

# Belle II news on charm and $B$ to charm

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# Beauty and charm factory

Energy-asymmetric  $e^+e^-$  collisions at the  $\Upsilon(4S)$ .  
 CM boosted with  $\beta\gamma \sim 0.28$ .

Final focus magnets to

- squeeze vertical size to  $\sim 50$  nm
  - large crossing angle of  $\sim 83$  mrad
- $\Rightarrow$  design 30x intensity wrt previous  $B$ -factories

Compared to Belle

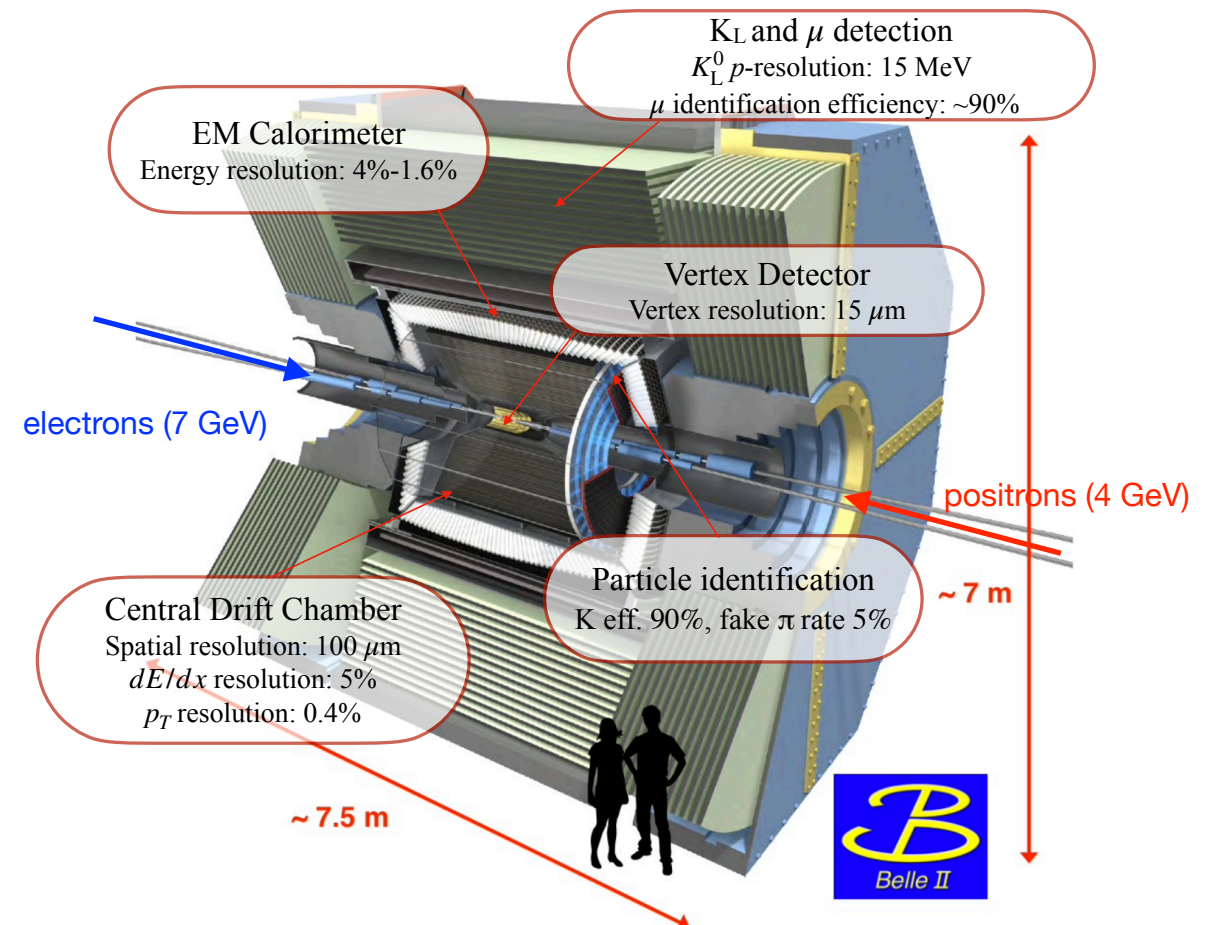
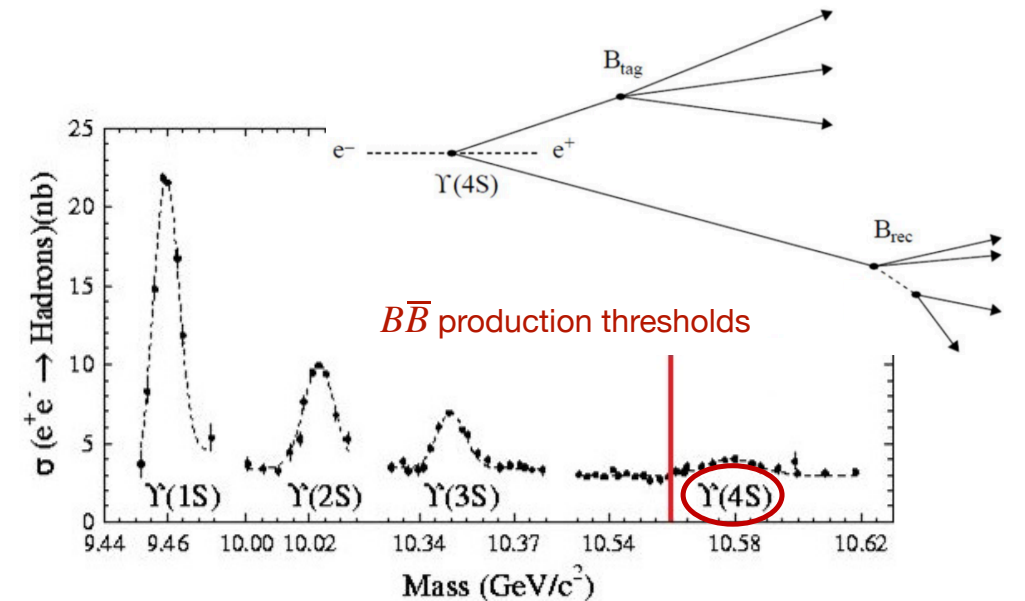
- much improved vertexing
  - greater acceptance
- $\Rightarrow$  similar performance with expected 20x bkg

Large clean samples of  $B$  and  $D$  mesons.

Current dataset of  $\sim 265$  fb $^{-1}$ .

**Today:**

- $\Lambda_c^+$  (new for Moriond),  $D^0$ ,  $D^+$  lifetimes
- CKM  $\gamma$  from Belle + Belle II combined data (first combined measurement)



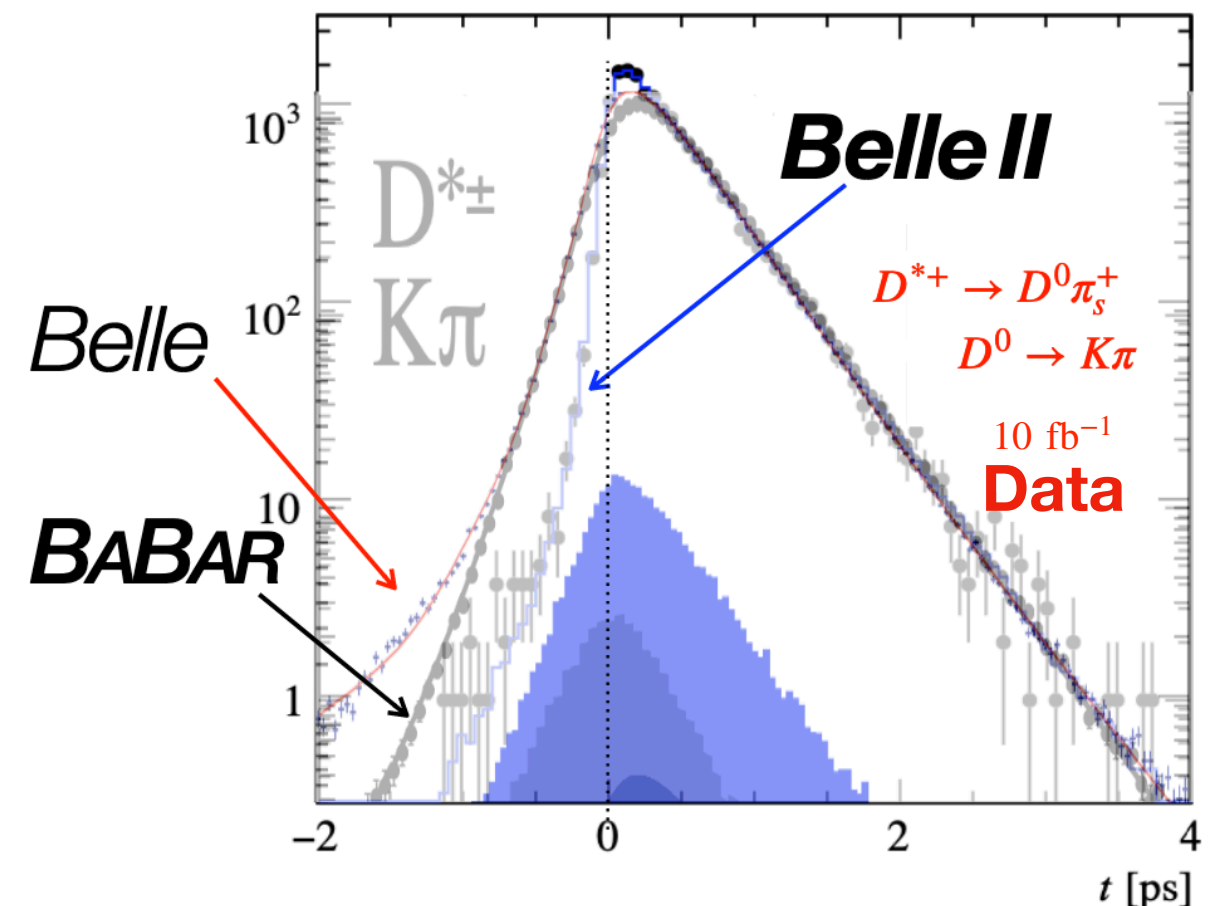
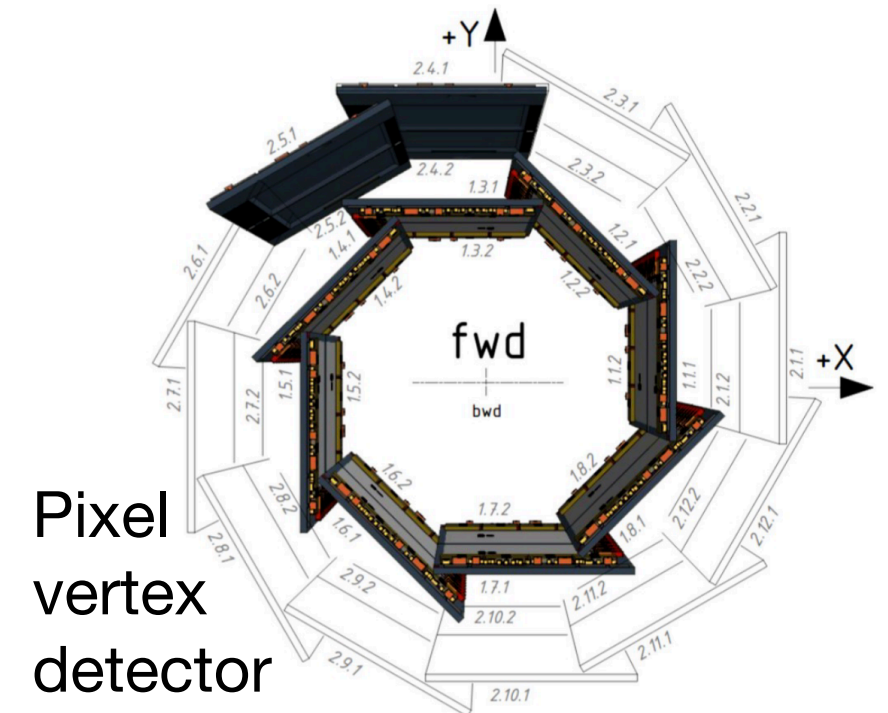
# Charm physics at Belle II

