

Re-installation and performance of the Belle II Silicon Vertex Detector

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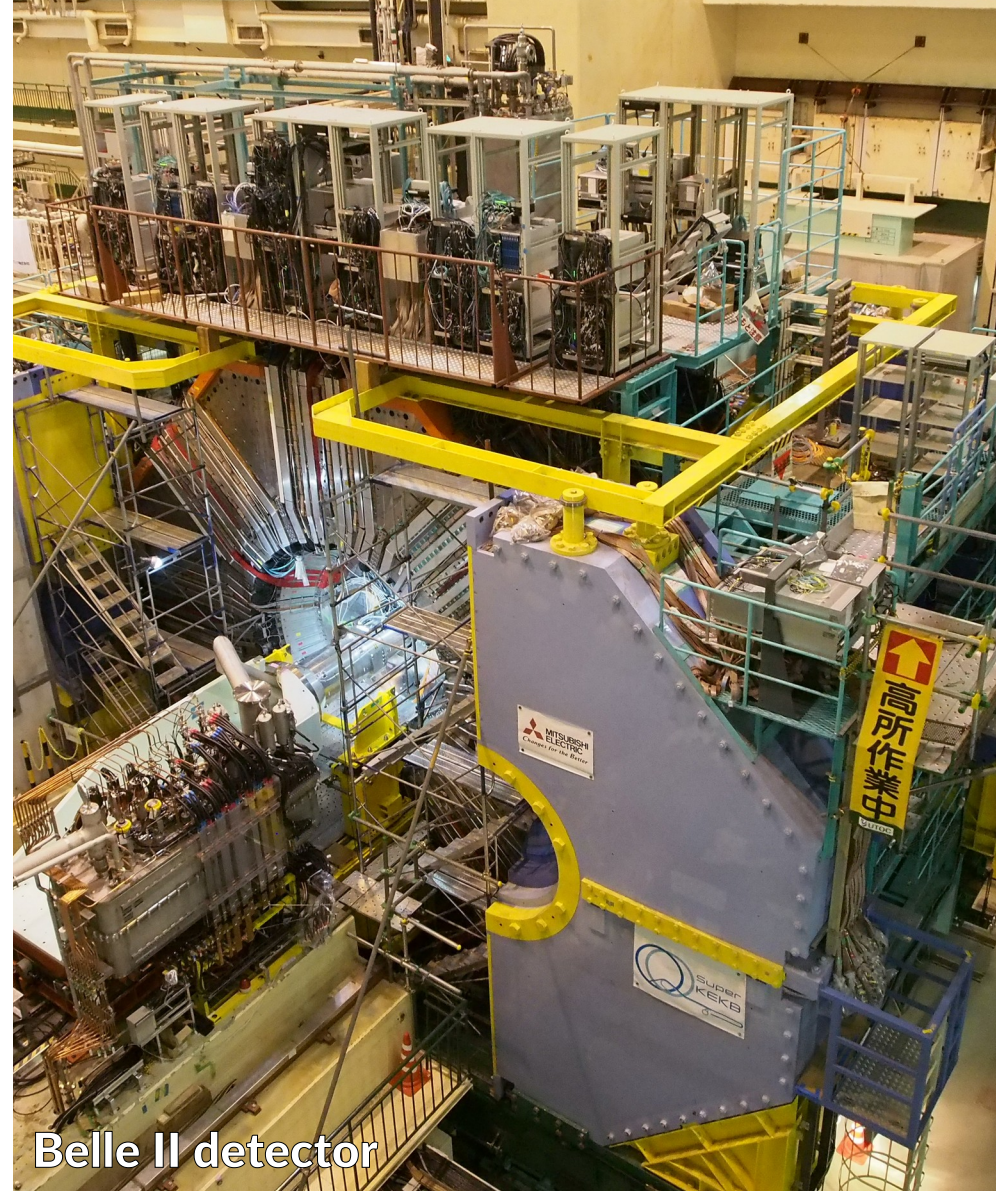
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Outline

- The Belle II experiment and the Silicon Vertex Detector (**SVD**)
- **SVD** operations and performance
 - From Run 1 to Run 2, through the long-shutdown (LS1)
- **SVD** towards the high luminosity
- Summary and conclusions

