# The Belle II Experiment: Status and Prospects

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## Belle II at SuperKEKB ( )



Plan to collect  $50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  of collisions at and near  $\Upsilon(4S)$  Successor to Belle at KEKB (1.05 ab<sup>-1</sup>)

At  $\Upsilon(4S)$ ,  $E_{CM} = 10.58 \text{ GeV}$ 

7 GeV  $e^-$  (HER; High Energy Ring)

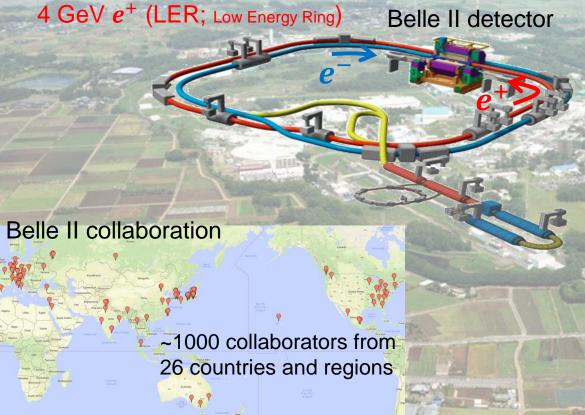
Nano beam scheme

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2er_e} \left( 1 + \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*} \right) \frac{I_{\pm} \xi_{\pm y}}{\beta_y^*} \left( \frac{R_L}{R_y} \right)$$

5.9 → 0.3 mm
KEKB SuperKEKB



- New physics search in B,  $B_s$ , D,  $\tau$  decays
- Direct search for light new particles
- Precise measurement of Standard Model
- Hadron physics



Belle II detector

Superconducting solenoid (1.5 T)

# Electromagnetic calorimeter CsI(TI), waveform sampling

#### K<sub>L</sub> and μ detector

- Resistive plate chamber (outer barrel)
- Scintillator + MPPC

   (inner 2 barrel layers, end-caps)

#### Particle ID detectors

- TOP (Time-of-Propagation) counter (barrel)
- Aerogel RICH (forward end-cap)

### Tracking detector

Drift chamber (He + C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>) of small cell, longer lever arm with fast readout electronics

#### Silicon vertex detector

- 1→2 layers DEPFET (pixel)
- 4 outer layers DSSD

Better performance even at the higher trigger rate and beam background

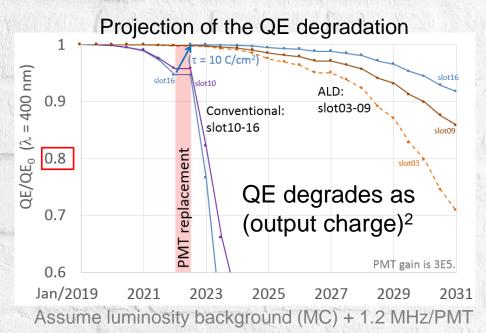
#### Trigger and DAQ

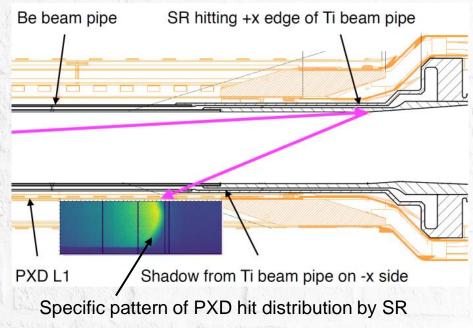
Max L1 rate: 0.5→30 kHz Pipeline readout

**GRID** computing

## Major detector issues in the operation

- Detector lifetime (in particular TOP counter)
  - To keep the MCP-PMT QE within an acceptable level (QE/QE $_0$  > 80%) until 50 ab $^{-1}$ , the Touschek and beam gas backgrounds, which increase with (beam current) $^2$ , have to be kept constant by collimators, beam tuning, additional shielding,  $\cdots$
  - → TOP PMT hit rate could limit the luminosity.
- Permanent damage on PXD and SVD by accidental huge beam loss.
- Synchrotron radiation from HER beam on PXD
  - → Should be carefully monitored not to irradiate PXD unnecessarily.





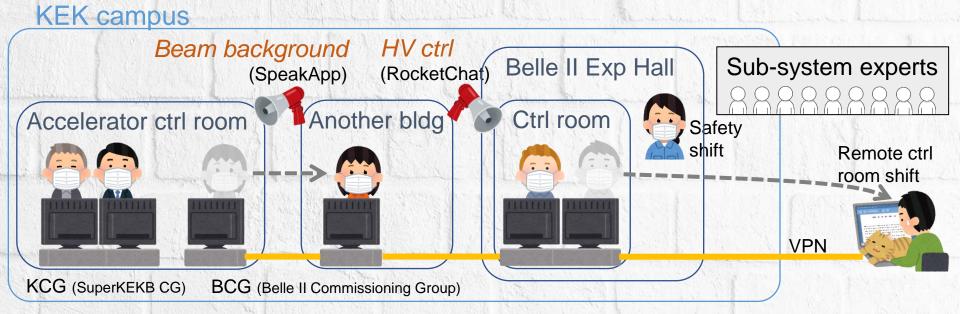
## Operation status in 2020

■ SuperKEKB/Belle II was operated under Covid-19 pandemic while minimizing risk of infection: Closed space

