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Belle II physics: a brief tour

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Outline

- **1.** The why: flavour physics in e^+e^- and Belle II
- 2. The what: general methods and recent highlights
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 - B-physics
 - CP violation examples
 - Evidence for $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ v v$
 - Search for $B^+ \rightarrow K^* \tau \tau$
 - More than *B* physics
 - τ lepton-flavour violation
 - hadronic cross sections for hadronic vacuum polarization to g-2
 - Exotic hadrons

3. The future: status and prospects for SuperKEKB and Belle II

Part I: the why

e⁺e⁻ flavour physics and Belle II

Why flavour physics? – history of discovery

- Particle zoo of mesons and baryons discovered in 1950s and early 1960s lead to the quark model
 - up (u)
 - down (d)
 - strange (s)
- An allowed but rare decay such as

$$K_L^0(s\overline{d}) \to \mu^+\mu^-$$

was predicted **but not seen!**



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Phys. Rev. D 2, 1285 (1970)

 $m_c \sim 3 m_{\kappa}$

Such rare virtual processes tell you about higher energy particles

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CKM matrix

- Two by two mixing matrix proposed by Cabibbo
 - Kobayashi-Maskawa proposed third generation to explain observed CP violation by Cronin and Fitch
- 3×3 unitary complex matrix
 - 4 parameters
 - 3 mixing angle and 1 phase
- Intergenerational coupling disfavoured

$$\begin{pmatrix} u & c & t \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Relative magnitude of elements **Responsible for CP** violation

Visualising CP violation: the unitarity triangle

1)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^{2} / 2 \\ -\lambda \\ A\lambda^{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - (\rho - i\eta) \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = \sin \theta_{c} = 0.22 \\ A\lambda^{2} \\ A\lambda^{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + O(\lambda^{4})$$

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2) Exploit unitarity (1st and 3rd col.)

$$V_{ud}V_{ub}^* + V_{cd}V_{cb}^* + V_{td}V_{tb}^* = 0$$



$$\begin{split} \phi_1 &= \beta \\ &= \arg\left(-\frac{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}\right) \\ &\simeq \arg\left(\frac{1}{1-\rho-i\eta}\right) \end{split}$$

Over constraint – loop sensitivity



Tree level only

Loop-level only



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 - Cross section 150,000 times smaller
 - No B_s, B_c, or $\Lambda_{\rm b}$ produced can run at Y(5S) for B_s
 - No boost in the c.m. frame partially overcome by the asymmetric beams

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- Shape variables, e.g., thrust and Fox-Wolfram moments, help distinguish topologies
- Ideal task for machine-learning
- Output oft used as a fit variable



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- Machine learning algorithm used to boost efficiency as much as possible B⁺ → K⁺ T⁻
 - <u>Comput. Softw. Big Sci. 3 (2019) 1, 6</u>
- Total efficiency < 1% but a powerful tool
- Requires calibration



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B-factory analysis essentials 4 – vertexing and flavour tagging

$$\bigvee_{\overline{B^0}} \xrightarrow{f_{CP}} \propto |V_{td}|^2 e^{2i\phi_1}$$

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- Consistent with current HFLAV average and that from $b \rightarrow c \bar{c} s$ result









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- New result from Belle II
 - 4-D fit including tagging probability
 - Graph-neural-network based tagger
 - 18% more powerful than before
 - arXiv:2402.17260 [hep-ex] (acc. PRD)



Beam-energy constrained $\pi^0\pi^0$ invariant mass

 $\mathscr{B} = (1.26^{+0.20}_{-0.19} \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-6}$ $A_{CP} = 0.06 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.06$

Transformed wrong-

flavour-tag probability

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 - Low branching fraction with large background
 - No peak two neutrinos leads to no good kinematic constraint

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 - 4. BDT2 fit extraction variable in bins of $\nu \bar{\nu}$ mass-squared q²
 - Hadronic tag: single BDT for fit
 - key variable any additional calorimeter energy other than K+tag



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0.92

0.94

0.96

Classifier output³³

0.98

1.0

$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$: Inclusive signal extraction



