The Silicon Vertex Detector of the Belle II Experiment





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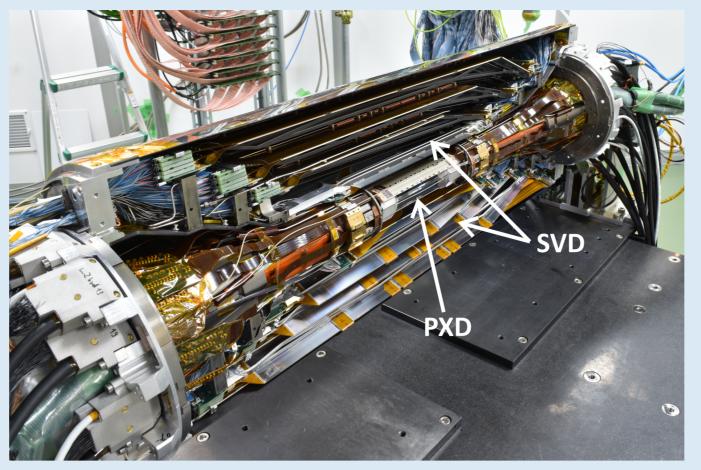
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SuperKEKB

- Asymmetric collider: 4 GeV e⁺, 7 GeV e⁻
- CM energy at Y(4S) resonance (10.58 GeV)
- Target integrated luminosity: 50 ab⁻¹
- Target instantaneous luminosity: 6 x 10³⁵ cm⁻²s⁻¹
- Luminosity record: **4.14 x 10**³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹ (17 May 2022)

Belle II

- New searches beyond the Standard Model at the intensity frontier
- Start of operation in spring 2019
- Precise determination of the B decay vertices and low-momentum tracking are essential



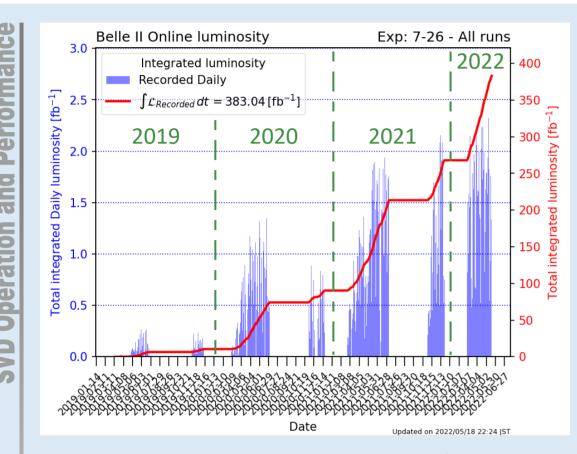
The Belle II VXD with one half of SVD (+X half) attached.

Belle II Silicon Vertex Detector (SVD)

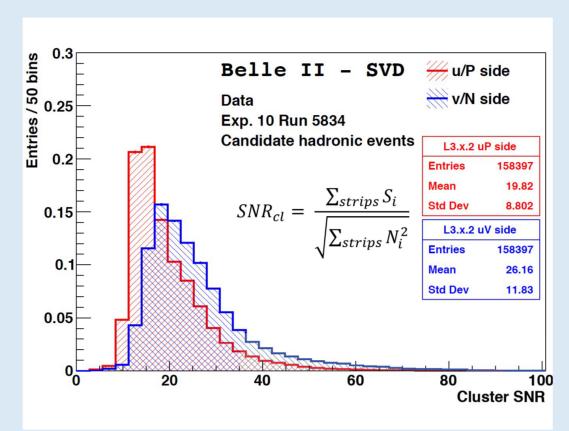
- 4 layers of double-sided silicon strip detectors (DSSDs)
- Embracing two layers of DEPFET pixel detectors (PXD)
- Radii of Layers: 39/80/104/135 mm
- Strip pitch: $50/75 \, \mu m \, (r-\phi)$ and $160/240 \, \mu m \, (z)$
- Readout: APV25 chip, 50ns shaping time
- Cooling: two-phase CO₂ system (-20°C)

Main features of Belle II SVD:

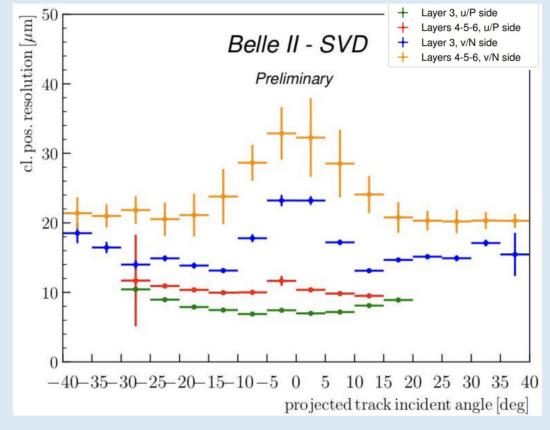
- Extrapolate tracks to PXD
- Standalone tracking for low p_{τ} tracks
- Precise vertexing of K_s
- PID with dE/dx

