Digging into hadronic B decays

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Motivation for studying B-tagging

 $B \rightarrow K \tau$ I/ τ searches rely on the purity of B-tagging

 $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau l$ has 1 - 2 neutrinos in the final state $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau \tau$ has 2 - 4 neutrinos in the final state

 \Rightarrow Huge background

 \Rightarrow Requires high purity in the tag-side

For hadronic B_{toa} : ϵ_{toa} (<1%) is a limiting factor.

Many interesting B-physics studies involve missing energy: $D^{(*)}$ τν, $K^{(*)}$ τl, $K^{(*)}$ ττ, $K^{(*)}$ νν, πlν, τl, τν, μν... which require B-tagging.

Irrespective of tagging strategy, optimal MC modeling is essential for good performance of ML techniques (NN/BDT).

Partial reconstruction for more statistics!

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~16k events in a 30 window around each peak in data. Roughly 1/3 statistics of X lv sample, but much smaller systematic. E2-NOTE-PH-2021-029, Belle note bn1615]

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Semi-Leptonic gap

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 $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to X_c^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell) \approx 10.79\,\%$

[Raynette van Tonder]

Semi-Leptonic gap: Filled with η?

 $B(B^+)$ $B(B^0)$ Decay $(2.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $(2.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to D \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(5.5 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $(5.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to D^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(6.6 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$ $(6.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D_1 \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D_2^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(2.9 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$ $(2.7 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$ $(4.2 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$ $(3.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D_0^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D'_1 \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(4.2 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $(3.9 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D\pi\pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(0.6 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $(0.6 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D^* \pi \pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(2.2 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(2.0 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D\eta \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D^* \eta \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(10.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2}$ $(10.1 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to X_c \ell \nu_\ell$

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Model 2: Decay via intermediate broad D^{**} state

The current workaround to explain the SL gap is to fill it with D^(*)ηlν, either as a non-resonant state or through (D^(*)η) resonance. But never seen.⁷

Source of n: D**?

TABLE XIX: Decay channels of D^{**}

Model 2: Decay via intermediate broad D^{**} state

The decays of D^{**} are not well measured, and the Belle II model does not consider n.

 D^{**} decays and B \rightarrow D^{**} X decays needs further studies.

Source of n: D(2S)?

In 2010, BaBar observed even higher D resonances, consistent with L=2.

 $[1009.2076]$

These D(2S) resonances have higher mass, and are potential candidates for sources of n filling the SL gap.

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 $B \rightarrow D^* \pi$ is 1/10 of $B \rightarrow D^* l v$.

 \Rightarrow A limit of BF(B \rightarrow D^{*}n π) < 4 x 10⁻⁴ is enough to invalidate n as a candidate for SL gap.

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Hadronic D(*)ηπ vs D(*)ηρ

In the alternative way of producing η through W, the ηπ contribution is suppressed. G-parity violation \Rightarrow Second class current. (also seen in τ decays)

But ηρ is still possible.

So, studying both D^(*)ηπ vs D^(*)ηρ simultaneously can also shed light on the source of η.

Exclusive reconstruction

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Popular when there are neutrinos which connot be reconstructed, like in $B \rightarrow K \tau l$

Instead of reconstructing the D exclusively, one could reconstruct the other B in the event fully. And look for the D in the recoil moss.

In CM frame of $Y(4S)$:

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\vec{p}_{B_{sig}} = -\vec{p}_{B_{tag}}
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\vec{p_X} = \vec{p}_{B_{sig}} - \vec{p}_{\pi^+}
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E_X = E_{beam} - E_{\pi^+}
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M_X = \sqrt{E_X^2 - \vec{p}_X^2}
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for D^{*0} : $(BR_{\overline{D}^*0 \to \overline{D}0 \pi 0} \times \epsilon_{\pi 0} \times BR_{\overline{D}0 \to K \pi} \times \epsilon_K \times \epsilon_{\pi}) \times \epsilon_{X}$

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> Both procedure look at different events:

Events with $B \to D^{(*)} \times$ where the other $B \to H$ ad B-tag

Events with $B \to DX$ where $D \to K\pi$

Example: DKK partial reconstruction

Baryonic decays with recoil?

 $B \to D^{(*)}p\overline{p}\pi$ \rightarrow D^(*)pp $\overline{\text{p}}$ ππ $B \rightarrow \Lambda_{\alpha}$ p π $\rightarrow \Lambda_c$ p $\pi \pi$ ^o $\rightarrow \Lambda_c$ p $\pi \pi \pi$

are the baryonic decays of B with the largest branching fractions (some based on 20 year old CLEO measurements).

Clean enough to study using recoil method i.e., without reconstructing $D^{(*)}$ and Λ_{\sim} .

D^{**} is more difficult

The D and D* peaks are narrow and at the low-background region, but D^{**} is more difficult to study here.

Hadronic FEI

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We can first zoom into the D** region.

D^{**} in recoil

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And focus on the "narrow" D^{**} s: D_1 and D_2

D^{**} in recoil

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Double-recoil with D sample**

In these events, we can do a "double-recoil" by adding another $π⁺$

 D_1 can only decay to $D^{\ast-}$ π * , but $\mathsf{D}_2^{\!\!\!}$ can decay to both $\mathsf{D}^{\!\scriptscriptstyle\tagger}$ π $^{\!\scriptscriptstyle\tagger}$ and $\mathsf{D}^{\!\scriptscriptstyle\times\!}-$ π $^{\!\scriptscriptstyle\tagger}$

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Double-recoil with D sample** As expected, in the region of D_1 , we see mostly D^{\ast} : $\mathbf{B}_{\mathsf{tag}}$ **B** $_{\mathsf{sig}}$ **D̅**0 π+** Only 1/10th of data; not optimized, just a demonstration.