- 1 signal and 7 background templates from simulation
 - corrected using control samples
- Profile maximum likelihood fit inc. systematic uncertainties
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$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$: Efficiency validation

Rest of the event $B^ J/\psi$ Rest of the event B^-
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$: Efficiency validation





Ratio between selection on data and simulation for the control sample 1 with 3% uncertainty

B^+ → $K^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$: >90% background from B→D(K⁺X)lv + B →D(K₁X)K⁺



- KX system agrees well between data and MC
- Prompt K⁺ production studied using prompt π^+ from B⁺ $\rightarrow \pi^+$ X decays
- Systematic uncertainties on decay branching fractions, enlarged for $D \rightarrow K_L X$ and $B \rightarrow D^{**} I v$





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 - Any observation of lepton-flavour violation in $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$, $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$, $\tau \rightarrow l\phi$ etc **new physics**
 - SM highly suppressed
- Connections to g-2 and lepton universality violation in b decay





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- Similar cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$
- 920 million tau pairs per ab⁻¹ of integrated luminosity





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- Cut 'n' count in 2D plane of
 - $M_{3\mu}$ and $\Delta E = E_{3\mu} E_{beam}$ (in c.m.)
 - Sideband derived background estimate $0.5^{+1.4}_{-0.5}$ events
- One event observed
- World best limit
 - BF < 1.9×10⁻⁸ (90% c.l.)
- Area of competition
 - <u>LHCb</u> BF < 4.1×10⁻⁸ (Run 1 only)
 - <u>CMS</u> BF < 2.9×10⁻⁸ (Run 1+2)





...away from heavy flavour muon g-2 \sim



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 $\sigma(e^+e^- \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$

Muon anomalous magnetic moment

$$a_{\mu} = \frac{g-2}{2} = a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{EW}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{QCD}}$$

$$\downarrow \text{Hadron contribution term}$$

$$\downarrow a_{\mu}^{\text{QCD}} = a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}}$$

$$\downarrow \text{Leading-order HVP rerm}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP,LO}} = \frac{\alpha^{2}}{3\pi^{2}} \int_{m_{\pi}^{2}}^{\infty} \frac{ds}{s} R(s)K(s) \qquad \text{Hadronic R-ratio}$$

$$\downarrow R(s) = \frac{\sigma(e^{+}e^{-} \rightarrow hadrons)}{\sigma(e^{+}e^{-} \rightarrow \mu^{+}\mu^{-})}$$

2nd largest contribution to the hadronic vacuum polarization estimate as region below 1 GeV in c.m. energy dominates

arXiv:2404.04915 [hep-ex]





$$\sigma(e^+e^-
ightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$$

- Initial-state radiation technique wide invariant mass range
- Partial Run 1 data set 191 fb⁻¹
- Selection via kinematic fits
- Key challenge is π^0 efficiency
 - Custom determination using ω decay
- Background control samples for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma_{ISR}, e^+e^- \rightarrow q \bar{q} \gamma_{ISR}$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^0 \gamma_{ISR}$

Signal process : $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\rm ISR}\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0(\rightarrow\gamma\gamma)$ Signal spectrum Efficiency $\frac{dN_{\rm signal}}{dm} = \sigma_{ee \rightarrow 3\pi} \cdot \varepsilon \cdot \frac{d\mathcal{L}_{\rm eff}}{dm}$ 3π mass Cross section Effective luminosity



 $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$



Source	$0.62-1.05 \text{ GeV/}c^2$
Trigger	0.1 (-0.09)
ISR photon detection	0.7 (+0.15)
Tracking	0.8 (-1.35)
π^0 detection	1.0 (-1.43)
Kinematic fit (χ^2)	0.6 (+0.0)
Event selection	0.2 (-1.90)
Generator	1.2
Integrated luminosity	0.6
Radiative corrections	0.5
MC statistics	0.2
Background subtraction	0.3–0.5
Unfolding	0.7 - 15
Total uncertainty	2.2-15
(Total correction $\varepsilon/\varepsilon_{\rm MC} - 1$)	(-4.61)

$$a_{\mu}^{3\pi} = (49.02 \pm 0.23 \pm 1.07) \times 10^{-10},$$

2.6 tension with BaBar

Evidence for P_{cs}(4459)