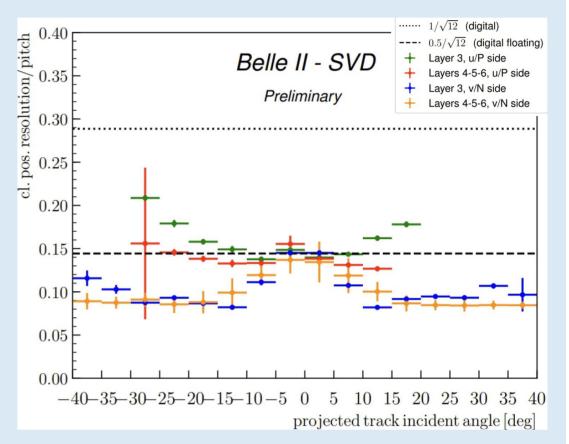


Recorded ingegrated luminosity of Belle II since start of operation in spring 2019



Cluster SNR of a layer 3 ladder. Difference between u/P and v/N sides results from

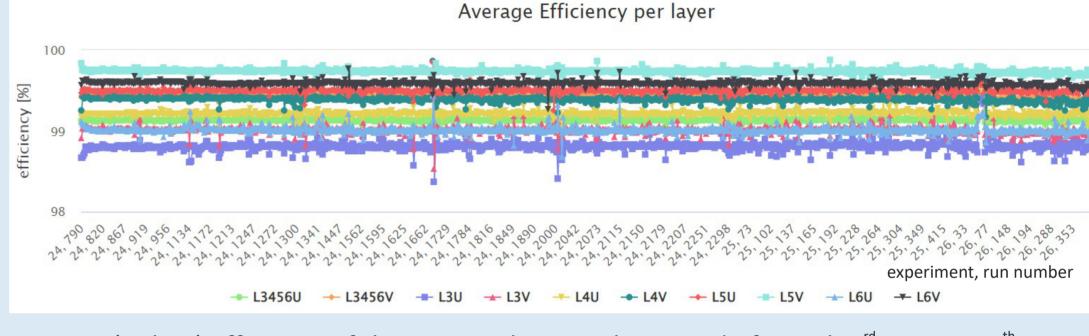




Cluster position resolutions (left) and resolutions normalized to the pitch (right) as a function of the incident angle of tracks traversing the sensors. The Measurements are performed on $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ events obtained from from 98 pb⁻¹ collision of 2020 run data.

SVD performance

- Recorded integrated luminosity: 383 fb⁻¹ (until May. 18th 2022)
- Reliable and smooth operation since spring 2019 without major issues
- All 1748 APV25 readout chips functional
- Less than 1% masked strips
- Stable noise levels and calibration constants; long-term evolution as expected
- Cluster SNR between 13 and 30 depending on sensor position and side
- Excellent efficiency of > 99% in most sensors
- Cluster position resolution: 9 (11) μ m for layer 3 (4, 5 and 6) u/P side 20 (25) μ m for layer 3 (4, 5 and 6) v/N side



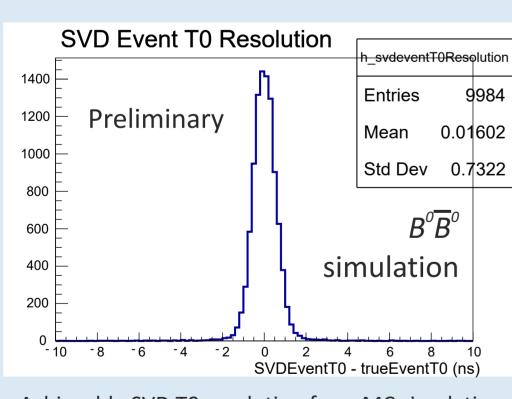
Average (online) efficiency of the SVD per layer in the period of March 3rd to May 19th 2022.

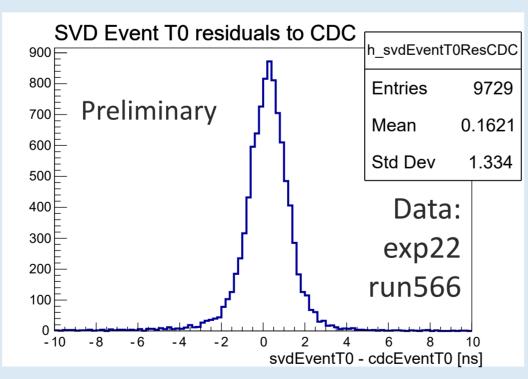
• Precise measurement of the time of the collision (event T0) allows to reduce the beam background from SuperKEKB quasi-continous bunch crossings

• The event T0 is estimated for the first time with a silicon vertex detector, as the average of the time of the clusters associated to selected good tracks:

$$eventT_0^{SVD} = \frac{1}{N_{cls}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{cls}} t_i^{cls}$$

where t_i is the timing of a cluster and N_{cls} is the number of clusters. This event T0 computed from SVD data has been tested against the currently used T0 estimation based on data of the central drift chamber (CDC) with MC simulations and on recorded data.





