

Recent results on and prospects for B to D(*) $\tau^- \nu$, $\tau^- \nu$ and $\mu^- \nu$ at Belle

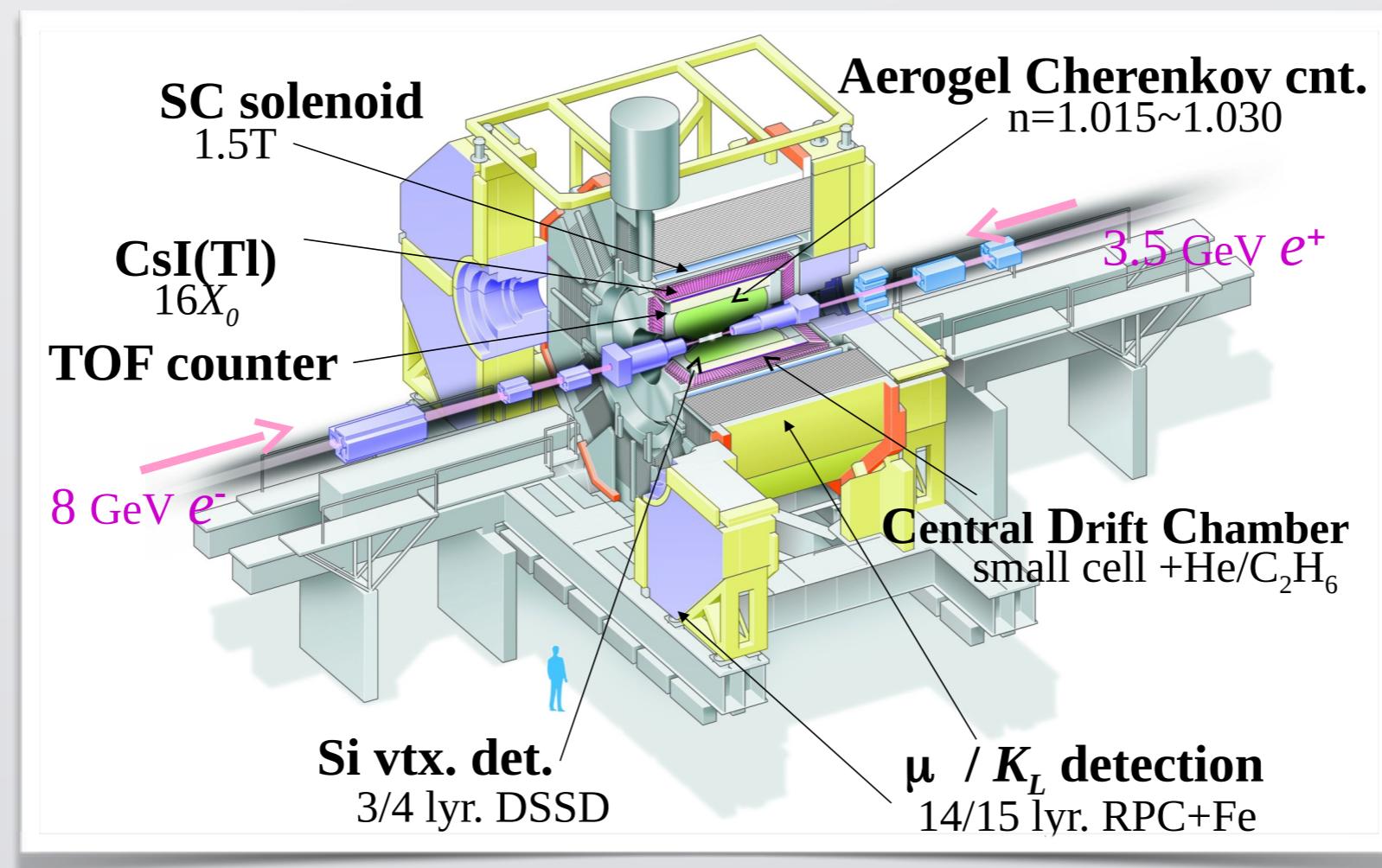
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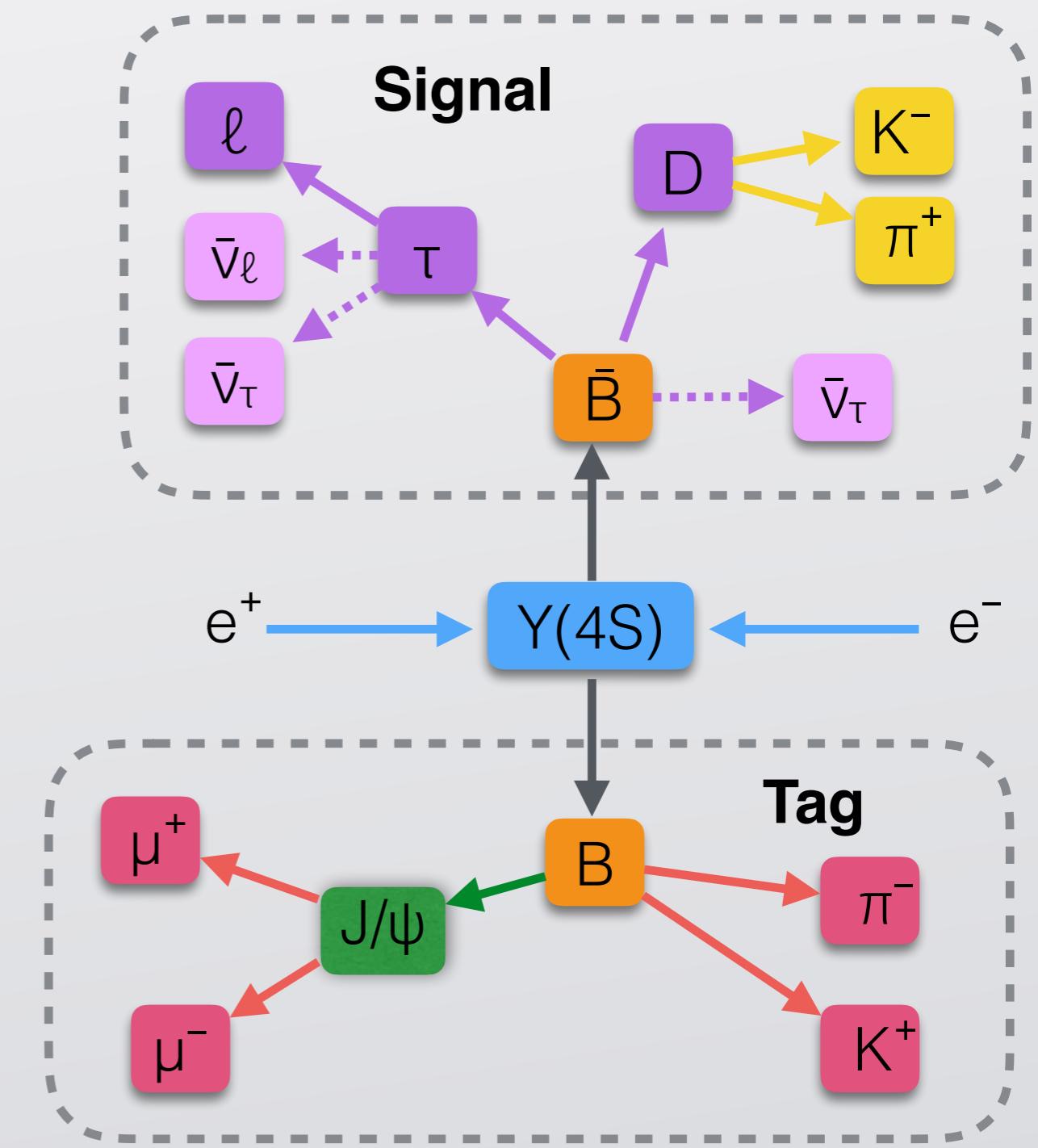
The Belle experiment (1998 - 2010)

- Asymmetric e^+e^- collider at KEK, Japan \rightarrow $e^-e^+ \rightarrow Y(4S) \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
 $\mathcal{B}(b\bar{b} \rightarrow B\bar{B}) \approx 0.96$
- $m_{Y(4S)} = 10.58 \text{ GeV} > 2 \times m_B = 10.56 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow$ small momentum for B mesons
- B factory: 772×10^6 of $B\bar{B}$ pairs produced
- (~ 3 times higher continuum background from $Y(4S) \rightarrow q\bar{q}$)