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D̅0**

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Summary We don't need to reconstruct the D^(*) or Λ_c exclusively.

- There are many problems other than anomalies.
- Studying $B \to D^{(*)} \eta \pi$ and $B \to D^{(*)} \eta \rho$ along with possible intermediate resonances like D** or D(2S) will be a crucial input for
- understanding SL-gap and V_{cb} .
Studying the decays of D^{**} and D(2S) is also essential (charm physics)
- Demonstrated the performance of reconstruction $B \to D^{(*)}\pi$ with recoil-mass method.
- Many more exciting possibilities with recoil:

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\circ \quad B \to D^{(*)} \pi \pi^0 \; (\rho), \; B \to D^{(*)} \pi \pi \pi \; (\alpha_1),
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 \circ B → D^(*) ηπ, B → D^(*) ηρ, B → D^(*) ωπ,

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\circ \quad B \to D^{(*)}KK_S, B \to D^{(*)}KK^*
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 \circ B → D^(*)ppπ, B → D^(*)ppππ

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\circ \quad B \to \Lambda_c p \pi, \, B \to \Lambda_c p \pi \pi^0, \, B \to \Lambda_c p \pi \pi \pi
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Backup

Calibration factors per mode

with PDG uncertainties

Systematics on calibration factors?

Case study: $B^* \rightarrow \overline{D}^0 \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$

Improving calibration factors is not our primary target, instead improving the invariant masses (of intermediate particles), which are used as training variables in FEI will impact efficiency and purity

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By restudying the CLEO and LHCb measurements for this mode, we realized that the NR and ρ components should be almost 0 and should be dominated by a₁⁺

$Model for B \rightarrow D^{(*, **)} \text{ nT mT}^{\circ}$ decays

2 primary rules:

- D^0 X: D^{*0} X : D^{**0} X \sim = 1 : 1 : 1 (based on observation from D π : D^* π : D^{**} π and D ρ : D^* ρ)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ π : Y ρ : Y $\frac{1}{2}$ \sim = 1: 2.5 : 2.5 (based on predictions and confirmed with $\tau \rightarrow$ h v decays)

Additional information:

- $\,$ 3π π^0 is hard to model without some sort of ρ' resonance
	- For **ωπ** we fix ÿrom measurements.
	- For **ρππ** and **ηπ**, we let PYTHIA generate it.
- Decays of D^{**} particles is synchronized with Belle II
- The fraction of 4 different D^{**} is fixed based on observations.

Happens through 2 channels, one with spectator quarks (call Y) and one from the W (call X).

> **We want to [modiÿy](https://stash.desy.de/users/vsagar/repos/dec_update/compare/diff?targetBranch=refs%2Ftags%2Fofficial&sourceBranch=refs%2Fheads%2Fmaster) the DECAY table to latest PDG/paper interpretations and this model to see the impact.**

Essentially validation, we do not want to fine-tune (except set 0 there is no signal*).

***See backup**

Validation by embedding signal MC

To quickly study the impact of the modified DECAY.DEC file, generated Signal MC of $B \to D^{(*)}\pi$ (other B decays updated) and replaced corresponding events in the generic Charged MC:

Updated calibration ÿactors

per mode

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Retraining FEI: Validation

Nothing changes in the FEI modes where we did not change anything.

There is a significant background reduction in FEI modes where MC model is improved.

Our training has some issues while reconstructing modes with π ⁰, under investigation... (see backup) 14

Retraining FEI: Effective cuts

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Retraining FEI: Data-MC agreement

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After reconstructing all MC and data with the training based on new DEC, the Data - MC agreement improves too! (even at higher M_{recoil}!)

$B^* \rightarrow D\pi$ selection procedure

We start by reconstructing a FEI-Hadronic B with cuts:

- $M_{bc} > 5.27 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
• $|\Delta E| < 0.05 \text{ GeV}$
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- \bullet FEI Signal Probability > 0.01

Select α π with:

- $|d0| < 1$ and $|z0| < 3$
- $L_{K/\pi}$ < 0.9 and µ-id < 0.9 and e-id < 0.9

Simple continuum suppression:

- Event sphericity > 0.2
- B_{to} 's cosTBTO < 0.9

After all this, if there are multiple candidates, we select the one with highest FEI signal probability and highest π momentum in CMS

These cuts could be further optimized, but seem good enough for preliminary studies.

The code is present [here]

Relative PDG uncertainties

Changes in DEC not based on measurements: 1/2

 $B^* \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^{*} \pi^{*} \pi^{0}$

 $B^* \rightarrow \overline{D}^{(*)0} \eta \pi^*$

ARGUS measured it to be $(1.5 \pm 0.7)\%$ But we see that the contribution coming from D^{**} is enough

No measurement, but overestimated by PYTHIA.

Changes in DEC not based on measurements: 2/2

 $B^+ \rightarrow \overline{D}^{(*)} \rho^+ \rho^0$

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Regenerating run-independent* samples *still exp-dependent BG

Run-Independent sample of 10% seems good enough for comparison?

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With new DEC file:

