



Search of lepton flavor violation $B \rightarrow K \ell \ell'$ at Belle



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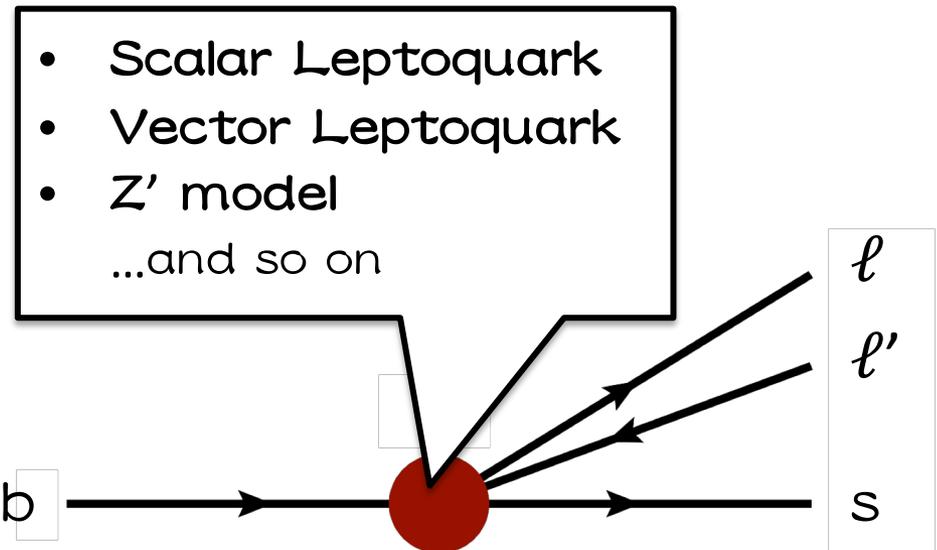
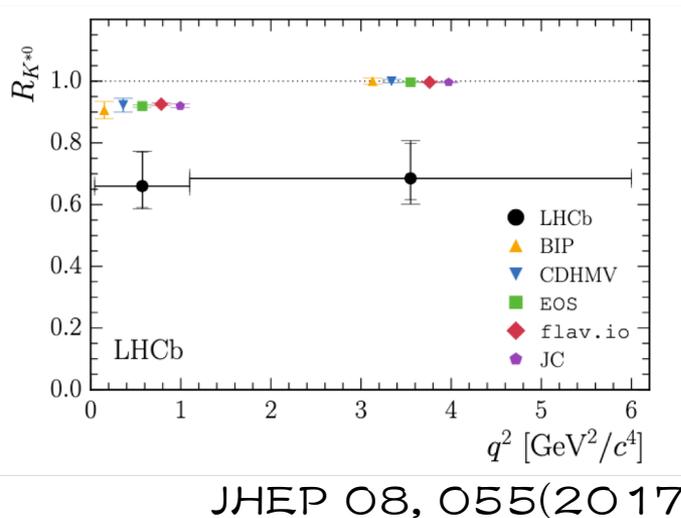
Motivation

- Lepton-flavor violating (LFV) decay is strongly forbidden in SM.
- However, it is not necessarily protected if lepton-flavor universality (LFU) is violating.



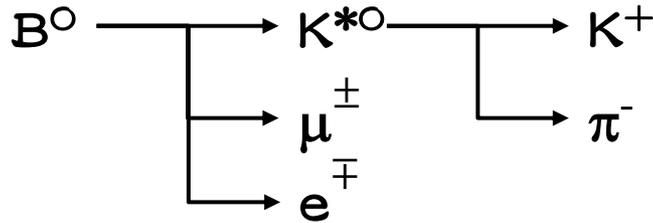
Many NP allows it to explain $b \rightarrow s$ anomalies

No longer clearly forbidden!



$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu e$ at Belle

Signal



BG

- Both BB pair SL decay
- $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} X l^+ \nu$ followed by $D^{(*)} \rightarrow X l \nu$
- Hadronic decay with miss-ID

➤ [PRD98,071101\(R\)\(2018\)](#)

➤ Using Belle full dataset (772M BB pairs)

➤ **Neural network cut** is applied qq and BB separately.

➤ **Veto**s are applied to suppress K/ π miss-ID BG.

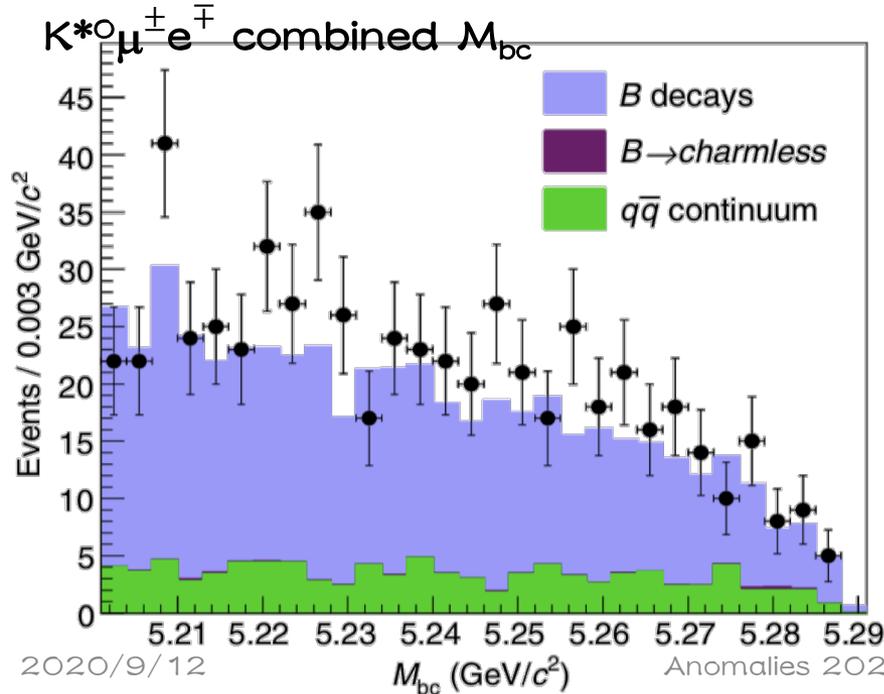
- Invariant masses of $l^+ l^-$, $K^+ e^-$, and $\pi^- \mu^+$.