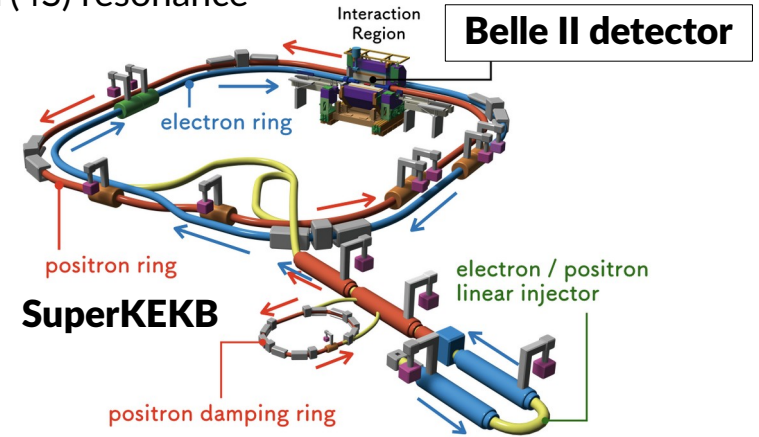
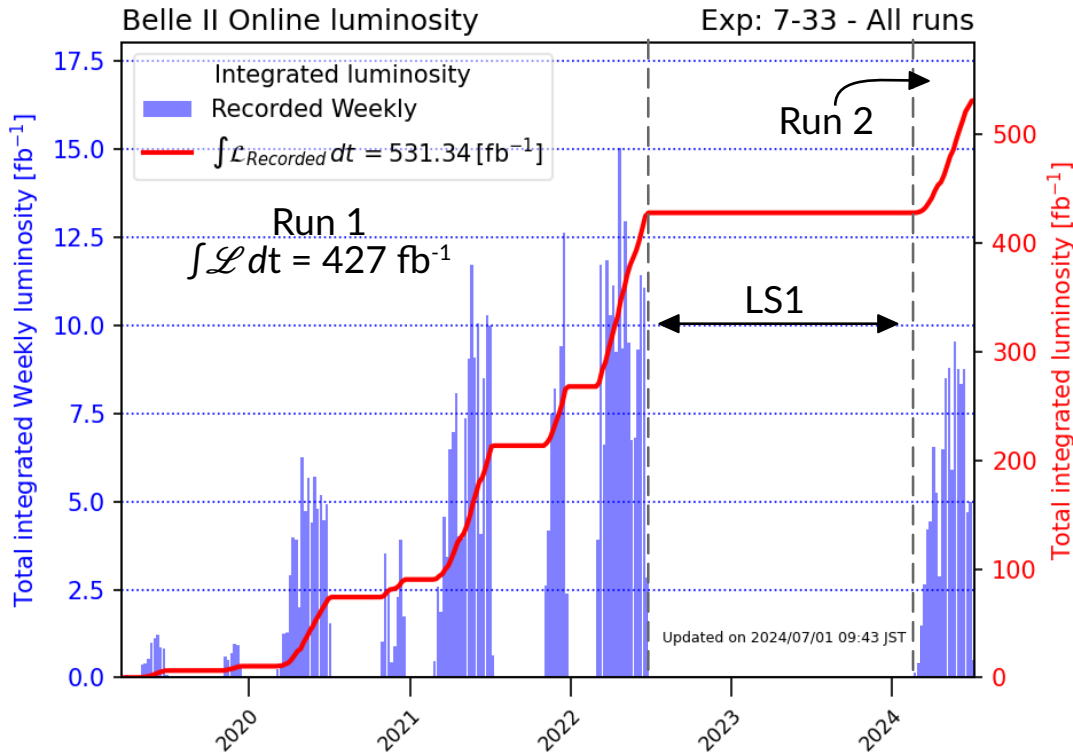


Belle II detector

The Belle II experiment at SuperKEKB

[1] K. Nakamura on "The Belle II Upgrade Program" (at 8:48)

- **Belle II** Luminosity-frontier experiment that searches for physics beyond the Standard Model
- **SuperKEKB** Asymmetric e^+e^- collisions mainly at 10.58 GeV, i.e. at the $Y(4S)$ resonance



- **Long-shutdown (LS1)** Several accelerator and detector maintenance and improvements

Target

$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = 50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{peak}} = 6 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

Achieved

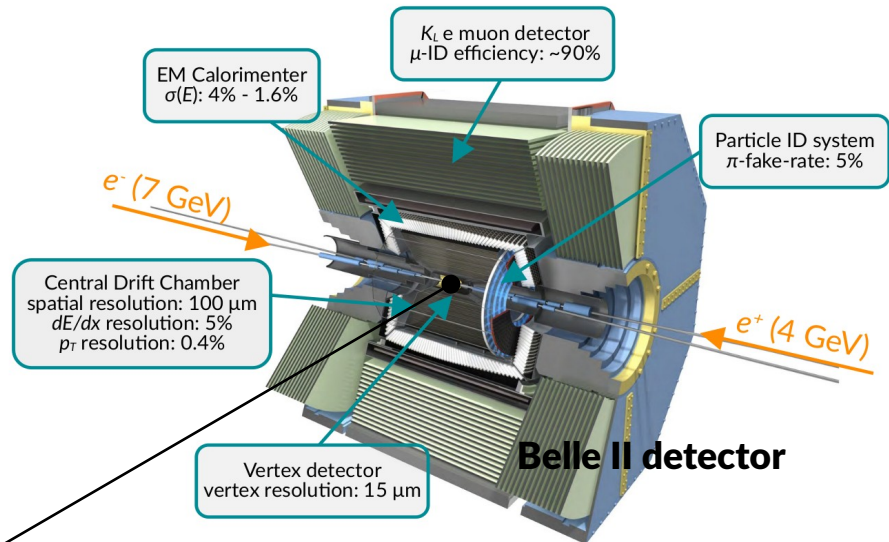
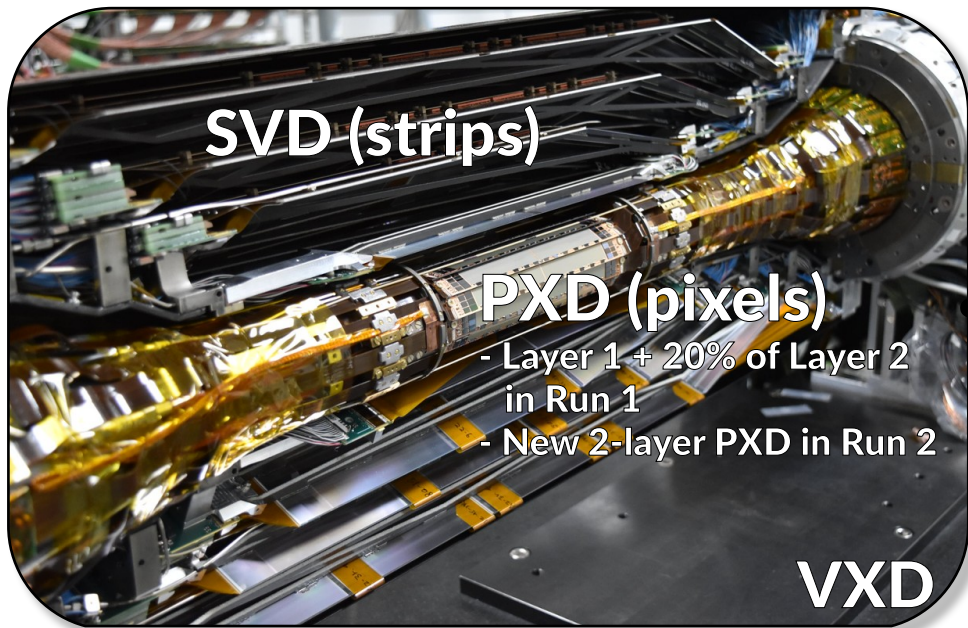
$$\int \mathcal{L} dt > 530 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{peak}} = 4.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

The Belle II VerteX Detector (VXD)

VXD Nearest detector to the interaction point

- Inner 2 layers of PiXel Detector (**PXD**): DEPFET pixel sensors
- 4 layers of Silicon Vertex Detector (**SVD**): Double-sided strip sensors



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VXD requirements:

- Excellent vertex resolution $\sim 15 \mu\text{m}$
- Low-material budget $\sim 3.8\% X_0$
- Radiation hardness to operate in high-background condition

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- 4 layers of silicon strip detectors

- This talk will cover only **SVD**
- It has been confirmed **with first Run 2 data** that the **new PXD works well**
- However, we are suffering from **sudden beam loss events**, with **large doses** at the interaction region. In a couple of them in May **PXD was damaged** (2% dead channels)
 - ➔ As a precaution, we decided to **keep PXD off** while **we are investigating the sources of sudden beam losses** and **implement countermeasures to stabilize the beam operation**

EM Calorimeter
 $\sigma(E)$: 4% - 1.6%

K_L e muon detector
 μ -ID efficiency: ~90%

Particle ID system
 π -fake-rate: 5%

(4 GeV)

VXD

- Radiation hardness to operate in high-background condition

The Silicon VerteX Detector (SVD)

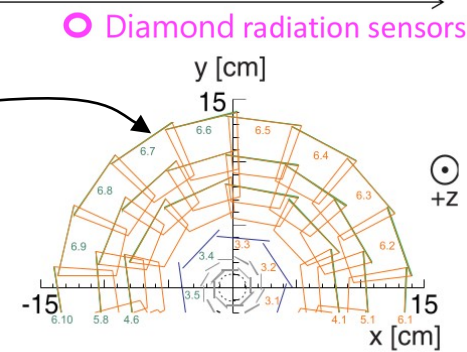
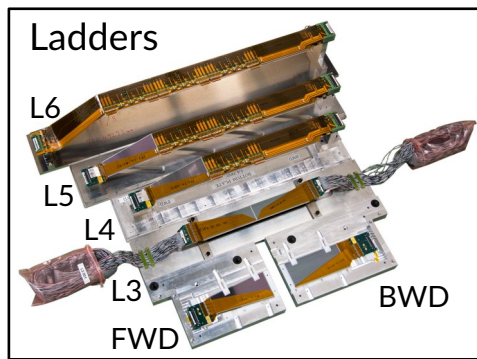
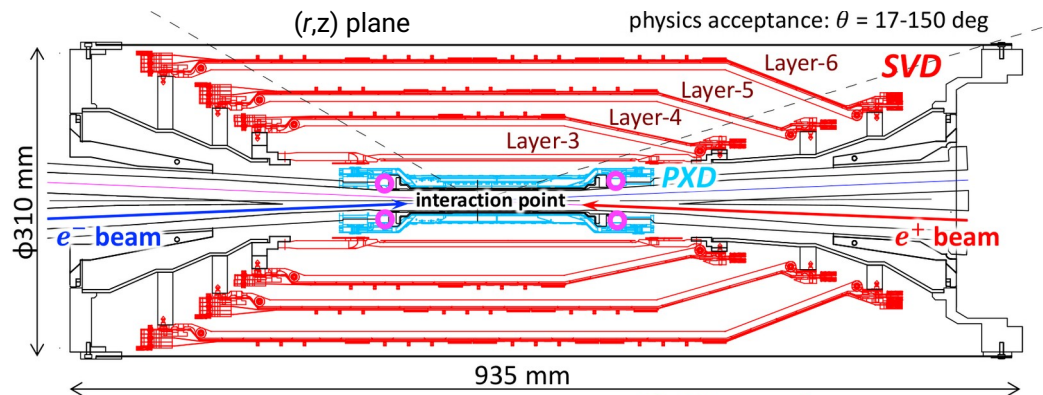
SVD structure

- 172 sensors grouped into ladders
 - ➔ 1.2 m² of sensitive area, 224k readout strips
- Slanted forward sensors to maximize acceptance with smaller incidence angle
- Low material budget $\sim 0.7\% X_0/\text{Layer}$
- Diamond sensors for radiation monitor and beam abort



Main SVD functions

- Standalone tracking and particle identification, with dE/dx , for low p_T tracks
- Extrapolate tracks to PXD
 - ➔ **PXD** data reduction to cope with storage and bandwidth limits

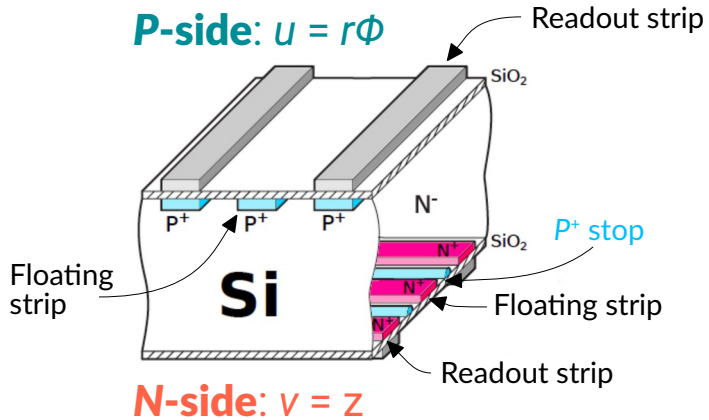


Layer	Ladders	Sensors/Ladd.	Radius	Slant angle
3	7	2	39 mm	0°
4	10	3	80 mm	11.9°
5	12	4	104 mm	17.2°
6	16	5	135 mm	21.1°

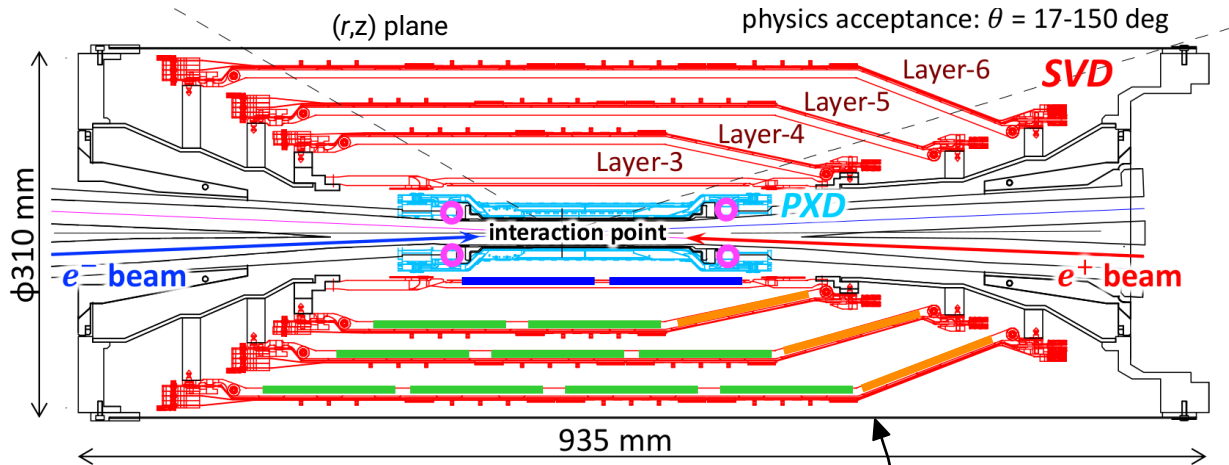
SVD DSSD sensors

Double-Sided Strip Detector (DSSD)

- Perpendicular strips
- Provide 2D spatial information



- Depletion voltage: 20–60 V
- Operation voltage: 100 V



	Small sensors	Large sensors	Trapezoidal sensors
Readout strips P-side*	768	768	768
Readout strips N-side*	768	512	512
Readout pitch P-side*	50 μm	75 μm	50 – 75 μm
Readout pitch N-side*	160 μm	240 μm	240 μm
Sensor active area (mm^2)	122.90 x 38.55	122.90 x 57.72	122.76 x (38.42 – 57.59)
Sensor thickness	320 μm	320 μm	300 μm
Manufacturer	Hamamatsu	Hamamatsu	Micron

*One floating strip on both sides

Front-end ASIC and chip-on-sensor concept



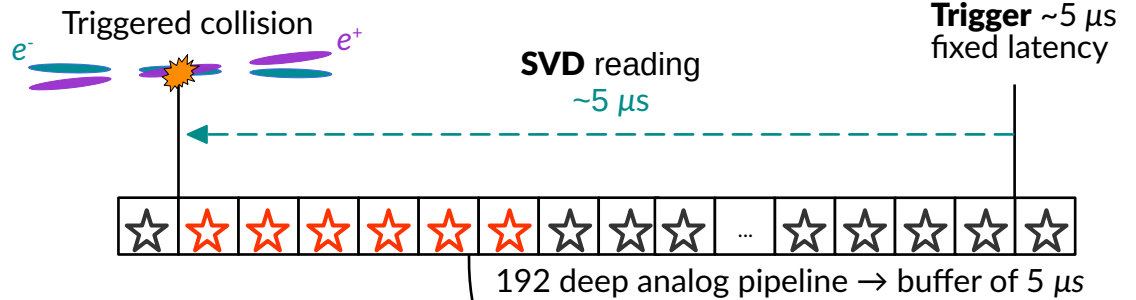
Front-end ASIC – APV25 chip

- Radiation hardness > 100 Mrad
- Shaping time of 50 ns
- 128 channel inputs
- Operated in **multi-peak mode at 32 MHz**, while the **collision frequency is 254 MHz** (quasi-continuous collisions)
 - ➔ We need to sample more than 1 to get the pulse shape and estimate the peak position
- **6 samples recorded, 3/6 samples in future** to reduce data size



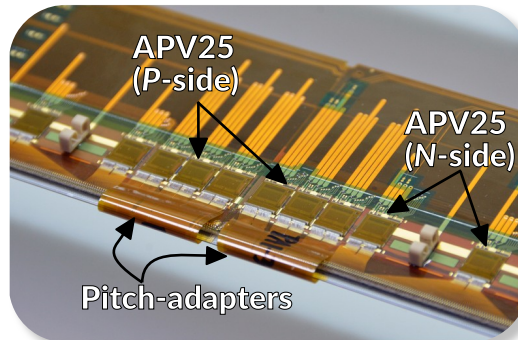
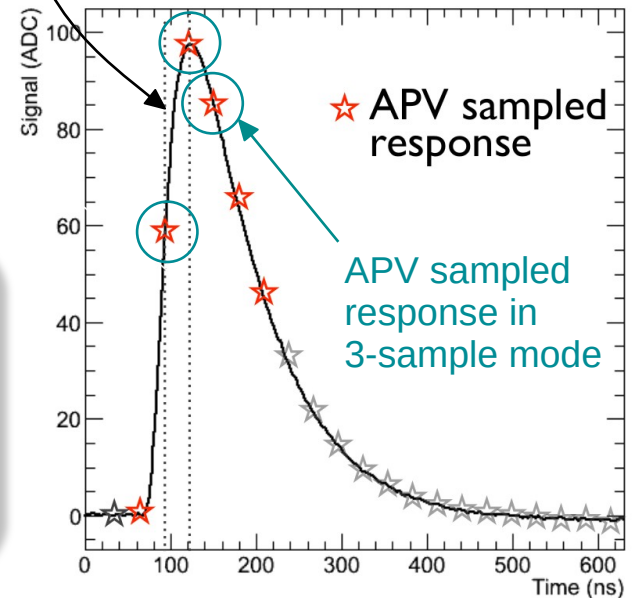
Chip-on-sensor concept (Origami)

- **Chips on each sensor** to minimize the signal path length
- **Chips on the same side of the sensor** using wrapped flex to readout sides
- Cooling only on one sensor side

