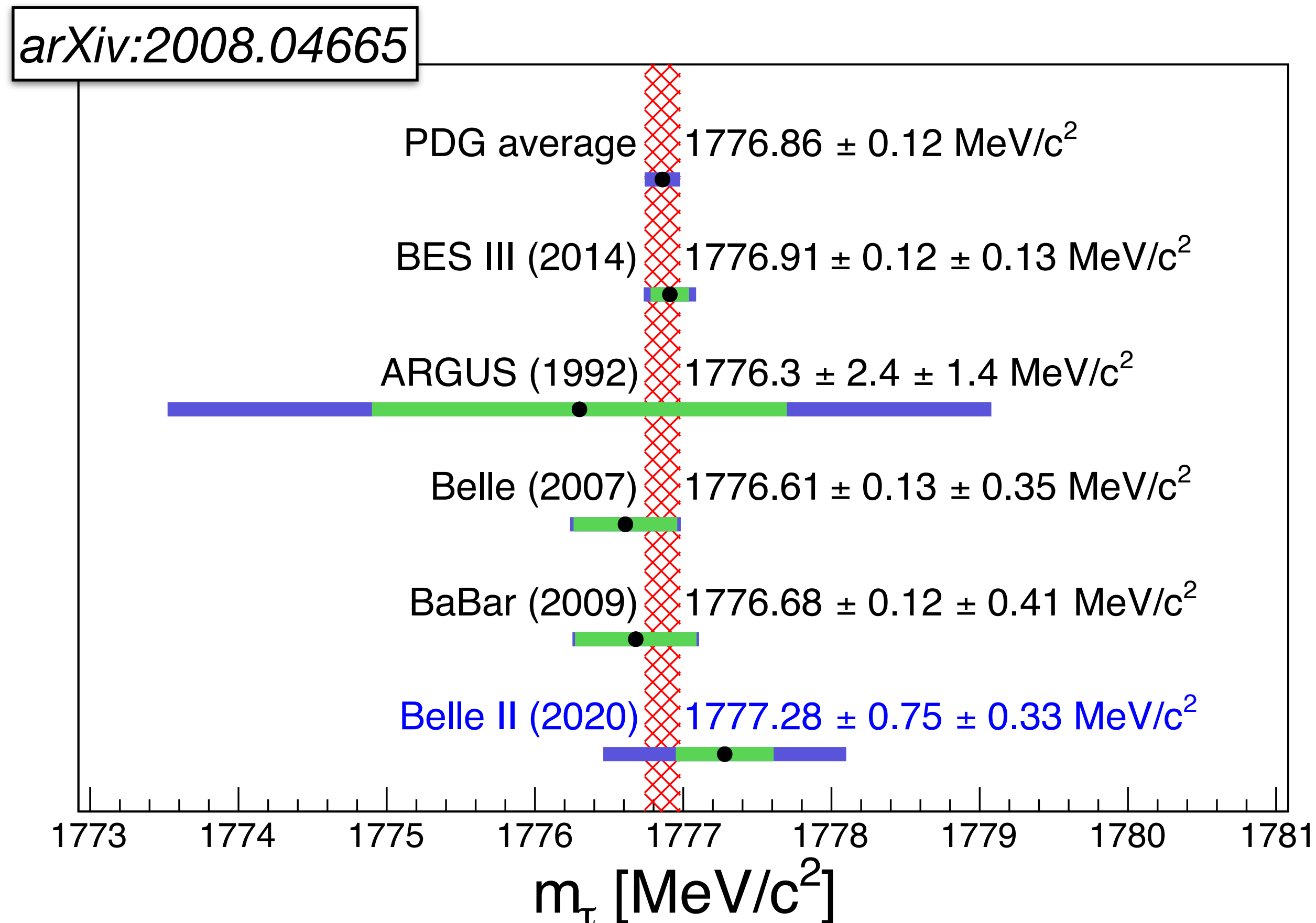
- Systematics (dom. by Lepton ID) improved w.r.t. Belle
- Belle II can provide independent check with a few  $ab^{-1}$ .



# $\tau$ physics @ Belle II

$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S))$	1.05 nb
$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)$	0.92 nb

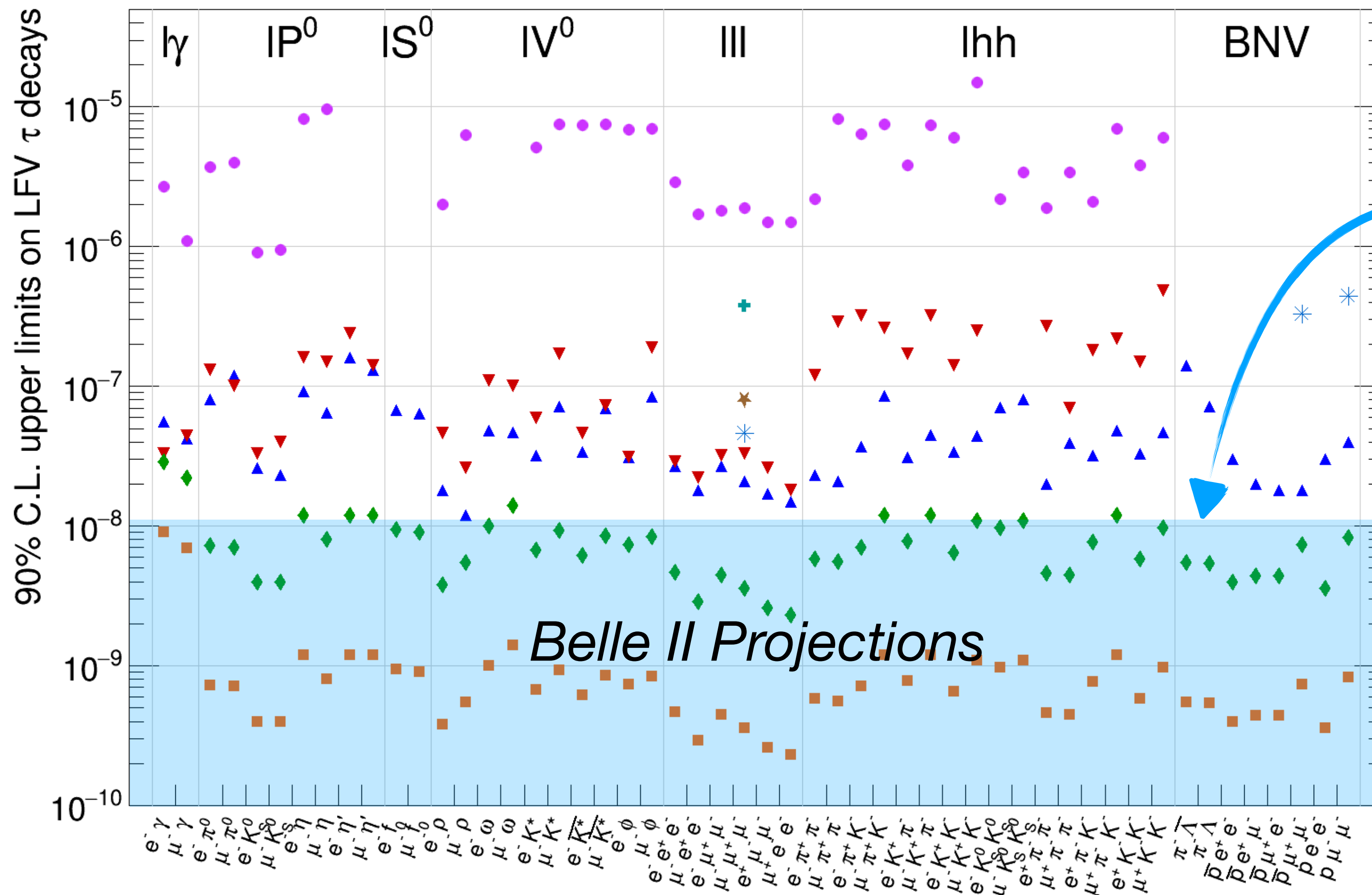
- $\tau$  mass and lifetime  $\rightarrow$  crucial inputs for lepton flavour universality tests.