Program: CPV measurements, searches for rare and forbidden decays. Focus on final states with neutrals or missing  $E$ .

Lifetimes: high-precision measurements probe vertexing capabilities and give insight of systematic effects for future time-dependent analyses.

## Belle II/SuperKEKB

- small interaction region allows stringent constraints on production vertex position
- new vertex detector improves 2x resolution wrt Belle and BaBar

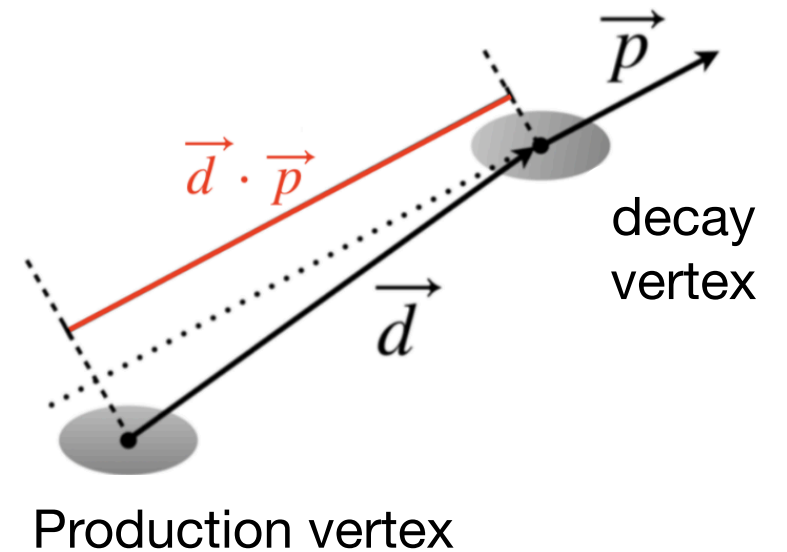


# Measuring decay time

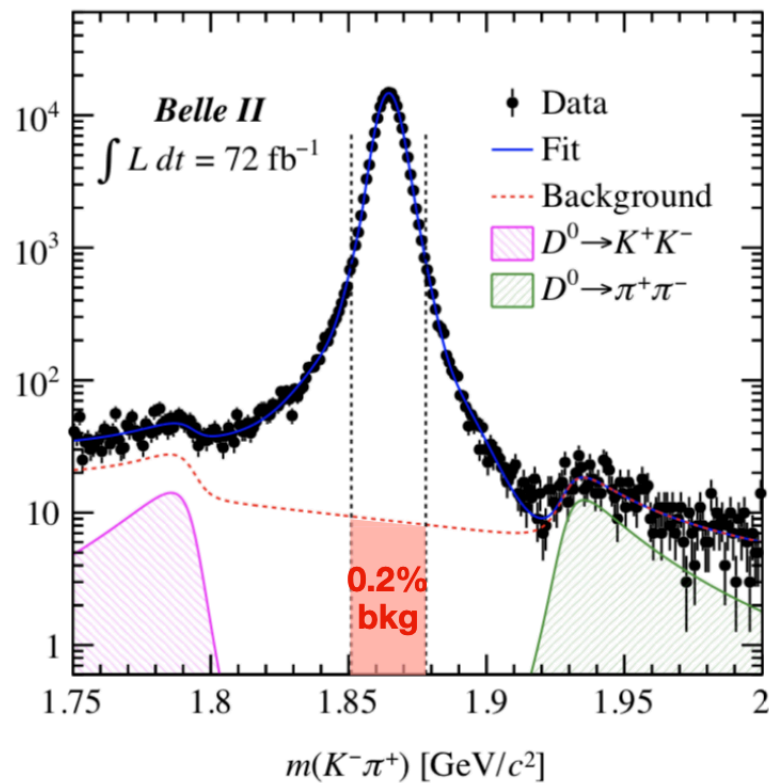
Compute decay time  $t$  and its uncertainty  $\sigma_t$  from the production and decay vertices and momentum:

$$t = m \frac{\vec{d} \cdot \vec{p}}{p^2 \cdot c}$$

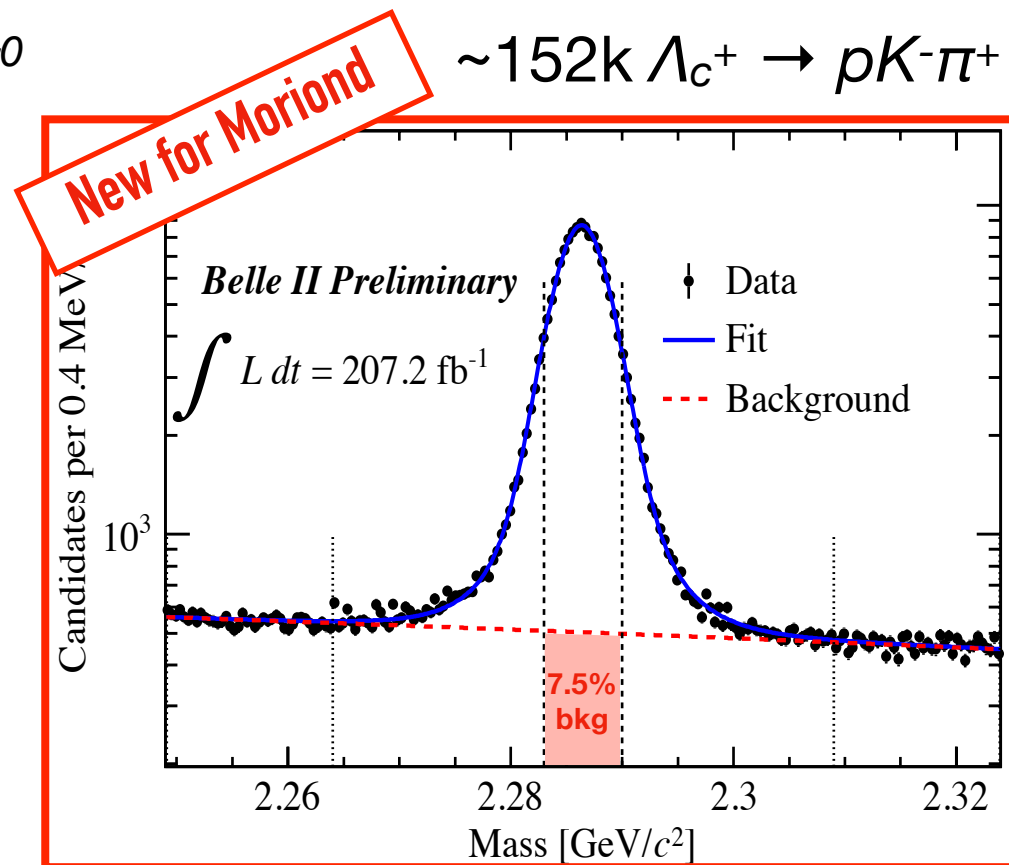
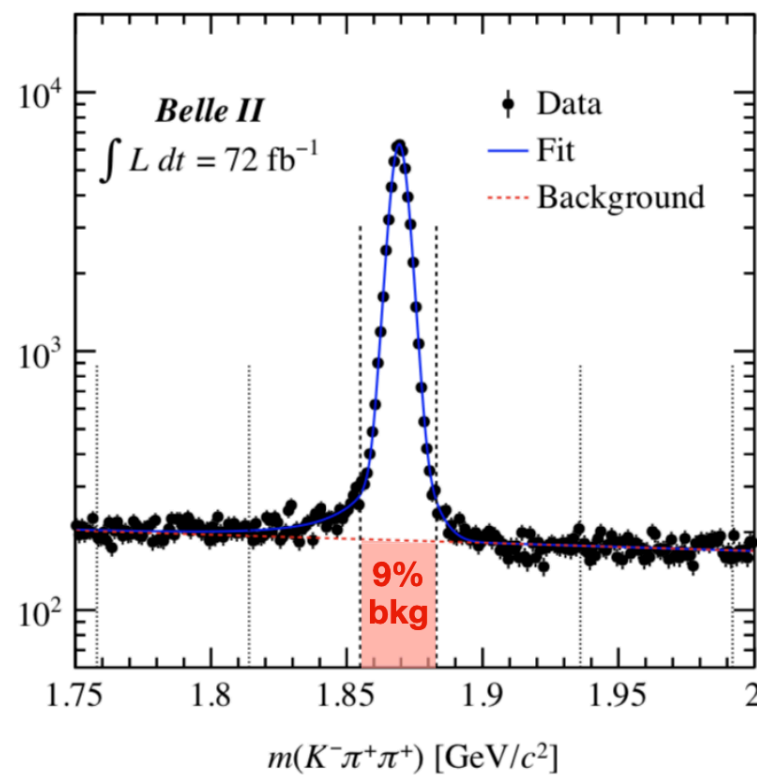
Selection explicitly checked to be unbiased.  
Controlling systematics is crucial.



$\sim 171\text{k } D^{*+} \rightarrow (D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+) \pi^+$



$\sim 59\text{k } D^{*+} \rightarrow (D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+) \pi^0$



# Decay-time fits

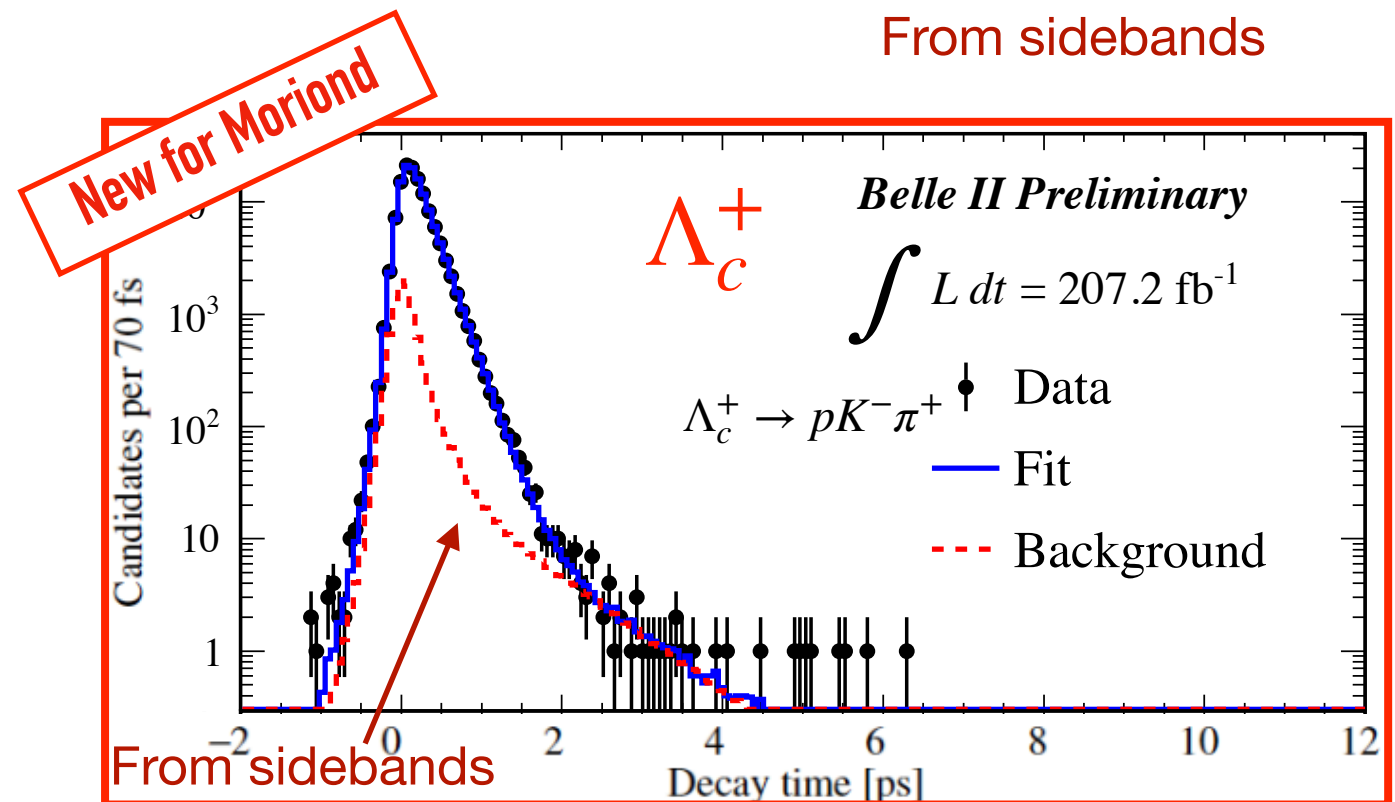
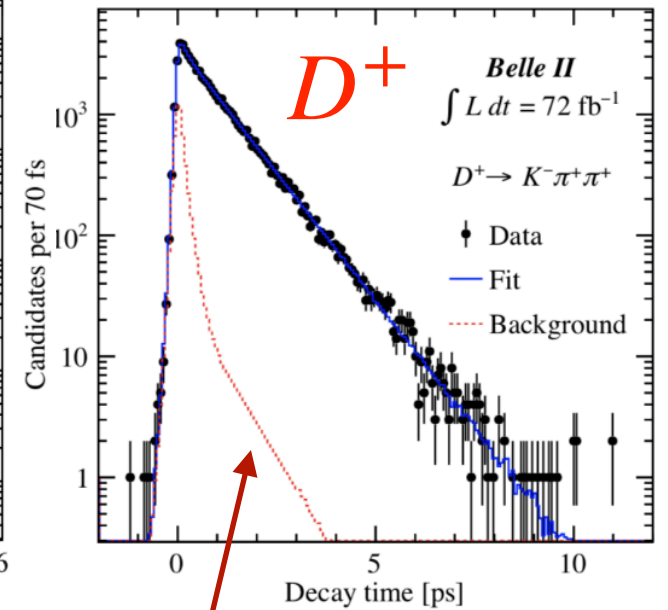
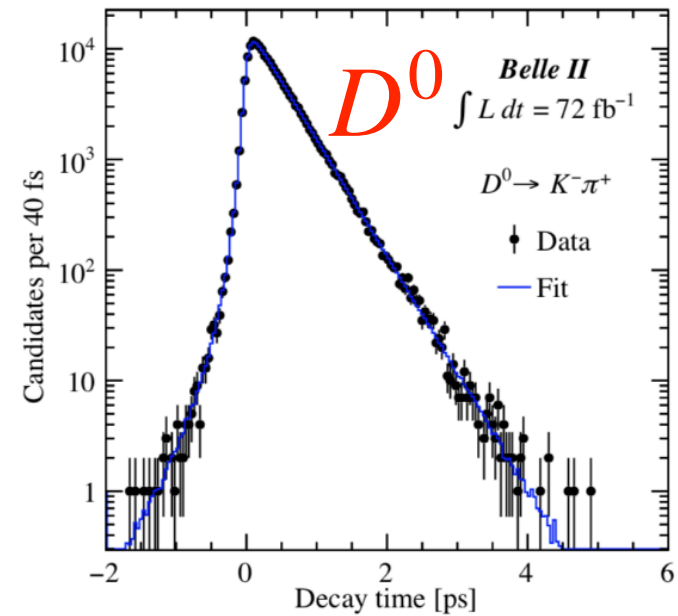
2D fit of unbinned  $t - \sigma_t$  distributions.

Signal: exponential convoluted with resolution (single or double Gaussian) determined directly in data.

Background: fit sidebands simultaneously.

All shape parameters free.

Blind analyses.





# The name of the game

Misalignment: affects decay-length scale.  
Estimated using simulations of various misaligned configurations.

Background: account for simulation not well reproducing decay-time distributions.

Resolution: account for neglected correlations between  $t$  and  $\sigma_t$ .