➤ Control sample : $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi$.

➤ BR upper limits (90% C.L.) :

- $BR(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ e^-) < 1.2 \times 10^{-7}$
- $BR(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^- e^+) < 1.6 \times 10^{-7}$
- $BR(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^\pm e^\mp) < 1.8 \times 10^{-7}$

The stringent constraints were set

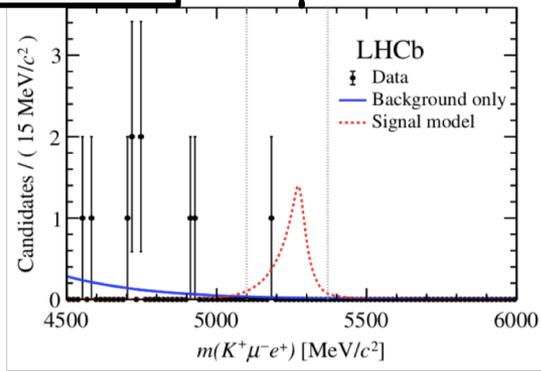


$B \rightarrow K \mu e$ at LHCb/Belle

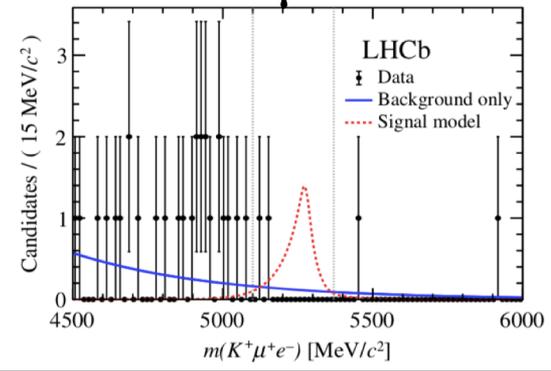
[PRL123,241802\(2019\)](#) (LHCb)
[arXiv:1908.01848v1](#) (Belle)

LHCb

$K^+ \mu^- e^+$



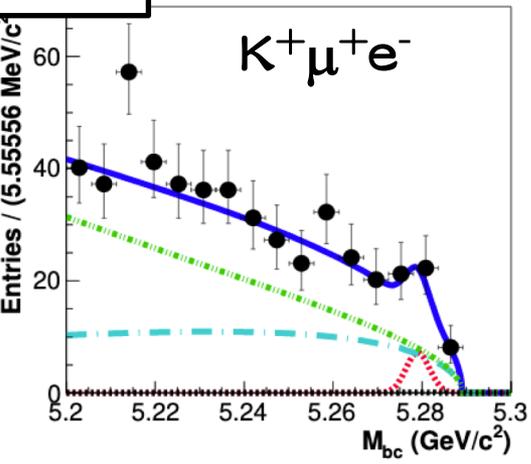
$K^+ \mu^+ e^-$



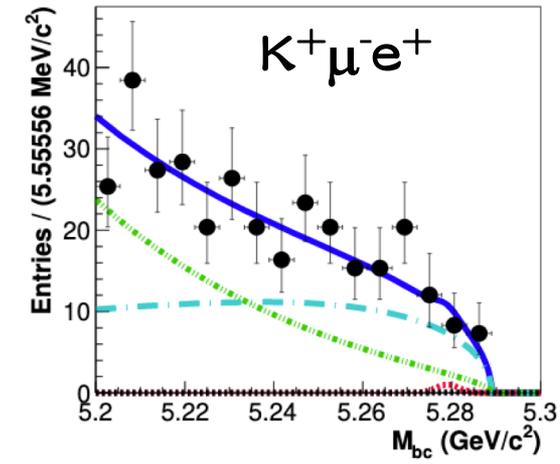
Mode	BR U.L. (90% CL)
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^- e^+$	$< 7.0 \times 10^{-9}$ (LHCb) $< 3.0 \times 10^{-8}$ (Belle)
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ e^-$	$< 6.4 \times 10^{-9}$ (LHCb) $< 8.5 \times 10^{-8}$ (Belle)
$B^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 \mu^\pm e^\mp$	$< 1.8 \times 10^{-7}$ (Belle)