- OZI suppressed decays of Y(1S) and Y(2S) rich in gluons
 - enhanced baryon production
 - pentaquark production?
- Measure inclusive Y(1S,2S) \rightarrow J/ ψ A + X decays in the Belle sample
- Search m(J/ $\psi \Lambda$) for pentaquark signal
 - background from sideband and off resonance
- Use LHCb mass and width from their evidence in ±b decay - <u>Sci. Bulletin 66, 1278</u> (2021)
 - 3.3 standard deviation significance
 - free mass and width 4 standard deviation local significance

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Part III: the future

Belle II and SuperKEKB prospects





- Run 1 (2019-2022) similar data set to 1st generation B factory
- Long shutdown 1 LS1 (2022-2024)
 - detector improvements mainly installation of full two-layer pixel detector (PXD2)
 - accelerator improvements, e.g., non-linear collimators to combat beam background

Evolution of peak luminosity



- Run 2 (2024)
 - back to operation at $4 \times 10^{34} \, \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
 - detector performance as before or better
 -but the goal in this run is luminosity of ~10³⁵ cm⁻²s⁻¹





Peak luminosity [10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹] 5 3 2

Evolution of peak luminosity



• Run 2 (2024 –)

- Sudden beam loss has happened frequently that can lead to v. large dose in the detector
 - Hampering increasing luminosity
- Two such losses led to damage of 2% of PXD2 gates
 - turned off PXD2 as a precautionary measure until beam losses mitigated
- So far Run 2 has been largely dedicated to machine studies
 - only ~100 fb⁻¹ collected
- Some understanding of how the losses start
 - remediation in summer shutdown



- Run 2 is long end 2028 or later
 - Steady accumulation at ~2 x 10³⁵ cm⁻²s⁻¹ for several ab ⁻¹ 2nd generation
 - After Run 2 upgrade proposal for reach design luminosity and tens of ab $^{-1}$
 - Framework CDR <u>arXiv:2406.19421</u>

Conclusion

- A brief tour of the why and current Belle II physics
 - Highlights: Kvv, K*ττ, CP violation and tau/low multiplicity physics
- Lot's more to be done with the Run 1 data + Belle
- Life at the intensity frontier is hard but hopefully we will enter the 10⁻³⁵ cm⁻²s⁻¹ era soon in Run 2

Backup

Belle II upgrade

- Many plans and possibilities
- Work on a Conceptual Design Report begun to be delivered in 2023
- Followed by a Technical Design Report in 2024
- Shutdown end of 2028 or later for installation
- Accumulate 10s of ab⁻¹ into the 2030s

01	Upgrade ideas scope and technology	Time scale
DMAPS	Fully pixelated Depleted CMOS tracker, replacing the current VXD. Evolution from ALICE ITS developed for ATLAS ITK.	LS2
OI-DUTIP	Fully pixelated system replacing the current VXD based on Dual Timer Pixel concept on SOI	LS2
hin Strips	Thin and fine-pitch double-sided silicon strip detector system replacing the current SVD and potentially the inner part of the CDC	LS2
CDC	Replacement of the readout electronics (ASIC, FPGA) to improve radiation tolerance and x-talk	< LS2
ОР	Replace readout electronics to reduce size and power, replacement of MCP-PMT with extended lifetime ALD PMT, study of SiPM photosensor option	LS2 and later
CL	Crystal replacement with pure CsI and APD; pre-shower; replace PIN-diodes with APD photosensors.	> LS2
(LM	Replacement of barrel RPC with scintillators, upgrade of readout electronics, possible use as TOF	LS2 and later
rigger	Take advantage of electronics technology development. Increase bandwidth, open possibility of new trigger primitives	< LS2 and later
TOPGAP	Study of fast CMOS to close the TOP gaps and/or provide timing layers for track trigger	> LS2
PC	TPC option under study for longer term upgrade	> LS2

