

Recent Belle II results and projections

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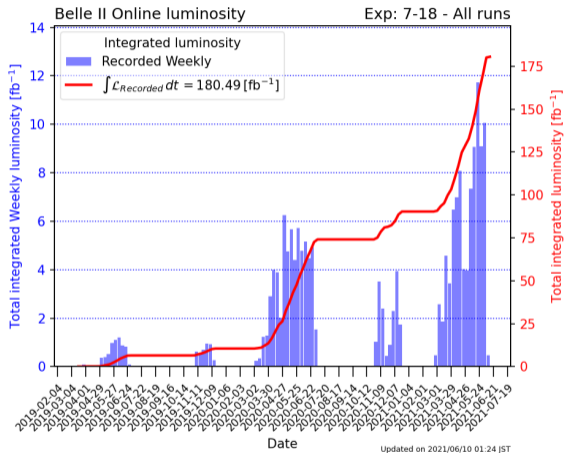
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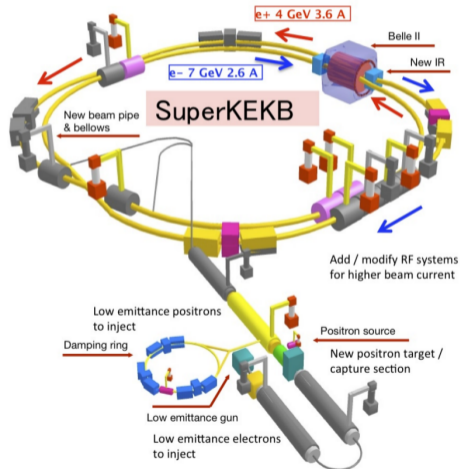
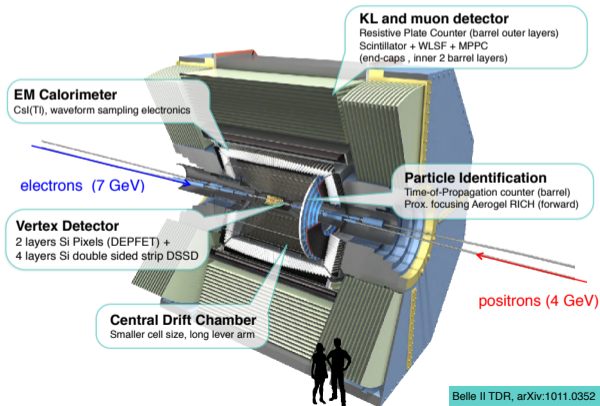
Introduction



- ▶ data-taking started in 2018
- ▶ three journal publications
 - ▶ "Measurement of the integrated luminosity of the Phase 2 data of the Belle II experiment" ([2020 Chinese Phys. C 44 021001](#))
 - ▶ "Search for an invisibly decaying Z' boson at Belle II in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(e^\pm\mu^\mp) + \text{missing energy}$ final states" ([Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 141801 \(2020\)](#))
 - ▶ "Search for axion-like particles produced in e^+e^- collisions at Belle II" ([Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 161806 \(2020\)](#))
- ▶ many performance studies + rediscovery analyses
- ▶ latest published analyses based on up to 72 fb^{-1}

The Belle II experiment

- ▶ asymmetric collision of e^+e^-
- ▶ center-of-mass energy mostly at $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance
- ▶ $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B^+B^-$ ($\sim 51.5\%$), $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B^0\bar{B}^0$ ($\sim 48.5\%$)



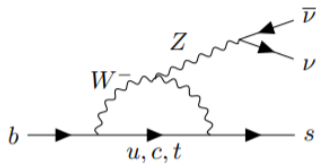
Benefits of Belle II

- ▶ e^+e^- collisions very clean compared to pp collisions
- ▶ low background environment allows reconstruction of final states containing photons from π^0, ρ^\pm, η
- ▶ excellent flavor tagging
- ▶ symmetric flavor production + (almost) no charged reconstruction asymmetry
- ▶ low track multiplicity and detector occupancy \Rightarrow high reconstruction efficiency and very low trigger bias
- ▶ good vertex resolution thanks to Lorentz boost of e^+e^- system
- ▶ delivered luminosity via Bhabha scattering \Rightarrow absolute branching fraction measurements
- ▶ initial state perfectly known \Rightarrow analyses of missing mass
- ▶ production of large sample of charm mesons and τ leptons as well