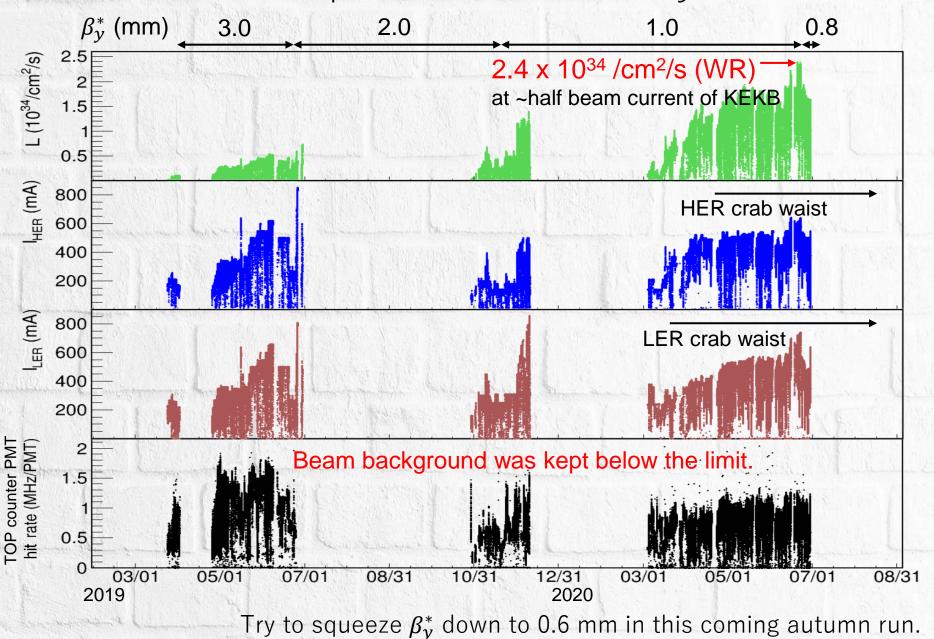
Minimize person-to-person contact and avoid 3C

Crowded places
Close-contact settings

- Remote control room shifts and expert shifts
- Travel restrictions (~40 Belle II colleagues on-site)
- Online meetings
- Hygiene (face mask, alcohol disinfection, ventilation, …)



## Accelerator operation summary → Talk by Y. Ohnishi



## Integrated luminosity

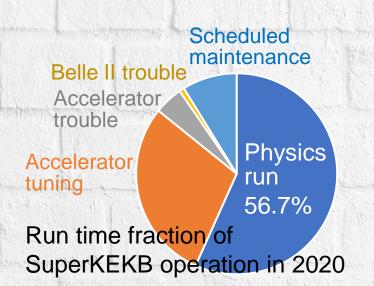
Belle II data taking efficiency has been improved to 84%.

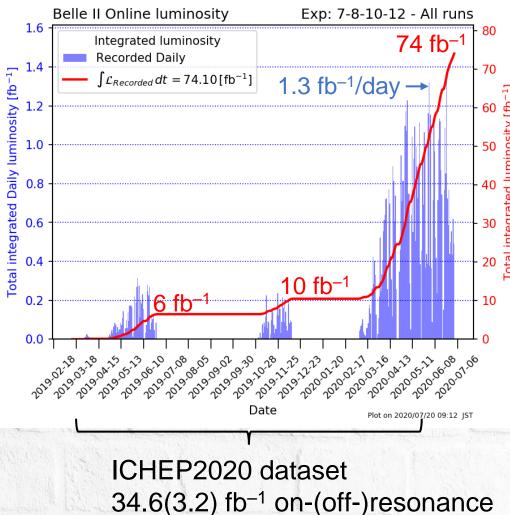
✓ Less DAQ errors and more prompt recovery from the errors by

experts' consistent effort

✓ Error analysis and monitor by ELK (Elasticsearch Logstash Kibana)

- ✓ More experienced shifters
- ✓ Controlled injection veto dead time (avg. 4.9%) as a result of injection background studies





## Data analyses to be shown in ICHEP2020

#### Performance assessment for the flavor physics program

- $B^0$  lifetime  $\rightarrow$  Talk by C. Praz
- B flavor tagger → Talk by N. Rout
- Reconstruction of (semi-)leptonic B decays with FEI → Talk by M. Milesi
- Search for  $B \to K\ell\ell, X_s\ell\ell$ 
  - → Talk by Y. Sato
- $D^0$  lifetime,  $D, D_s, \Lambda_c$  reconstructions
  - → Talk by G. Casarosa