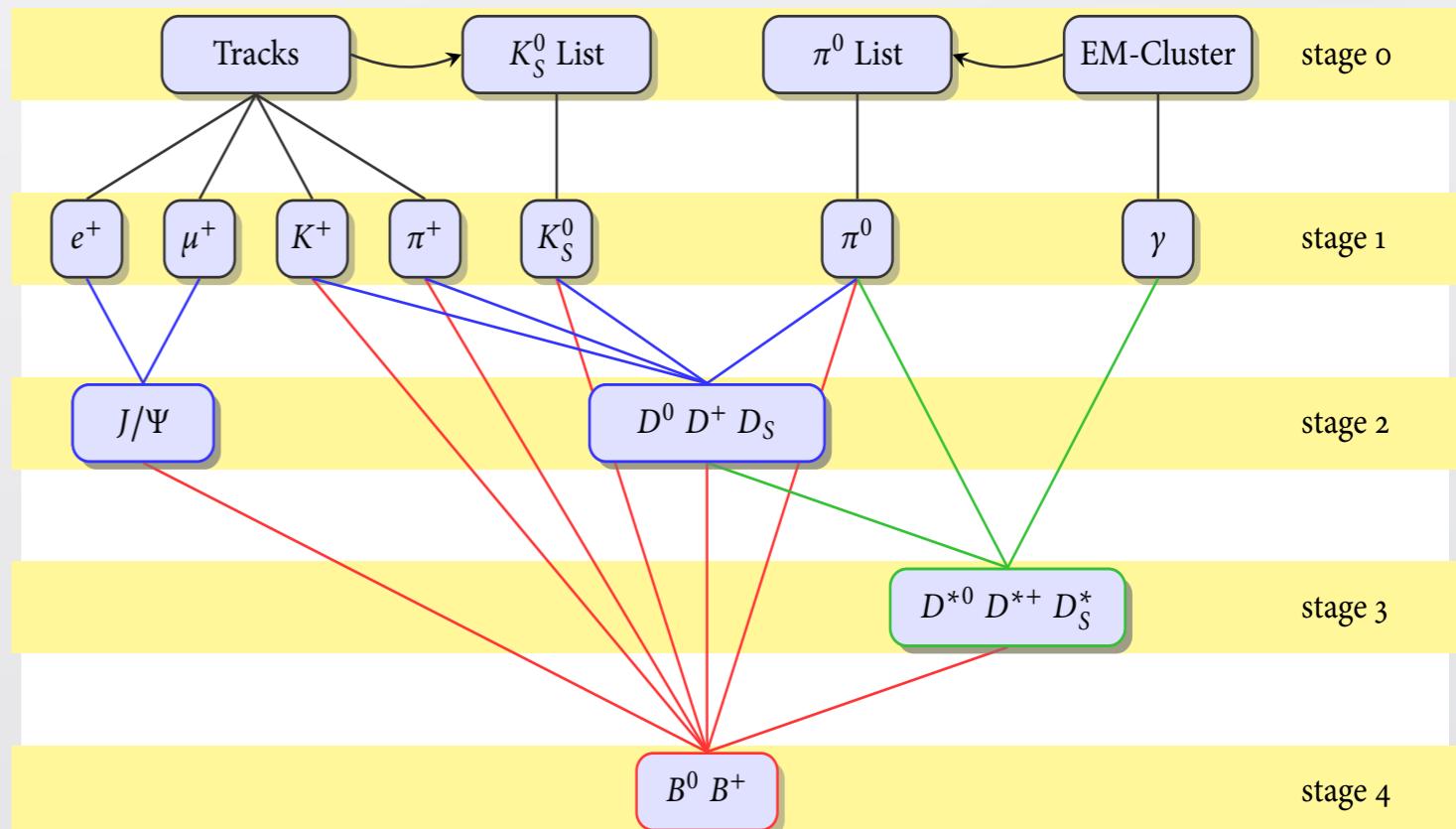
Tagging in Belle

- $Y(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$: very clean and well-known initial state
- Reconstruct one of the B mesons in the $Y(4S)$ event (**B tag**) to gather information about the B decay of interest
- **Hadronic B decays:**
PRO: full B reconstruction, high purity
CON: low efficiency
~2000 channels
- **Semileptonic B decays:**
PRO: high efficiency
CON: one missing neutrino, low purity
~100 channels



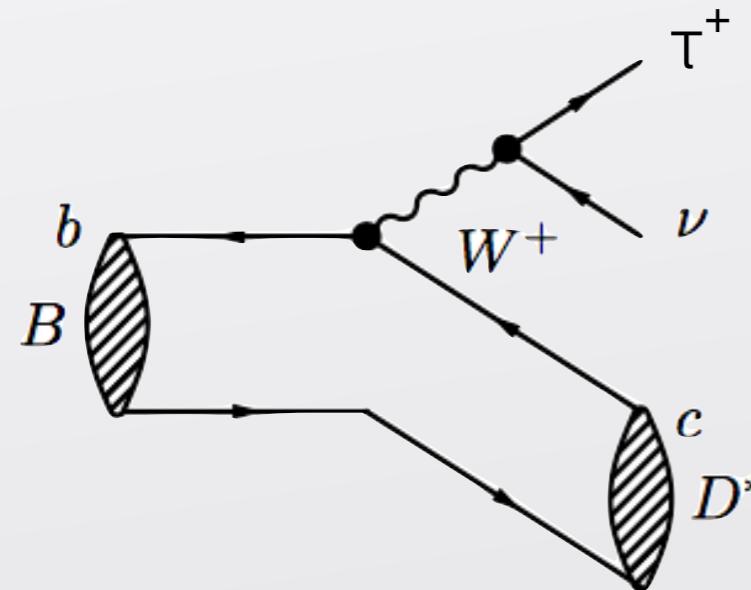
Tagging in Belle (FEI)

- Tagging is done using a hierarchical multivariate analysis approach
- The B tag signal probability depends on the signal probabilities of all daughters
- The last tagging algorithm developed by Belle II (FEI) shows large improvement w.r.t previous methods
 - Can also be used on Belle data !



Algorithm	MVA type	Efficiency	Purity
NB (Belle)	NeuroBayes	0.2	0.25
FEI (Belle II)	FastBDT	0.5	0.25

Interest of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau$ measurements



$$\mathcal{R}(D^{(*)}) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell)}$$

signal mode

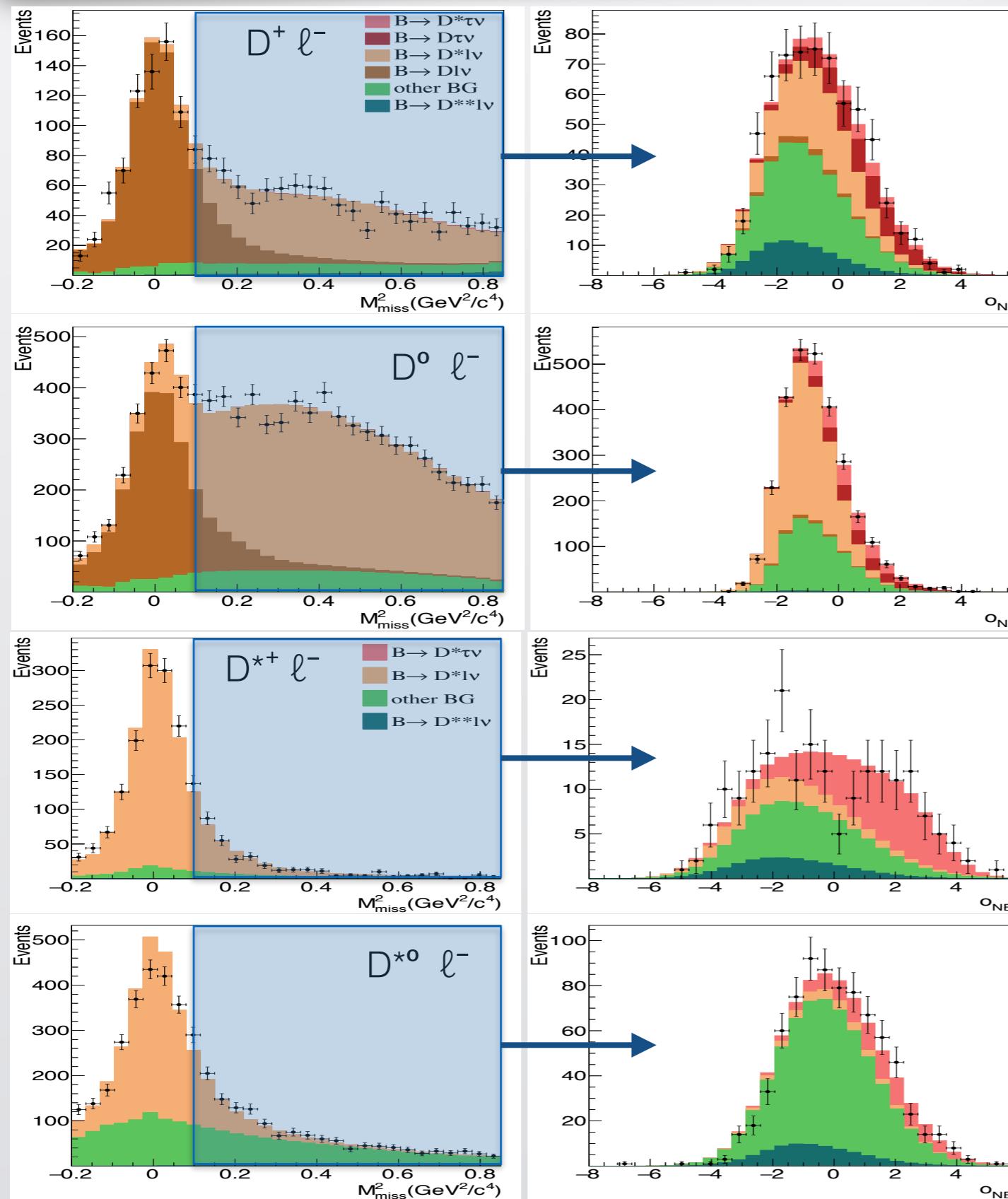
normalization mode

$\ell = (e, \mu)$

- W coupling to leptons is universal in the SM
- A charged Higgs would couple more strongly to the τ lepton and produce an enhancement in BR of B decays that involve a τ lepton
- Ratios $R(D^{(*)})$ eliminate many sources of systematic errors for experimental measurements and theoretical predictions