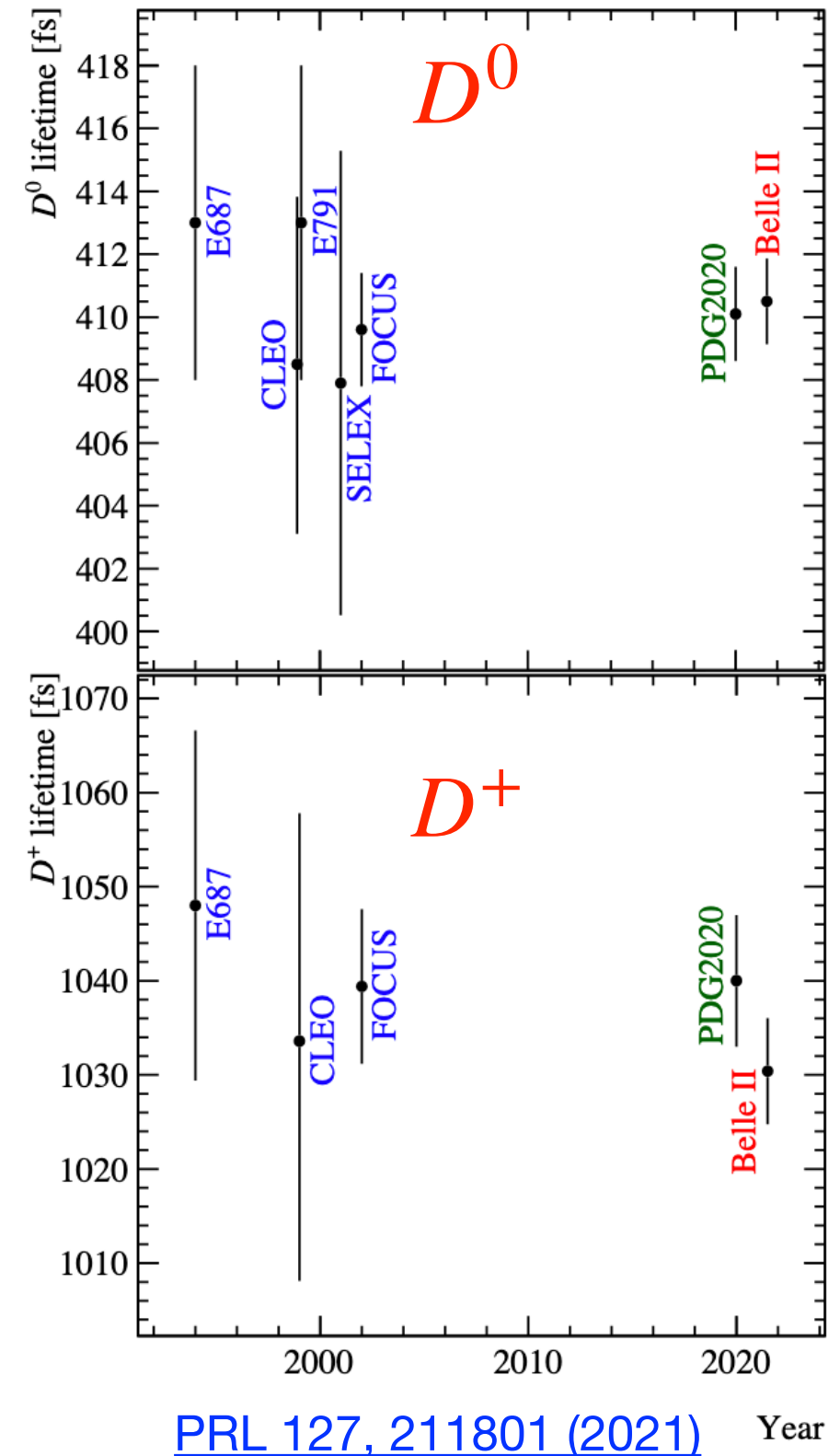
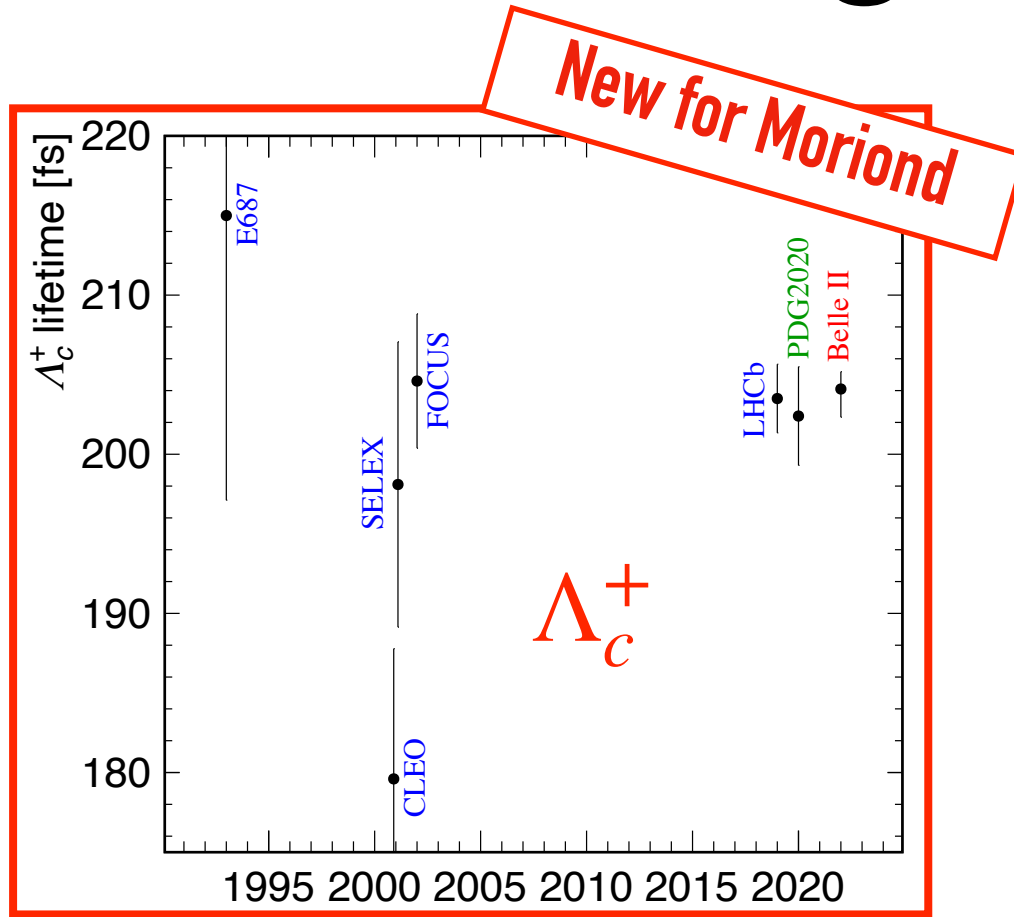
$\Xi_c \rightarrow \Lambda_c \pi$  background can introduce biases. Unaccounted for in previous measurement. Significant uncertainty based on pheno expectations of  $\Xi_c$  rate. May reduce with dedicated data-driven studies.

Source	Uncertainty (fs)	
	$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$	$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
Statistical	1.1	4.7
Resolution model	0.16	0.39
Backgrounds	0.24	2.52
Detector alignment	0.72	1.70
Momentum scale	0.19	0.48
Total systematic	0.8	3.1

**New for Moriond**

$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$ (preliminary)	
Source	uncertainty (fs)
Resolution model	0.46
Background contamination	0.20
Imperfect alignments	0.46
Momentum scale correction	0.09
Input charm masses	0.01
Total systematic uncertainty	0.69
Contamination from $\Xi_c \rightarrow \Lambda_c \pi$	- 1.4

# World-leading charm lifetimes



Belle II	World average
$\tau(D^0) = (410.5 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.8) \text{ fs}$	$(410.1 \pm 1.5) \text{ fs}$
$\tau(D^+) = (1030.4 \pm 4.7 \pm 3.1) \text{ fs}$	$(1040 \pm 7) \text{ fs}$
$\tau(\Lambda_c^+) = (204.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.7 - 1.4) \text{ fs}$	$(202.4 \pm 3.1) \text{ fs}$

World's best. Establish excellent detector performances (see [Thibaud's talk](#) for more on vertexing).

$\Lambda_c$  benchmarks future baryon lifetime measurements.

# Measurement of $\gamma$



# $\gamma$ from $B \rightarrow DK$ decays

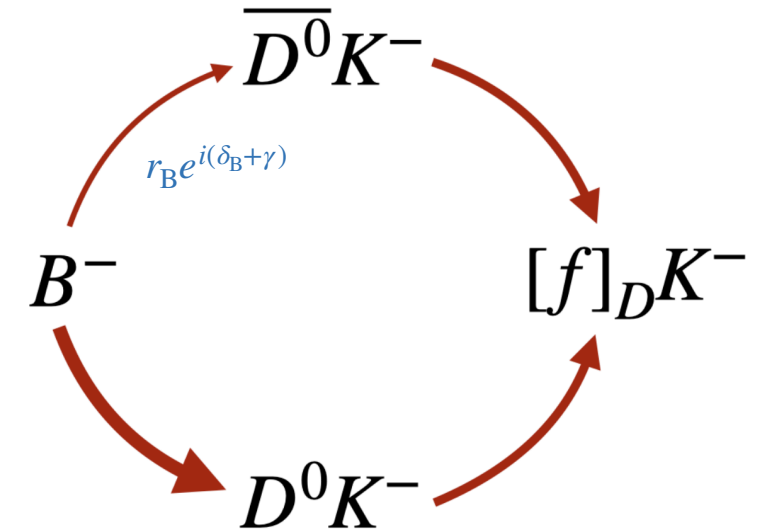
Phase between  $b \rightarrow c$  and  $b \rightarrow u$ .  
Tree-dominated: precise SM reference.

Access with interfering decays to same final states. Direct determination WA:

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$$\gamma[^\circ] = 65.9 \begin{matrix} + 3.3 \\ - 3.5 \end{matrix}$$

Self-conj.  $D^0$  final states  $K_S^0 \pi \pi$ ,  $K_S^0 K K$ .  
 $D$  Dalitz plot binning eliminates amplitude-model uncertainties.



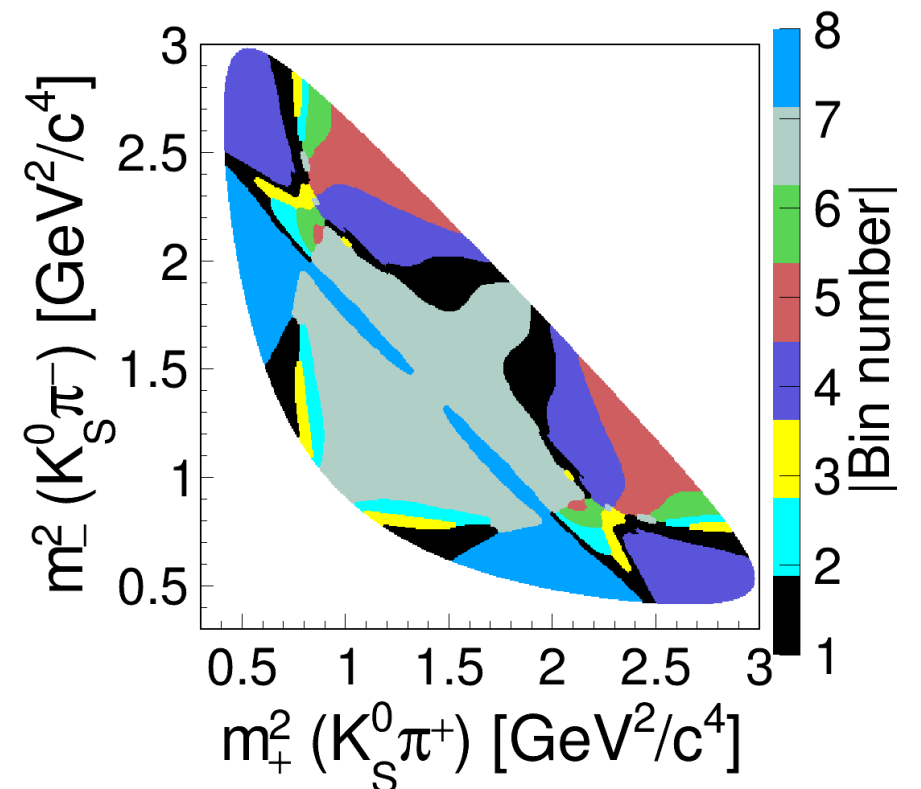
$$\frac{\mathcal{A}^{\text{suppr.}}(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 K^-)}{\mathcal{A}^{\text{favor.}}(B^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^-)} = r_B e^{i(\delta_B + \gamma)}$$

$$N_i^\pm = h_B^\pm \left[ F_i + r_B^2 \bar{F}_i + 2\sqrt{F_i \bar{F}_i} (c_i x_\pm + s_i y_\pm) \right]$$

$$(x_\pm, y_\pm) = r_B (\cos(\gamma + \delta_B), \sin(\gamma + \delta_B))$$

$c_i, s_i$ :  $D^0$ - $\bar{D}^0$  strong phase differences  
(inputs from BES III/CLEO)