- Mass** systematics already comparable to Belle/BaBar in preliminary studies.
  - $\rightarrow$  Improve statistics with 2022 luminosity.
- Similarly to charm, improved vertex reconstruction (**x2** of Belle) allows precise **lifetime** measurements and study of **CP violation** in  $\tau \rightarrow K_S \pi \nu$ .
- Wide range of other observables e.g. lepton universality,  $V_{us}$  from hadronic decays, anomalous moments, etc.



# Lepton Flavour Violation in the $\tau$ Sector



- Significant progress in the search for charged LFV from Belle/BaBar

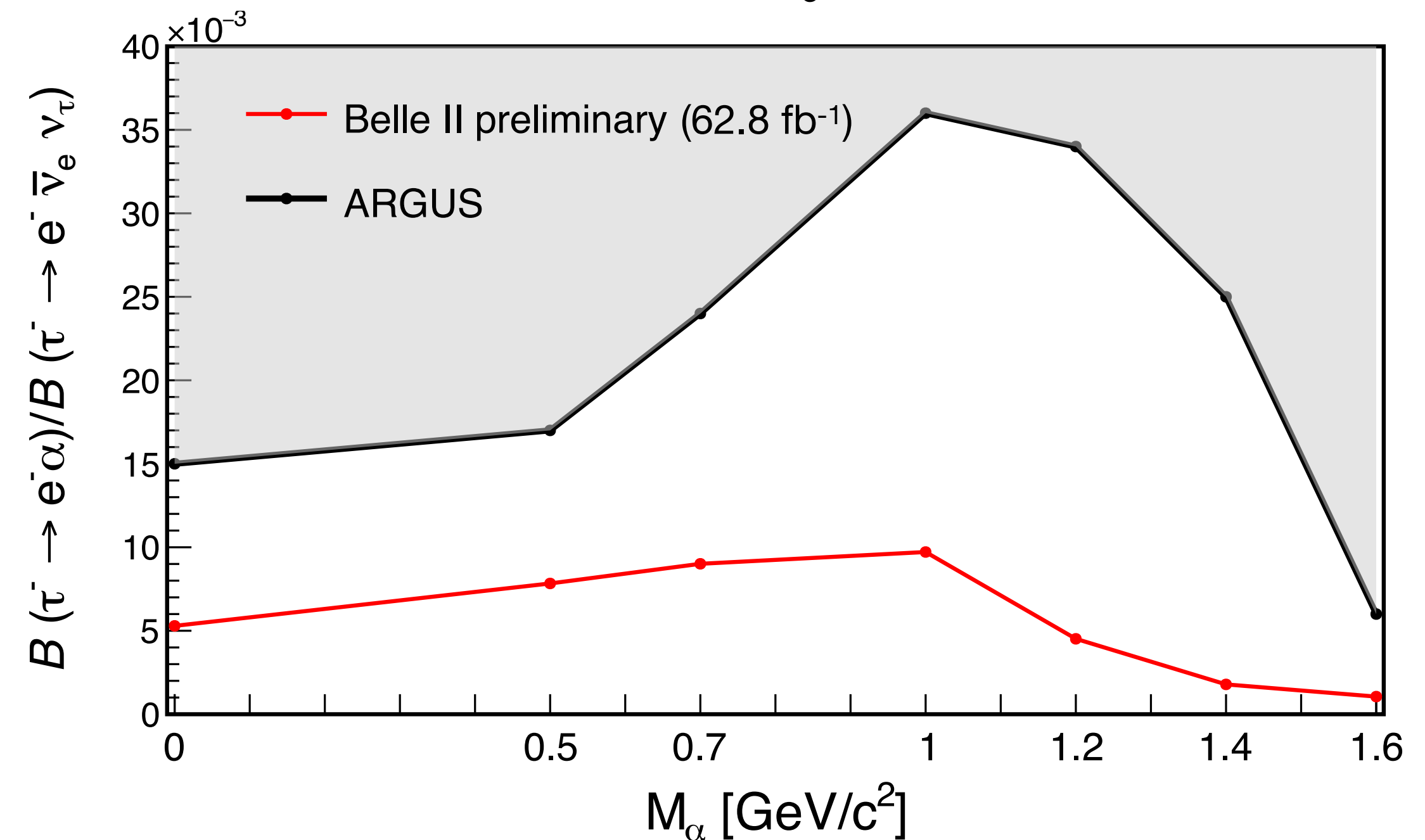
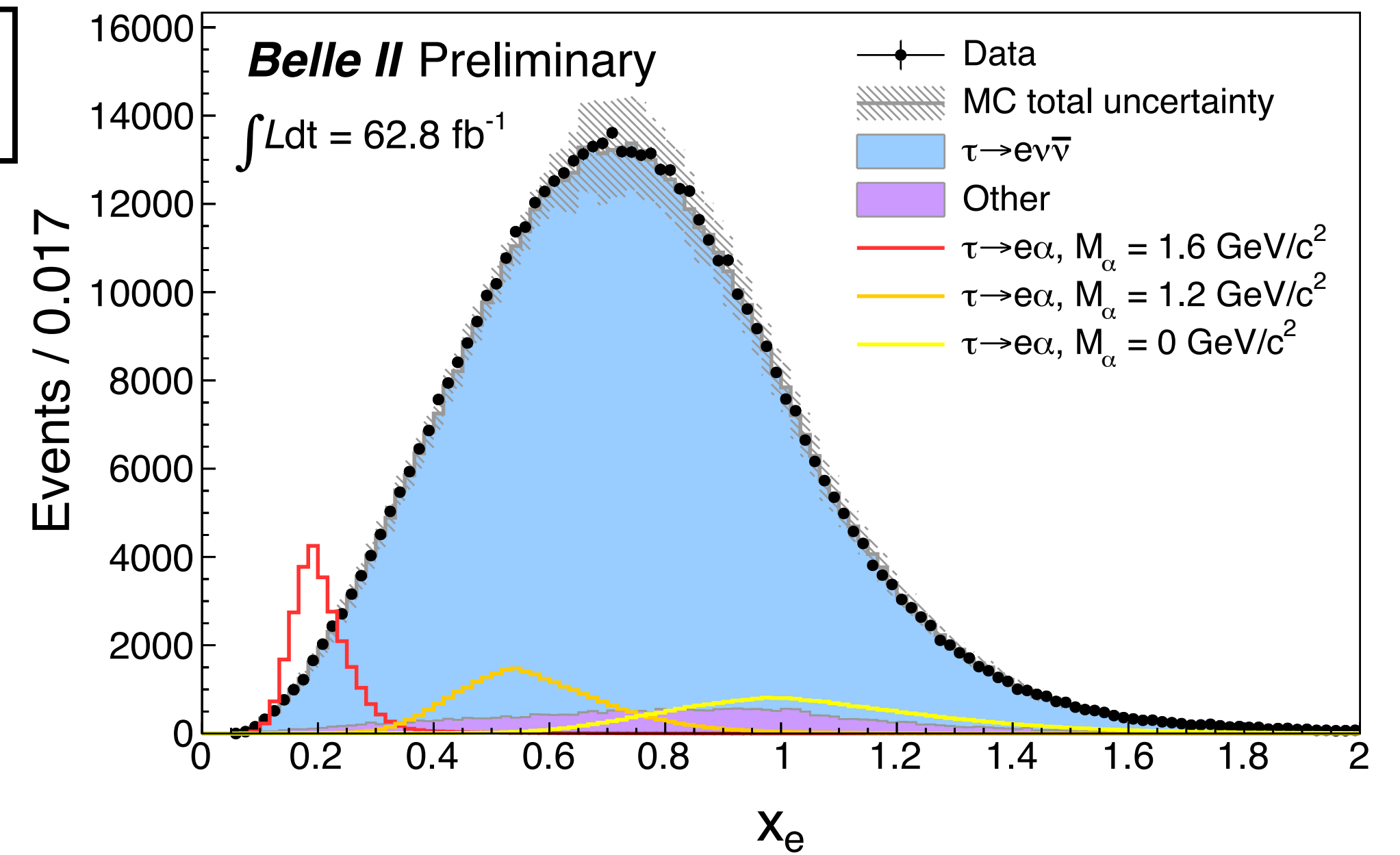
Limits approach the region sensitive to NP.