Belle III + ChiralSuperKEKB > 2030+

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- DM weakly coupled to SM through a light mediator X:
 - vector (Z'/dark photon), axion like particles (ALPs), scalar (dark Higgs) or fermions (sterile v)
- Some links to anomalies, e.g., g–2

Invisible decay of Z' to dark matter

• Search for narrow peak in the recoil mass of dimuon pairs



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- Limits on Z' coupling g' and mass
- g_µ-2 region ruled out for masses from 0.8 to 5 GeV

Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 231801 (2023)



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- Several Belle (711 fb⁻¹) + Belle II measurements (varying sample size) – total O(1 ab⁻¹)
 - $D \rightarrow K_{S}^{0} hh \underline{JHEP 02} (2022) 063$
 - $D \rightarrow K^0_{S} K\pi$ <u>accepted by JHEP</u>
 - $D \rightarrow K_{s}^{0} \pi^{0}$, KK <u>arXiv:2308.05048</u>
 - + Belle-only $D \rightarrow K\pi$ and others
- A few ab⁻¹ will give a good cross check of this SM parameter



Phys. Rev. D 109, 012001 (2024) and Phys. Rev. Lett. 131, 111803 (2023)

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M. Dorigo's talk – WG5

Belle II paper in preparation and <u>arXiv:2305.07555</u> (accepted PRL)

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$$I_{K\pi} = (-3 \pm 13 \pm 5)\%$$

Agrees with SM. Competitive with WA: $(-13 \pm 11)\%$.



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4) Lepton flavour/universality violation and rare decays

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Source	Correction	Uncertainty type	Uncertainty size	Impact on σ_{μ}
Normalization of $B\bar{B}$ background		Global, 2 NP	50%	0.88
Normalization of continuum background		Global, 5 NP	50%	0.10
Leading <i>B</i> -decays branching fractions	_	Shape, 5 NP	O(1%)	0.22
Branching fraction for $B^+ \to K^+ K^0_{\rm L} K^0_{\rm L}$	q^2 dependent $O(100\%)$	Shape, 1 NP	20%	0.49
p -wave component for $B^+ \to K^+ K^0_{\rm S} K^0_{\rm L}$	q^2 dependent $O(100\%)$	Shape, 1 NP	30%	0.02
Branching fraction for $B \to D^{(**)}$		Shape, 1 NP	50%	0.42
Branching fraction for $B^+ \to n\bar{n}K^+$	q^2 dependent $O(100\%)$	Shape, 1 NP	100%	0.20
Branching fraction for $D \to K_L X$	+30%	Shape, 1 NP	10%	0.14
Continuum background modeling, BDT_c	Multivariate $O(10\%)$	Shape, 1 NP	100% of correction	0.01
Integrated luminosity	_	Global, 1 NP	1%	< 0.01
Number of $B\bar{B}$		Global, 1 NP	1.5%	0.02
Off-resonance sample normalization	—	Global, 1 NP	5%	0.05
Track finding efficiency	—	Shape, 1 NP	0.3%	0.20
Signal kaon PID	p, θ dependent $O(10 - 100\%)$	Shape, 7 NP	O(1%)	0.07
Photon energy scale	—	Shape, 1 NP	0.5%	0.08
Hadronic energy scale	-10%	Shape, 1 NP	10%	0.36
$K_{\rm L}^0$ efficiency in ECL	-17%	Shape, 1 NP	8%	0.21
Signal SM form factors	q^2 dependent $O(1\%)$	Shape, 3 NP	O(1%)	0.02
Global signal efficiency	_	Global, 1 NP	3%	0.03
MC statistics	· · · ·	Shape, 156 NP	O(1%)	0.52

Post-fit distributions

Upper: full fit region

Lower: most sensitive region





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Cross checks

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- Multiple checks of the analyses stability, including tests dividing data into approximately equal sub-samples. Reported here as measured branching fraction divided by SM expectation, $\mu = B/B_{SM}$.
- Control measurement of $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^0$ decay

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