R(D(*)), hadronic tag at Belle

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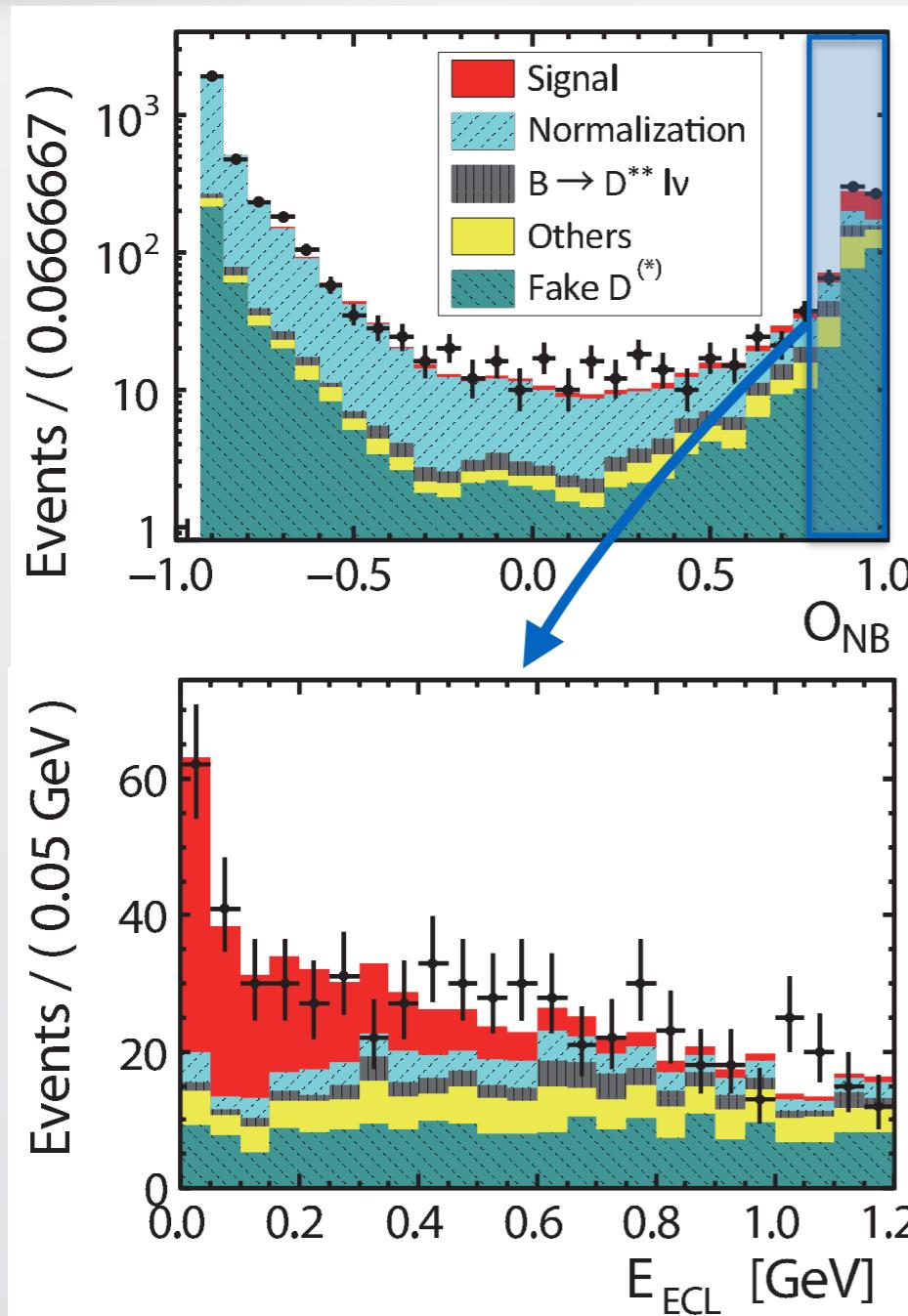
- Exploit leptonic τ decays
- Use m_{miss}^2 to separate signal from normalization
- Train signal MVA on high m_{miss}^2 region, based on: E_{ECL} , p^*_{ℓ} , m_{miss}^2 and others
- $D \ell$ modes with higher background levels due to “feed-down” from $B \rightarrow (D^* \rightarrow D \pi_{\text{slow}}) \ell \nu$

$$m_{\text{miss}}^2 = p_{\nu}^2 = (p_{e^+e^-} - p_{B\text{tag}} - p_{D^*\ell})^2$$

$R(D) = 0.375 \pm 0.064 \pm 0.026$
 $R(D^*) = 0.293 \pm 0.038 \pm 0.015$

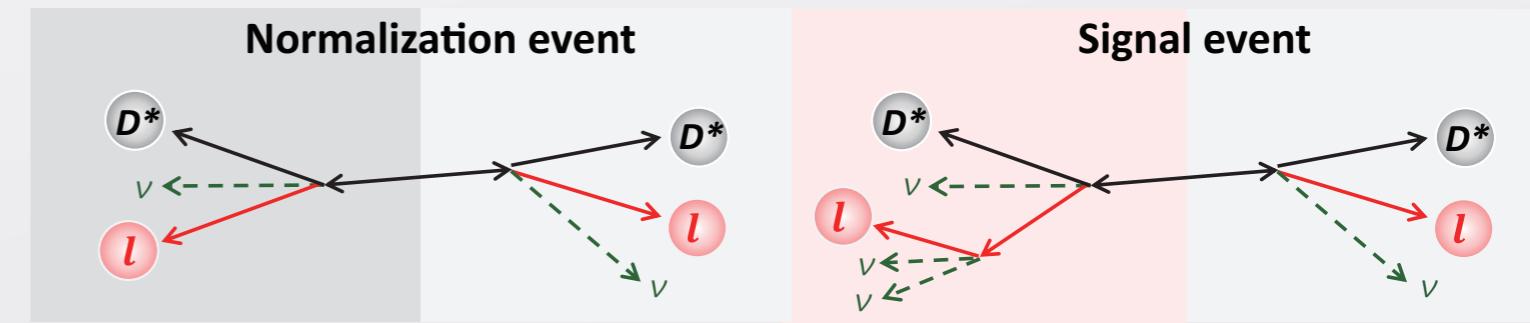
$R(D^*)$, semileptonic tag at Belle

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$$\cos \theta_{BY} = \frac{2E_B E_Y - m_B^2 - m_Y^2}{2p_B p_Y}$$

where $B \rightarrow Y \nu$ (e.g. $Y = D^* \ell$)



- Tag channels: $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ (same as normalization)
- Discriminate between signal and normalization using MVA based on $(m_{\text{miss}}^2, \cos \theta_{BY}, E_{B\text{tag}} + E_{B\text{sig}})$
- Signal extracted with fit to the 2D plane $E_{ECL}-O_{NB}$