- Belle II can probe this region with **a few  $\text{ab}^{-1}$**



# $\tau \rightarrow \ell + \alpha$ (invisible)

- Invisible LFV particles can emerge from new physics models e.g. light ALP (*JHEP 09 (2021) 173*)
- Not searched since ARGUS.
- Tag  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  using  $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi\nu$ , then search for excess above the  $\tau \rightarrow \ell\nu\nu$  spectrum.
- Requires careful control of lepton ID  
→ measure ratio  $B(\tau \rightarrow \ell\alpha)/B(\tau \rightarrow \ell\nu\nu)$  to allow partial systematics cancellation.
- 95% CL UL is the **most stringent** to date.

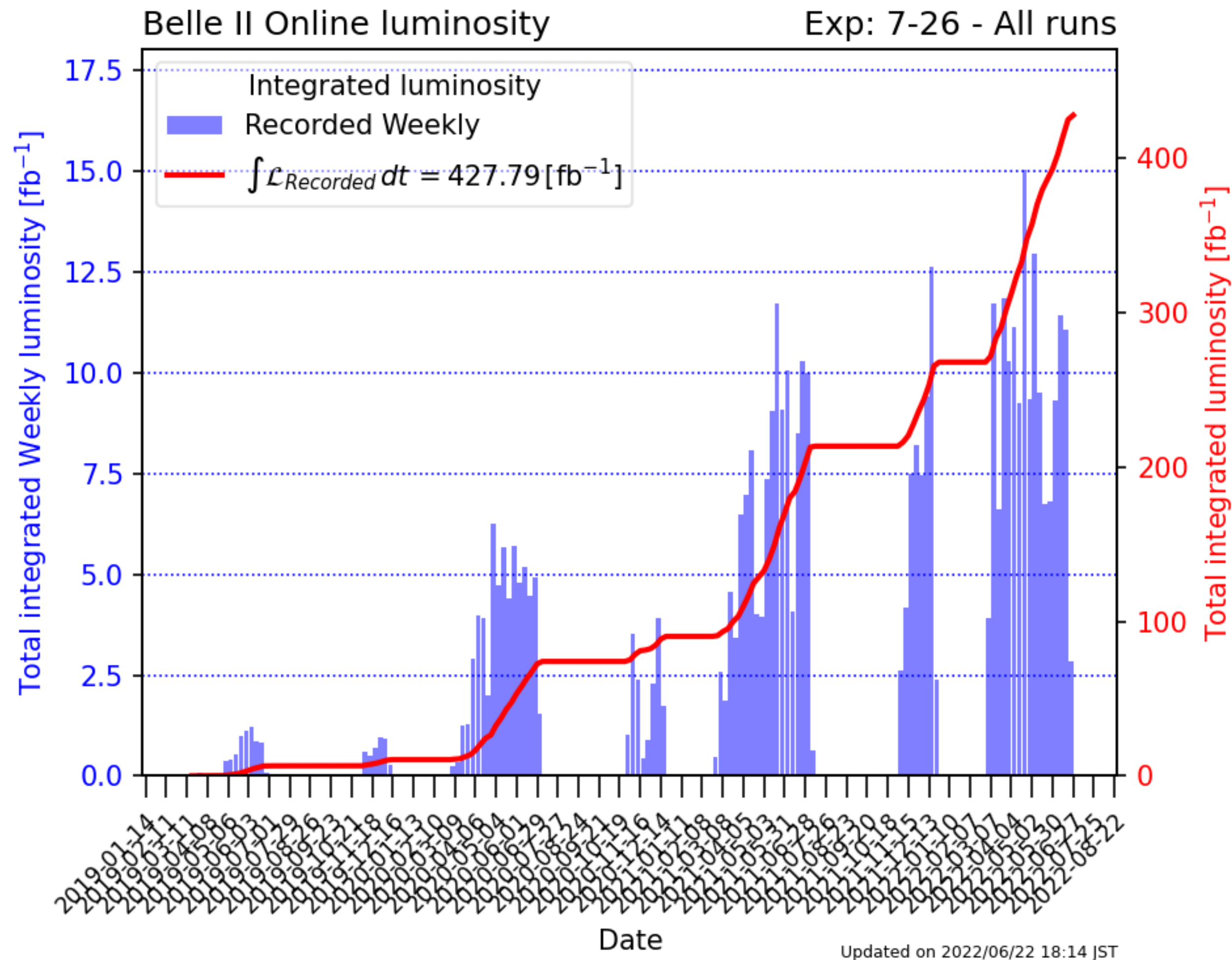


# Summary

- Belle II started its journey and offers a unique and fertile environment for flavour physics.
- With  $424 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  LS1 data Belle II can already provide physics output on the level of its predecessors, as well as joint results with Belle.
- We have started producing high quality analyses and will soon see the impact on world averages.
- **Many more topics** I wasn't able to cover:
  - FCNC (e.g.  $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \nu \nu$ );
  - Hadron spectroscopy at energies above  $\Upsilon(4S)$ ;
  - $B^0$  lifetime and mixing measurement;
  - $B \rightarrow \rho \rho$ , etc.

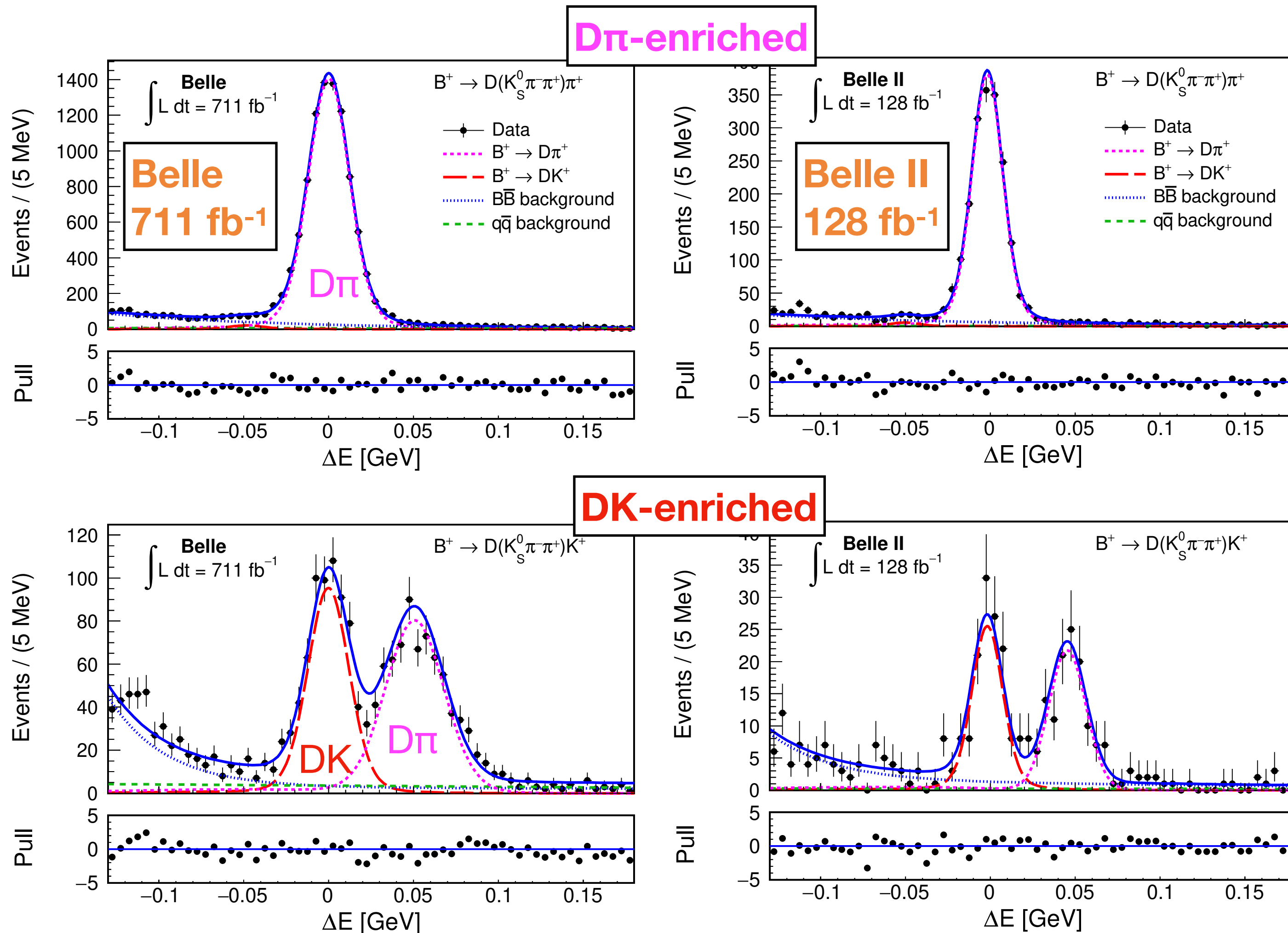
**BACKUP**

# Belle II Luminosity



- Total integrated luminosity: **424 fb<sup>-1</sup>**
- At the Y(4S) resonance: **363 fb<sup>-1</sup>**
- Below Y(4S) resonance: **42 fb<sup>-1</sup>**
- Above Y(4S) resonance: **19 fb<sup>-1</sup>**