Achievable SVD T0 resolution from MC simulation.

SVD T0 residuals from data compared to CDC T0.

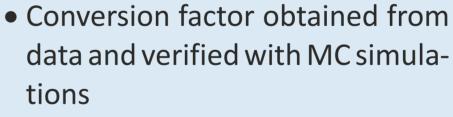
Excellent results achieved both on data and on simulated events:

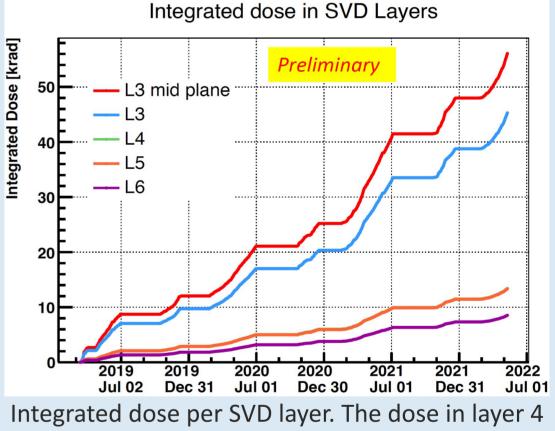
- SVD event T0 efficiency >99% on hadron events (data) and on simulated $B^{o}\overline{B}^{o}$ with nominal background, and >96% on tau-tau events (low track-multipicity events)
- Resolution campatible with CDC estimation, 0.7ns on $B^o \overline{B}^o$ simulations and 1ns on hadronic events
- Computation of teh SVD event T0 is 2000 times faster than the CDC based one, allowing to speed up the High Level Trigger (HLT) reconstruction and therefore cope with the higher trigger rate expected at higher luminisity

The plan is to replace CDC event T0 computatin with the one based on SVD data in the next official Belle II software release.

SVD integrated dose

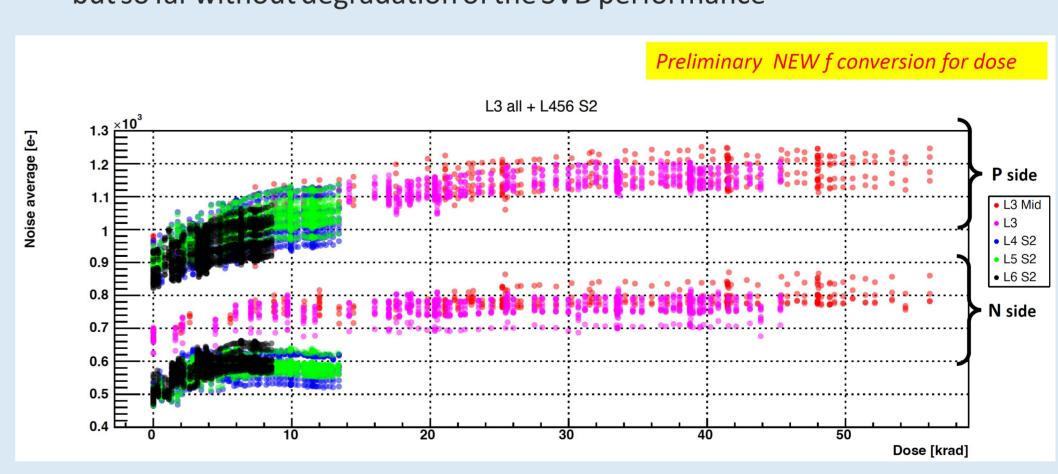
- Diamonds sensors used to monitor radiation dose
- Correlation between SVD occupancy and diamond dose is used to estimate the SVD sensor dose (several assumptions and large uncertainty)





and 5 is very similar, thus they overlap in this plot.

- Recent analysis showed that SVD dose was overestimated in the past. New. corrected conversion fa
- past. New, corrected conversion factors calculated and applied
- So far ~500 Gy (50 krad) accumulated in layer 3 sensors
- First observable effects on sensor currents, noise and calibration constants, but so far without degradation of the SVD performance



Evolution of the average noise vs. accumulated dose per layer. Saturation of noise in layer 3 already observable.

Summary

- Belle II SVD reliably takes data since March 2019
- Excellent performance w.r.t SNR, efficiency and position resolution
- Estimation of event T0 from SVD data with similar precision as CDC, but noticeably shorter execution time
- First effects of radiation damage observable, but so far no degradation of detector performance