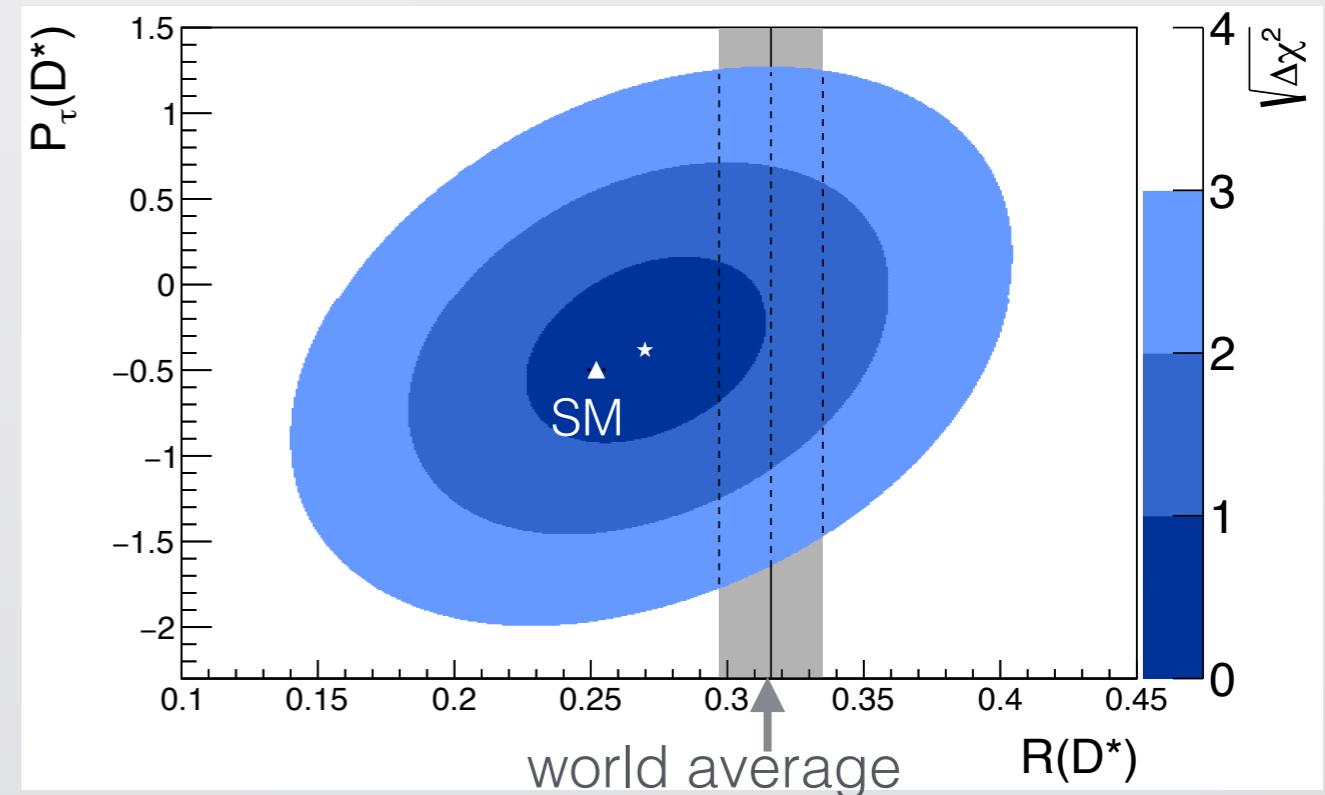
$$R(D^*) = 0.302 \pm 0.030 \pm 0.011$$

$R(D^*)$, hadronic tag and τ polarisation at Belle

$$P_\tau(D^*) = \frac{\Gamma^+ - \Gamma^-}{\Gamma^+ + \Gamma^-}$$

Γ^\pm = decay rate of $B \rightarrow D^* \tau^- \nu$
with helicity of $\pm 1/2$

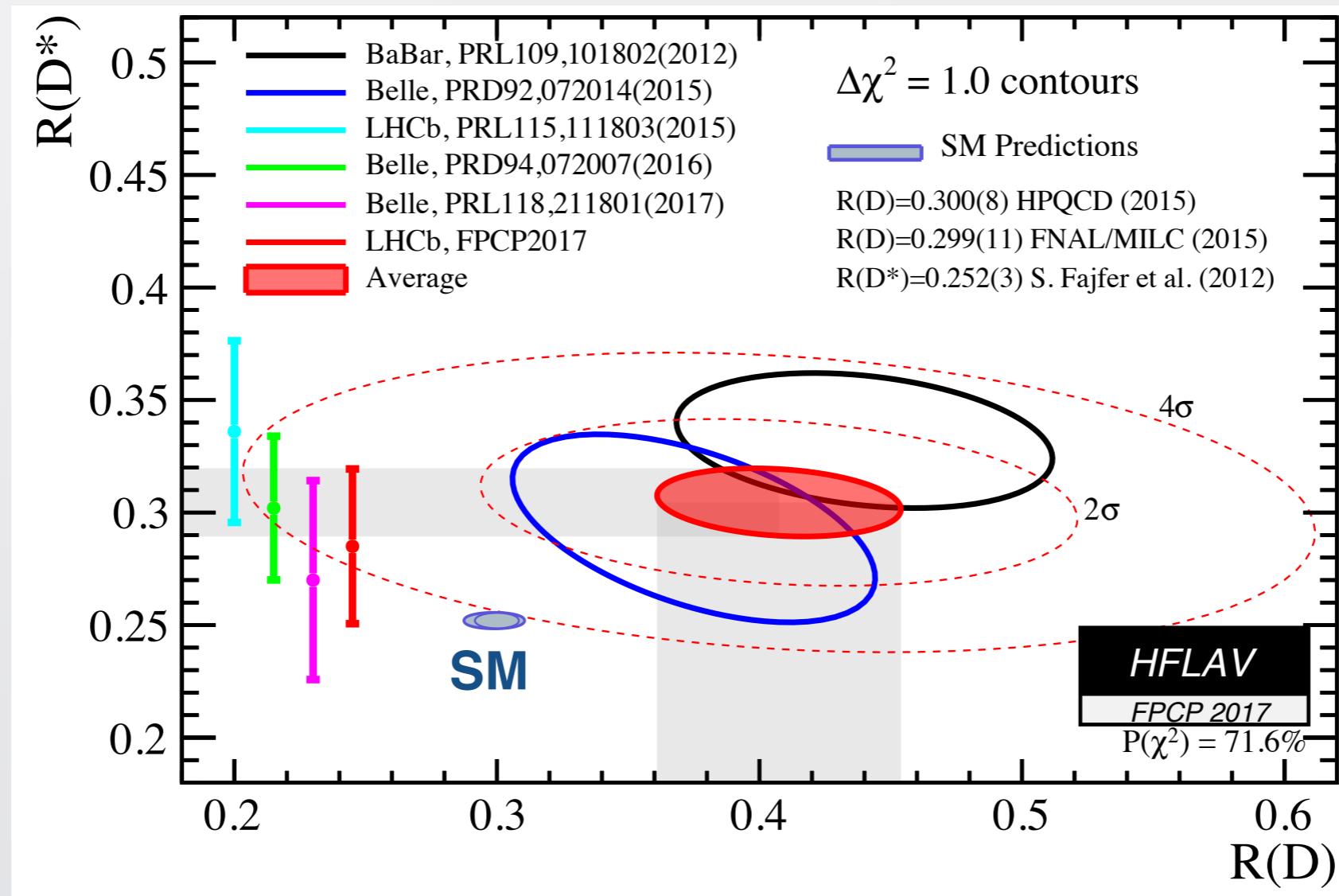
- The τ polarisation depend on the mediator
→ sensitive to NP
- Two-body τ decays ($\tau \rightarrow \pi \nu, \rho \nu$) used to measure the τ polarisation
- New independent measurement of $R(D^*)$



$$R(D^*) = 0.270 \pm 0.035^{+0.028}_{-0.025}$$
$$P_\tau(D^*) = -0.38 \pm 0.51^{+0.21}_{-0.16}$$

Consistent with SM

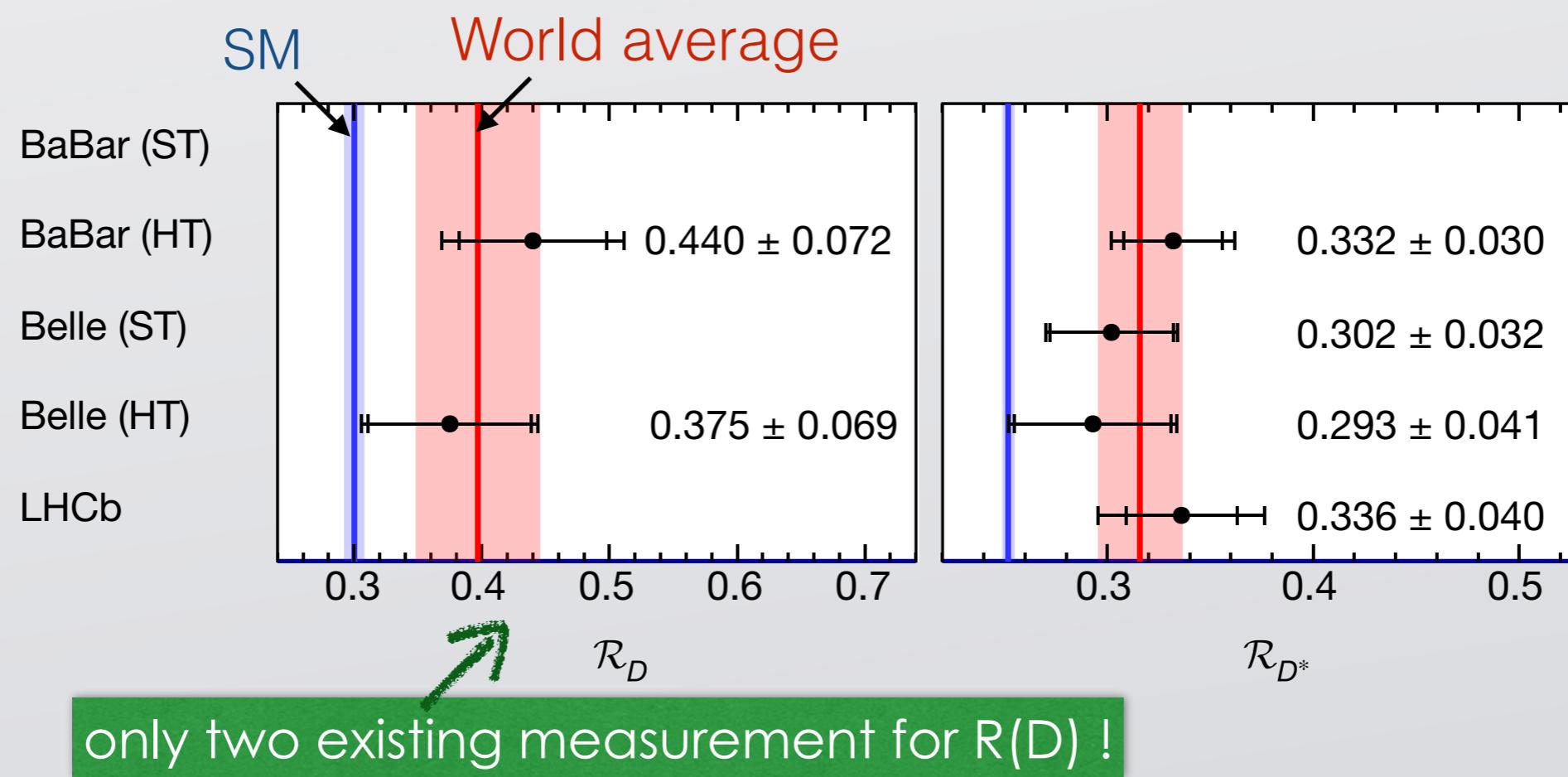
$R(D^*)$: experiments vs theory



- Babar, Belle and LHCb results point to a $\sim 4\sigma$ discrepancy between SM predictions and experimental results

