Overview of the Belle II experiment

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SuperKEKB/Belle II experiment



Belle II collaboration: ~1100 researchers, 126 institutions, 26 nations

SuperKEKB performance

The world smallest vertical β function (β_y^*) and beam size (σ_y^*) at the interaction point with the "nano-beam scheme".

$$L = \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2er_{\rm e}} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*}\right) \frac{I_{\pm}\xi_{y\pm}}{\beta_{y\pm}^*} \frac{R_L}{R_{\xi_y}}$$



Keep updating the world record of the peak luminosity.

Belle II detector

A general purpose hermetic spectrometer upgraded from Belle for

- ✓ tolerant of considerably higher beam background and higher event rate
- ✓ better performance

EM Calorimeter: CsI(TI), waveform sampling (barrel) Pure CsI + waveform sampling (end-caps)

Beryllium beam pipe 2cm diameter

Vertex Detector 2 layers DEPFET + 4 layers DSSD

> Central Drift Chamber He(50%):C₂H₆(50%), Small cells, long lever arm, fast electronics

KL and muon detector: Resistive Plate Counter (barrel) Scintillator + WLSF + MPPC (end-caps)

Superconducting solenoid (1.5 T)

Particle Identification Time-of-Propagation counter (barrel) Prox. focusing Aerogel RICH (fwd)



Belle II features

- ✓ e^+e^- collision at (or around) $\Upsilon(4S)$
 - Well-known initial state kinematics
 - $B\overline{B}$ production from $\Upsilon(4S)$ without extra energy
 - No event pile-up
- ✓ Hermetic Belle II detector capable of detecting charged particles and reconstructing neutrals (γ , π^0 , K_L^0 , etc) with high efficiencies.
- \succ Tagging one of the B's to infer the other B flavor and momentum.
 - Powerful S/N separation





Beam background

- Collision events (radiative Bhabha, two-photon) $\propto \mathcal{L}$
- HER/LER Touschek scattering $\propto I^2/(\sigma n_b E^3)$
- HER/LER beam-gas scattering $\propto I \cdot (P_{\text{dynamic}} + P_{\text{base}}) \propto \sim I^2$
- HER/LER synchrotron radiation $\propto IE^4/\rho^2$
- HER/LER beam injection

(Present major beam backgrounds are written in red.)



The beam backgrounds have been reduced mainly by vacuum scrubbing with the beam, adding beam collimators, and relocation of a collimator. They are basically under control by fine tuning of the collimators without diminishing the accelerator performance.

However, damage of the collimator heads by sudden beam loss of unknown cause increased the storage-beam and injection background significantly.

Operation / Integrated luminosity



Physics results

- H. Svidras, "Electroweak and radiative penguin decay at Belle and Belle II"
- P. Lewis, "Semileptonic Decays at Belle and Belle II"
- F. Pham, "Recent Belle and Belle II Results on Hadronic B decay"
- L. Polat, "Dark Sector and Tau Physics at Belle and Belle II"



Major upgrade in Long Shutdown 1

Belle II detector upgrade

- Exchange of PXD (pixel detector) with the full 2nd layer
- TOP conventional MCP-PMT replacement (TBD)

Beam background mitigation

- Additional shield on the QCS^(*) bellows
- Additional shield for neutron background
- Installation of a non-linear collimator

Protection of machine and Belle II

- Collimator heads of more robust material
- Faster beam abort system

Improvement of beam injection

- Enlarged beam pipe at the HER injection
- Pulse-by-pulse beam control for Linac

Beam channel for injection

fwd

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Prospects

Will finish Long Shutdown 1 to be back in operation from October 2023. Squeeze β_y^* down to 0.5-0.6 mm and increase the beam current. Accelerator upgrade in Long Shutdown 2 to achieve $\beta_y^* = 0.3$ mm

Summary

SuperKEKB/Belle II: Precision measurement of *B*, *D*, τ decays for indirect New Physics search in wide flavor physics

High luminosity super B-factory machine

- World record of peak luminosity with the nano-beams: 4.7 x 10^{34} cm⁻²s⁻¹
- Goal: 50 ab⁻¹
- Hermetic state-of-the-art Belle II detector
 - Tolerant of considerably higher beam background and higher event rate
 - Improved performance
- Recorded 424 fb⁻¹ (≈ BaBar) and produced competitive physics results
 - Catching up the precedent B-factory experiments and LHCb
 - Unique results on dark sector search and quarkonium physics
- Continue to pursue higher luminosity of SuperKEKB
 - Expect several improvements in Long Shutdown 1
 - Back in operation from October 2023