

Result-based reinterpretation of the Belle II $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ analysis

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- The reinterpretation of such measurements falls into two categories:
 - **No / trivial dependence** on underlying experimental or theoretical quantities:
Direct reinterpretation possible.
 - **Strong dependence** on underlying quantities:
For a consistent analysis, the full underlying dependence needs to be **parameterized**.

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Analysis

Where is the model dependence?



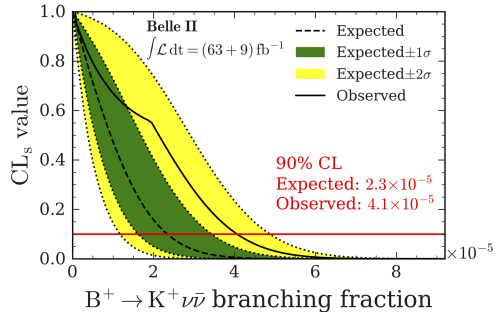
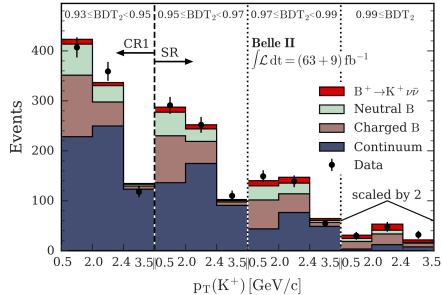
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- Signal MC data is SM weighted (**model dependence**)
- Two consecutive BDTs separate signal from background
- Fitting in bins of $p_T(K) \times BDT_2$



$$\mathcal{B}_{B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}} < 4.1 \times 10^{-5} @ 90\% CL$$

[Phys.Rev.Lett.127.181802]



Postfit yields Y(4S)

[10.17182/hepdata.130199.v1/t2](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.130199.v1/t2)

Resources

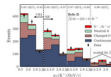
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Figure 3 in <https://journals.aps.org/prl/pdf/10.1103/PhysRevLett.127.181802>

Yields in on-resonance data and as predicted by the simultaneous fit to the on- and off-resonance data, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 63 and 9 fb⁻¹, respectively. The predicted yields are shown individually for charged and neutral B-meson decays and the five continuum background categories. The leftmost three bins belong to the first control region (CR1) with $\text{BDT}_2 \in [0.93; 0.95]$ and the other nine bins correspond to the signal region (SR), three for each range of $\text{BDT}_2 \in [0.95; 0.97; 0.99; 1.0]$. Each set of three bins is defined by $p_T(K^+) \in [0.5; 2.0; 2.4; 3.5] \text{ GeV}/c^2$.



observables

signal strength μ

phrases

FCNC $b \rightarrow s l l$ transition

electroweak penguin decay

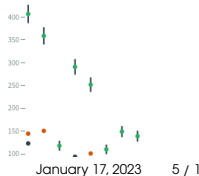
missing energy

reactions

$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$

$p_T \times \text{BDT}_2$ bins	yield		
	Observed data	Number of signal events $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$	Number of events from charged B backgrounds
$[0.5; 2.0] \times [0.93; 0.95]$	407.0 ± 20.3	9.6767794	123.073966
$[2.0; 2.4] \times [0.93; 0.95]$	359.0 ± 18.9	6.32168858	47.9504222

Visualize



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Theory

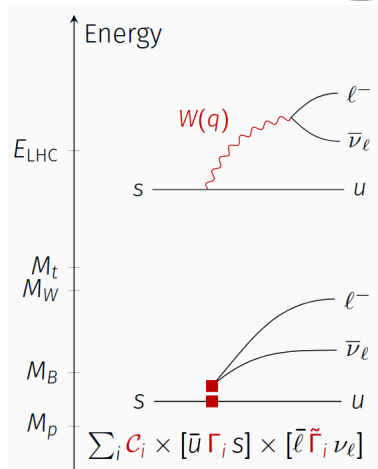
How can we parametrize our model dependence?