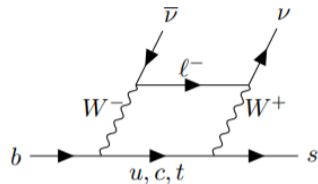
Search for $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays using an inclusive tagging method at Belle II

[arXiv:2104.12624](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.12624) (submitted to PRL)

- ▶ FCNC suppressed in standard model
- ▶ lower theoretical uncertainties in $b \rightarrow s \nu \bar{\nu}$ than in $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$



(a) Penguin diagram



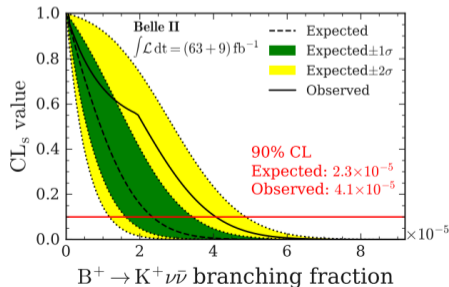
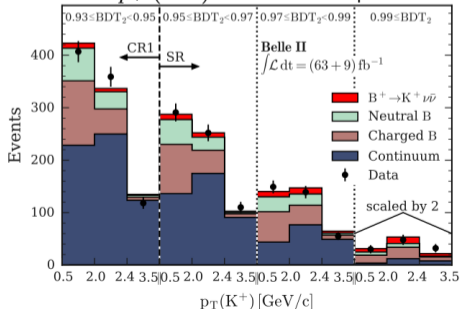
(b) Box diagram

- ▶ challenge: two (undetectable) neutrinos in the final state
 - ▶ in the past: reconstruct second B -meson to constrain properties of signal B -meson
 - ▶ here: use inclusive tagging method \Rightarrow four times higher signal reconstruction efficiency
- ▶ signal K^+ : track with highest transverse momentum + ≥ 1 hit in pixel detector + PID wrt π
- ▶ remaining tracks and neutral clusters in calorimeter define rest of event \Rightarrow missing momentum

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- ▶ train BDT using equal number of candidates of each of the seven dominant background sources
 - ▶ other decays of charged and neutral B -mesons, u , d , s , and c continuum, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$
- ▶ event shape variables like Fox-Wolfram moment R_1 (momentum imbalance in event) most discriminating among 51 variables
- ▶ mismodelling of input variable distributions corrected via event weights, validated using off-resonance data
- ▶ fit in bins of $p_T(K^+)$ and BDT output



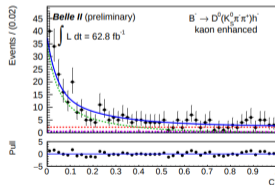
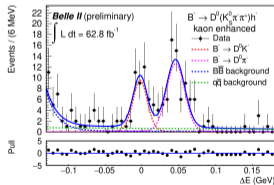
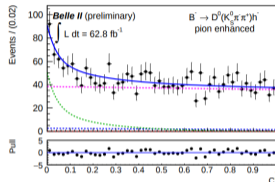
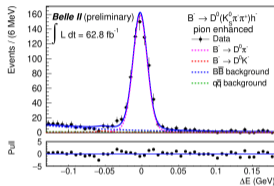
Study of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}h$ decays using 62.8 fb^{-1} of Belle II data [arXiv:2104.03628](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.03628)

- ▶ $B^- \rightarrow D^0(\rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-) K^-$ most sensitive $B \rightarrow Dh$ mode to determine CKM angle ϕ_3
- ▶ BDT to improve K_S^0 purity
- ▶ continuum suppression via BDT
- ▶ simultaneously fit $B \rightarrow Dh$ ($h = \pi, K$) samples
- ▶ fit ΔE distribution to extract signal yields
- ▶ for $B^- \rightarrow D^0(\rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-) K^-$ fit transformed BDT output as well
- ▶ measure ratios $R = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow DK)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D\pi)}$

R [%]	$B^- \rightarrow D^0(\rightarrow K^- \pi^+) h^-$	$B^- \rightarrow D^0(\rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-) h^-$	$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ h^-$
Belle II	$7.66 \pm 0.55^{+0.11}_{-0.08}$	$6.32 \pm 0.81^{+0.09}_{-0.11}$	$9.22 \pm 0.58 \pm 0.09$
LHCb	$7.77 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.07$	$7.77 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.07$	$8.22 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.25$