# CKM angle $\phi_3$ @Belle+BelleII



- Simultaneous fit of  $B \rightarrow D\pi$ ,  $B \rightarrow DK$  to extract  $K$ - $\pi$  efficiencies and misidentification rates from data.

$$\Delta E = \sum_i E_i^* - E_{\text{beam}}^* + \text{BDT output}$$

**Belle:**  
 $K_S^0 \pi \pi$ :  $1467 \pm 53$   
 $K_S^0 K K$ :  $194 \pm 17$

**Belle II :**  
 $K_S^0 \pi \pi$ :  $280 \pm 21$   
 $K_S^0 K K$ :  $34 \pm 7$



# The $K\pi$ Puzzle

- Model independent test of new physics.
- Null sum in SM from isospin rule:

$$2A_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) + 1.3A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow K_S \pi^+) - 1.2A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0) - A_{CP}(B^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^0) \approx 0$$

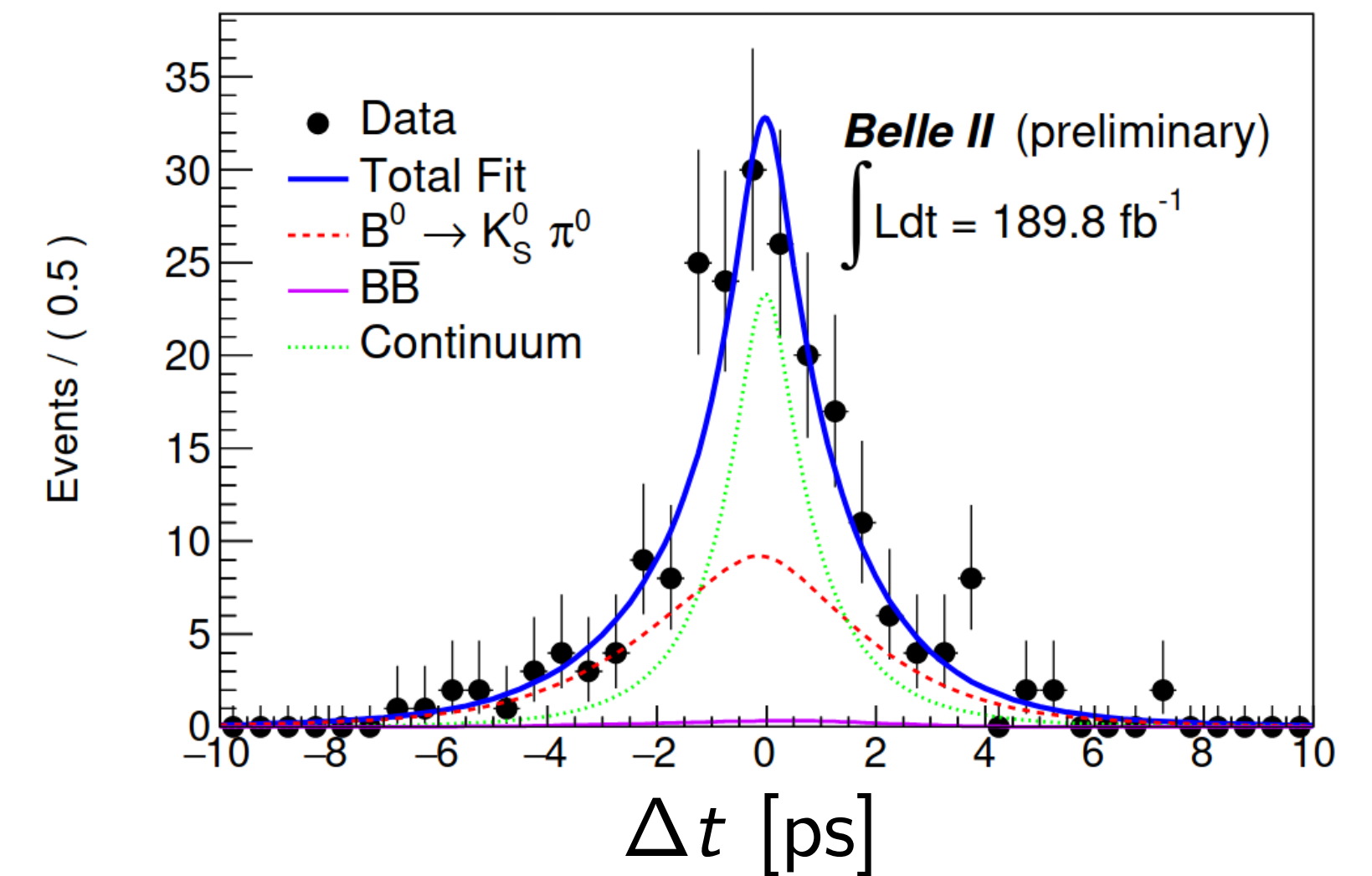
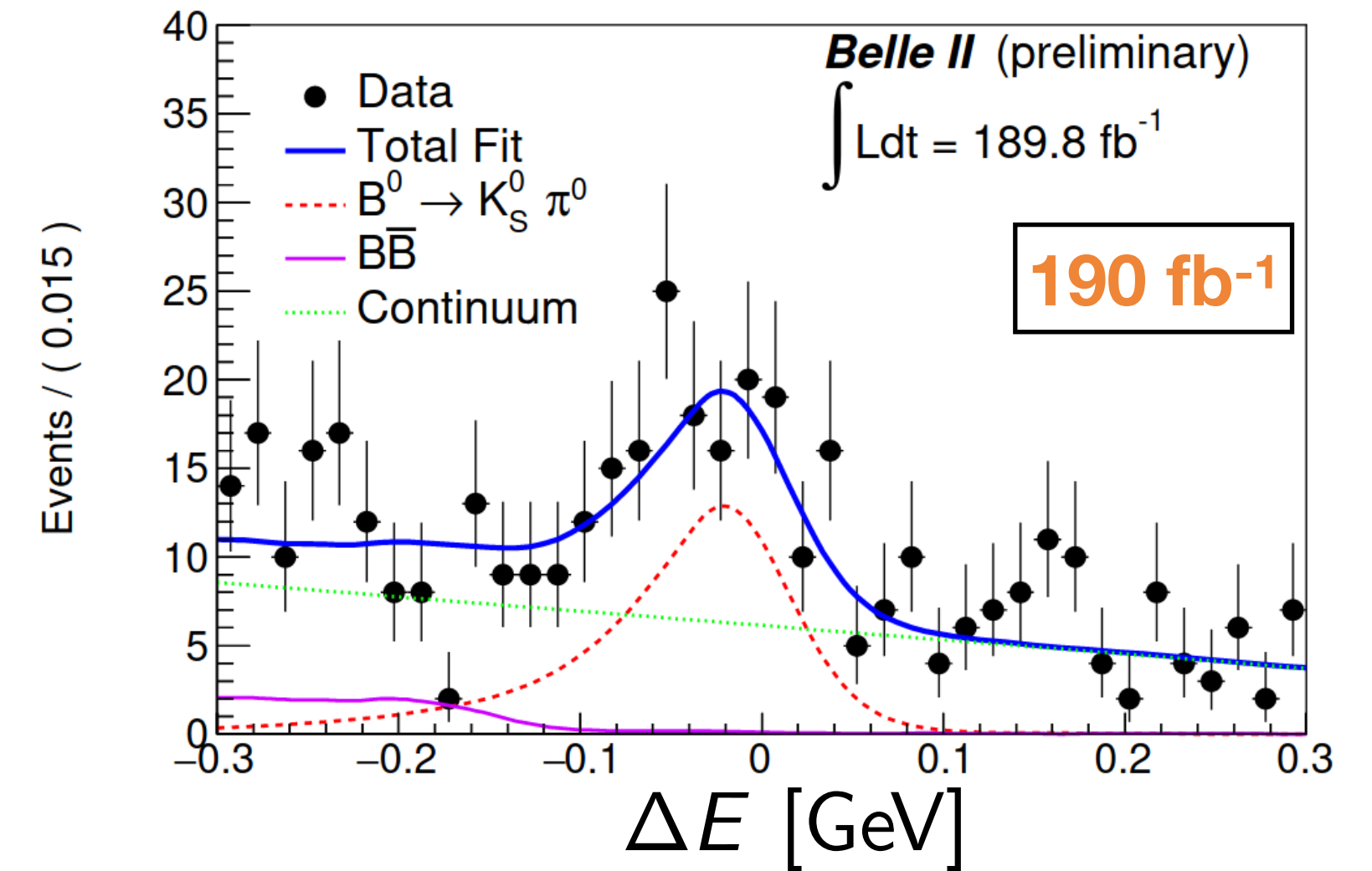
dominant uncertainty