Effective field theory



- The SM treated as valid up to arbitrary energies
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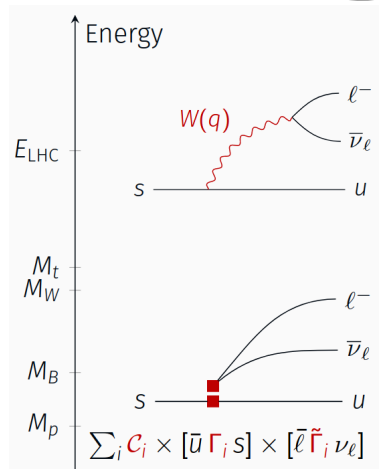
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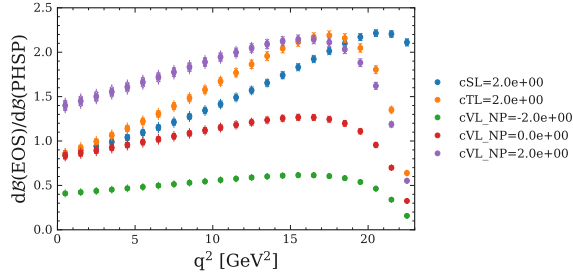
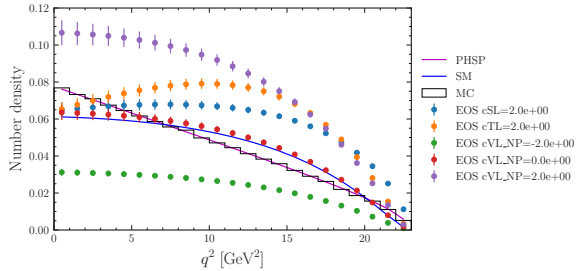
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- $\mathcal{O}_i$ are completely model independent.
- $\rightarrow$ Model independent **parametrization**, constrained only by Wilson coefficients C_i .



Theoretical models



Our weights are only dependent on the dineutrino invariant mass squared q^2 .



Reinterpretation

How do we bring it all together?

Reweightings



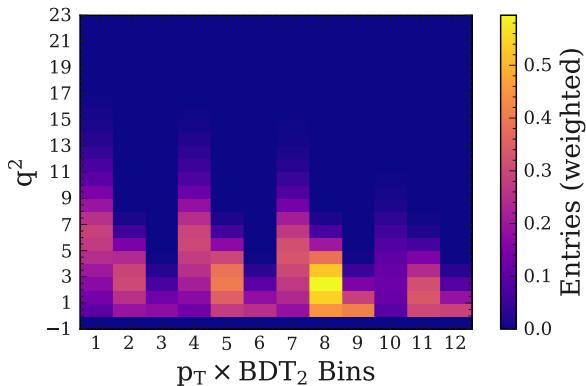
Information for reweighting needs to be supplied, in our case q^2 .

Additional dimension

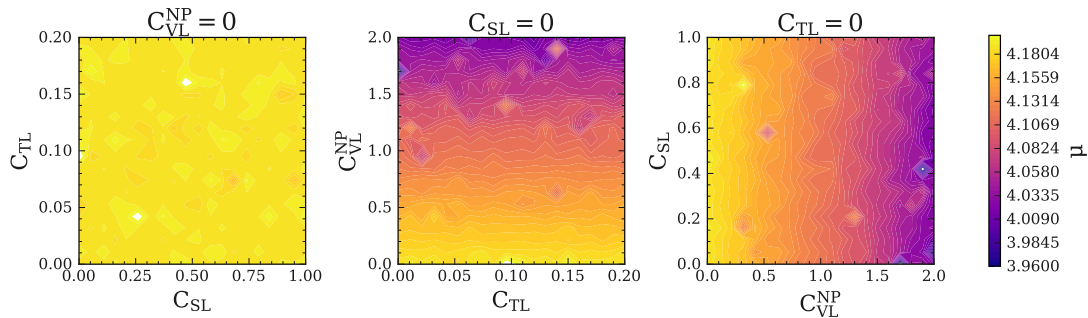
- 3d binning:

$$\underbrace{p_T \times BDT_2}_{\text{analysis binning}} \times \underbrace{q^2}_{\text{new}}$$