- ▶ good agreement with LHCb but more data needed

- ▶ significant cross-feed contribution but energy resolution improved with respect to Belle \Rightarrow higher sensitivity

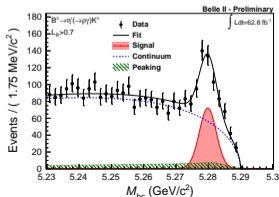


Measurement of the branching fractions of $B \rightarrow \eta' K$ decays using 2019/2020 Belle II data [arXiv:2104.06224](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.06224)

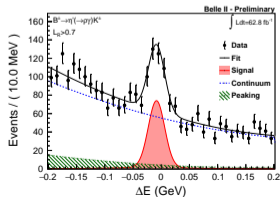
- ▶ rare charmless hadronic B decay mediated via hadronic penguin diagram
 - ▶ possible to probe beyond standard model contributions with $\sin 2\beta$ measurement of $B^0 \rightarrow \eta' K_S^0$
- ▶ reconstruction via $\eta' \rightarrow \eta(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma)\pi^+\pi^-$ and $\eta' \rightarrow \rho(\rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)\gamma$
 - ▶ high candidate multiplicity resolved via best B vertex probability
- ▶ continuum suppression validated on off-resonance data
- ▶ unbinned maximum likelihood fit to beam-constrained mass M_{bc} , energy difference ΔE , and BDT output

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \eta' K^+) = \left(63.4_{-3.3}^{+3.4} \text{ (stat)} \pm 3.2 \text{ (syst)}\right) \cdot 10^{-6} \quad \text{world average : } (70.4 \pm 2.5) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

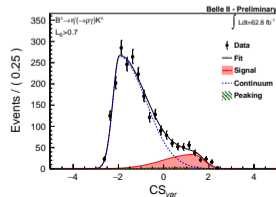
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \eta' K^0) = \left(59.9_{-5.5}^{+5.8} \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.9 \text{ (syst)}\right) \cdot 10^{-6} \quad \text{world average : } (66 \pm 4) \cdot 10^{-6}$$



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Results on the $K\pi$ puzzle

- ▶ significant difference between direct CP -violating asymmetries in $B^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-$ and $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^0$
- ▶ large hadronic uncertainties
- ▶ isospin sum rule for $B \rightarrow K\pi$ decays

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

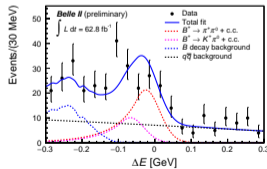
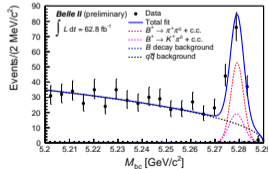
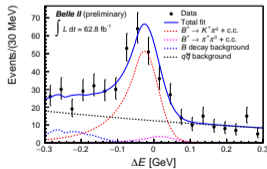
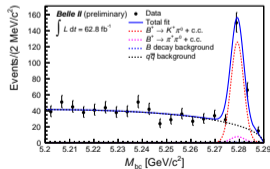
- ▶ null test of SM ($I_{K\pi} = 0$) in the limit of isospin symmetry and no electroweak penguin contributions
- ▶ "First search for direct CP -violating asymmetry in $B^0 \rightarrow K^0\pi^0$ decays at Belle II" ([arXiv:2104.14871](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.14871))
- ▶ "Measurements of branching fractions and direct CP -violating asymmetries in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^0$ and $\pi^+\pi^0$ decays using 2019 and 2020 Belle II data" ([arXiv:2105.04111](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.04111))
- ▶ fit of energy difference ΔE and modified beam-constrained mass M_{bc}
- ▶ BDT with 39 variables to suppress continuum background validated with $B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0(\rightarrow K^+\pi^-)\pi^+$
 - ▶ BDT output optimized using $S/\sqrt{S+B}$

Branching fractions and \mathcal{A}_{CP} in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^0$ and $\pi^+\pi^0$ decays [arXiv:2105.04111](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.04111)