- Challenge: need good neutral reconstruction, precise beam spot knowledge to reconstruct  $K_S$  decay → **unique to B-Factories.**
- 4D unbinned maximum likelihood fit in  $\Delta E$ ,  $\Delta t$ ,  $M_{bc}$ , BDT out

$$A_{CP} = -0.41_{-0.32}^{+0.30} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst.)}$$

$$\mathcal{B} = (11.0 \pm 1.2 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (syst.)}) \times 10^{-6}$$

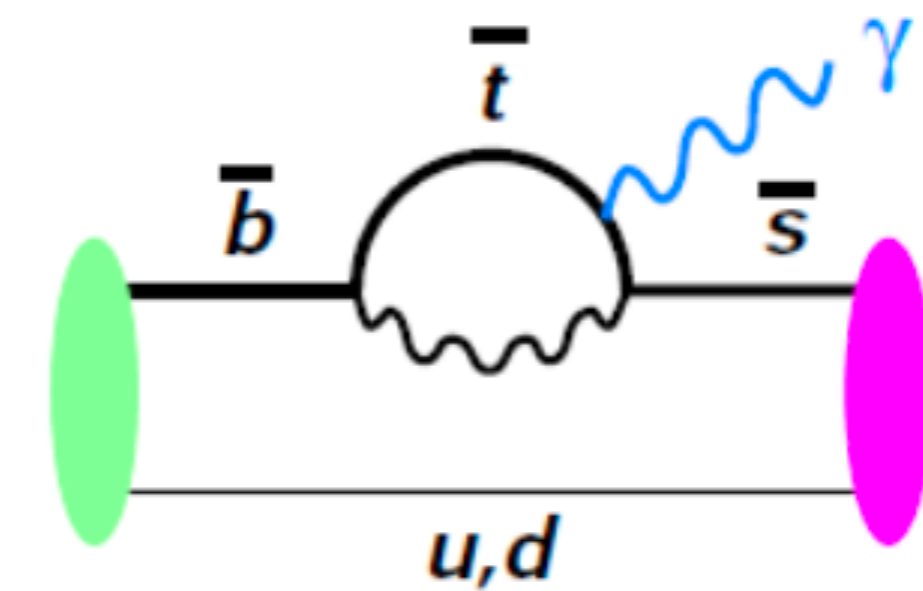
World average:  $A_{CP} = 0.00 \pm 0.13$ .



$$m_{bc} = c^{-2} \sqrt{E_{\text{beam}}^{*2} - \left| \sum_i \vec{p}_i^* \right|^2 c^2},$$

# Branching Fraction of $B^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^0 \gamma$ @ Belle II

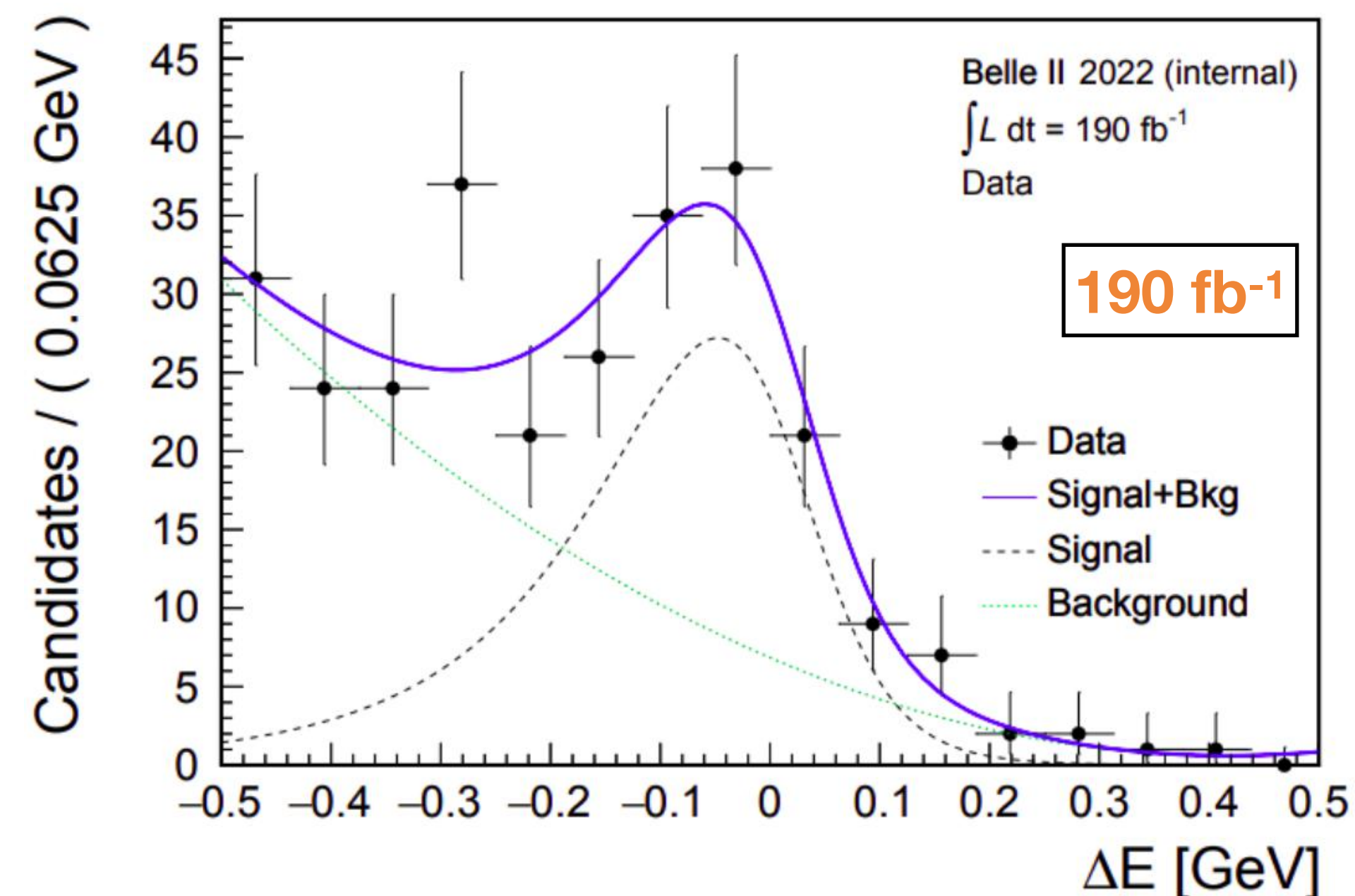
- $b \rightarrow s \gamma$  is only possible at loop level in SM.
- **Flavour-specific** polarization:  $B^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^0 \gamma$ (RH) and  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^0 \gamma$ (LH)
  - we do not expect time-dependent asymmetry in SM
  - possible in NP with different chiral structure
- $B^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^0 \gamma$  is only measurable at B-Factories
- In preparation of a time-dependent analysis, we measure the BF:



$$\mathcal{B} = (7.3 \pm 1.8 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.0 \text{ syst}) \times 10^{-6}$$

Compatible with world average

$$\mathcal{B} = (7.0 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-6}$$





# $B^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^0$ @ Belle II

Preliminary @Moriond

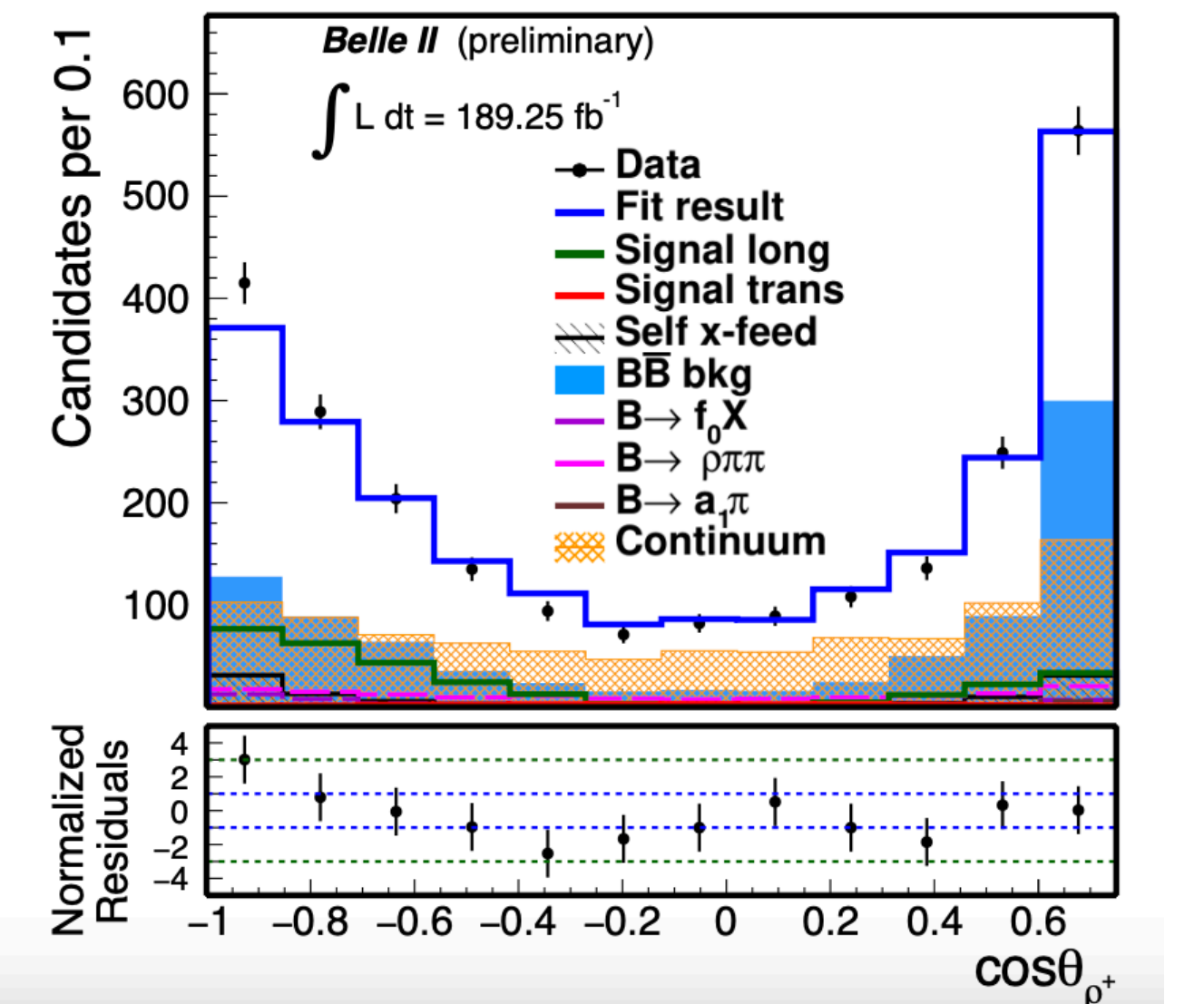
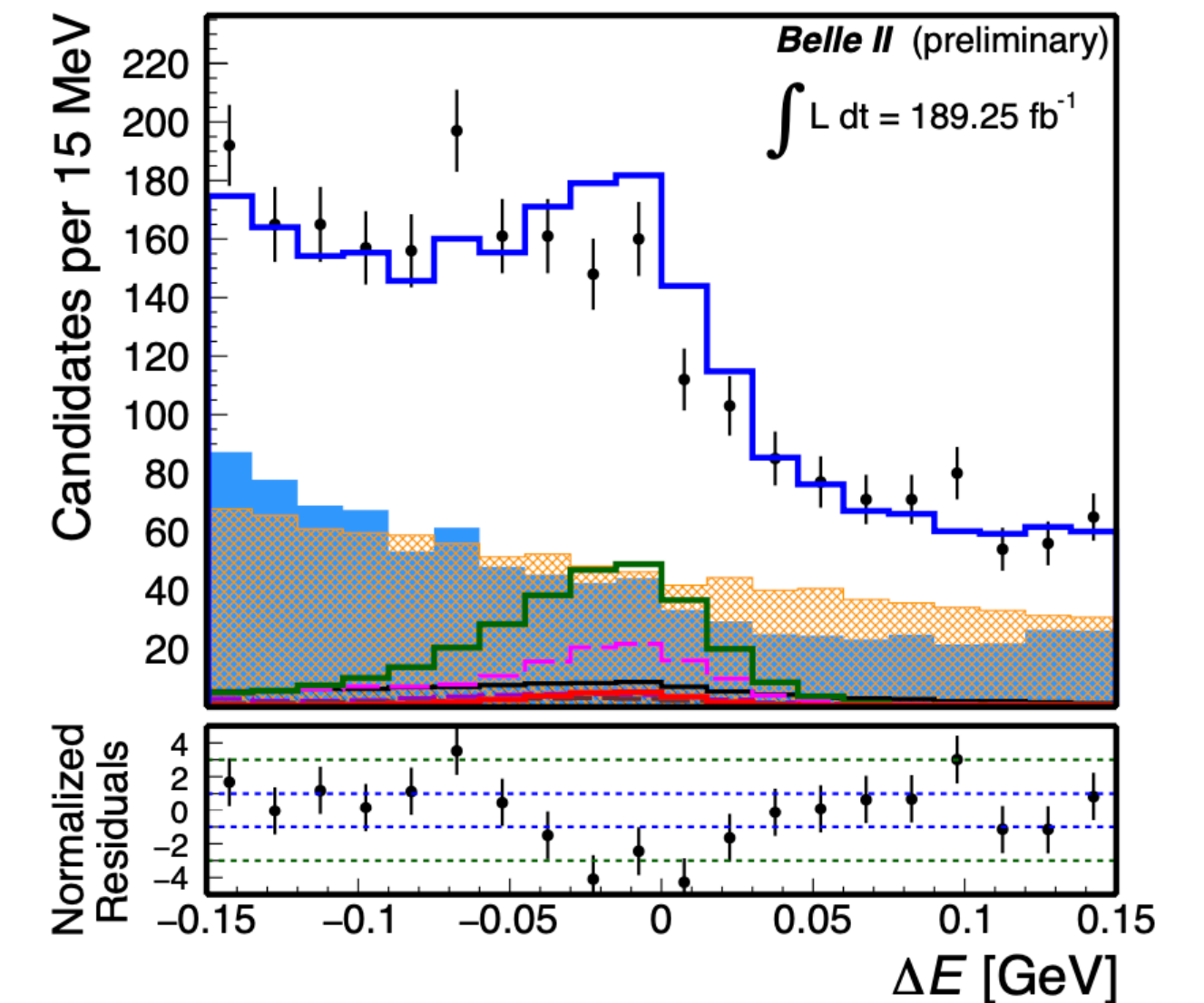
- Can access CKM angle  $\phi_2$  by combining measurements of  $B^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^0$ ,  $B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \rho^0$ ,  $B^0 \rightarrow \rho^+ \rho^-$
- Direct CPV measurement only possible at B-factories

$$A_{CP} = -0.069 \pm 0.068 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.060 \text{ (syst.)}$$