- Apply weights in q^2 bins and resum
- + Good accuracy with sufficient q^2 bins
- + Very versatile
- + Easily publishable



Signal strength scan



WC bounds from [JHEP12(2021)118]

Outlook

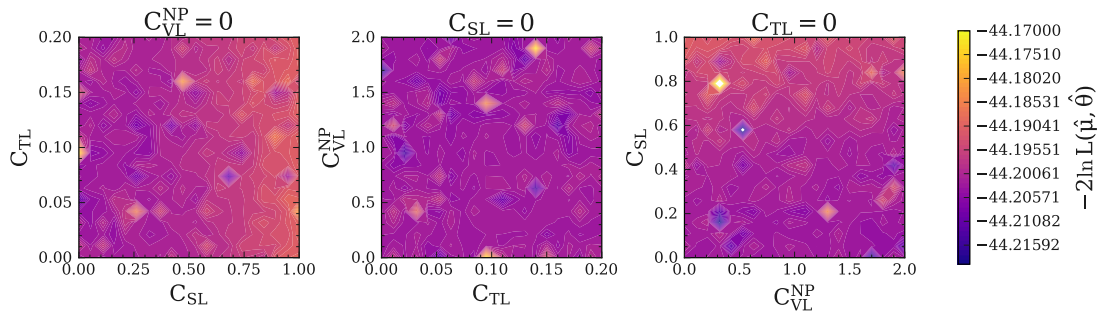


- Select theoretical models to study and analyse in detail.
 - Identify features to generalize the procedure and make it applicable to other analyses too.
 - Any ideas for improvement are welcome!
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Thank you!

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Likelihood scan





Weak Effective Theory for $B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu}$

Contribution operators

The effective Lagrangian is [arXiv:2111.04327 [hep-ph]]

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{X=L,R} C_{\nu d}^{\text{VLX}} \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{VLX}} + \left(\sum_{X=L,R} C_{\nu d}^{\text{SLX}} \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{SLX}} + C_{\nu d}^{\text{TLL}} \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{TLL}} + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

The contributing operators in and beyond the SM are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{VLL}} &= (\bar{\nu}_L \gamma_\mu \nu_L) (\bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu d_L) & \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{VLR}} &= (\bar{\nu}_L \gamma_\mu \nu_L) (\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu d_R) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{SLL}} &= (\bar{\nu}_L^c \nu_L) (\bar{d}_R d_L) & \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{SLR}} &= (\bar{\nu}_L^c \nu_L) (\bar{d}_L d_R) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\nu d}^{\text{TLL}} &= (\bar{\nu}_L^c \sigma_{\mu\nu} \nu_L) (\bar{d}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} d_L) \end{aligned}$$



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Decay width

Decay width dependence on the Wilson coefficients is given by
[arXiv:2111.04327 [hep-ph]]

$$\frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu})}{dq^2} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_{BK}} q^2}{(4\pi)^3 m_B^3} \left[\frac{\lambda_{BK}}{24 q^2} |f_+(q^2)|^2 |C^{\text{VL}} + C^{\text{VR}}|^2 \right. \\ + \frac{(m_B^2 - m_K^2)^2}{8 (m_b - m_s)^2} |f_0(q^2)|^2 |C^{\text{SL}} + C^{\text{SR}}|^2 \\ \left. + \frac{2\lambda_{BK}}{3 (m_B + m_K)^2} |f_T(q^2)|^2 |C^{\text{TL}}|^2 \right]$$

Model selection



Leptoquarks

- Coupling to leptons and quarks at tree level
- Scalar or vector particles
- Further classification according to

$$SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$$

- Contribution

$$C^{\alpha L \beta}, \alpha \in [V, S, T], \beta \in [L, R],$$

depending on the model

[PhysRevD.104.053007]

[Gauge Theory of Weak Decays, A. Buras]