$F_i$ : fraction of  $D$  decays to  $i$ -th bin



# Sample selection

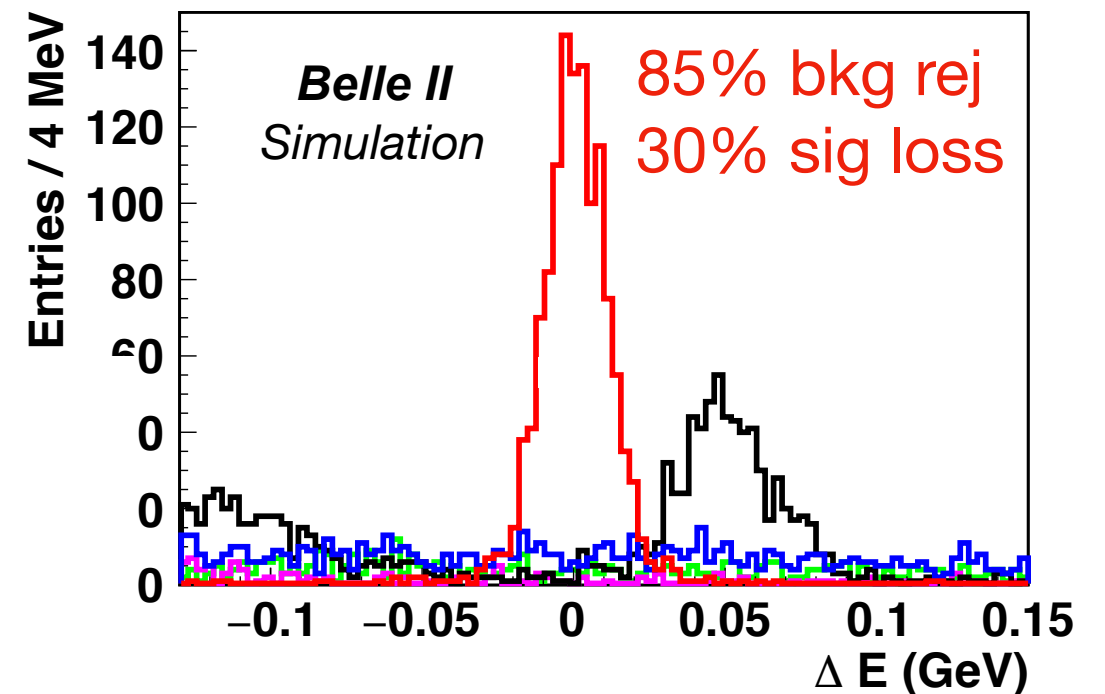
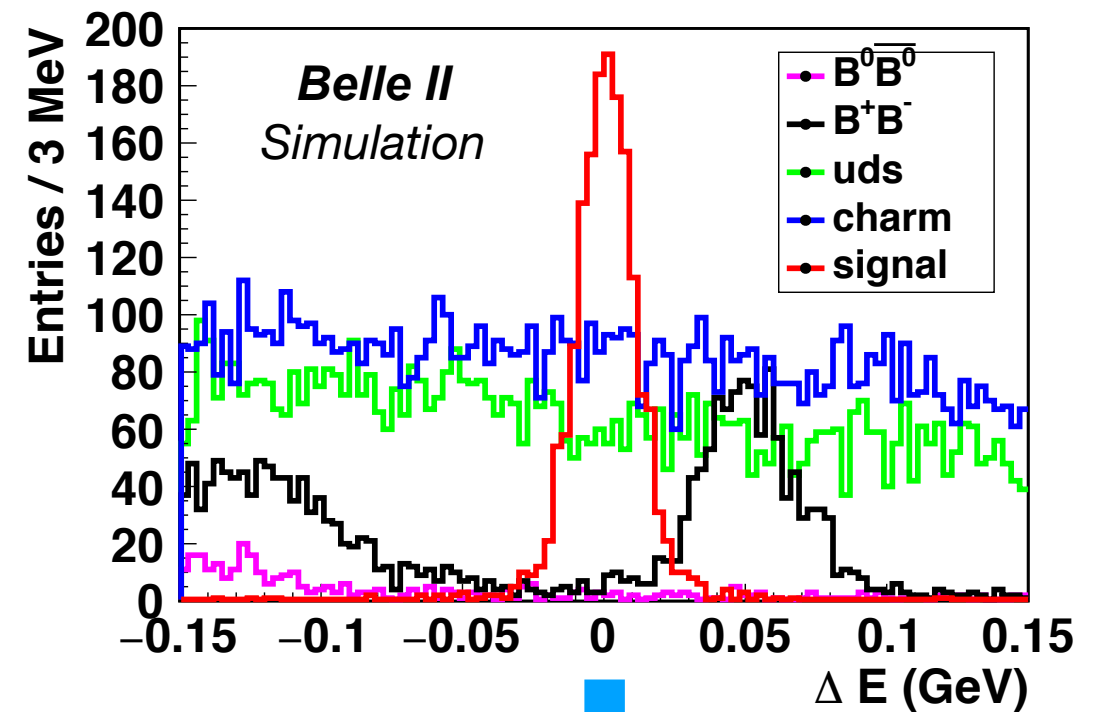
128 fb<sup>-1</sup> Belle II + 711 fb<sup>-1</sup> Belle.

Improvements wrt previous Belle:

- $K_S^0$  selection
- background suppression
- signal determination
- more statistics from  $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 KK$
- new inputs from BESIII

Suppress “continuum” ( $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ ):  
input event shape, angular distributions,  
 $B$  vertex and flavor tagging in MVA.

Additional discriminating variable for 2D  
 $\Delta E$ —MVA signal fit



# Signal yield determination

PID cut isolates  $B \rightarrow DK$  candidates:  $\sim 8\%$  mis-ID  $B \rightarrow D\pi$  contamination.

$K$ - $\pi$  efficiencies and mis-ID rates directly from data with simultaneous fit of disjoint  $B \rightarrow DK$  and  $B \rightarrow D\pi$  samples.

Belle:

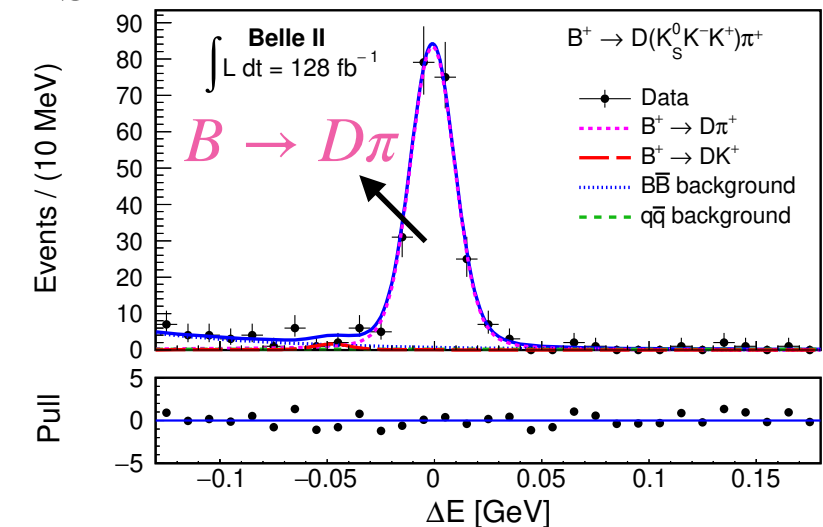
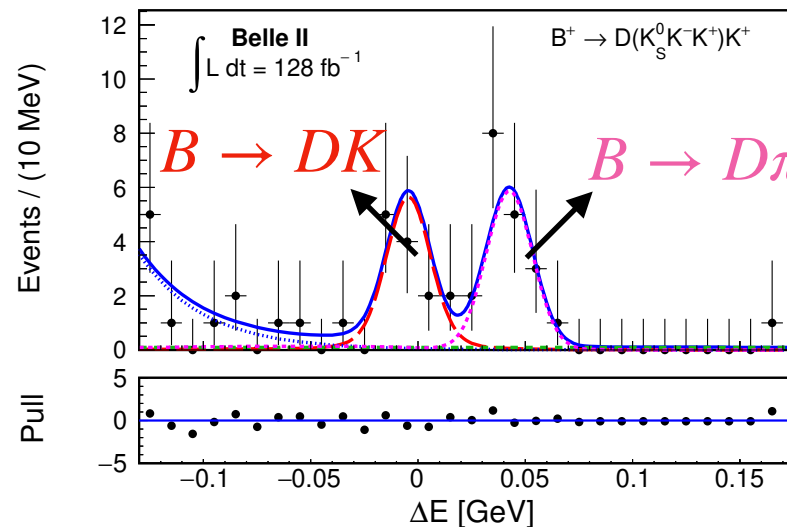
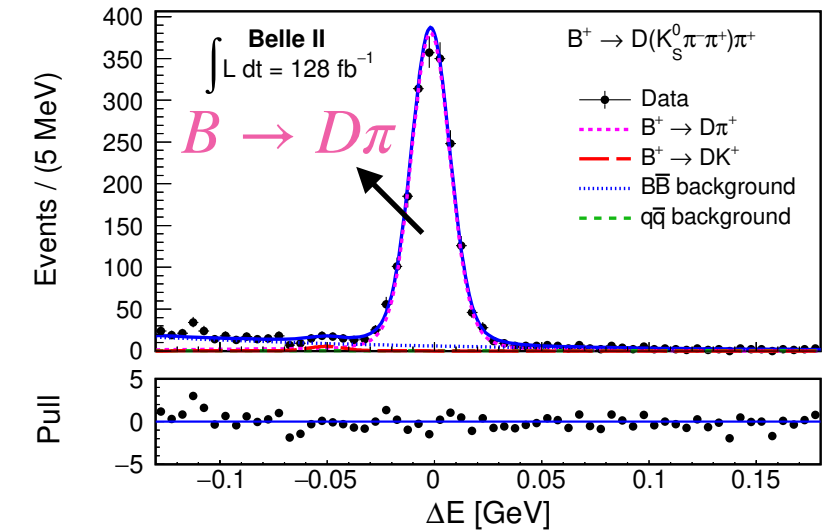
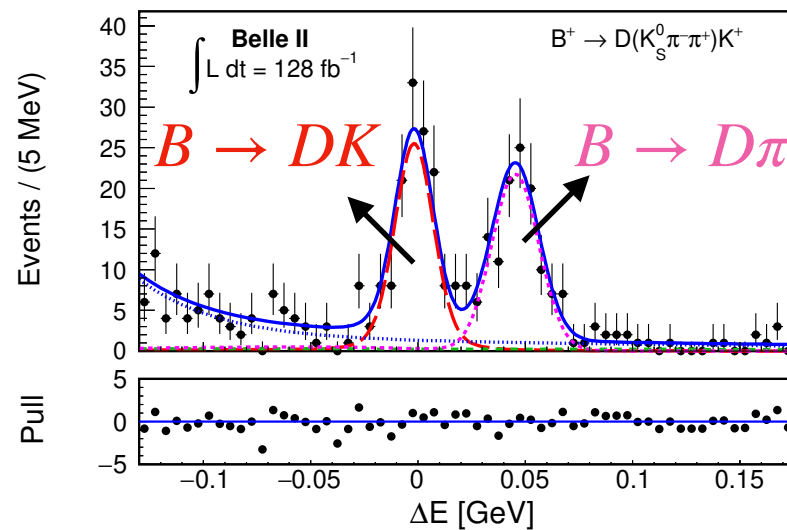
$K_S^0 \pi \pi$ :  $1467 \pm 53$

$K_S^0 K K$ :  $194 \pm 17$

Belle II :

$K_S^0 \pi \pi$ :  $280 \pm 21$

$K_S^0 K K$ :  $34 \pm 7$



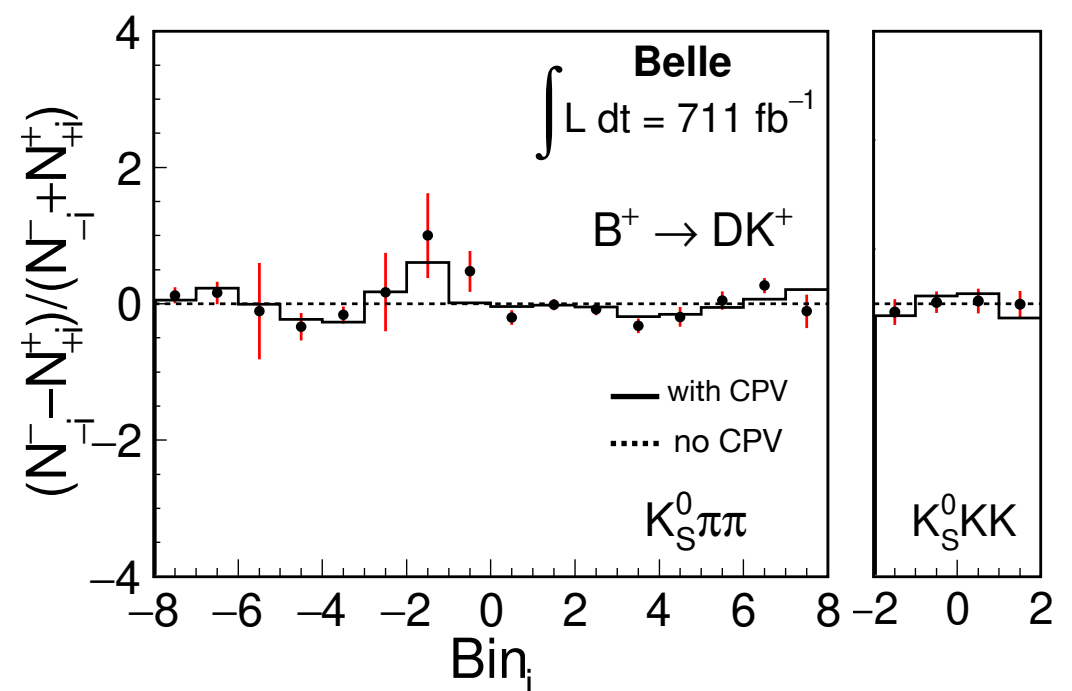
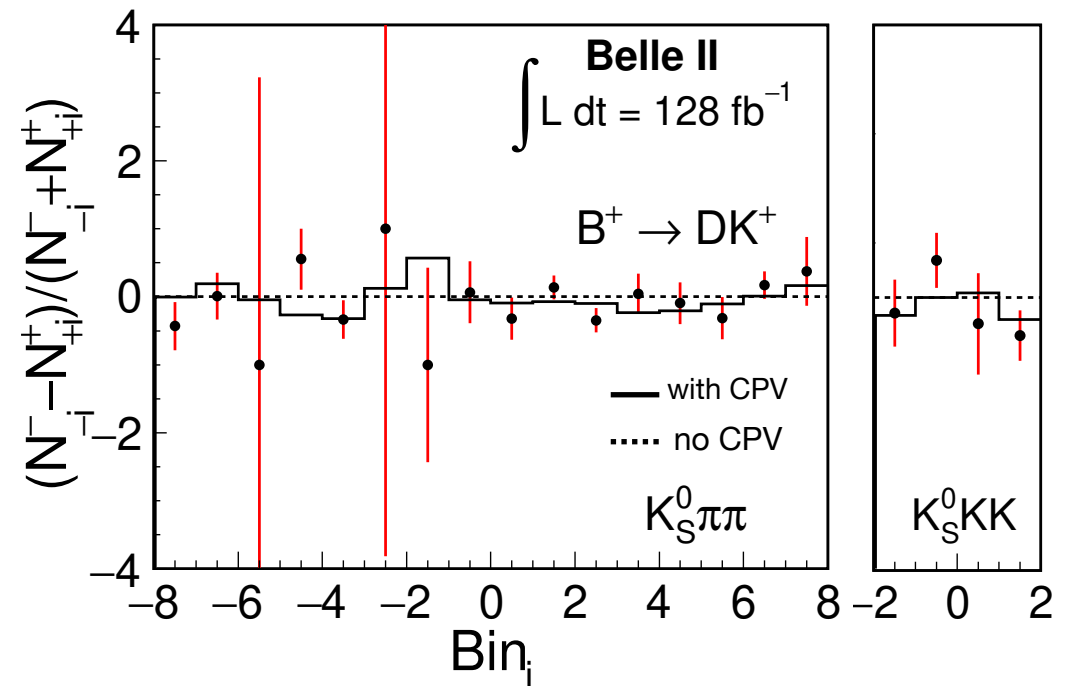


# Determination of CPV parameters

Simultaneous fit in each Dalitz bin to extract CP observables ( $x_{\pm}, y_{\pm}$ ). Mis-ID rate fixed from previous unbinned fit.

Extract  $F_i$  parameters directly in data to cancel the associated systematics and reduce reliance on simulation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_+^{DK} &= -0.113 \pm 0.032 \\
 y_+^{DK} &= -0.046 \pm 0.042 \\
 x_-^{DK} &= +0.092 \pm 0.033 \\
 y_-^{DK} &= +0.100 \pm 0.042
 \end{aligned}$$



# Results

$$\delta_B[^\circ] = 124.8 \pm 12.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)} \pm 1.7 \text{ (ext)}$$

$$r_B^{\text{DK}} = 0.129 \pm 0.024 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.001 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.002 \text{ (ext)}$$

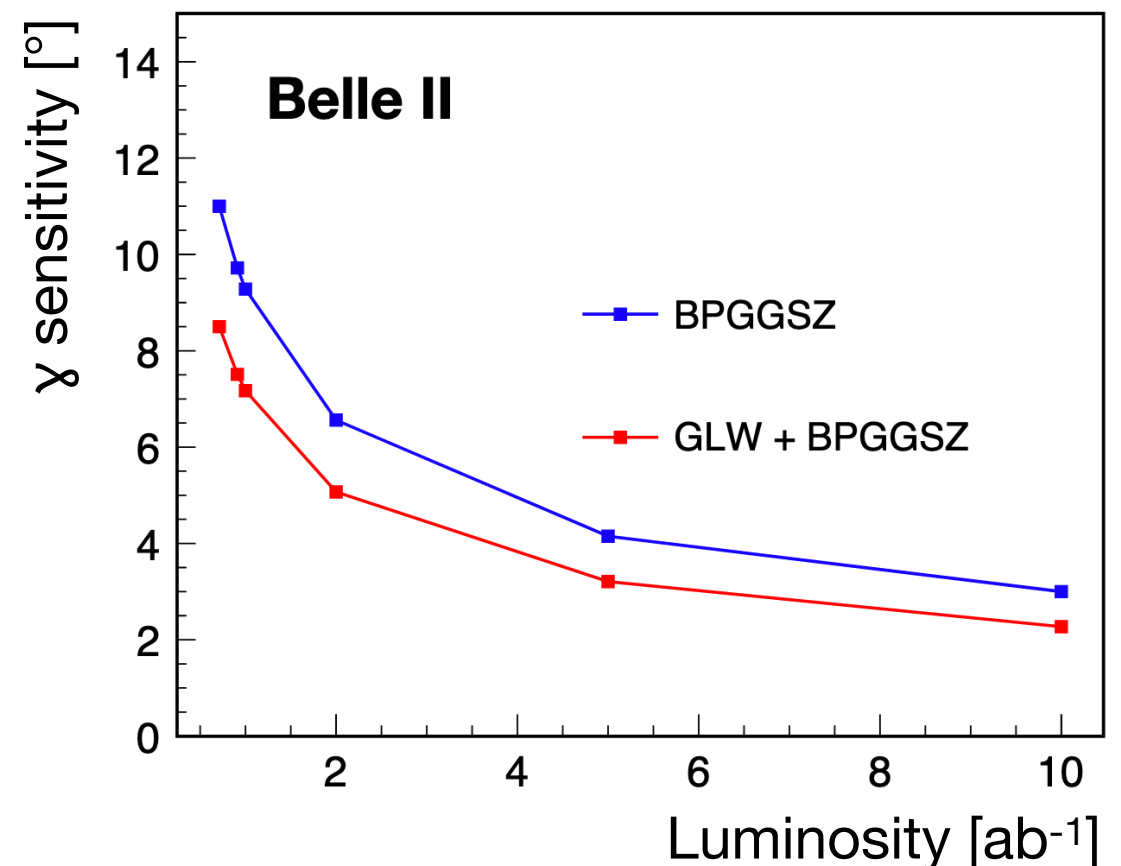
$$\gamma[^\circ] = 78.4 \pm 11.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (ext)}$$

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Improvements wrt previous Belle equivalent to doubling statistics.

Latest inputs on strong-phase from BESIII highly reduces systematics.

Expect  $< 3^\circ$  uncertainty with  $10 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , including also more  $D$  final state. Uncertainty will still be dominated by the size of the data sample.



# Summary

Exploit new improved detector: first high-precision ( $O(10^{-3})$ ) results

- world's best  $D$  lifetimes, establishes excellent vertexing
- world's best  $\Lambda_c$  lifetime, benchmark for future baryon lifetimes (first Belle II)

Combine with Belle data to be impactful on flavor measurements with early data. Sensitivity improved in addition to larger data set:

- most precise CKM  $\gamma$  determination from  $B$ -factories (first B + Belle II)

Competitive physics results even with initial data sets!

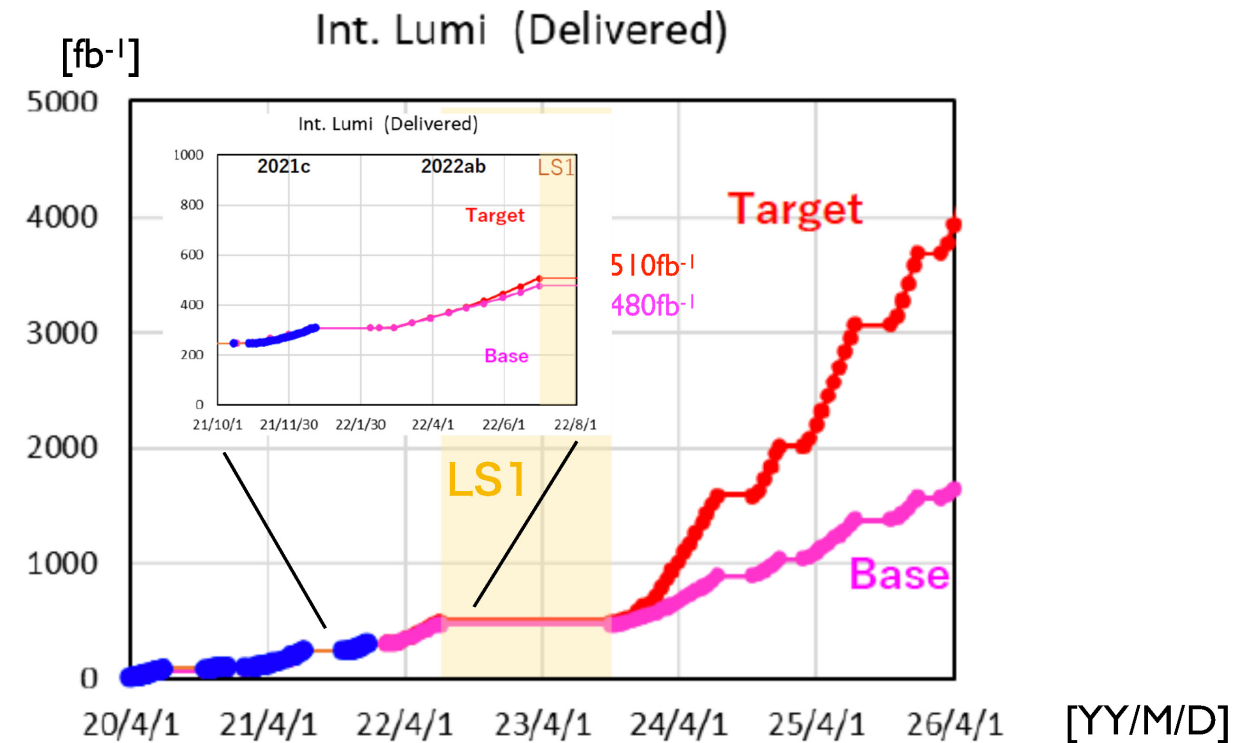


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# Projections of integrated luminosity delivered by SuperKEKB to Belle II

Target scenario: extrapolation from 2021 run including expected improvements.

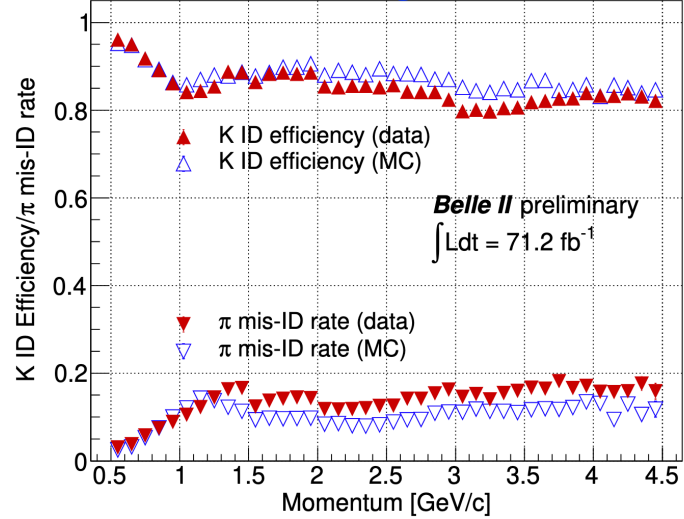
Base scenario: conservative extrapolation of SuperKEKB parameters from 2021 run.



- We start long shutdown I (LS I) from summer 2022 for 15 months to replace VXD. There will be other maintenance/improvements works of machine and detector.
- We resume physics running from Fall 2023.
- A SuperKEKB International Taskforce (aiming to conclude in summer 2022) is discussing additional improvements.
- An LS2 for machine improvements could happen on the time frame of 2026-2027.

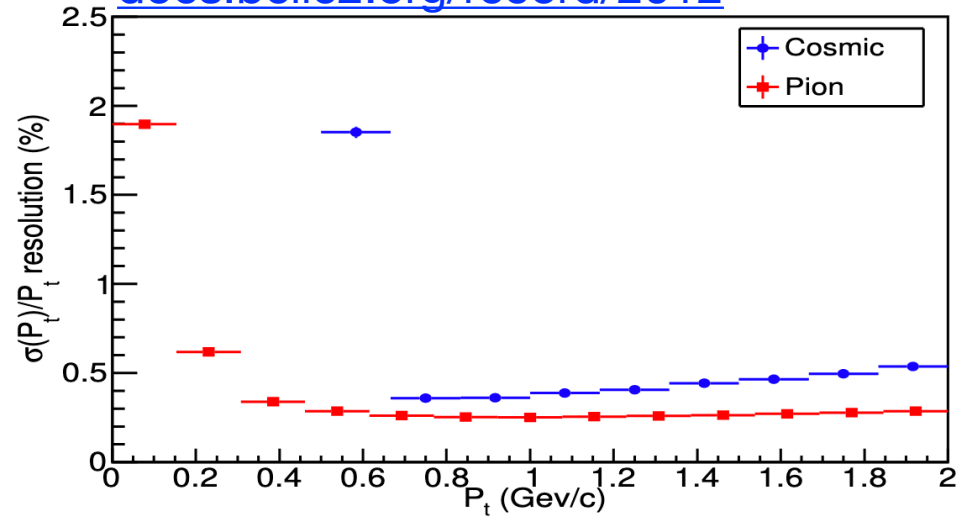
# Performance overview

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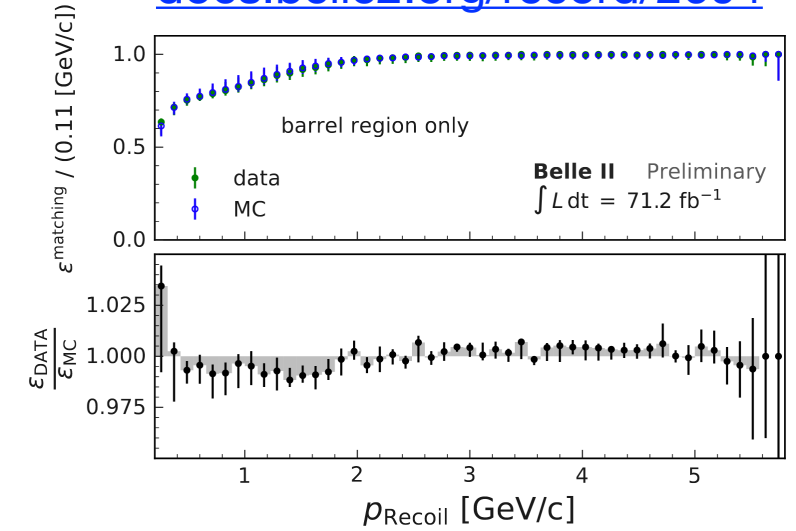
Strong charged particle identification.

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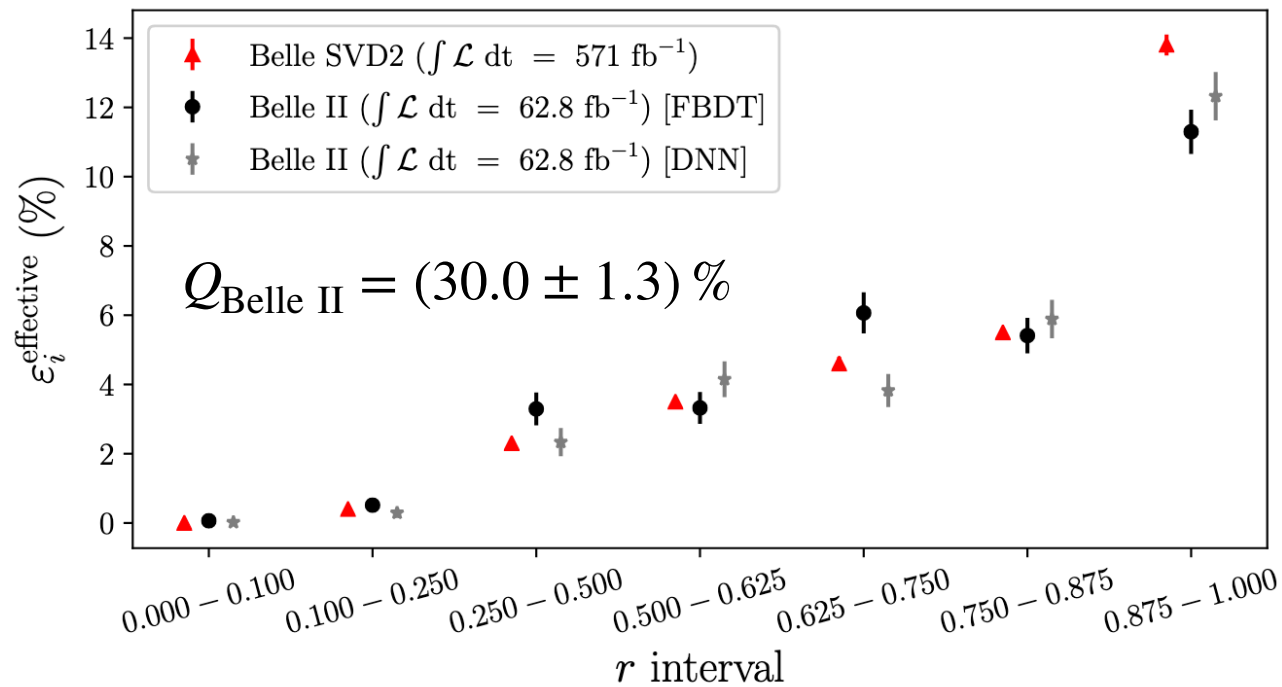
Good momentum resolution.

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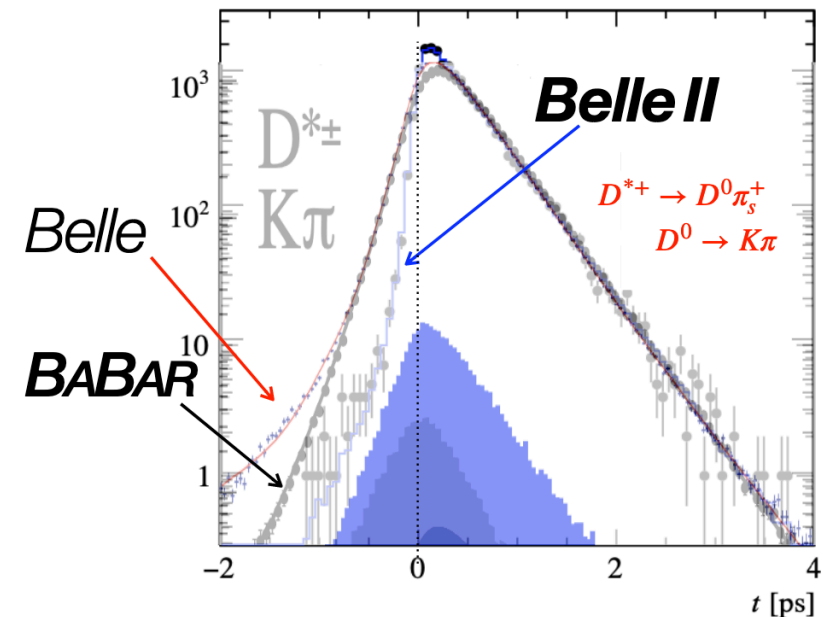
High  $\gamma$  efficiency.

To be submitted to EPJC



Flavor tagging efficiency comparable to Belle.

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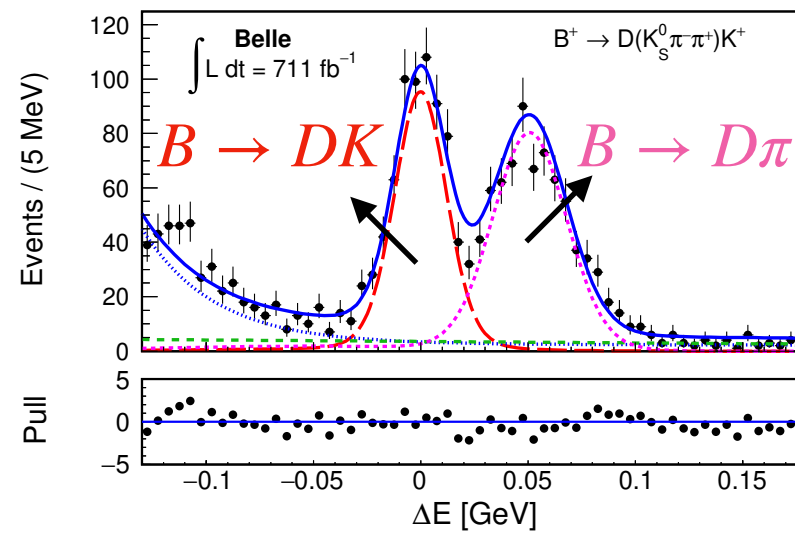
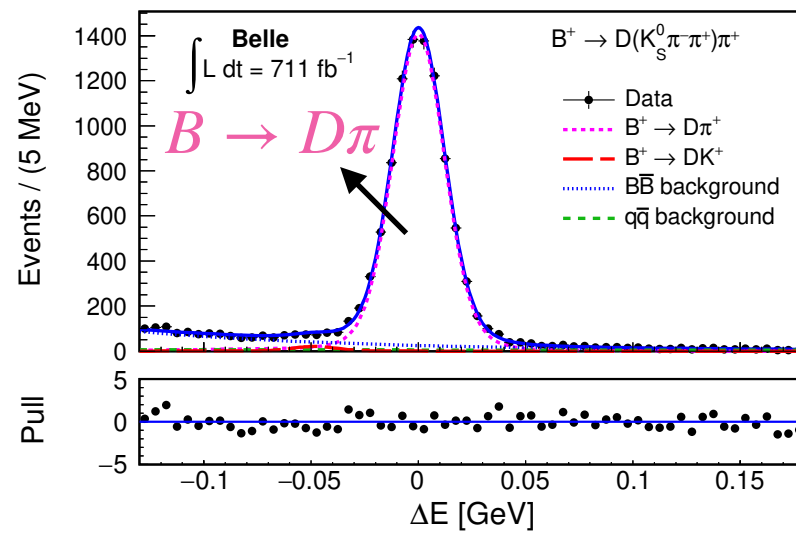


Greatly improved time resolution compared to previous  $B$ -factories.

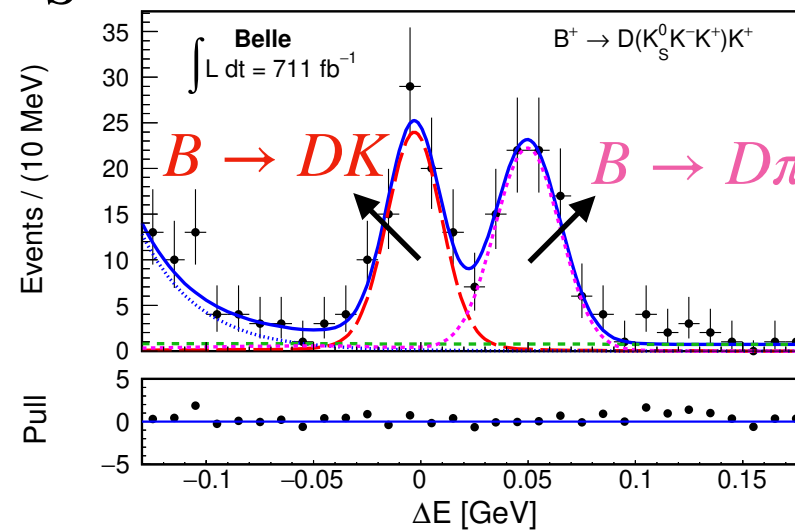
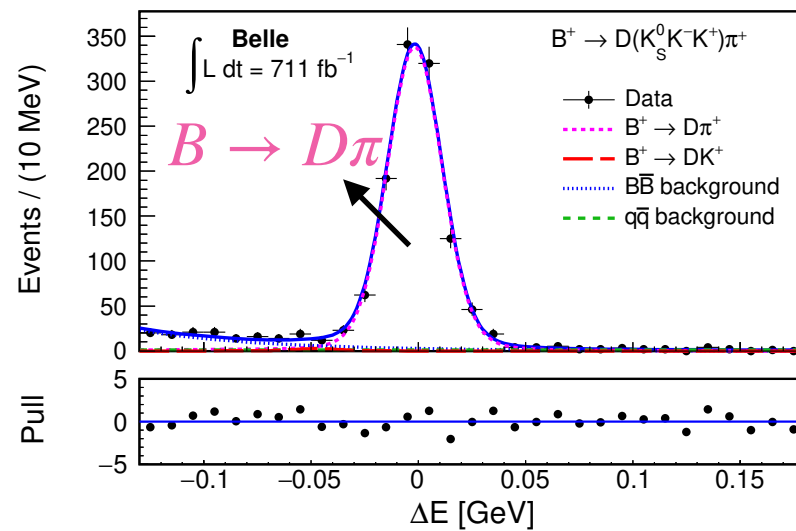


# Fit of Belle data

$$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$$



$$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+ K^-$$



# CPV in $B \rightarrow D\pi$ decays