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

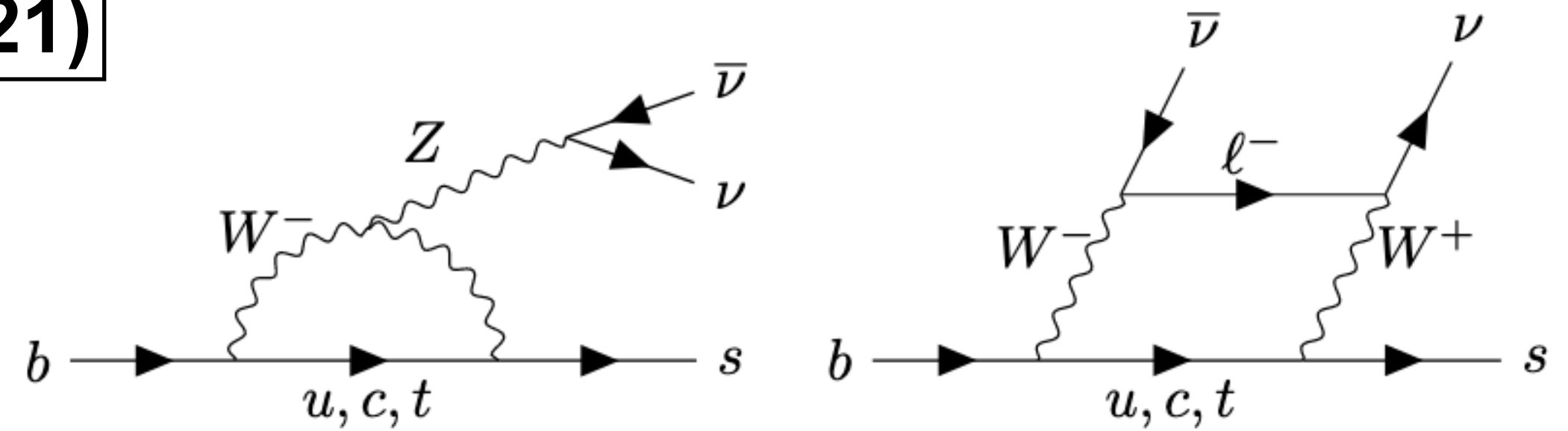
$$f_L = 0.943_{-0.033}^{+0.035} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.027 \text{ (syst.)}$$

World average:  $A_{CP} = -0.05 \pm 0.05$



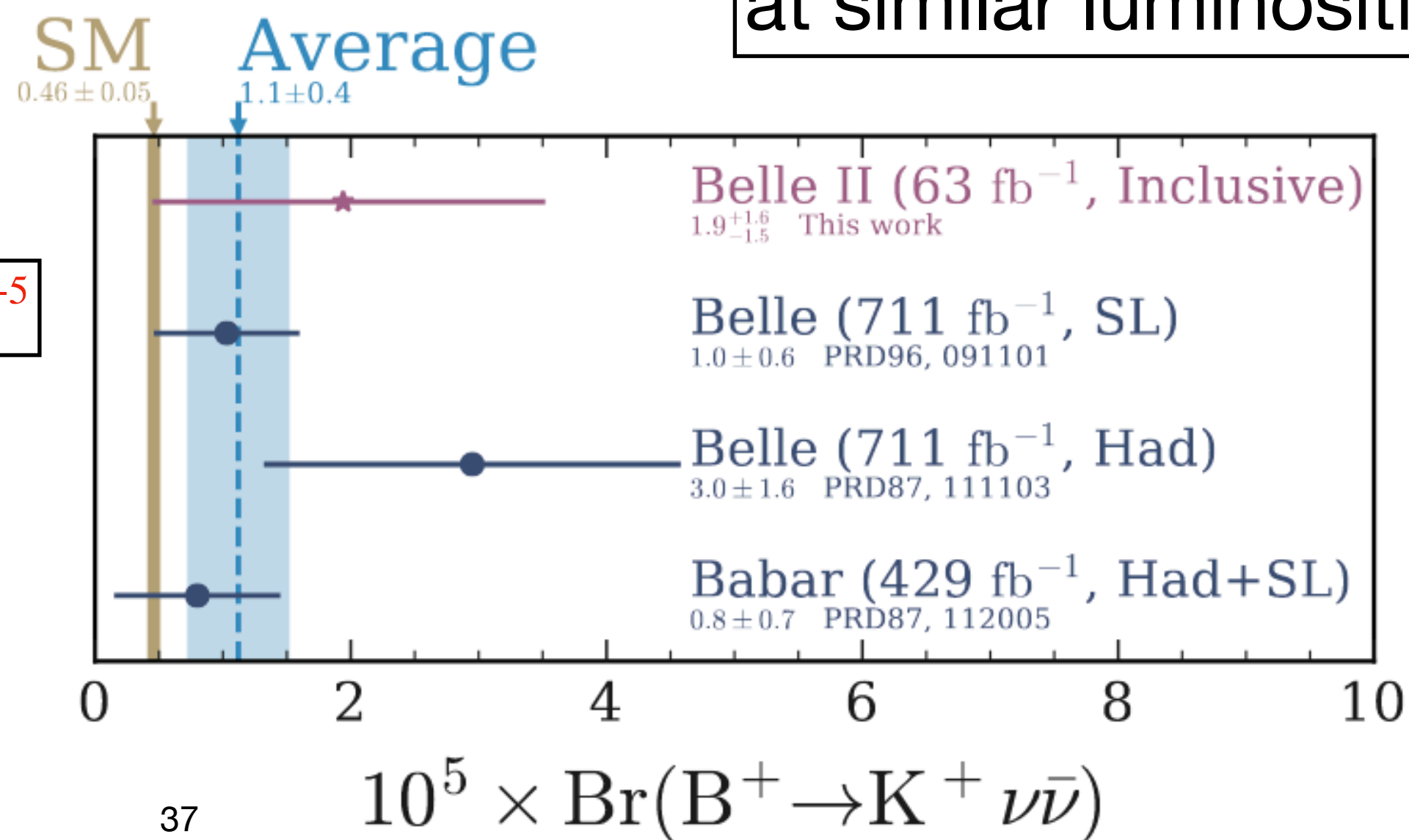
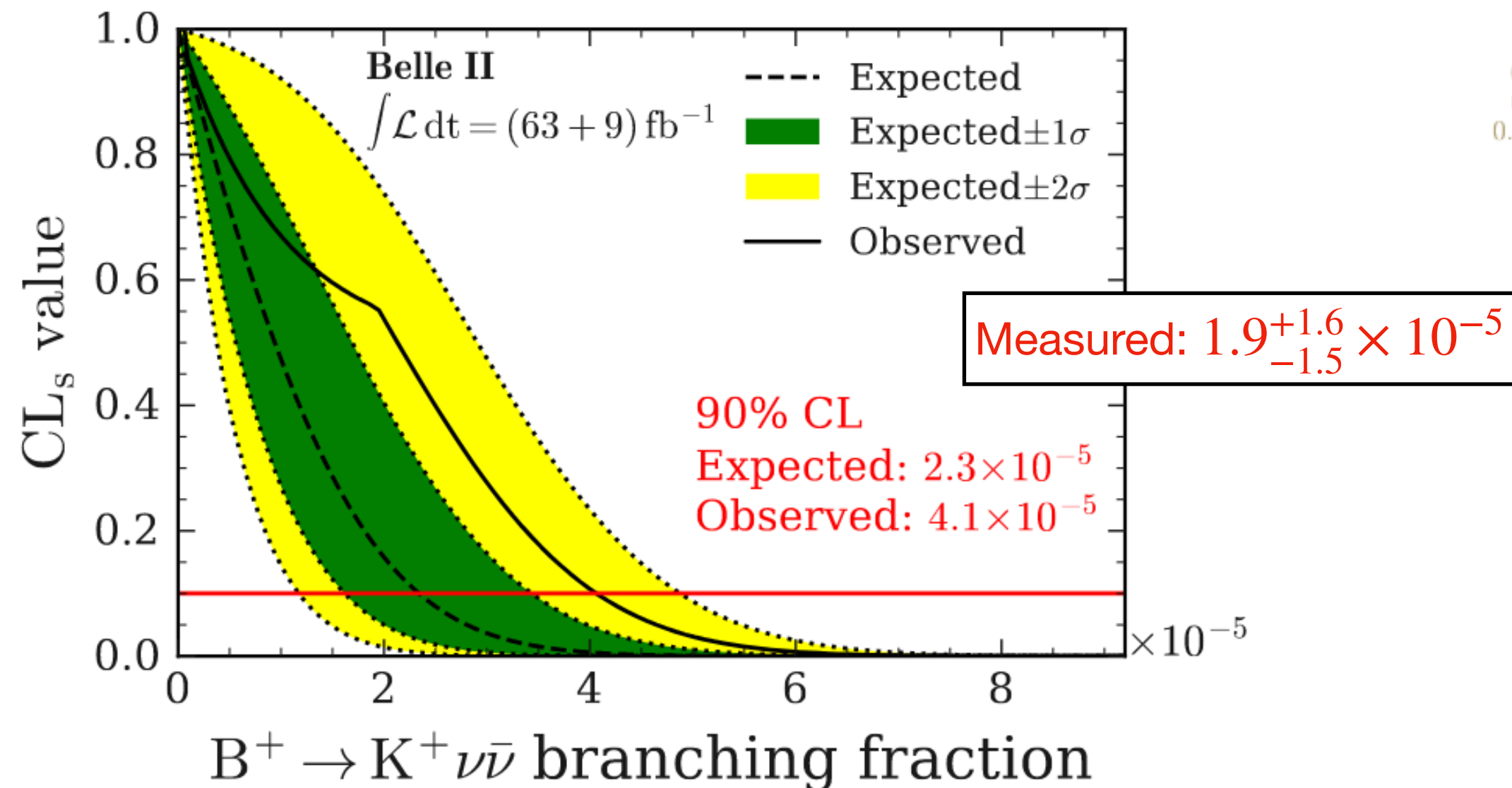