Belle

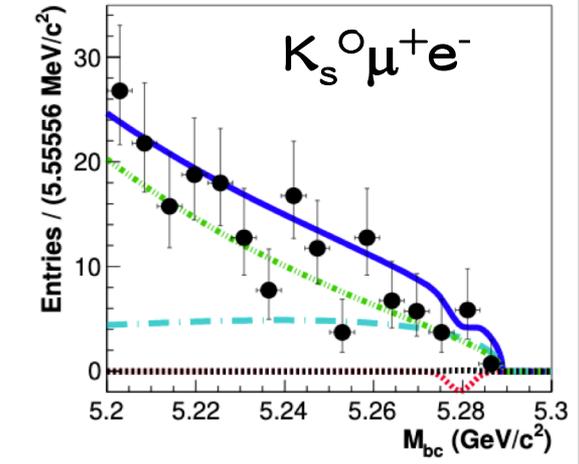
$K^+ \mu^+ e^-$



$K^+ \mu^- e^+$



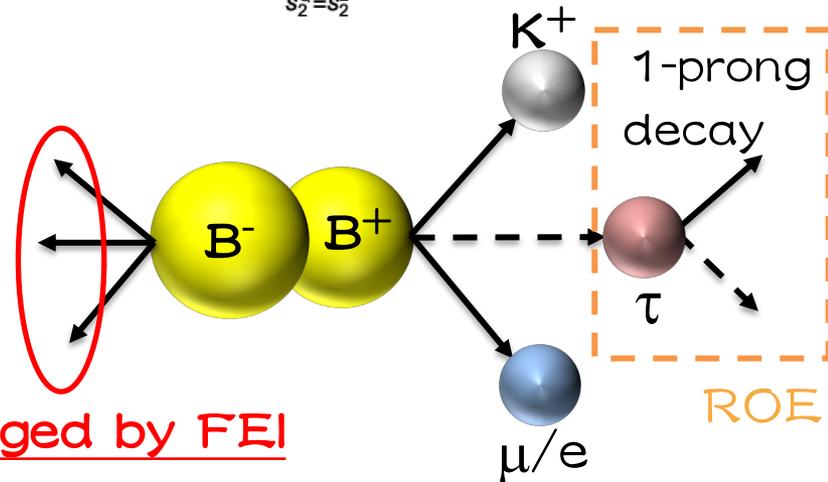
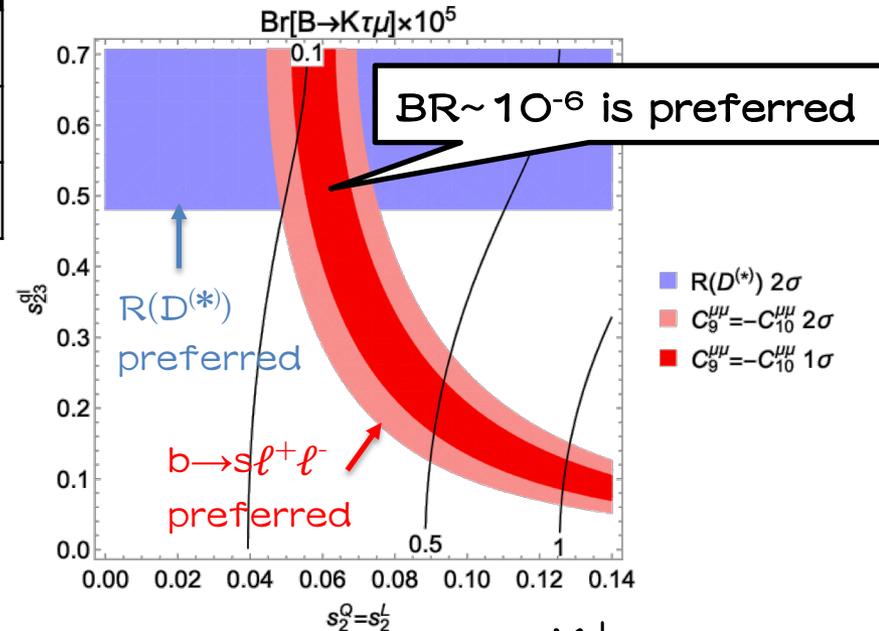
$K_s^0 \mu^+ e^-$



Study of $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau \mu$ / $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau e$

Mode	Upper limit of BR
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau \mu$	$< 4.8 \times 10^{-5}$ (BaBar)
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau e$	$< 3.0 \times 10^{-5}$ (BaBar)
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau^+ \mu^-$	$< 3.9 \times 10^{-5}$ (LHCb)

L. Calibbi ([arXiv:1709.00692](https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.00692))



- The anomalies of $R(K^{(*)})$ indicates the NP effect appears more in μ than e .
→ NP search with τ (3rd) is very important
- $BR \sim O(10^{-6})$ is the target.
- The analysis is more challenging because of missing particle from τ decay.
 - The most standard way is tagging method (FEI = tagging package for Belle II).
 - Observable : τ invariant mass as a recoil information.

Background

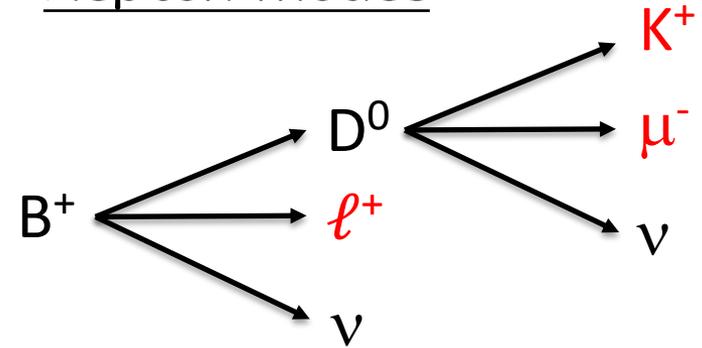
$\tau \rightarrow \mu$	#	Ratio
D0 mu nu	101	36.1%
D*0 mu nu	71	25.4%
J/ψ K π ⁰ π ⁰	23	8.2%
Mixed origin	16	5.7%
ψ(2S) K ^{*+}	10	3.6%

$\tau \rightarrow e$	#	Ratio
D0 e nu	203	36.2%
D*0 e nu	156	27.9%
Mixed origin	65	11.6%
D0 e nu gam	24	4.3%
D*0 e nu gam	15	2.7%

