

## Belle II at SuperKEKB – Status and Plans



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### Flavour Physics in 2022

The standard model of particle physics is in a great shape, after decades of deep investigation and precision measurements, all phenomena happening at colliders are accounted for.

However, in the past years, hints that the SM is not the full story have been accumulating:

→ hints of violation of Lepton Flavor Universality;

→ (partial) branching fractions and angular observables of B decays dominated by loop amplitudes;

→ (g-2)<sub>µ</sub>

Many of the anomalies have been detected by the LHCb experiment, which is currently the main actor on the scene.

Taken one by one, these anomalies are not striking, but they seem to paint a consistent picture...

→ Talks by Damir Becirevic, Renato Quagliani

### Flavor physics at an e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider

- Clear disadvantage against the LHC in terms of cross sections, but:
- Many of the interesting modes (not only for flavor physics) are unique to B Factories:
- → channels with  $\pi^0$ , K<sub>L</sub>,  $\eta$ ('), ... ;
- $\rightarrow$  final states with one or more v's;
- → modes affected by "difficult" backgrounds, where the full knowledge of the kinematics in the event is the only way to control them;
- $\rightarrow$  a variety of inclusive measurements can be performed.

• In general: a wider spectrum of measurements allows for a better understanding (or highlights our lack of...).

• And extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence: we need an independent confirmation for as many modes as possible.

### A B factory in the LHC era

Fantastic performance of LHCb with many interesting results!

Still, an e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> machine running at (or near) Y(4S) is complementary to LHCb in several aspects.

Unique capabilities of a B factory:

- $\rightarrow\,$  Exactly two B mesons produced
- $\rightarrow$  High flavour tagging efficiency
- → Detection of gammas,  $\pi^0$ s, K<sub>L</sub>s



Physics potential summarized in Belle II Theory Interface Platform (B2TiP) 'physics book' PTEP 2019 (2019) 123C01, arXiv:1808.10567

However, need a two-orders-of-magnitude larger data sample!

 $\rightarrow$  Increase by 30x the luminosity of a world record accelerator



### How to increase the luminosity?





In KEKB, colliding electron and positron beams were already much thinner than a human hair... ... For a 30x increase in intensity you have to make the beam as thin as a few  $\times 100$  atomic layers!



[SR Channel]

[Beam Channel]

To get x30 higher luminosity

### Detector: Belle $\rightarrow$ Belle II



### SuperKEKB/Belle II phases

• Phase 1(2016): no detector, no collision, test the rings, baking the 3km of the accelerator vacuum chambers

- Phase 2 (2018): first collisions with complete accelerator
  - Incomplete detector: Vertex detector replaced by dedicated background detector (Beast 2)
- Phase 3 (2019-): luminosity run with complete detector
  - Pixel Detector (PXD): layer 1 + partly equipped layer 2
  - Full 4-layers strip detector (SVD)
  - First physics paper appeared in January 2020
- New and difficult accelerator. Additional operational complexity during the pandemic
- Record peak luminosity  $4.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Path to reach  $2 \times 10^{35}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> identified.
- More effort needed to reach the target peak luminosity of 6  $\times$  10<sup>35</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>



Very successful data taking throughout the pandemic

- -overall data taking efficiency of 89.5%
- -reached world record instantaneous luminosity:  $4.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , collected up to  $15 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  per week: Super-B factory mode
- -recorded luminosity at Belle II: 428 fb<sup>-1</sup> (Belle 988 fb<sup>-1</sup>, BaBar 513 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

Ultimate goal: reach 50  $ab^{-1}$  by operating at the instantaneous luminosity of 6 x  $10^{35}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

#### Physics program D-Dbar Bs physics Charm Lifetimes Upsilon(55 65) runs Charm Physics Branching Fractions, Dalitz analyses New hadron states Zb's, b bbar gluon Lepton flavor violation New Charmon charm decays Measurements New bottomonium-lik CKN Matrix Elements (Vcb, Vub) vtd/Vts from penguins New Hadrons, QCD measurements New baryons Exclusive measurements e+e- -->ISR, pi+ pi- cross-sections (g-2 lepton universality Spin Fragmentation Fu amma Time Dependent Measurements Linac er **Direct T violation** wew physics phases in b->s: B->phi Ks, B->eta' Ks **Belle II Data** Axion-Like Parti Invisible Z' Dark Sector K pi, pi pi Direct CPV, isospin sum rules Dark Higgs Pare B decays Heavy tau neutri Electroweak physics with containing amma and radiative penguins, B-->K(\*) nu nubar LLPs (Long Mag Tau mas right-handed currents, triple products Gazelle (LL Tau Spectral Functions Hadronic b. Sc decays Lepton Flavor Violation (LFV ->s I+I-, lepton universality, NP amma determinations Tau Electric Dipole sin^2 theta Charmed resonances A\_LR (tau, mu, e+, b, c) NC (Neutral Current) unive Physics potential summarized in the Belle II 'physics book' PTEP 2019 (2019) 123C01, arXiv:1808.10567 11

### Recent results – selected topics

This talk - a subselection of recent results:

Lifetimes of charmed hadrons

•Measurements to help understand the long standing tension between inclusive and exclusive  $V_{xb}$  determinations.