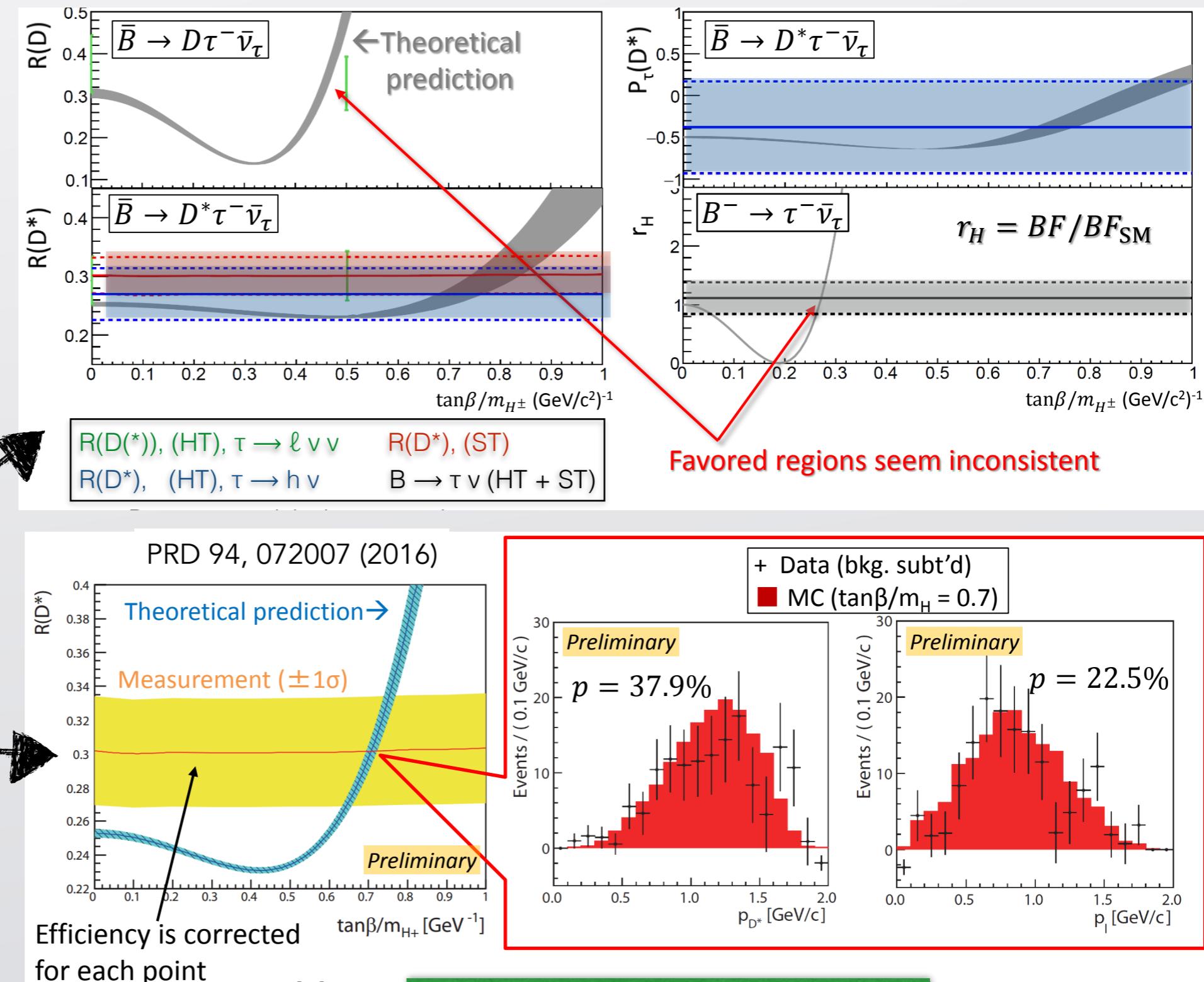
Prospects for $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ at Belle

- Ongoing new simultaneous measurement of $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$
- Semileptonic tag with modes $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu + D^{(*)} \pi \ell \nu$
- Exploits improved tagging algorithm (FEI) with high efficiency



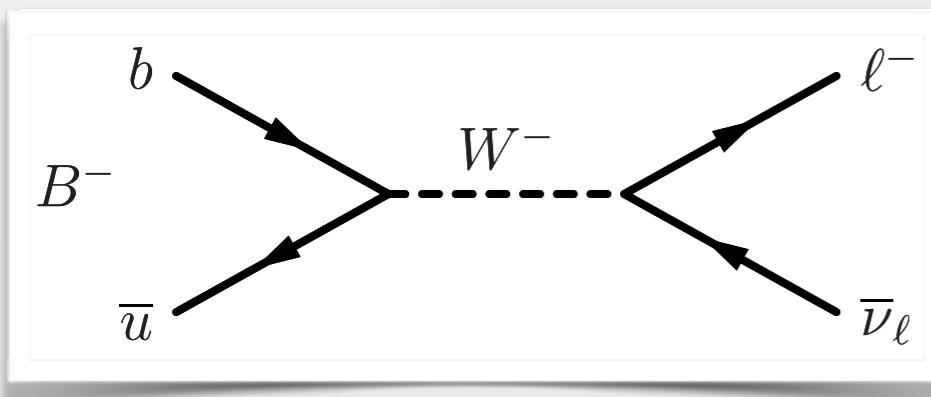
Theoretical interpretation of results

- Belle has produced comparisons of experimental results with NP models
- Focus on Type II - 2HDM:
- What value of $\tan\beta/m_H$ favours the experimental results ?
- Do measured kinematic distributions (p_D or q^2, p^*_ℓ) match the NP ones ?



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Interest of $B \rightarrow \tau \nu, \mu \nu$ measurements



$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \ell \nu) = \frac{G_F^2 m_B^2 m_\ell^2}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_B^2}\right) f_B^2 |V_{ub}|^2$$

helicity suppression

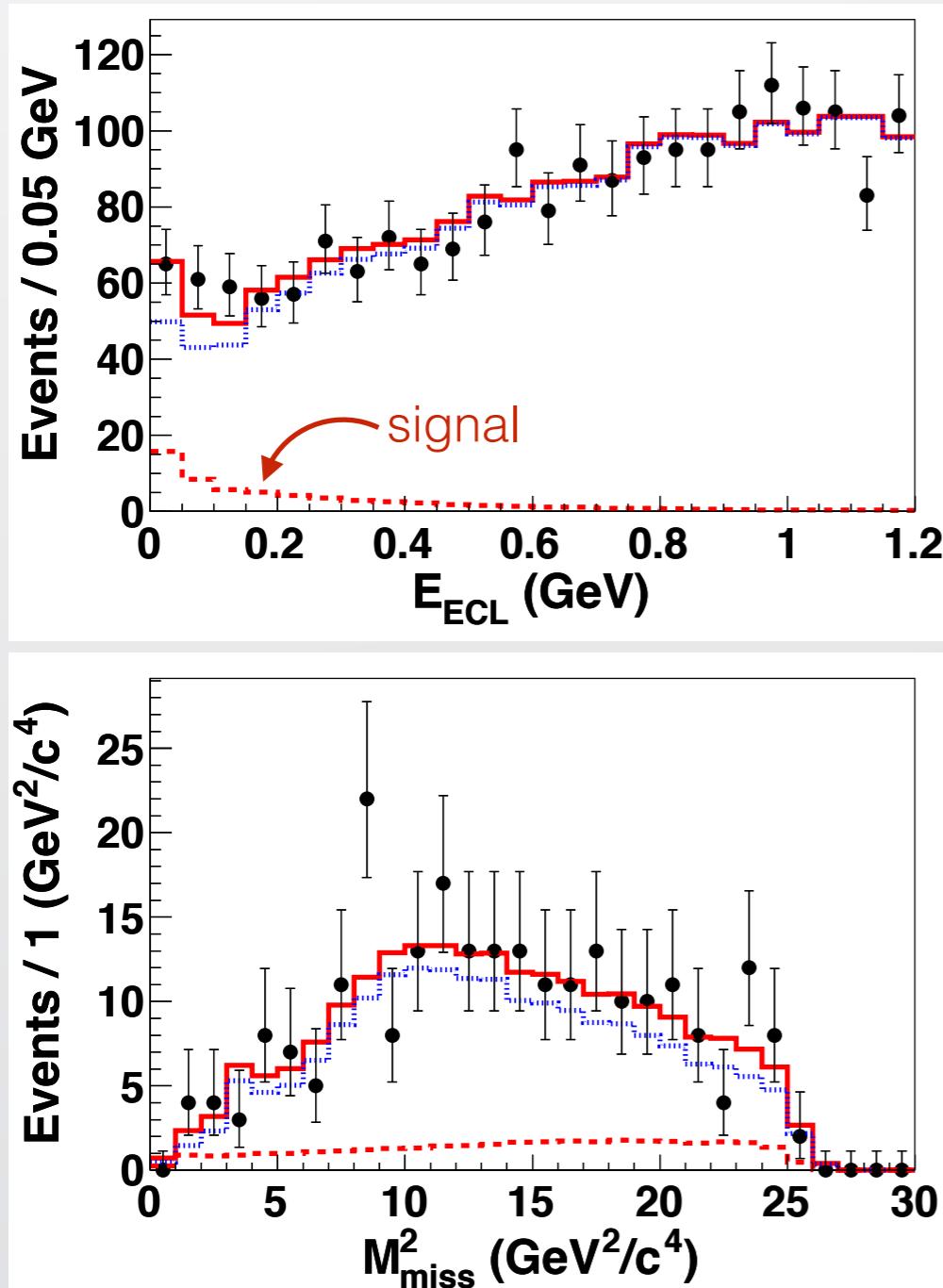
$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow e \nu) \ll \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \mu \nu) \ll \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu)$$

$$\sim B_\tau / 10^7 \quad \sim B_\tau / 220 \quad B_\tau (\sim 10^{-4})$$

$$N_{MC} \sim 10^{-2} \quad N_{MC} \sim 300 \quad N_{MC} \sim 67000$$

- V_{ub} , quite small decay rates
- Leptonic decay, small theoretical uncertainties
- $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$, measurable, good probe for 2HDM
- $B \rightarrow \mu \nu$ is barely measurable → search NP effects
- $B \rightarrow e \nu$ is out of experimental reach

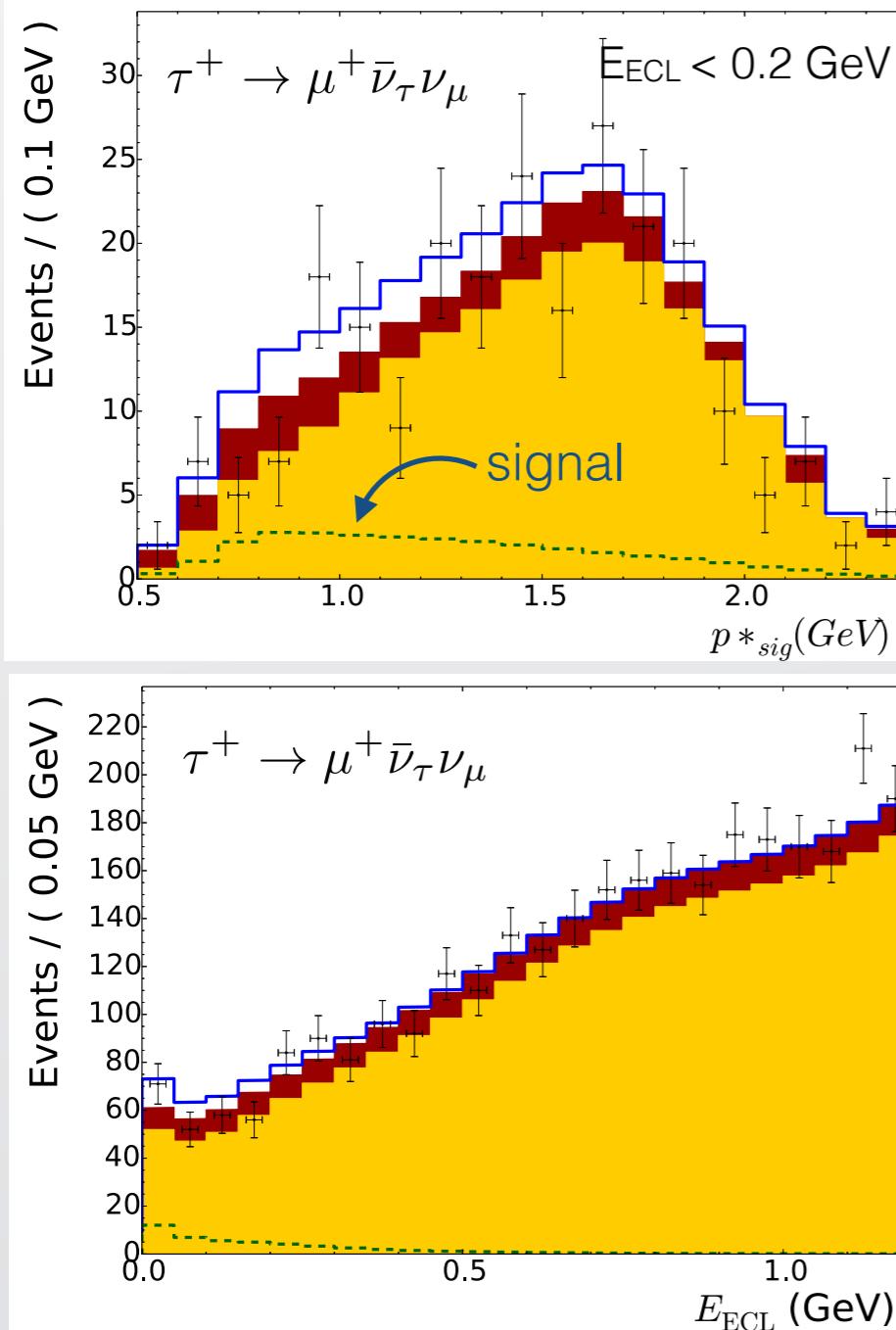
$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$, hadronic tag at Belle



- More than one neutrino, gain information from Btag
- τ channels (total $\text{Br} \sim 72\%$):
 - $\ell \nu \nu, \pi \nu, \pi \pi^0 \nu$
- Signal yield extracted from a 2D fit to E_{ECL} and m_{miss}^2
- Signal yield: $62^{+23}_{-22}(\text{stat}) \pm 6(\text{syst})$
- Signal significance: 3σ
- Statistically dominated

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) = [0.72^{+0.27}_{-0.25}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.11(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-4}$$

$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$, semileptonic tag at Belle

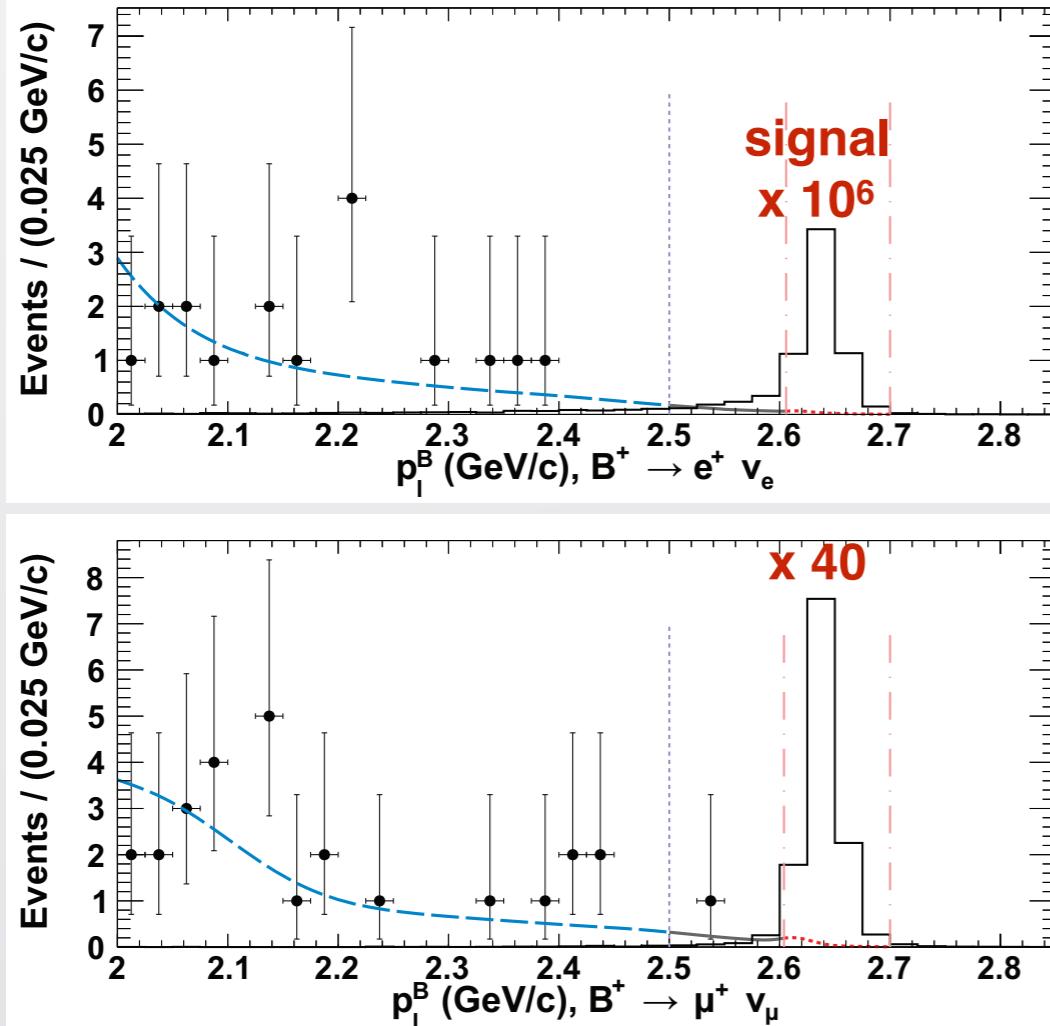


- Same τ decay channels as hadronic tag study
- Tag channels:
 - $B^+ \rightarrow D^{(*)0} \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ ($\ell = e, \mu$)
- Use a MVA for tag selection
- Signal yield extracted through 2D fit to p^*_ℓ and E_{ECL}
- Signal yield: 220 ± 50
- Signal significance: 3.8σ

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) = [1.25 \pm +0.28(\text{stat}) \pm 0.27(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-4}$$

$B \rightarrow \mu \nu$, hadronic tag at Belle

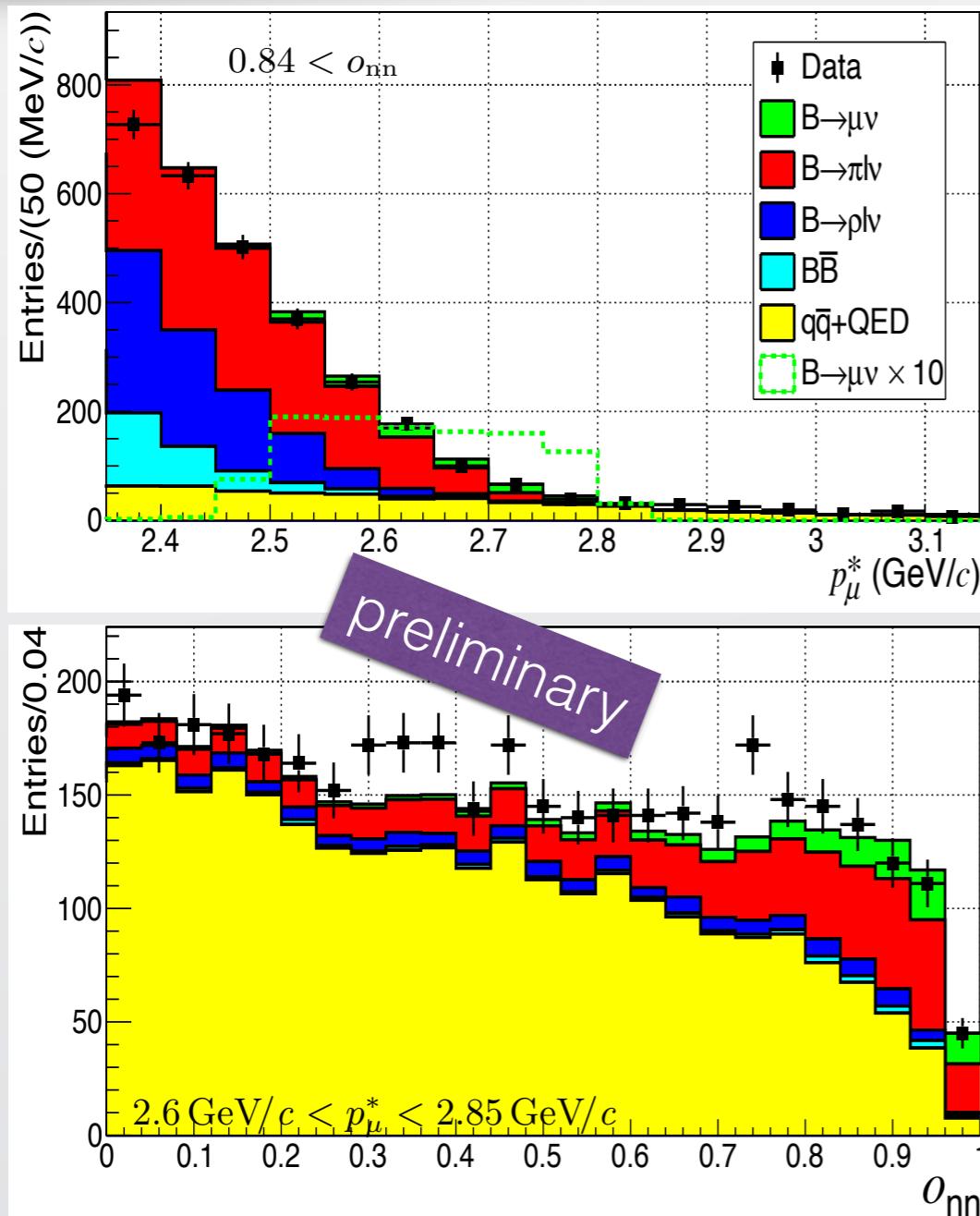
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$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \mu\nu) < 2.7 \times 10^{-6}$$

- Predicted: $\mathcal{B} \approx 4 \times 10^{-7}$
- Two body decay, mono energetic lepton in B rest-frame with momentum with $p = m_B/2 = 2.6$ GeV
- With an hadronic tag only one neutrino in the event, can use $m_{\text{miss}}^2 \sim 0$
- Reconstruction of B tag provides high resolution for B signal

$B \rightarrow \mu \nu$, untagged at Belle



- First measurement of branching fraction
 - Untagged: select B companion using M_{bc} and E_B cuts
- Use neural network to discriminate signal from background (14 input parameters)
- Signal extracted from 2D fit to p_μ^* and O_{nn}
- Signal significance: 2.4σ

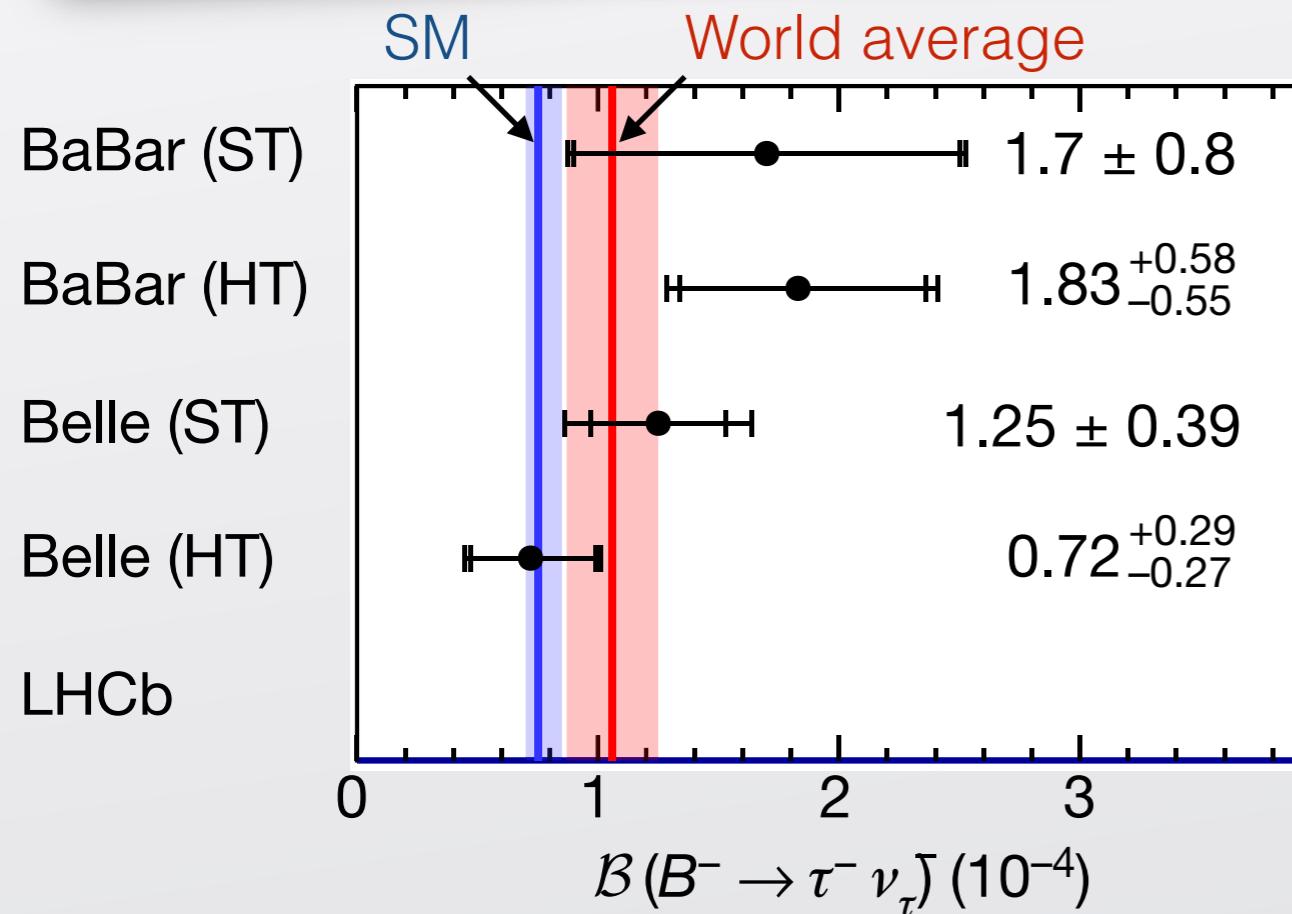
$$M_{bc} = \sqrt{E_{\text{beam}}^2/c^4 - |\sum_i \vec{p}_i^*/c|^2}$$

$$E_B = \sum_i \sqrt{(m_i c^2)^2 + |\vec{p}_i^* c|^2},$$

$$B(B \rightarrow \mu \nu) = (6.46 \pm 2.22 \pm 1.60) \times 10^{-7}$$

Compatible with SM

Overview of $B \rightarrow \tau^- \nu_\tau, \mu^- \nu_\mu$ results



- Total significance is 5σ
- Statistically limited results
- Belle II will significantly improve this measurement with more statistics

	$\int L dt (fb^{-1})$	$B \rightarrow \mu^- \nu_\mu$, upper limit (90% CL)
Belle (no tag)	253	1.7×10^{-6}
BABAR (no tag)	426	1.0×10^{-6}
BABAR (ST)	418	8×10^{-6}
BABAR (HT)	342	5.2×10^{-6}
BELLE (HT)	711	2.7×10^{-6}
HFAG average		1.0×10^{-6}

- First branching measurement from Belle this year (significance 2.4σ)
- Wait for Belle II for improved results

Belle (no tag)

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$(6.46 \pm 2.22 \pm 1.60) \times 10^{-7}$