Heavy/Light Z'

- Additional neutral vector boson
- Mass constraint:

$$M_{Z'} > 1.5 \text{ TeV}$$

[J. High Energy Phys. 08(2019)106]

- Possible $Z - Z'$ mixing
- Contribution:

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$$f(\mathbf{x} \mid \phi) = f(\mathbf{x} \mid \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{\text{free}}, \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{\text{constrained}}) = f(\mathbf{x} \mid \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_{\text{parameters of interest}}, \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{nuisance parameters}})$$

$$f(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{a} \mid \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) = \underbrace{\prod_{c \in \text{channels}} \prod_{b \in \text{bins}} \text{Pois}(n_{cb} \mid \nu_{cb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}))}_{\text{Simultaneous measurement of multiple channels}} \underbrace{\prod_{\chi \in \chi} c_{\chi}(a_{\chi} \mid \chi)}_{\text{constraint terms for "auxiliary measurements"}}$$

$$\nu_{cb}(\phi) = \sum_{s \in \text{samples}} \nu_{scb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) = \sum_{s \in \text{samples}} \underbrace{\left(\prod_{\kappa \in \kappa} \kappa_{scb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) \right)}_{\text{multiplicative modifiers}} \left(\nu_{scb}^0(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) + \underbrace{\sum_{\Delta \in \Delta} \Delta_{scb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi})}_{\text{additive modifiers}} \right).$$

Modifiers and constraints



Description	Modification	Constraint Term c_χ	Input
Uncorrelated Shape	$\kappa_{scb}(\gamma_b) = \gamma_b$	$\prod_b \text{Pois}(r_b = \sigma_b^{-2} \rho_b = \sigma_b^{-2} \gamma_b)$	σ_b
Correlated Shape	$\Delta_{scb}(\alpha) = f_p(\alpha \Delta_{scb, \alpha=-1}, \Delta_{scb, \alpha=1})$	$\text{Gaus}(a = 0 \alpha, \sigma = 1)$	$\Delta_{scb, \alpha=\pm 1}$
Normalisation Unc.	$\kappa_{scb}(\alpha) = g_p(\alpha \kappa_{scb, \alpha=-1}, \kappa_{scb, \alpha=1})$	$\text{Gaus}(a = 0 \alpha, \sigma = 1)$	$\kappa_{scb, \alpha=\pm 1}$
MC Stat. Uncertainty	$\kappa_{scb}(\gamma_b) = \gamma_b$	$\prod_b \text{Gaus}(a_{\gamma_b} = 1 \gamma_b, \delta_b)$	$\delta_b^2 = \sum_s \delta_{sb}^2$
Luminosity	$\kappa_{scb}(\lambda) = \lambda$	$\text{Gaus}(l = \lambda_0 \lambda, \sigma_\lambda)$	$\lambda_0, \sigma_\lambda$
Normalisation	$\kappa_{scb}(\mu_b) = \mu_b$		
Data-driven Shape	$\kappa_{scb}(\gamma_b) = \gamma_b$		

Fitting



Channel	Definition	Samples	Errors
Signal Region	2D : Kaon $p_T \in [0.5, 2.0, 2.4, 3.5]$ $\text{BDT}_2 \in [0.95, 0.97, 0.99, 1.0]$	signal + all bkgs	statistical + systematics
Control Region 1	2D : Kaon $p_T \in [0.5, 2.0, 2.4, 3.5]$ $\text{BDT}_2 \in [0.93, 0.95]$	signal + all bkgs	statistical systematics
Control Region 2	2D : Kaon $p_T \in [0.5, 2.0, 2.4, 3.5]$ $\text{BDT}_2 \in [0.95, 0.97, 0.99, 1.0]$	off-resonance (continuum bkgs)	statistical + systematics
Control Region 3	2D: Kaon $p_T \in [0.5, 2.0, 2.4, 3.5]$ $\text{BDT}_2 \in [0.93, 0.95]$	off-resonance (continuum bkgs)	statistical + systematics