#### Outset of flavor physics measurements

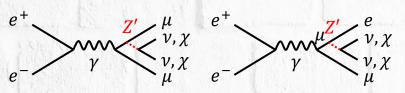
(Need more statistics for publication)

- $\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \to D^{*+}\ell^-\bar{\nu})$ ,  $V_{uh}$  and  $V_{ch}$ 
  - → Talk by R. Cheaib; poster by S. Granderath
- $\mathcal{B}$  and  $A_{CP}$  of charmless B decays
  - → Talk by E. Ganiev
- $f_L$  in  $B \to \phi K^* \to \text{Talk by N. Rout}$
- τ-lepton mass → Talk by K. Inami

Dark sector | with the data taken in 2018

→ Talk by E. Graziani

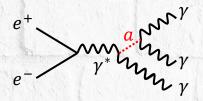
• Z' or LFV Z' to invisible



0.276 fb<sup>-1</sup>; PRL 124 (2020) 141801

1<sup>st</sup> Belle II physics paper

Axion Like Particle



0.445 fb<sup>-1</sup>; Being submitted to PRL

2<sup>nd</sup> Belle II physics paper

## Physics publication prospects in near future

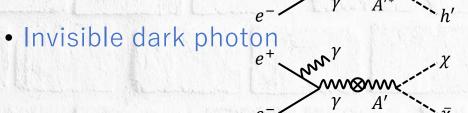
■ 140-240 fb<sup>-1</sup> until Mar 2021 (depending on the operation budget)

#### Flavor physics

- $|V_{cb}|$  from hadronic  $q^2$  moments
- Inclusive  $|V_{ub}|$  from lepton endpoint
- Inclusive and FEI tagged  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$
- Inclusive  $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \nu$
- B<sup>0</sup> lifetime and mixing
- 1st combined Belle + Belle II analysis on BPGGSZ  $\phi_3$
- $D^0$ ,  $D^+$ ,  $D_s$ ,  $\Lambda_c$  lifetimes
- $B \to \Lambda_c$  + invisible
- τ-lepton mass measurement
- τ → ℓ + invisible(α) search
  → Talk by F. Tenchini

#### Dark sector

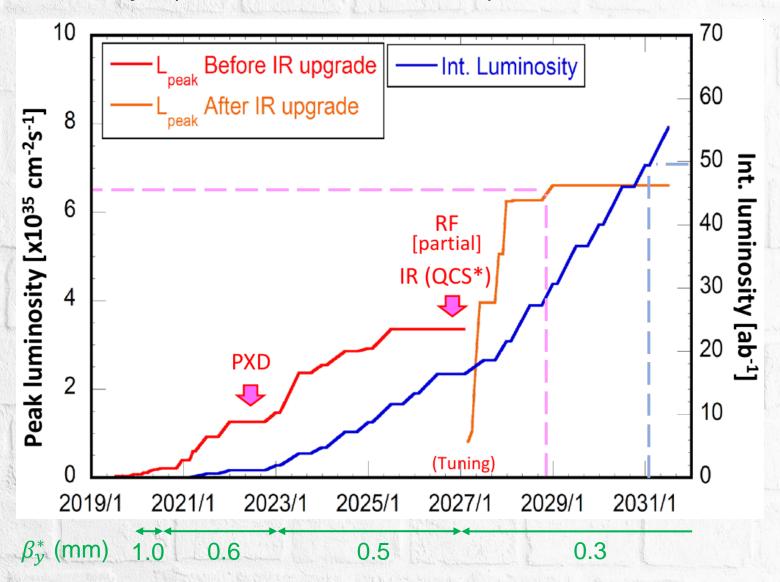
Dark higgstrahlung



- Visible dark photon
- Z' or LFV Z' to invisible update
- $Z' \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Inelastic dark matter
- Dark scalar
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- ab<sup>-1</sup> before long shutdown in 2022 to surpass BaBar and Belle
   → Belle II will join in with the hunting for New Physics in earnest.

## Projection toward 50 ab<sup>-1</sup>

Recently updated based on the past results.



## Summary

- Belle II plans to collect 50 ab<sup>-1</sup> to extensively search for New Physics in the flavor and dark sectors as well as to provide better understanding of the Standard Model and hadron physics.
- Accelerator and detector operation is in good shape: the world record of the peak luminosity
   2.4 x 10<sup>34</sup> /cm<sup>2</sup>/s (KEKB record: 2.1 x 10<sup>34</sup> /cm<sup>2</sup>/s) was achieved with the acceptable beam background level.
- Collected 74 fb<sup>-1</sup>, and 1<sup>st</sup> physics paper on dark sector was published, to be followed soon by other results on dark sector and flavor physics.
- In a few years, Belle II will join in with the hunting for New Physics in earnest.