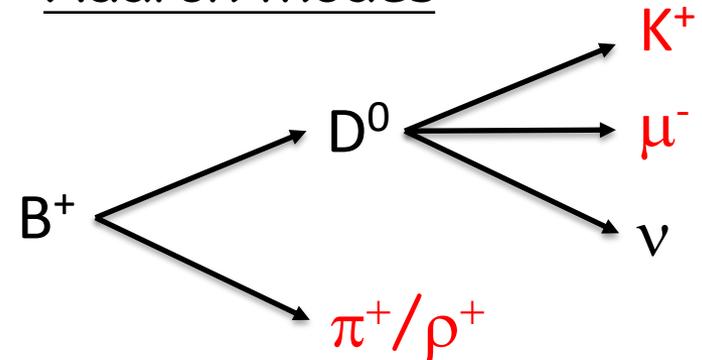
$\tau \rightarrow \pi$	#	Ratio
Mixed origin	128	13.5%
D*0 rho	89	9.4%
D*0 pi	88	9.3%
rho D0	84	8.8%
D0 pi	67	7.1%

$\tau \rightarrow \rho$	#	Ratio
rho D0	121	15.2%
D*0 rho	120	15.1%
Mixed origin	112	14.1%
D*0 a_1	52	6.6%
a_1 D0	21	2.6%

Lepton modes



Hadron modes



* The number of events are scaled to 1 stream.

➤ The main BG is $D^0 \ell \nu$ and $D^0 h$.

➤ A dedicated MVA (FBDT) will be trained for BB sup.

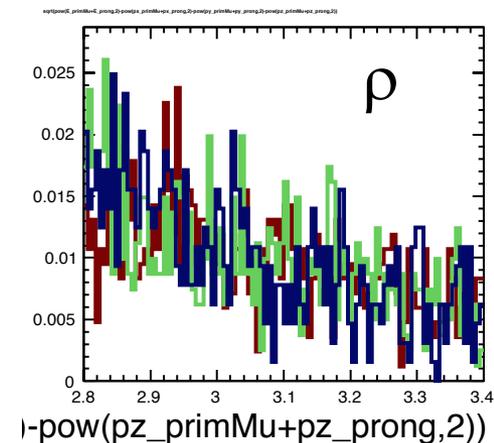
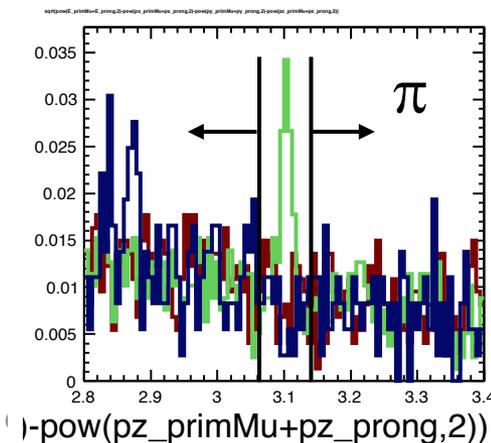
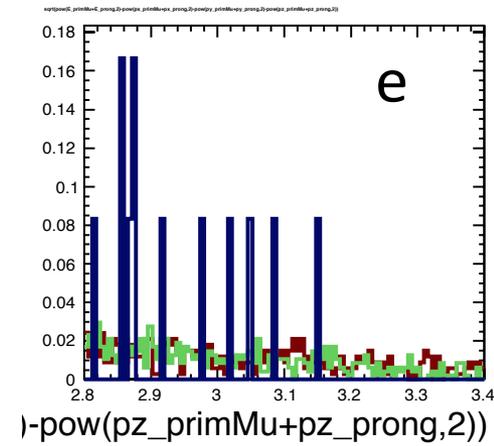
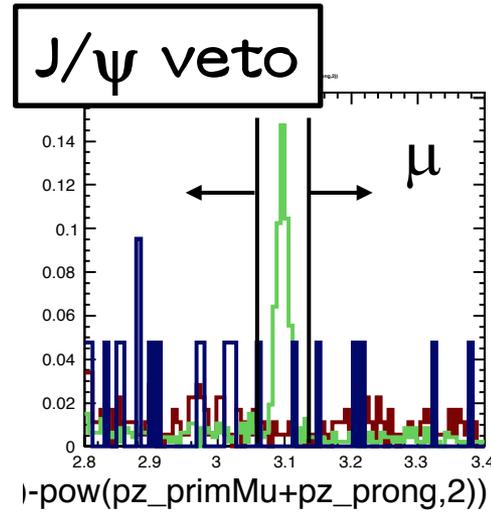
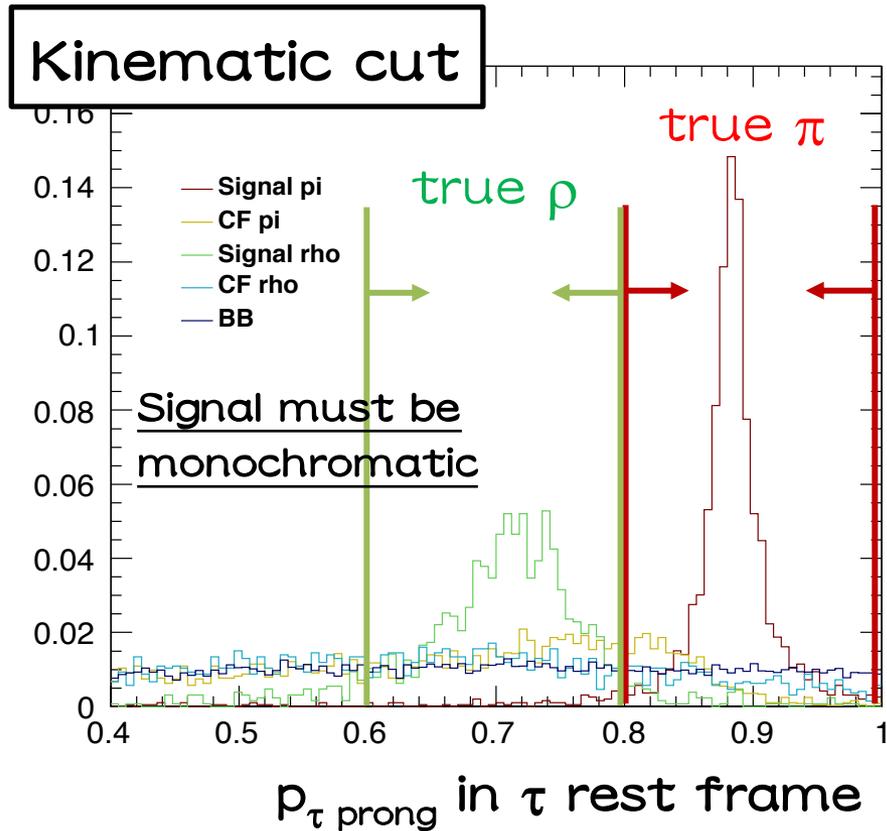
Hadron kinematic cut & J/ψ veto