# B → Kνν @ Belle II



- Hermetic detector offers unique opportunity to study this channel
- FCNC strongly suppressed - SM expectation:  $(4.6 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-6}$
- New inclusive tagging approach with heavy usage of machine learning.
- Validated using  $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu\mu)K^+$
- Soon: more statistics and remaining  $K(^*)\nu\nu$  modes

>3.5x better than hadronic tag,  
~20% better than semileptonic tag  
at similar luminosities.

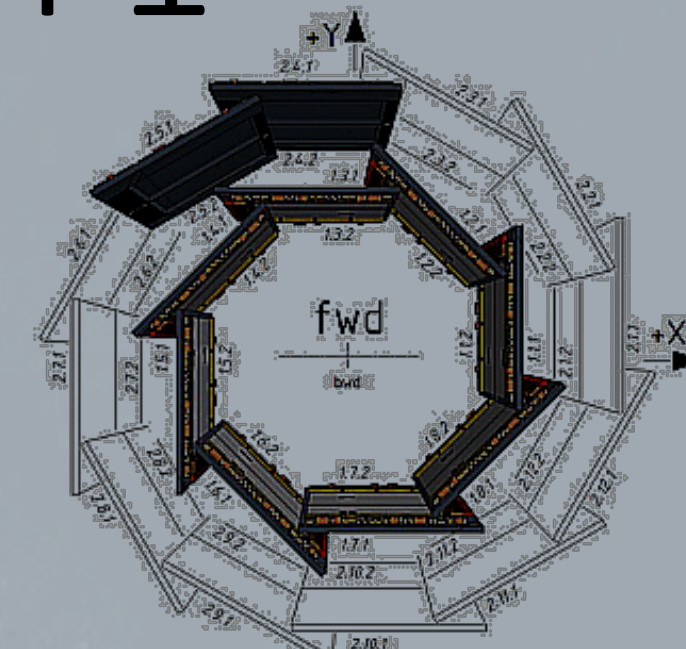




# Major upgrade in Long Shutdown 1

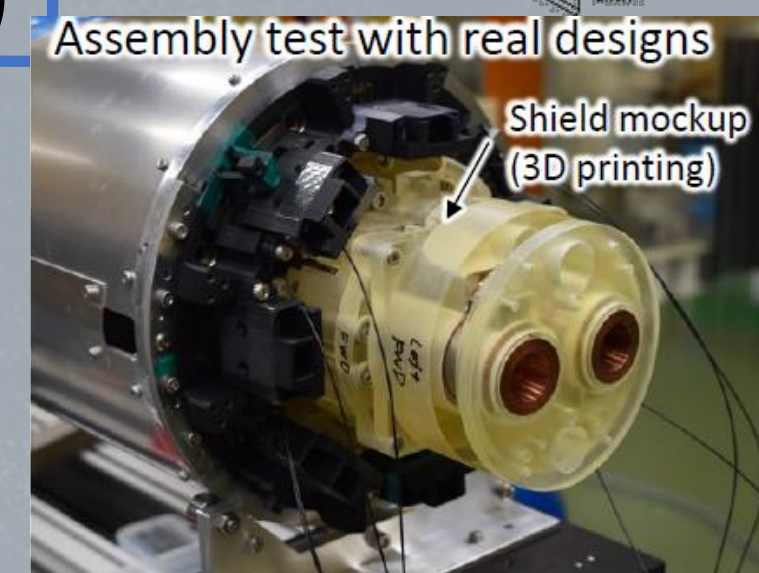
## Belle II detector upgrade

- Exchange of PXD (pixel detector) with the full 2<sup>nd</sup> layer
- TOP conventional MCP-PMT replacement (TBD)
- Migration to new back-end readout (COPPER → PCIe40)



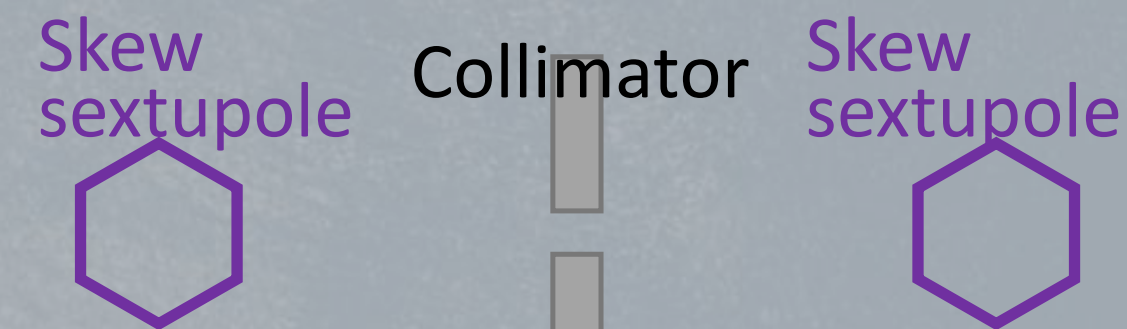
## Beam background mitigation

- Additional shield on the QCS<sup>(\*)</sup> bellows
- Additional shield for neutron background
- Installation of a non-linear collimator



## Protection of machine and Belle II

- Collimator heads of more robust material
- Faster beam abort system

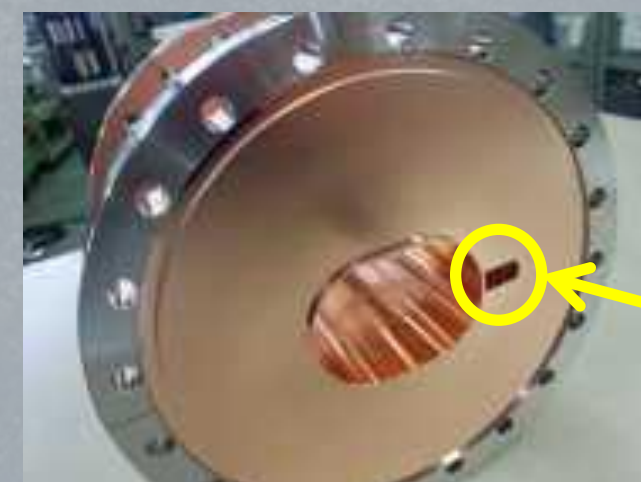


Beam kick by skew sextupole:

$$\Delta p_y = \frac{SK_2}{2} (y^2 - x^2), \quad \Delta p_x = SK_2 xy$$

## Improvement of beam injection

- Enlarged beam pipe at the HER injection
- Pulse-by-pulse beam control for Linac



Beam channel for injection

QCS: Final focusing system