•Test of Lepton Flavour Universality:  $B^0 \rightarrow Xe^-v_e \text{ vs } B^0 \rightarrow X\mu^-v_\mu$ 

•Searches for new physics in rare decays of the type  $b \rightarrow s: B \rightarrow X_s \ell \ell$ ,  $B^{\pm}$  $\rightarrow$  K  $^{\pm}$  vv , b  $\rightarrow$  sy transitions, K puzzle

This talk: results based on an integrated luminosity of up to  $\sim 190 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 

Recorded luminosity at Belle II: 428 fb<sup>-1</sup>

(Belle 988 fb<sup>-1</sup>, BaBar 513 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

### D<sup>0</sup> and D<sup>+</sup> lifetime measurements

Example of improved performance of Belle II vs Belle: time-dependent capabilities in D lifetime measurements.

The addition of a pixel vertex detector (with a 1cm radius beam pipe) gives a *factor of two improvement* in proper time resolution for charm lifetime measurements compared to Belle. Alignment systematics are much improved.



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### Lifetimes of charmed hadrons



Used early Belle II data to measure lifetimes of charm hadrons

- World-best D<sup>0</sup>, D<sup>+</sup> and  $\Lambda_c^+$  lifetimes (first Belle II precision measurements)
- $\bullet$  Confirmation of LHCb result indicating that the  $\Omega_c{}^0\,$  is not the shortest-lived weakly decaying charmed baryon

Tiny systematic uncertainties (e.g., 2‰ for D<sup>0</sup>) demonstrate excellent performance and understanding of the Belle II detector, never achieved at previous B factories

## $sin(2\phi_1)$ / $sin(2\beta)$ from $B \rightarrow J/\psi~K_{\rm s}$

• Full time dependent analysis of the most sensitive (almost background free) of the golden channels;

• Using the same resolution function developed for the lifetime and mixing analysis, and determining common parameters from  $B^0 \rightarrow D(*)^-h^+$  modes;

• Results:

$$\begin{split} S_{CP} &= 0.720 \pm 0.062 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.016 (\text{syst}) \\ A_{CP} &= 0.094 \pm 0.044 (\text{stat}) {+} \begin{array}{c} 0.042 \\ - 0.017 (\text{syst}) \\ \end{split}$$

World average (K  $_{\rm S}$  mode only): S  $_{\rm CP}$  = 0.695  $\pm$  0.019 A  $_{\rm CP}$  = 0.000  $\pm$  0.020

- $\bullet$  In the near future we will add the  $\rm K_L$  and other cc resonances;
- Still very far from being limited by the systematics!



### Hadronic taging at Belle II

Profit from the fact that exactly two B mesons are produced in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collisions →Full Event Interpretation (FEI) - hierarchical multivariate technique (>200 BDTs) to reconstruct the B-tag side (semi-leptonic or hadronic) through O(10<sup>3</sup>) different decay modes - results in a significantly increased tagging efficiency compared to Belle

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### V<sub>ub</sub> matrix element with exclusive decays

Long standing tension between inclusive and exclusive  $V_{xb}$  determinations.

Belle II: exclusive and inclusive measurements of  $V_{cb}$  and  $V_{ub}$  with tagged and untagged methods.

Tagged V<sub>ub</sub> study: using the FEI, we can measure the  $B \rightarrow \pi \mid v$  branching ratios with much less background, and tackle the more challenging  $B \rightarrow \rho \mid v$ 

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) &= (1.43 \pm 0.27 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.07 (\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4} \\ \mathcal{B}(B^+ \to \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e) &= (8.33 \pm 1.67 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.55 (\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5} \\ |V_{\text{ub}}| &= (3.88 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-3} \\ \\ &\text{arXiv:2206.08102 [hep-ex]} \end{split}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \rho^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (4.12 \pm 0.64_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.16_{\text{sys}}) \times 10^{-4}$$
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to \rho^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (1.77 \pm 0.23_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.36_{\text{sys}}) \times 10^{-4}$$
$$\text{T. Koga} @\text{ ICHEP 2022}$$

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### Preparation for the R(D\*) measurement

Test of Lepton Flavour Universality: measure  $R(X_{e/\mu}) = B(B^0 \rightarrow Xe^-v_e)/B(B^0 \rightarrow X\mu^-v_{\mu})$ 

Template fit on CM frame lepton momentum  $p_1^*$ , with  $p_1^* > 1.3$  GeV

Two main sources of background: 1) continuum, constrained with off-resonance data; 2) other B decays (fake leptons, leptons arising from decay of charmed hadrons, ...), constrained from background enriched control regions.

$$R(X_{e/\mu}) = 1.033 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.020$$

To date the most precise measurement, in good agreement with the SM. Dominant systematic uncertainty from lepton identification (1.8%).

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This paves the way to the first measurement of

$$R(X) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \to X\tau\nu)}{\mathcal{B}(B \to X\ell\nu)}$$
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# Belle II: prospects for the R(D\*), R(D), R(X), R( $\pi$ ) measurements

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From: Snowmass white paper "Belle II physics reach and plans for the next decade and beyond" https://www.slac.stanford.edu/~mpeskin/ Snowmass2021/ BelleIIPhysicsforSnowmass.pdf

## R(K) in B $\rightarrow$ J/ $\psi\,$ K

Hot topic: potential LFU violation in  $B \rightarrow K(*)$  I<sup>+</sup>I<sup>-</sup> decays that proceed through loop diagrams. Approaching step: measure R(K) in  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  K decays (tree level process, no LFU violation is expected)

$$R_K(J/\psi) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \to J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)K)}{\mathcal{B}(B \to J/\psi(e^+e^-)K)}$$

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• Results:

$$R_{K^+} (J/\psi) = 1.009 \pm 0.022 \pm 0.008$$
$$R_{K^0} (J/\psi) = 1.042 \pm 0.042 \pm 0.008$$

arXiv:2207.11275 [hep-ex]

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### Search for $B^{\pm} \to K^{\pm} \nu \bar{\nu}$

SM: penguin + box diagrams

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Flavour-Changing Neutral Current process that has not yet been observed

-no photon contribution/much cleaner theoretical prediction

 $\mathcal{B}(B^{\pm} \to K^{\pm}_{VV}) = (4.6 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-6}$ 

Previous searches based on tagged analyses -semi-leptonic tag:  $\varepsilon_{sig} \sim 0.2\%$  (Belle) -hadronic tag:  $\varepsilon_{sig} \sim 0.04\%$  (BaBar)

New approach by Belle II based on an inclusive tag

Look for deviations from the expected values  $\rightarrow$  information on anomalous couplings  $C_{L}^{v}$  and  $C_{R}^{v}$  compared to the SM value  $(C_{L}^{v})^{SM}$ , coming from the loop or from processes like

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### Search for $B^{\pm} \to K^{\pm} \nu \bar{\nu}$

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New approach by Belle II based on an inclusive tag -no explicit reconstruction of the second B-meson -use BDTs to exploit distinctive topological features of  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow K^{\pm}v\bar{v}$ 

-much higher efficiency of  $\epsilon_{\text{sig}} \sim 4.3\%$  resulting in increased sensitivity per luminosity

Further improvements are underway

- more data (already have 6x more on tape)
- additional channels ( $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} v \overline{v}, B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 v \overline{v}...$ )
- improved/extended classifiers (neural networks)

### PRL 127 (2921)18, 121202

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Events of different tagging methods are to a large degree statistically independent and can be combined, details are under study.

 $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ 

Most elusive of the  $\pi\pi$  modes, extremely difficult at LHCb. Machine learning is applied to improve the purity of the candidate photons for  $\pi^{0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  reconstruction; Using B<sup>0</sup>  $\rightarrow$  D<sup>0</sup> (K<sup>+</sup>  $\pi$ -  $\pi^{0}$ )  $\pi^{0}$  as calibration channel; Signal yields are extracted from a fit to M<sub>bc</sub>,  $\Delta$ E, and the output of the continuum suppression BDT; The Flavor Tagger is used to extract the direct CP asymmetry.

**Results:** 

 $nSig = 93 \pm 18$  (7.5 $\sigma$  significance)

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \pi^0 \pi^0) = (1.27 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-6}$$

 $\mathcal{A}_{CP} = +0.14 \pm 0.46 \pm 0.07$ 

Close to Belle's sensitivity with  $\sim 1/4$  data.

J. Skorupa @ ICHEP 2022

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### Outlook

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Ultimate goal: reach 50/ab by operating at the design luminosity of  $6 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ 

Current working plan follows the KEK Roadmap2020 -LS1 in 2022-23 for the full pixel vertex detector (PXD) installation & partial replacement of MCP-PMTs in TOP -options for an interaction region upgrade (LS2)  $\geq$  2026 under study  $\rightarrow$  https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.11349

Beyond: discussions of physics and detector options with an upgraded accelerator to reach an even larger data sample of  $\sim$ 250/ab

### Summary

- Physics of b and c hadrons and  $\tau$  leptons has contributed substantially to our present understanding of elementary particles and their interactions
- B, D and τ decays have been and continue being a very hot topic in searches for new physics. Intriguing phenomena that have been seen in recent years make this research area one of the most interesting in particle physics.
- Belle II has entered the super-B-factory regime.
- Expect a new, exciting era of discoveries, and a friendly competition and complementarity of Belle II and LHCb, as well ATLAS and CMS

### Additional slides

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### More on rare decays with $b \rightarrow s$ transitions

Most significant anomaly as observed by LHCb is in B  $\rightarrow$  K(\*)e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> vs B  $\rightarrow$  K(\*) $\mu^{+}\mu^{-}$  (a b $\rightarrow$ s transition)

 $\rightarrow$  More searches for new physics in rare decays of the type b  $\rightarrow$  s

- •R(K) in B  $\rightarrow$  J/ $\psi$  K as a preparation for the R(K) and R(K\*) measurements
- $\bullet B^{\pm} \to K^{\pm} \nu \nu$  with the inclusive tag
- •b  $\rightarrow$  s $\gamma$  inclusive
- •K $\pi$  puzzle

 $b \rightarrow s$  - loop and box diagrams in SM, new physics could be leptoquarks, new particles in loops/boxes, new particles in the final state instead of neutrino pairs

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## Inclusive $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

### E. Ganiev @ ICHEP 2022

![](_page_27_Figure_2.jpeg)

Analysis performed in the recoil of FEI reconstructed hadronic B's; Signal B rest frame is determined by the Btag reconstruction. The signal g is the highest energy g in the event; Signal region:  $1.8 < E\gamma^B < 2.7 \text{ GeV}$ ; Two-step fitting procedure: 1) fit the tag side M<sub>bc</sub> for correctly reconstructed tags; 2) use the MC to estimate the BB background events with a good B<sub>tag</sub>.

$E_{\gamma}^B$	threshold $[{\rm GeV}]$	$\mathcal{B}(B \to X_s \gamma)(10^{-4})$
	1.8	$3.54 \pm 0.78$ (stat.) $\pm 0.83$ (syst.)
	2.0	$3.06\pm0.56~({\rm stat.})~\pm0.47~({\rm syst.})$
	2.1	$2.49\pm0.46$ (stat.) $\pm0.35$ (syst.)

Already competitive with BaBar's hadronic tag measurement!

# Expected impact of Belle II on the longstanding $K\pi$ puzzle (another b $\rightarrow$ s transition)

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### Belle, Nature 452, 332 (2008)

![](_page_28_Figure_3.jpeg)

A significant difference is seen between direct CP asymmetry in  $B^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-$  and  $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^0$  decays:  $\Delta A_{CP} = 0.124 \pm 0.021$ 

An Isospin sum rule has been proposed as a sensitive null-test: PLB 627 (2005) 82

$$I_{K\pi} = \mathcal{A}_{K^{+}\pi^{-}} + \mathcal{A}_{K^{0}\pi^{+}} \frac{\mathcal{B}(K^{0}\pi^{+})}{\mathcal{B}(K^{+}\pi^{-})} \frac{\tau_{B^{0}}}{\tau_{B^{+}}} - 2\mathcal{A}_{K^{+}\pi^{0}} \frac{\mathcal{B}(K^{+}\pi^{0})}{\mathcal{B}(K^{+}\pi^{-})} \frac{\tau_{B^{0}}}{\tau_{B^{+}}} - 2\mathcal{A}_{K^{0}\pi^{0}} \frac{\mathcal{B}(K^{0}\pi^{0})}{\mathcal{B}(K^{+}\pi^{-})}$$

- a violation of the sum rule would be evidence for New Physics
- precision on  $A_{CP}^{K^0\pi^0}$  is the most limiting input for the test of the sum rule

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## Expected impact of Belle II on the longstanding $K\pi$ puzzle (another b $\rightarrow$ s transition)

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• precision on  $A_{CP}^{K^0\pi^0}$  is the most limiting input for the test of the sum rule

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to K^0 \pi^0) = [11.0 \pm 1.2(\text{stat}) \pm 1.0(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-6}$$
  
$$\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B^0 \to K^0 \pi^0) = -0.41^{+0.30}_{-0.32}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.09(\text{syst})$$

arxiv.org/abs/2206.07453

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Candidates per 0.015 GeV

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### Belle II: recorded data set

Recorded in total ~424 fb<sup>-1</sup>, of which:

→  $\sim$ 362 fb<sup>-1</sup> taken at a CM energy of 10.58 GeV, corresponding to the mass of the Y(4S), which dominantly decays to BB;

→ ~42 fb<sup>-1</sup> taken 60 MeV below the Y(4S) peak (for continuum background studies);

→ ~19 fb<sup>-1</sup> taken around 10.75 GeV for exotic hadron searches.