➤ Kinematic cut

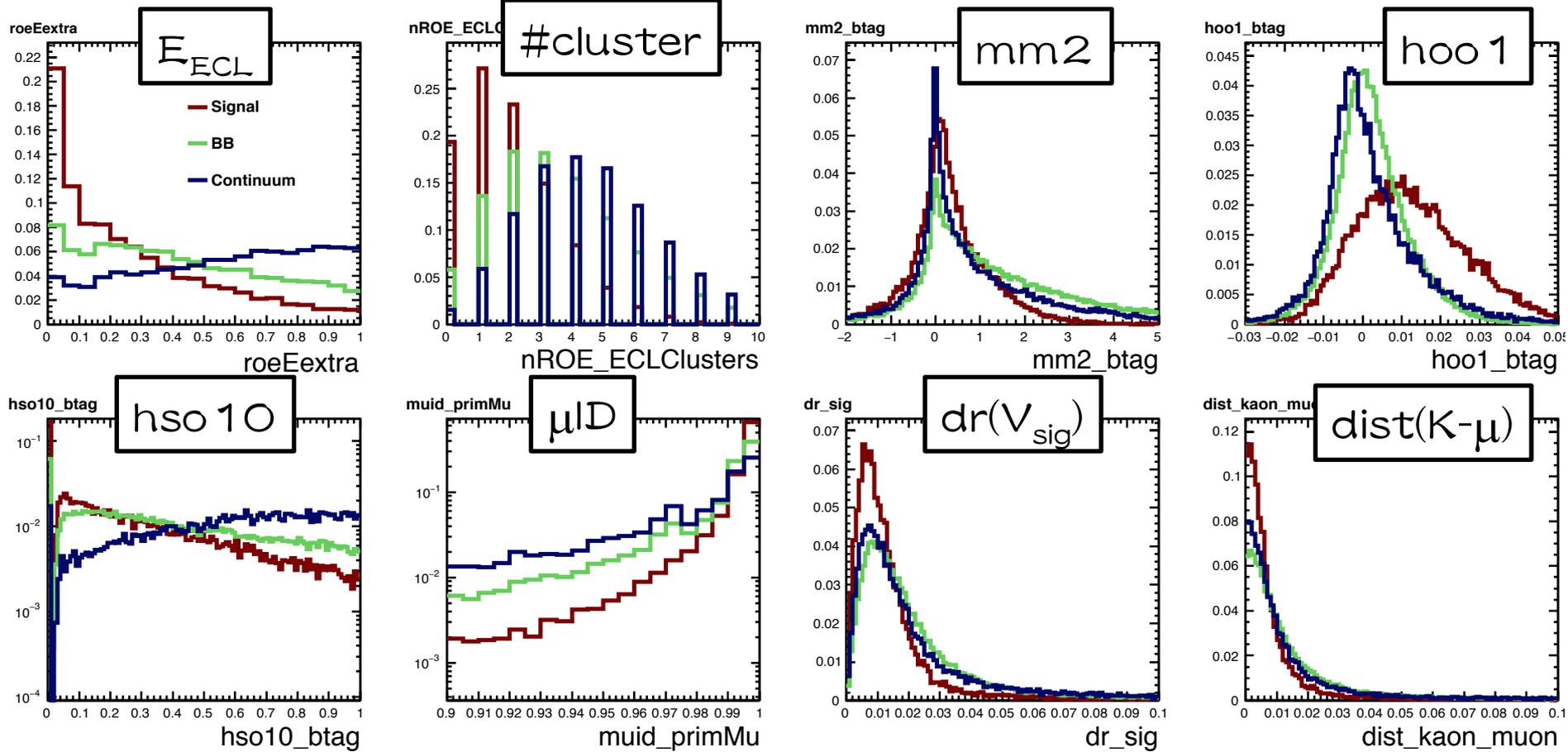
- τ prong momentum at τ rest frame for hadronic modes ($\tau \rightarrow \pi/\rho$ modes).

➤ J/ψ veto

- Invariant mass of primary μ and τ prong for J/ψ veto.



