# Belle II first results from a new flavour physics experiment



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#### B meson production in $e^+e^- \rightarrow Y(4S) \rightarrow BB$



#### Systematic studies of B mesons at Y(4S)

80s-90s: two very successful experiments:

- •ARGUS at DORIS (DESY)
- •CLEO at CESR (Cornell)

Magnetic spectrometers at e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> colliders (5.3GeV+5.3GeV beams)

Large solid angle, excellent tracking and good particle identification (TOF, dE/dx, EM calorimeter, muon chambers).

1987, one of the highlights: ARGUS discovers large BB mixing: B<sup>0</sup> turns into anti-B<sup>0</sup>

Large mixing rate → high top mass (in the Standard Model)
The top quark has only been discovered seven years later!



Reconstructed event where a B<sup>0</sup> turns into anti-B<sup>0</sup>

#### Next generation: asymmetric B factories



Asymmetric beam energies  $\rightarrow$  B mesons are boosted, needed for studies of time evolution

#### Physics of B mesons at asymmetric B factories

Played a central role in particle physics from 2001 to 2010

Established the complex unitary Cabbibo-Kobayashi-Maskawa quark transition matrix as the source of CP violation in SM

CP violation in B system: from the discovery (2001) to a precision measurement





Constraints from measurements of angles and sides of the unitarity triangle → Remarkable agreement

 $\rightarrow$  Nobel prize for Kobayashi and Maskawa

#### B factories: a success story

- Measurements of CKM matrix elements and angles of the unitarity triangle
- Observation of direct CP violation in B decays
- Measurements of rare decay modes (e.g.,  $B \rightarrow \tau v$ ,  $D \tau v$ )
- b→s transitions: probe for new sources of CPV and constraints from the b→sγ branching fraction
- Study forward-backward asymmetry  $(A_{FB})$  in  $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$
- First look at the possible violation of lepton flavour universality
- Observation of D mixing
- Searches for rare  $\tau$  decays
- Observation of new hadrons

## Advantages of 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
- → Very clean detector environment (decays with several neutrinos in the final state, tau physics, dark sector)

Physics potential summarized in Belle II Theory Interface Platform (B2TiP) 'physics book' PTEP 2019 (2019) 12, arXiv:1808.10567

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



## Need O(100x) more data →Next generation B-factory



## How to increase the luminosity?





Collision with very small spot-size beams

Invented by Pantaleo Raimondi for SuperB

How big is a nano-beam ?



How to go from an excellent accelerator with world record performance – KEKB – to a 30x times better, more intense facility?

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 x100 atomic layers!

# *To get x40 higher luminosity* KEKB → SuperKEKB





# Requirements for the Belle II detector

10 cm

Critical issues at L= 6 x 10<sup>35</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec

- Higher background ( ×10-20)
  - radiation damage and occupancy
  - fake hits and pile-up noise in the EM
- Higher event rate ( ×10)
  - higher rate trigger, DAQ and computing
- Require special features
  - low  $p \mu$  identification  $\leftarrow$  s $\mu\mu$  recon. eff.
  - hermeticity  $\leftarrow v$  "reconstruction"

#### Solutions:

- Replace inner layers of the vertex detector with a pixel detector.
- Replace inner part of the central tracker with a silicon strip detector.
- Better particle identification device
- Replace part of endcap calorimeter crystals
- Faster readout electronics and computing system.



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NIMA 907 (2018) 46-59; Belle II TDR, arxiv:1011.0352v1[physics.ins-det]

#### Belle II Detector



#### Advanced & Innovative Technologies used in Belle II

#### Pixelated sensors play a central role



MCP-PMTs in the TOP HAPDs in the ARICH SiPMs in the KLM Collaboration with industry

DEPFET pixel sensors (vertexing)

Essential: read-out with waveform sampling with precise timing Front-end custom ASICs for most subsystems DAQ with high performance network switches, large HLT software trigger farm

- •KLM (TARGETX ASIC)
- •ECL (New waveform sampling backend with good timing)
- •TOP (IRSX ASIC)
- •ARICH (KEK custom ASIC)
- •CDC (KEK custom ASIC)
- •SVD (APV25 readout chip adapted from CMS)
- •PXD (3 Readout ASICs)

Vertexing/Inner Tracking



Beampipe r= 10 mm (Japan) DEPFET pixels (Germany, Czech Republic, Spain, China, Poland) Layer 1 r=14 mm Layer 2 r= 22 mm DSSD (double sided silicon detectors) Layer 3 r=38 mm (Australia) Layer 4 r=80 mm (India) Layer 5 r=105 mm (Austria) Layer 6 r=135 mm (Japan) FWD/BWD (Italy) +Poland, Korea

Barrel Particle Identification (uses Cherenkov radiation)

The paths of Cherenkov photons from a 2 GeV pion and kaon interacting in a TOP quartz bar. (Japan, US, Slovenia, Italy)







#### Radiator with multiple refractive indices

Small number of photons from aerogel  $\rightarrow$  need a thick layer of aerogel. How to improve the resolution by keeping the same number of photons?



#### The big eye of ARICH



#### Performance in the early Belle II data



#### Barrel PID: Time of propagation (TOP) counter



- Cherenkov ring imaging with precise time measurement.
- Reconstruct Cherenkov angle from two hit coordinates and

the time of propagation of the photon

- Quartz radiator (2cm thick)
- Photon detector (MCP-PMT)
  - Excellent time resolution ~ 40 ps
  - Single photon sensitivity in 1.5 T

Inspired by the DIRC of the BaBar experiment, similar to the TORCH detector



#### **TOP** image reconstruction

Pattern in the coordinate-time space ('ring') of a pion and kaon hitting a quartz bar

Time distribution of signals recorded by one of the PMT channels (slice in x): different for  $\pi$  and K (~shifted in time)



The name of the game: analytic expressions for the 2Dlikelihood functions $\rightarrow$ M. Starič et al., NIMA A595 (2008) 252-255

#### **TOP first events**

The early data demonstrated that the TOP principle is working



#### **TOP R+D areas**

- Very fast photosensors for operation in 1.5 T field (MCP PMTs)
- R+D to mitigate aging of photocathodes in MCP PMTs (ALD)



- Very fast and compact readout electronics with waveform sampling for a precise time measurement
- Production of large quartz pieces, construction of modules, mechanics and installation methods
- Analytic expressions for the very complex 2D likelihood functions.

#### Particle identification: performance on data



#### Kaon/pion identification: performance on data





TOP (left) and ARICH (right) performance vs momentum

# Combined PID performance of CDC (dE/dx), TOP and ARICH vs momentum

Refinements of PDFs of both detector are underway, further improvements of performance expected



#### Belle II data taking phases

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#### Belle II / SuperKEKB Operation phases

Phase 1: Background, Vaccum Scrubbing, RF system Feb-June 2016. Brand new 3 km positron ring.

Phase 2: Pilot run without VXD Superconducting Final Focus, add positron damping ring, First Collisions on Apr. 26, 2018 (0.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>). Feb-July, 2018

Phase 3:  $\rightarrow$  Physics running (spring 2019, fall 2019, spring 2020). Have integrated 74 fb<sup>-1</sup> so far.



Also see https://cerncourier.com/a/kek-reclaims-luminosity-record/

# Major issue in the operation: fighting the backgrounds

Detector lifetime (in particular TOP counter)

• To keep the MCP-PMT QE within an acceptable level until 50 ab<sup>-1</sup>, the Touschek and beam-gas backgrounds have to be kept constant by collimators, beam tuning, additional shielding, ...

 $\rightarrow$  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

 $\rightarrow$  Should be carefully monitored not to irradiate PXD unnecessarily.

# Spring 2020: Running an international experiment and accelerator during a global pandemic

SuperKEKB/Belle II was/is operating during the COVID-19 pandemic with protocols in place to maximize safety and minimize the risk of infection. Somewhat difficult with travel restrictions and a heavy load on a skeleton crew at KEK (~40 people).

Developed a <u>"social distancing" scheme</u> for on-site shifts in the Belle II and SuperKEKB control rooms. <u>Mobilized remote shifters around the</u> <u>world</u> – depended heavily on internet chat utilities for communication and monitoring.



Figure credit: K. Matsuoka



#### Belle II/SuperKEKB Phase 3 (Physics Run) Goals

Early <u>aims</u>: Demonstrate SuperKEKB <u>Physics</u> running with acceptable backgrounds, and all the detector, readout, DAQ and trigger capabilities of Belle II including tracking, electron/muon id, high momentum PID, and especially the *ability to do time-dependent measurements needed for CP violation.* 



*Carry out innovative and world leading <u>dark sector</u> searches/measurements. Publish first papers.* 

Long term: Integrate the world's largest e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> data samples and observe or constrain New Physics in B physics, charm physics and tau physics.

#### Dark Sector:

B factories: limited by triggering, QED backgrounds and theoretical imagination. *Now new possibilities of triggering, more bandwidth.* 

There are a variety of possible dark sector portal particles: Vector, Scalar, Pseudo-scalars.

They may decay to lepton pairs, photon pairs, or Invisible particles Belle II First Physics. A novel result on the dark sector (Z'  $\rightarrow$  nothing) recoiling against di-muons *or* an electron-muon pair. *Both possibilities are poorly constrained at low Z' mass and in the first case, could explain the muon g-2 anomaly.* 



Also examine a *lepton flavor violating* NP signature in the dark sector

#### Monte Carlo simulation of a $Z' \rightarrow$ invisible



However, in data we do not find any significant excess in the recoil mass distribution.