- ▶ BDT rejects 99.3%(99.6 %) of background at signal efficiency of 54.6 %(44.0 %) for $K^+\pi^0(\pi^+\pi^0)$
- ▶ in events with multiple candidates kinematic-fit quality used to select best candidate

$$\mathcal{P}_j^i(M_{bc}, \Delta E) = \frac{1}{2} (1 - q_i \cdot \mathcal{A}_{raw}) \times \mathcal{P}_j(M_{bc}, \Delta E) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{A}_{raw} = \frac{N_{B^-} - N_{B^+}}{N_{B^-} + N_{B^+}}$$

- ▶ simultaneous fit for $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^0$ and $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0$ yields
 - ▶ fraction of signal and cross-feed constrained from simulation



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$$\mathcal{B}_{B^\pm \rightarrow h^\pm \pi^0} = \frac{N_{B^+ \rightarrow h^+ \pi^0}}{\varepsilon_{h^+ \pi^0} \times \mathcal{R}_{PID}^+ \times (1 - \mathcal{A}_{raw}) \times N_{B\bar{B}}} + \frac{N_{B^- \rightarrow h^- \pi^0}}{\varepsilon_{h^- \pi^0} \times \mathcal{R}_{PID}^- \times (1 + \mathcal{A}_{raw}) \times N_{B\bar{B}}}$$

- ▶ signal efficiency ε , data-MC PID ratio \mathcal{R}_{PID} , 35.8M $B\bar{B}$ pairs

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0) = [11.9_{-1.0}^{+1.1} (\text{stat}) \pm 1.6 (\text{syst})] \cdot 10^{-6} \quad \text{world average : } (12.9 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0) = [5.5_{-0.9}^{+1.0} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.7 (\text{syst})] \cdot 10^{-6} \quad \text{world average : } (5.5 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

- ▶ largest systematic uncertainty from π^0 reconstruction efficiency
- ▶ account for detection asymmetry of K^\pm/π^\pm : $\mathcal{A}_{CP} = \mathcal{A}_{raw} - \mathcal{A}_{det}$

- ▶ $\mathcal{A}(K) = \mathcal{A}(K\pi) - \mathcal{A}(K_S^0 \pi) + \mathcal{A}(K_S^0) / \mathcal{A}(\pi) = \mathcal{A}(K_S^0 \pi) - \mathcal{A}(K_S^0)$

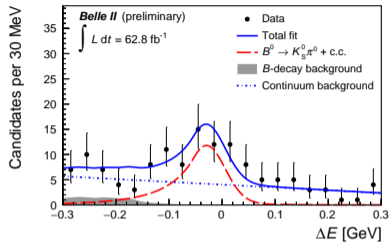
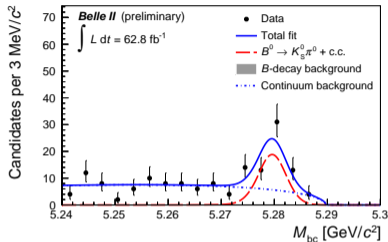
- ▶ determined with $D^+ \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+$ and $\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$

$$\mathcal{A}_{K^+ \pi^0} = -0.09 \pm 0.09 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.03 (\text{syst})$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\pi^+ \pi^0} = -0.04 \pm 0.17 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.06 (\text{syst})$$

- ▶ largest systematic uncertainty from detection asymmetry and background modeling

Branching fraction of $B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0$ [arXiv:2104.14871](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.14871)



- ▶ M_{bc} : double Gaussian + Argus distribution (phase-space driven continuum background model)
- ▶ ΔE : Crystal Ball model + linear function
- ▶ two-dimensional kernel distribution to account for non-signal B decays ($B^+ \rightarrow K^0 \rho^+$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \pi^0$)

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0) = [8.5_{-1.6}^{+1.7} (\text{stat}) \pm 1.2 (\text{syst})] \cdot 10^{-6} \quad \text{world average : } (9.9 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

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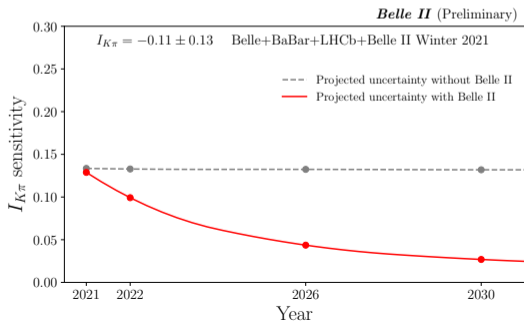
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- ▶ $\chi_d = 0.1858 \pm 0.0010$ is time-integrated mixing parameter
- ▶ background assumed to be flavor-symmetric

$$\mathcal{A}_{K^0 \pi^0} = -0.40_{-0.44}^{+0.46} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.04 (\text{syst})$$