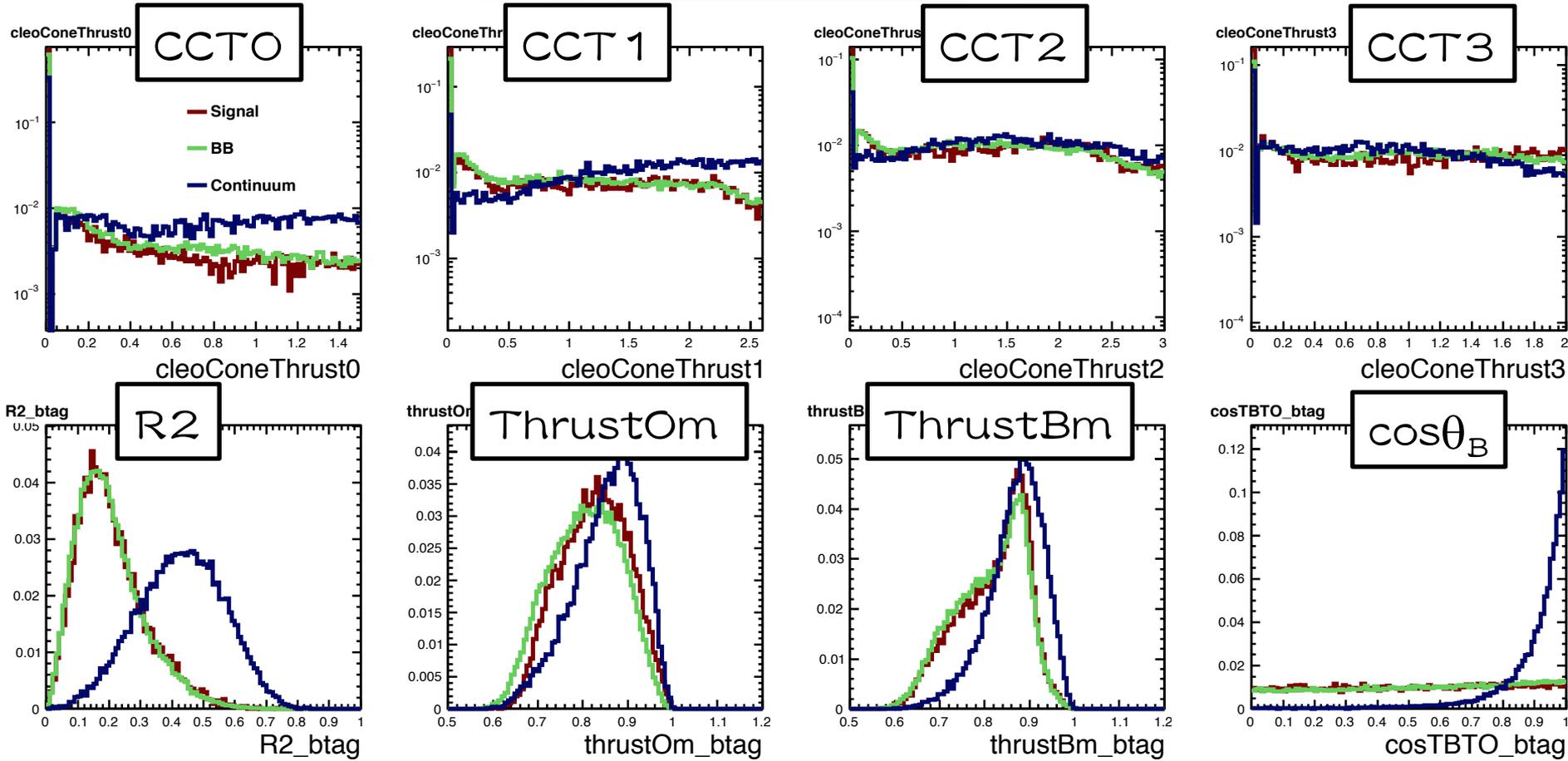
BB suppression



...and so on

- E_{ECL} , number of ECL clusters.
- KSFW (modified Fox-Wolfram moments) input parameters.
- μID of primary muon.
- Distance b/w primary kaon and muon.
- etc.

qq suppression

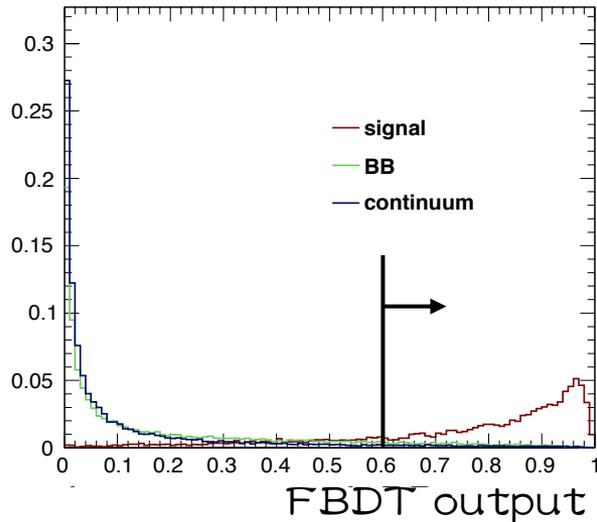


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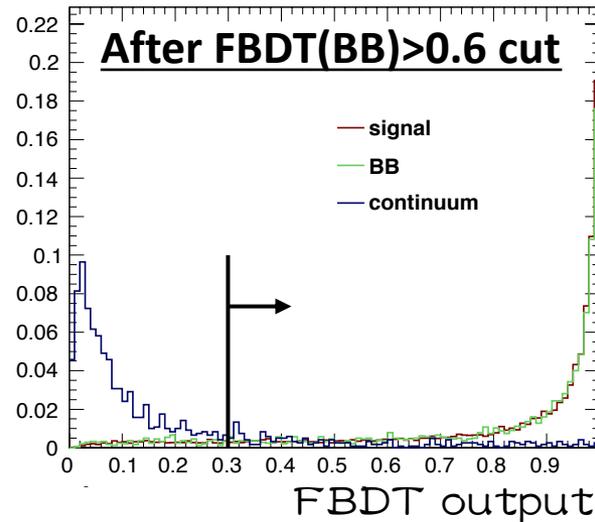
- CleoConeThrust (modified thrust information)
- R2
- $\cos\theta$
- etc.