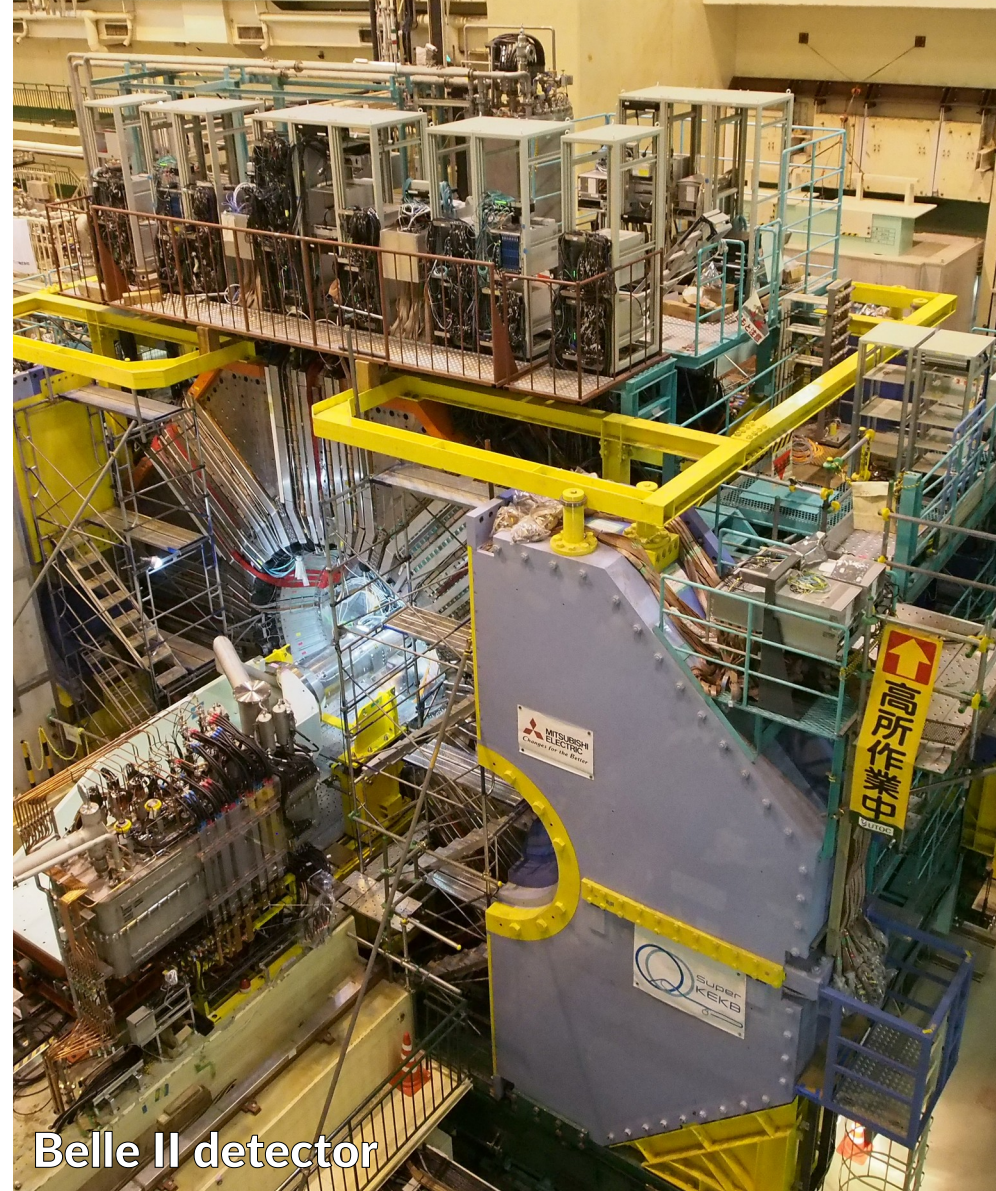


6 samples acquired

APV25 sampling output



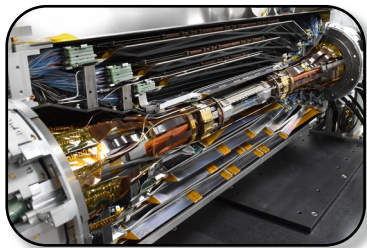
SVD operations and performance



Belle II detector

SVD Operational experience

Run 1 First physics data with VXD



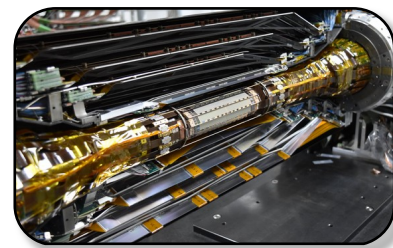
March 2019

LS1

- Accelerator and detector maintenance and improvements
- **VXD** re-installation

June 2022

Run 2 with VXD & full PXD



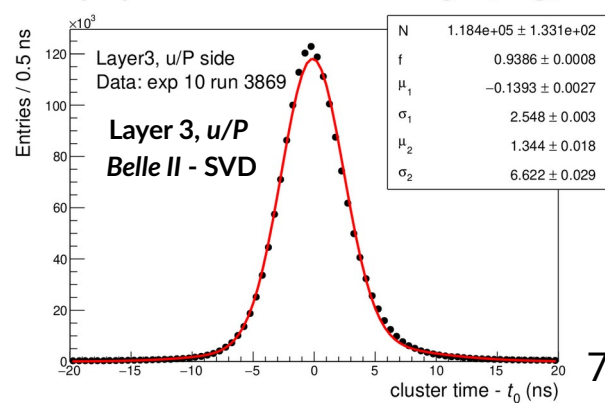
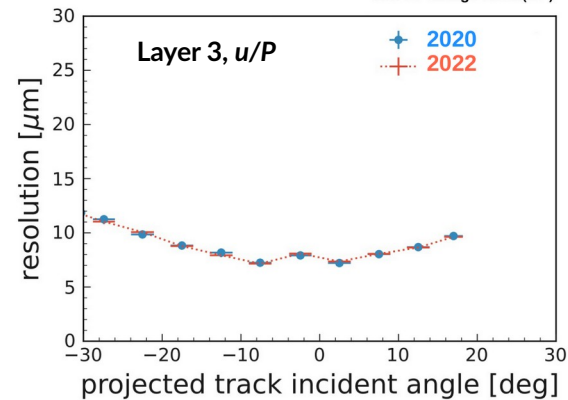
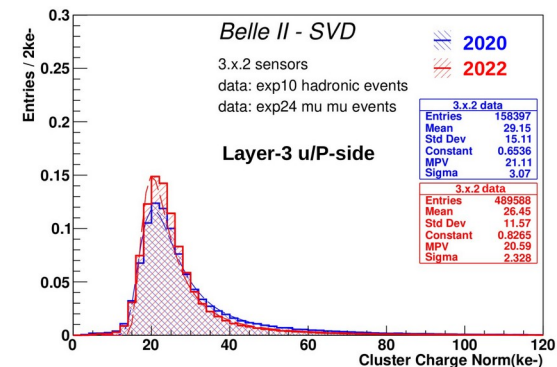
January 2024