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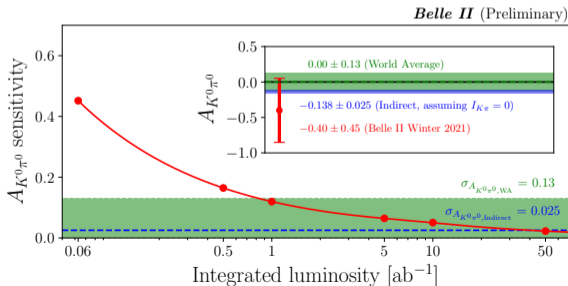
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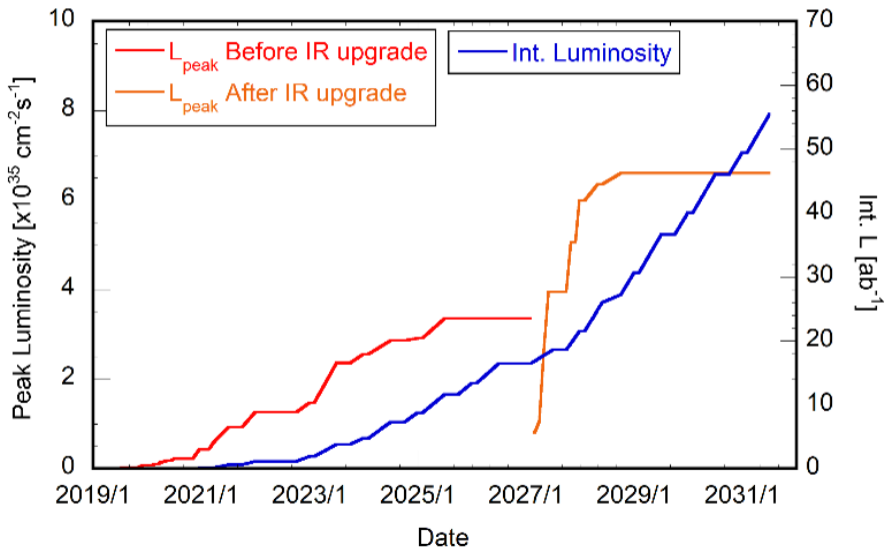
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Projected data-taking at Belle II



Conclusion

- ▶ early days of the experiment
- ▶ data set still small: results shown today based on 62.8 fb^{-1}
 - ▶ $\sim 120 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for summer publications
- ▶ new analysis ideas like in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$
- ▶ unique analysis opportunities like in $B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \pi^0$
- ▶ systematic uncertainties dominated by statistical precision of control modes, *e.g.* π^0 efficiency
- ▶ stay tuned for new results in the near future

Backup

Prospects for charm physics

Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab ⁻¹]	vs LHCb/BESIII	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $D^0 \rightarrow K_s \pi^+ \pi^-$	$x, y, q/p $	***	20	**	***	-	**
● $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0$	A_{CP}	**	>50	***	***	*	*
● $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$	A_{CP}	***	>50	***	**	*	*
● $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	A_{CP}	**	>50	***	**	*	**
● $D_s \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$	f_{D_s}	***	1-5	***	*	-	**
● $D^0 \rightarrow V \gamma$	A_{CP}	*	>50	**	**	**	**
● $D^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	$Br.$	*	>50	**	**	**	**
● $D^0 \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu}$	$Br.$	***	>50	***	**	***	***
● $D \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu$	f_D	***	1-5	*	*	-	**

Prospects for CPV measurements

Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab ⁻¹]	vs LHCb	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $B \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0$	ϕ_1	***	5-10	**	**	*	*
● $B \rightarrow \phi K_S^0$	ϕ_1	**	>50	**	***	*	***
● $B \rightarrow \eta' K_S^0$	ϕ_1	**	>50	**	***	*	***
● $B \rightarrow \rho^\pm \rho^0$	ϕ_2	***	>50	*	***	*	*
● $B \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^0$	ϕ_1	***	>50	*	***	-	-
● $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$	ϕ_2	**	>50	***	***	**	**
● $B \rightarrow \pi^0 K_S^0$	S_{CP}	**	>50	***	***	**	**