Output

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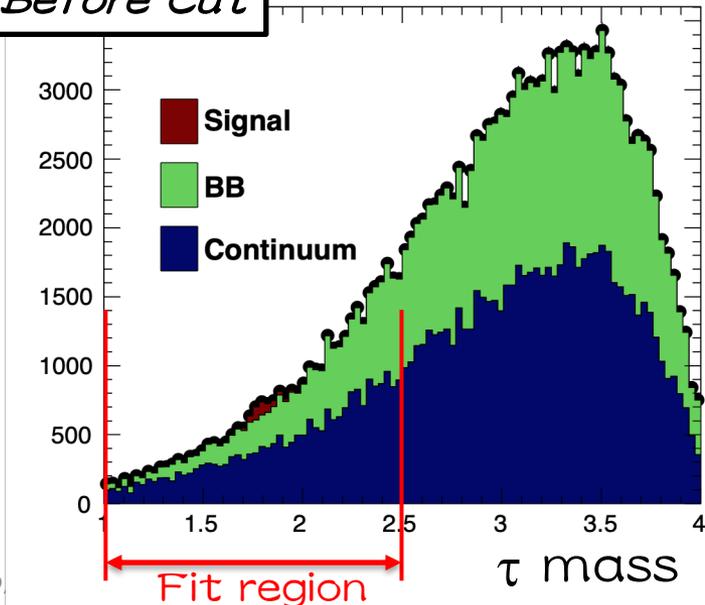


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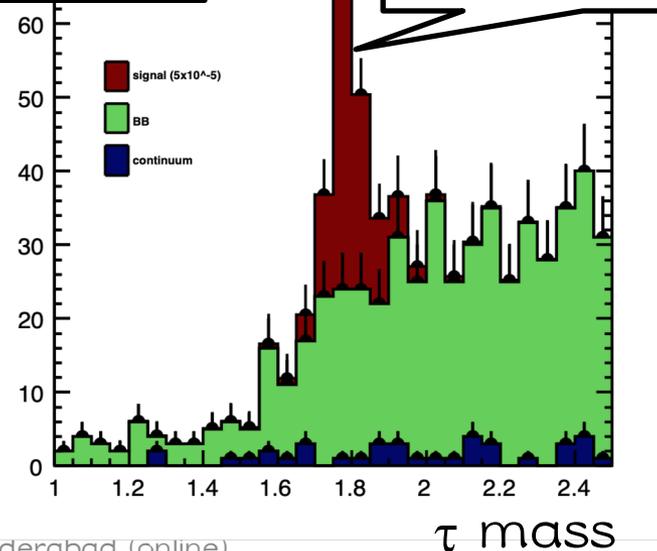


- After BB suppression, qq still remains a bit.
- Another FBDT dedicated for qq suppression is applied to kill all of qq background.

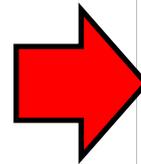
Before Cut



After Cut

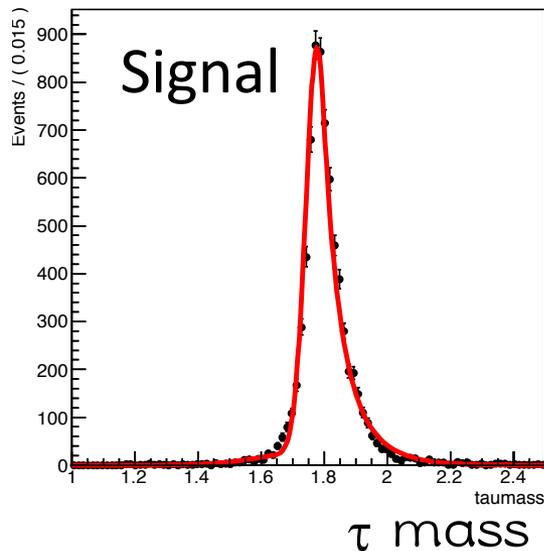


Signal $BR=5 \times 10^{-5}$ is assumed.