#### Search for ALPs (Axion Like Particles) at Belle II





The Belle II mass range is <u>200 MeV to 9.7 GeV</u>, far above the keV mass range suggested by the Xenon1T excess. https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.09721





#### Flavor Results from the Physics Run ("Phase 3")



#### Time Dependent Measurements at Belle II





Belle II VXD installed on Nov 21, 2018.

- PXD: L1 and two ladders of L2,
- SVD (4 layers)



#### Check time-dependent capabilities: Examples of D<sup>0</sup> lifetime results.







Figure 3: Fit to the proper-time distributions of  $D^{\bullet}$ -tagged  $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^0$  candidates reconstructed with 2019 Belle II data. The extracted lifetime in this channel is (413.3 ± 2.9) fs, the estimated average proper time resolution is (128 ± 9) fs.

#### Time resolution parameterization can be determined from data.



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

# $B^0$ Lifetime measurement ( $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} h$ )



 $\tau(B^0) = 1.48 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.06 \, ps$ 

https://arxiv.org/pdf/2005.07507

# Flavor Tagging (b quark or anti-b quark ?)



We obtain epsilon\_eff = epsilon(1-2  $w^2$ )= **33.8+-3.9%**, which is a slight improvement over the Belle result of 30.1+-0.4%

Agreement of Data and MC

arXiv:2008.02707 [hep-ex]



#### Full Event Interpretation (FEI)

Idea: reconstruct one of the B's to tag B flavor/charge, determine its momentum, and exclude decay products of this B from further analysis (exactly two B's produced in Y(4S) decays)



Powerful tool for B decays with neutrinos

 $\rightarrow$ unique feature at B factories

# $V_{ub}: \text{ Exclusive } B \rightarrow \pi / v \text{ with FEI}$ $Belle \text{ II Preliminary } \int \mathcal{L} dt = 34.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



FIG. 4: Post-fit  $M_{\rm miss}^2$  distribution in 34.6 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data.

 $BF(B^0 \to \pi^- l^+ \nu) = [1.58 \pm 0.43(stat) \pm 0.07(sys)] \times 10^{-4}$ 

arXiv:2008.08819 [hep-ex]

#### Tau Mass Measurement



$$M_{\min} = \sqrt{M_{3\pi}^2 + 2(E_{\text{beam}} - E_{3\pi})(E_{3\pi} - P_{3\pi})} \le m_{\tau}$$



600

500

400

300

200

100

0

Data

 $\chi^{2}$ /dof = 349.680 N<sub>evts</sub> = 8742

Events / ( 50 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> )

Pull



1.8

Belle II (Preliminary)

Ldt = 8.8 fb<sup>-1</sup>

1.82

1.84

 $m_r = 1777.28 \pm 0.75 \text{ MeV/c}^2$ 





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M<sub>min</sub> [GeV/c<sup>2</sup>]

#### Charm physics, example

Three wrong-sign D decay modes clearly observed, including modes with  $\pi^{0}$ . These can be used for D-Dbar mixing measurements in the future.





#### Updated plan for SuperKEKB submitted to the **MEXT Roadmap Committee**





https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.10567

Outcome of the B2TIP (Belle II Theory Interface) Workshops Emphasis is on New Physics (NP) reach.

Strong participation from theory community, *lattice QCD community* and Belle II experimenters. 689 pages, published by Oxford University Press KEK Preprint 2018-27 BELLE2-PAPER-2018-001 FERMILAB-PUB-18-398-T JLAB-THY-18-2780 INT-PUB-18-047 UWThPh 2018-26

#### The Belle II Physics Book

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### Summary

- Belle II is working well and is now producing physics.
- SuperKEKB has broken the world-luminosity record and is now entering the "Super B Factory" regime.
- World-leading results already on the dark sector (Search for Z'→invisible and ALPs publications)
- Rediscovering many of the signals seen at the B factories: semileptonic decays, improving FEI, establishing "missing energy" and time-dependent capabilities, and beginning to see hints of time-dependent CP violation. Need more data to make further progress
- Expect a new, exciting era of discoveries, and a friendly competition and complementarity of Belle II and LHCb

### Additional slides

#### RICH for muon identification at low momenta at Belle II

![](_page_59_Figure_1.jpeg)

 $\rightarrow$  Muons cannot be efficiently separated from pions at low momenta – because they do not make it to the muon system

#### RICH for muon identification at low momenta at Belle II

Cherenkov angle for single Cherenkov photons from pions, muons, and electrons as measured in a 0.5 GeV/c test beam by a ring imaging Cherenkov detector prototype; with typically about 10 photons per muon as expected in such a counter, the muon and pion peaks would be well separated.

![](_page_60_Figure_2.jpeg)