Prospects for electro-weak penguins

Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab ⁻¹]	vs LHCb	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \nu \nu$	$Br., F_L$	***	>50	***	***	*	**
● $B \rightarrow X_{s+d} \gamma$	A_{CP}	***	>50	***	***	*	**
● $B \rightarrow X_d \gamma$	A_{CP}	**	>50	***	***	-	**
● $B \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0 \gamma$	$S_{K_S^0 \pi^0 \gamma}$	**	>50	**	***	*	***
● $B \rightarrow \rho \gamma$	$S_{\rho \gamma}$	**	>50	***	***	-	***
● $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$	$Br.$	***	>50	***	**	**	***
● $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$	R_{X_s}	***	>50	***	***	**	***
● $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} e^+ e^-$	$R(K^{(*)})$	***	>50	**	***	***	***
● $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$	$Br.$	**	1-5	***	*	*	**
● $B_{d,(s)} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	$Br., A_{CP}$	**	>50	**	**	-	**
● $B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-$	P'_5	**	>50	***	**	***	***
● $B \rightarrow K \tau \ell$	$Br.$	***	>50	**	***	**	***

Prospects for hadronic B physics measurements

Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab ⁻¹]	vs LHCb	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $B \rightarrow \pi^0 K^0$	$A_{CP}, I_{K\pi}$	★★	>50	★★★	★★★	★★★	★★
● $B \rightarrow \rho K$	$A_{CP}, I_{K\rho}$	*	>50	★★	★★★	-	★★
● $B \rightarrow \ell\nu\gamma$	λ_B	★★	>50(10)	★★★	★★★	*	★★
● $B \rightarrow \rho K^*$	f_L	★★	>50	★★	★★	-	★★★
● $B \rightarrow K^+ K^- / \pi^+ \pi^-$	$Br., A_{CP}$	★★	>50	*	★★★	★★	★★
● $B \rightarrow K\pi\pi, KKK$	A_{CP}	★★	>50	★★	*	★★★	*
● $B_s \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^0$	Lifetime	*	>5	★★	★★★	-	★★

Prospects for lepton flavor violation measurements

Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab ⁻¹]	vs LHCb/BESIII	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$	$Br.$	***	>50	***	***	*	***
● $\tau \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell$	$Br.$	***	>50	***	***	*	***
● $\tau \rightarrow K_S^0\pi\nu$	$ \Im(\eta_s) $	***	>50	***	***	**	**
● $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma A' (\rightarrow \text{invisible})$	σ	***	>50	***	***	*	***
● $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma A' (\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$	σ	***	>50	***	***	*	***
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● $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \text{invisible}$	***	$Br.$	>50	***	***	*	***
● $\chi_{b0}(1P) \rightarrow \tau\tau$	***	$Br.$	>50	***	***	*	***
● π form factor	$g-2$	**	-	***	**	**	***
● ISR $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi$ g-2	$g-2$	**	-	***	***	**	***

Prospects for semi-leptonic measurements

Process	Observable	Theory	Sys. dom. (Discovery) [ab ⁻¹]	vs LHCb	vs Belle	Anomaly	NP
● $B \rightarrow \pi l \nu_\ell$	$ V_{ub} $	***	10-20	***	***	**	*
● $B \rightarrow X_u l \nu_\ell$	$ V_{ub} $	**	2-10	***	**	***	*
● $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$	$Br.$	***	>50 (2)	***	***	*	***
● $B \rightarrow \mu \nu$	$Br.$	***	>50 (5)	***	***	*	***
● $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} l \nu_\ell$	$ V_{cb} $	***	1-10	***	**	**	*
● $B \rightarrow X_c l \nu_\ell$	$ V_{cb} $	***	1-5	***	**	**	**
● $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu_\tau$	$R(D^{(*)})$	***	5-10	**	***	***	***
● $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu_\tau$	P_τ	***	15-20	***	***	**	***
● $B \rightarrow D^{**} l \nu_\ell$	$Br.$	*	-	**	***	**	-