



New Results from Belle

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The Belle Detector





- located at the asymmetric e⁺e⁻
 collider KEKB (Japan)
- designed for time-dependent CPV
- works well as 4π multi-purpose detector
- data taking until 2010
- upgrade to Belle II at SuperKEKB (2015 / 2016)

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The Belle Dataset



- world's largest integrated luminosity ($\approx 1 a b^{-1}$)
- $\Upsilon(4S)$ dataset ($b\bar{b}$) with ≈ 772 million $B\bar{B}$ pairs
- clean environment
- simple two-body decays \Rightarrow strong kinematic constraints



 $B^- \rightarrow \tau \bar{\nu}_{\tau}$



$B^- o p ar p \ell^- ar u_\ell$

- basic idea: measurement of |V_{ub}| of the CKM matrix
- previous efforts center around $B \rightarrow M \ell \nu$ (*M* is a charmless meson)
- no observation of semileptonic charmless baryon anti-baryon *B* decay
- existing upper limit: $\mathcal{B}(B^- \to p\bar{p}e^-\bar{\nu}_e) < 5.2 \times 10^{-3}$ (CLEO)



The Belle Experiment

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 $B^- \rightarrow \tau \bar{\nu}_{\tau}$

Motivation



previously: SM estimation¹ $\mathcal{O}(10^{-5} - 10^{-6})$ **2011**: theoretical paper² predicted $\mathcal{B}(B^- \to p\bar{p}\ell^-\bar{\nu}_\ell) = (1.04 \pm 0.38) \times 10^{-4}$

- in reach of Belle dataset
- **support:** enable many similar channels in the $|V_{ub}|$ measurement
- falsify: could enhance theoretical understanding of baryonic Bdecays

2 C.Q. Geng and Y.K. Hsiao, Phys. Lett. B 704, 495 (2011)

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Summarv

¹ W.-S. Hou and A. Soni, PRL 86, 4247 (2001)

Reconstruction



Problem: low signal expectancy, invisible neutrinos **Solution:** full reconstruction tagging



$$M_{\rm miss}^2 = [p({\rm Beam}) - (p(B_{\rm tag}) + p({\rm visible}))]^2$$

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Fit Model



- one dimension: $M^2_{\rm miss}$
- two datasets: $p ar{p} e$ and $p ar{p} \mu$
- extended unbinned maximum likelihood fit
- signal: three Gaussian functions, fixed shape
- background: second order Chebyshev polynomial, floating shape







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Measurement of $B^- ightarrow au ar{ u}_{ au}$



$$\Gamma(B^+ \to \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = \frac{G_F^2 m_B m_\ell^2}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_B^2}\right)^2 f_B^2 |V_{ub}|^2$$

• helicity-suppressed:

$$\Gamma(B^+ \to e^+ \nu_e) \ll \Gamma(B^+ \to \mu^+ \nu_\mu) \ll \Gamma(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau)$$

very clean place to measure f_B (or V_{ub}?) and/or search for new physics (e.g. H⁺, LQ)



• charged boson may take the role of the ${\cal W}$

Charged Higgs Contributions



• e.g. H^+ of 2-Higgs doublet model (type II)³:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = \mathcal{B}_{\rm SM}(B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau) \times r_H$$

$$r_H = \left[1 - (m_B^2/m_H^2) \tan^2 \beta\right]^2$$



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Reconstruction





- 2-3 neutrinos in the final state
- full reconstruction tagging (hadronic)





Signal Extraction



- Signal au modes: $au^+ o e^+ \nu_e \overline{\nu}_{ au}, \ \mu^+ \nu_\mu \overline{\nu}_{ au}, \ \pi^+ \overline{\nu}_{ au}, \ \rho^+ \overline{\nu}_{ au}$
- 2D fitting to $E_{\rm ECL}$ & $M_{\rm miss}^2$
 - improve sensitivity by $\sim 20\%$
 - more robust against peaking backgrounds in $E_{\rm ECL}$





Simultaneous fit to different τ decay modes
 Figures below shown for the sum of different τ decay modes



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\blacksquare consistency over all τ decay modes



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Search for Heavy Neutrinos



- SM neutrinos strictly massless
- oscillations observed \Rightarrow nonzero masses
- right-handed, heavy neutrinos introduced in BSM models (SUSY, GUT, *v*MSM)



- search in $B \to X \ell_2^+ \nu_h$ with $\nu_h \to l_1^\pm \pi^\mp$
- ν_h interacts only via mixing with ν_L
- long flight distance $\mathcal{O}(20\,\mathrm{m}) \Rightarrow$ low efficiency

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Selection



- separately for large and small $M(
 u_{
 m h})$
 - * "small" $M(\nu_{\rm h}) < 2.0 \text{ GeV/c}^2$: $X = D, D^*$ only $D^{(*)}$ is identified by "missing mass": $M_X^2 \equiv (E_{\rm CM} E_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \pi})^2 P_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \pi}^2 P_B^2$
 - * "large" $M(\nu_{\rm h}) \geq 2.0~{\rm GeV/c^2}$: $X=D^{(*)},$ light meson, "nothing"



- background suppression:
 - * QED: $N(\text{track}) \ge 5$
 - * "V" decays from K^0_S, γ, Λ : strict lepton ID and kinematic cuts
 - $^{*}\,$ long flight distance of ν_{h} is exploited by vertex distance cuts
 - * overall background reduction $\mathcal{O}(10^6)$ with 3-10% signal efficiency



mode	MC expected	Data
$ee\pi$	1.7 ± 0.7	6 ± 2.4
$\mu\mu\pi$	2.3 ± 0.9	2 ± 1.4
$e\mu\pi+\mu e\pi$	4.0 ± 1.2	3 ± 1.7



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Upper Limits





upper limits on $\nu_{\rm h} - \nu_{\ell}$ mixing ($|U_{\ell}|^2$) are obtained, in the range $0.5 < M(\nu_{\rm h}) < 5~{\rm GeV/c^2}$.

maximum sensitivity is reached at $M(\nu_{\rm h}) \sim 2 \ {\rm GeV/c^2}$.

• upper limit for product branching fraction (for $M(\nu_h) = 2 \text{ GeV/c}^2$): $\mathcal{B}(B \to \ell_2 \nu_h(X)) \times \mathcal{B}(\nu_h \to \ell_1 \pi) < 7.5 \times 10^{-7}$ for $\ell = e, \mu$

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Summary



- $B^- \to p \bar{p} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$
 - first evidence
 - upper limits clearly contradictory to prediction
- $B^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_{\tau}$
 - first evidence
 - closer to SM

heavy neutrino search

UL only

B factories

- nice flavor physics going on at the LHC, but B-factories still matter
- plenty of interesting stuff for Belle II