← branching ratio

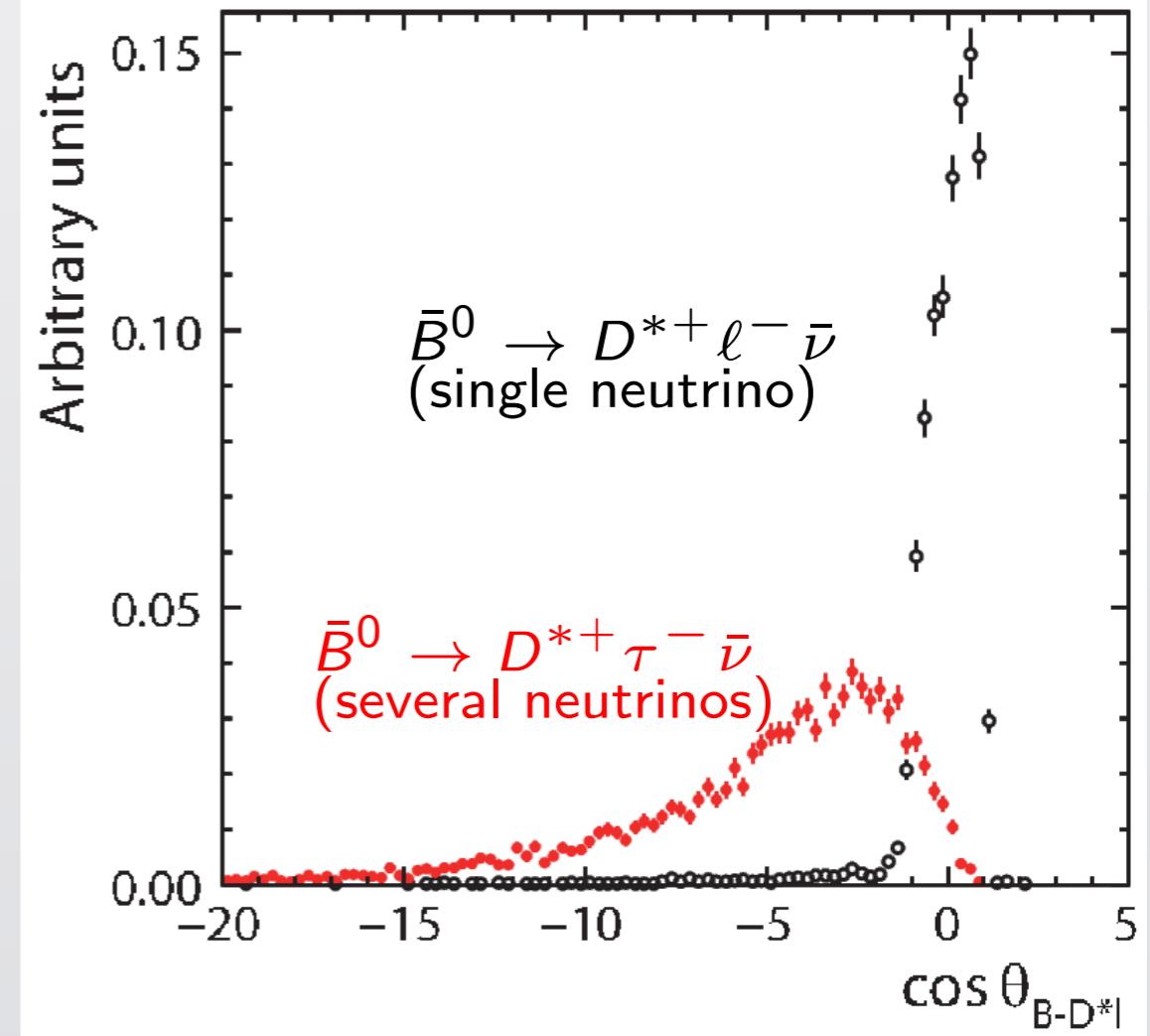
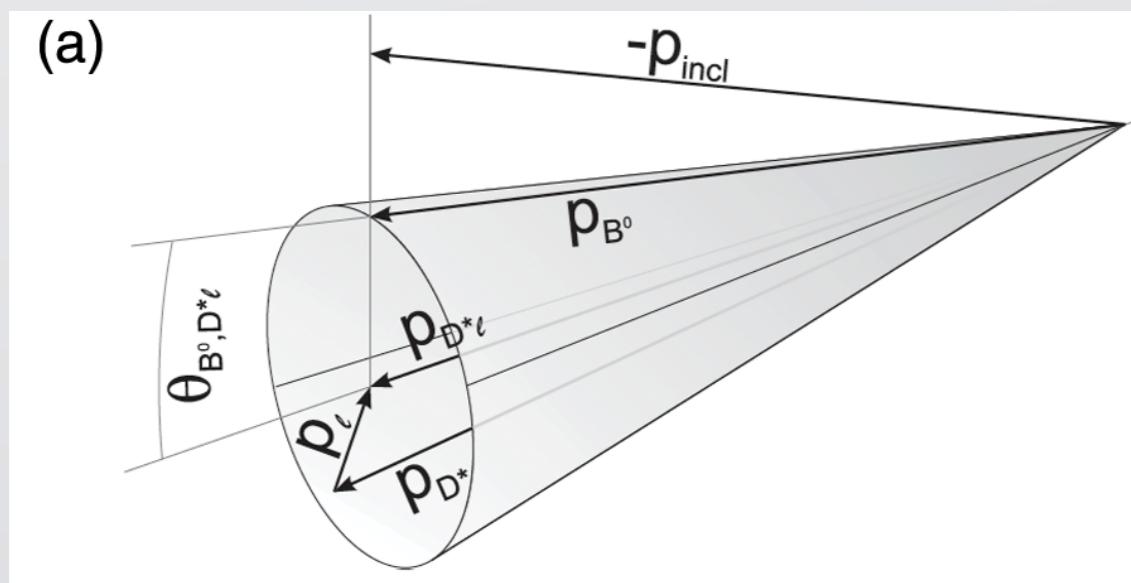
Conclusion

- At Belle, $772 \times 10^6 B\bar{B}$ pairs produced in the clean $Y(4S)$ environment are analysed to produce precise measurements of rare SM processes
- **$R(D^*)$** : long-standing 4σ discrepancy between SM and experimental results
 - A new simultaneous measurement of $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$ from Belle is ongoing, with a new improved tag method
- Follow the next talk for Belle II prospects !
- **$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$** : Measurements provide a 5σ signal significance, agreement with SM
- **$B \rightarrow \mu \nu$** : Belle preliminary result for first branching measurement, 2.4σ signal significance and compatible with SM

- Back-up

$\cos\theta_{BY}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_\nu^2 &= 0 \\
 &= (P_B - P_Y)^2 \\
 &= m_B^2 + m_Y^2 - 2(E_B E_Y - p_B p_Y \cos\theta_{BY}) \\
 \Rightarrow \cos\theta_{BY} &= \frac{2E_B E_Y - m_B^2 - m_Y^2}{2p_B p_Y}.
 \end{aligned}$$



Systematic uncertainties, $R(D^*)$, HT

	$R(D)$ [%]	$R(D^*)$ [%]	Correlation
$D^{(*)} \ell \nu$ shapes	4.2	1.5	0.04
D^{**} composition	1.3	3.0	-0.63
Fake D yield	0.5	0.3	0.13
Fake ℓ yield	0.5	0.6	-0.66
D_s yield	0.1	0.1	-0.85
Rest yield	0.1	0.0	-0.70
Efficiency ratio f^{D^+}	2.5	0.7	-0.98
Efficiency ratio f^{D^0}	1.8	0.4	0.86
Efficiency ratio $f_{\text{eff}}^{D^{*+}}$	1.3	2.5	-0.99
Efficiency ratio $f_{\text{eff}}^{D^{*0}}$	0.7	1.1	0.94
CF double ratio g^+	2.2	2.0	-1.00
CF double ratio g^0	1.7	1.0	-1.00
Efficiency ratio f_{wc}	0.0	0.0	0.84
M_{miss}^2 shape	0.6	1.0	0.00
o'_{NB} shape	3.2	0.8	0.00
Lepton PID efficiency	0.5	0.5	1.00
Total	7.1	5.2	-0.32

Systematic uncertainties, $R(D^*)$, ST

Sources	$R(D^*)$ [%]		
	$\ell^{\text{sig}} = e, \mu$	$\ell^{\text{sig}} = e$	$\ell^{\text{sig}} = \mu$
MC size for each PDF shape	2.2	2.5	3.9
PDF shape of the normalization in $\cos \theta_{B-D^* \ell}$	+1.1 -0.0	+2.1 -0.0	+2.8 -0.0
PDF shape of $B \rightarrow D^{**} \ell \nu_\ell$	+1.0 -1.7	+0.7 -1.3	+2.2 -3.3
PDF shape and yields of fake $D^{(*)}$	1.4	1.6	1.6
PDF shape and yields of $B \rightarrow X_c D^*$	1.1	1.2	1.1
Reconstruction efficiency ratio $\varepsilon_{\text{norm}}/\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}$	1.2	1.5	1.9
Modeling of semileptonic decay	0.2	0.2	0.3
$\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \nu_\tau)$	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total systematic uncertainty	+3.4 -3.5	+4.1 -3.7	+5.9 -5.8

Systematic uncertainties, $R(D^*)$ and τ polarisation

Source	rel. uncertainty on $\mathcal{R}(D^*)$	uncertainty on $P_\tau(D^*)$
Hadronic B decay composition	+7.7% -6.9%	+0.13 -0.10
MC stat. for PDF construction	+4.0% -2.8%	+0.15 -0.11
Semileptonic B decays	$\pm 3.5\%$	± 0.05
Fake D^* background	$\pm 3.4\%$	0.02
Other	$\pm 2.2\%$	± 0.03