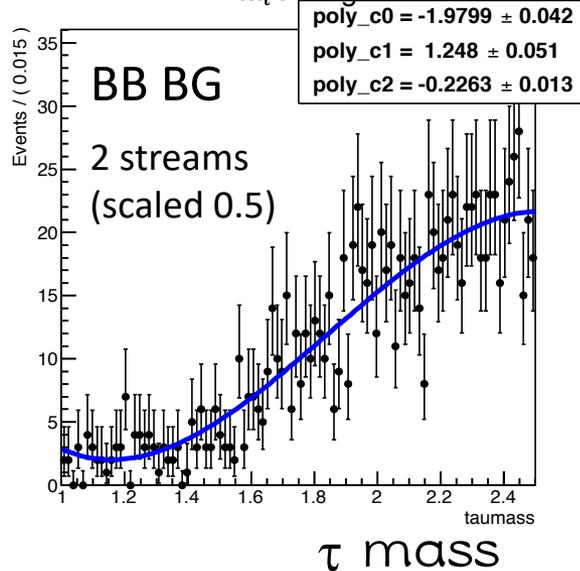


Fitting

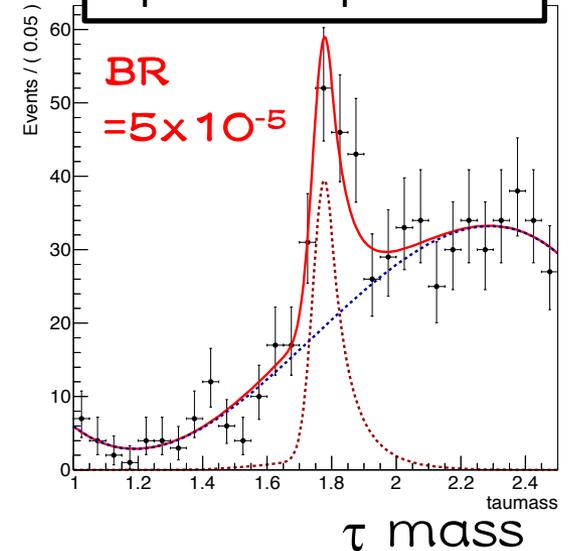
M_τ Fitting



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1 pseudo experiment



Fitting condition

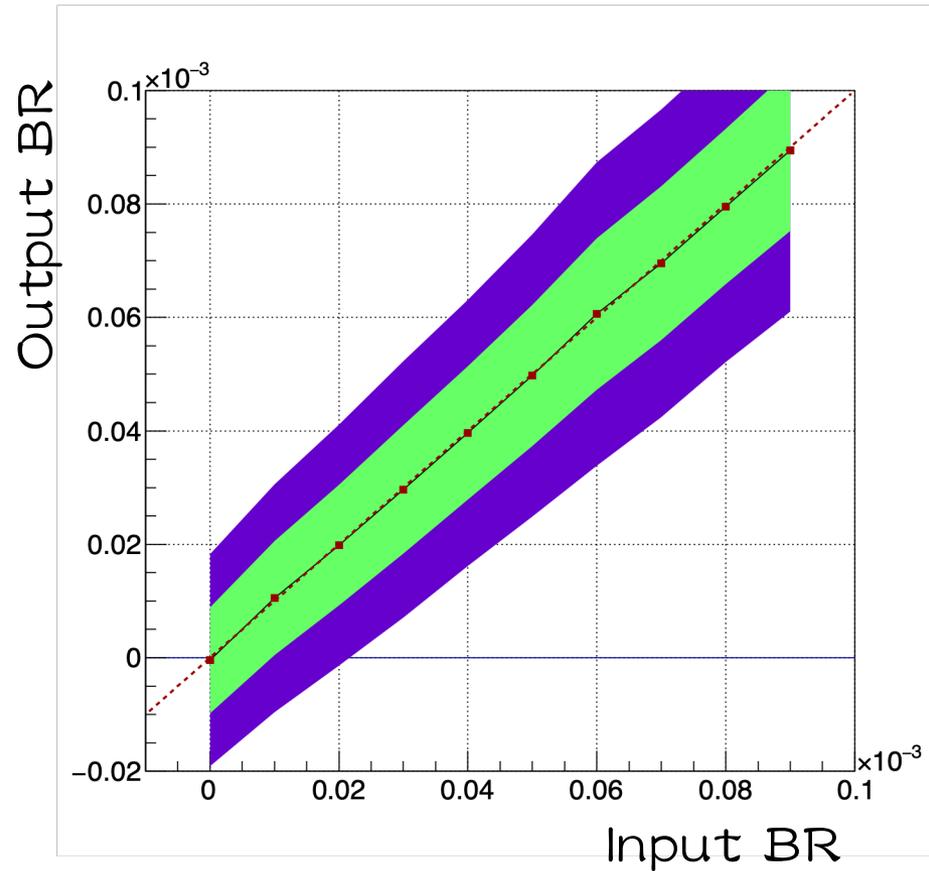
- Signal : CBS+Gaussian
- BG : 3rd order Chebyshev polynomial
- Signal shapes will be fixed by MC.
- BG shapes (c0, c1, and c2) are all floated.

Sensitivity study

- Toy-MC studies are repeated for several BR assumptions.

Sensitivity estimation

- A good linearity can be seen between input/output BR.
 - No bias
 - Pull distributions are also OK
- According to O-signal case, **$BR < 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$** (95% C.L.) is possible.
 - Only statistical uncertainty is taken into account.
- Possibly will be improved.
 - Cut optimization, simultaneous fit for each τ channels, other tagging techniques, ...
 - $O(10^{-6})$ level will be achieved at Belle II.



Summary and plan

- Recent anomalies related with $R(K^*)$ indicates lepton flavor universality violation (LFUV).
- Many NP models allows LFV if LFUV exists.
 - $B \rightarrow K l l'$ is possible LFV mode
 - $BR(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu e)$ upper limits were set by Belle and LHCb (10^{-9} for K^+ mode, 10^{-7} for K_s mode, 90% C.L.).
- $BR(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau \mu(e))$ is interesting if NP contributes 3rd generation more.
 - The analysis is more challenging because of ν .
 - $O(10^{-6})$ is preferred by leptoquark scenario.
- $BR(B \rightarrow K^+ \tau^+ \mu^-) < 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ (stat. only, 95% C.L.) is estimated according to MC simulation for Belle.
- Other channels ($B \rightarrow K^+ \tau^- \mu^+$, $B \rightarrow K^+ \tau e$) are being studied as well.



BACKUP

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$K\tau\mu$ at LHCb

- $B_{s2}^{*0} \rightarrow B^+ K^-$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^- \tau^+$
- High quality tracks K^+ and μ^- are selected, not associated with any PV.
- An additional track from τ is selected whose charge is opposite against m .
- B^+ direction is decided from secondary $K^+ \mu^-$ vertex and PV, from where K^- (opposite charge against signal decay K^+) also originates.
- E_B solution can be evaluated assuming a kinematic information.
- In signal kinematics, M_{miss} has a characterized distribution.

$$E_B = \frac{\Delta^2}{2E_K} \frac{1}{1 - (p_K/E_K)^2 \cos^2 \theta} \left[1 \pm \sqrt{d} \right], \text{ where}$$

$$d = \frac{p_K^2}{E_K^2} \cos^2 \theta - \frac{4m_B^2 p_K^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\Delta^4} \left(1 - \frac{p_K^2}{E_K^2} \cos^2 \theta \right),$$

$$\Delta^2 = m_{BK}^2 - m_B^2 - m_K^2,$$