- **Reliable and smooth operation**, without major problems
- **Stable environment** and **calibration constants evolution consistent with expectation**
- **Excellent performance of the detector**
 - ➔ Total fraction of **masked strips** < 1%
 - ➔ Average sensor **hit efficiency** for the four **SVD** layers is > **99%** and **stable** over time
- **Background effects well under control**

- **Reliable and smooth operation**
- **Physics performance as good as Run 1**
- **SuperKEKB is working to achieve higher instantaneous luminosity**
 - ➔ Increase the beam currents and optimize beam conditions
- **Background level similar to Run 1, but higher occupancy observed** due to different trigger configurations
 - ➔ We monitor **SVD** status continuously
 - ➔ **Occupancy still well below our limit**

Highlights of performance in Run 1

- **Stable cluster charge** matching the expectations (taking into account the $\sim 15\%$ uncertainty in APV25 gain calibration)
 - ➔ 24 ke⁻ expected for Minimum-Ionizing Particle (**MIP**) passing through a $\sim 320\ \mu\text{m}$ thick silicon sensor
- **Stable signal-to-noise ratio (SNR)**
 - ➔ All 172 sensors have **SNR within 13–30**, depending on sensor position and side
 - ➔ **Small changes** observed due to noise increase by radiation dose
- **Stable position resolution within 10–25 μm** observed, as expected from strip pitches
 - ➔ Estimated from cluster position with respect to the track extrapolation on the sensors using $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ events
- **Excellent hit time resolution of < 3 ns**, measured with respect to the time of the collision provided by the Central Drift Chamber



VXD re-installation - LS1

- Upgrade **VXD** with a complete **PXD** (same **SVD**)
- Intense hardware activities on **SVD** for the **VXD** de-installation/re-installation
 - ➔ More than 5 months with many delicate steps
- Several **SVD** test campaigns performed **after each step** during LS1
 - ➔ **Crucial to promptly spot problems and sanity check performance at each step**
- Optimize the cooling conditions with complete **PXD**

2023

Belle II

Clean room

Belle II

May 10th

VXD extraction

May 17th

SVD detachment

June 1st

SVD commissioning

June 28th

New **VXD** assembly

July 14th

New **VXD** commissioning

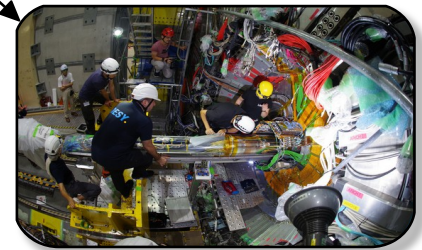
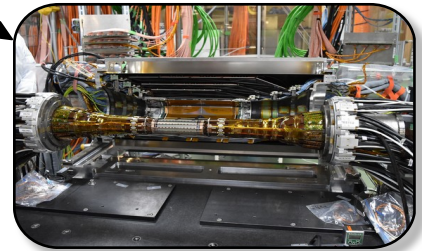
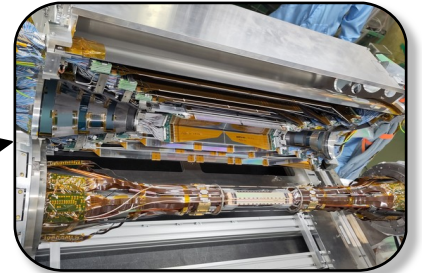
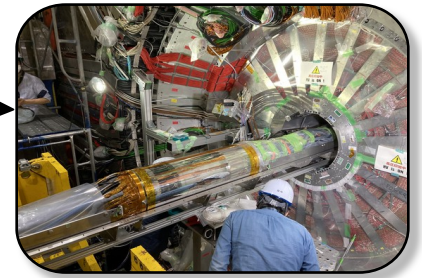
July 28th

New **VXD** installation

Sept. 22nd

Functional tests and commissioning with cosmic rays

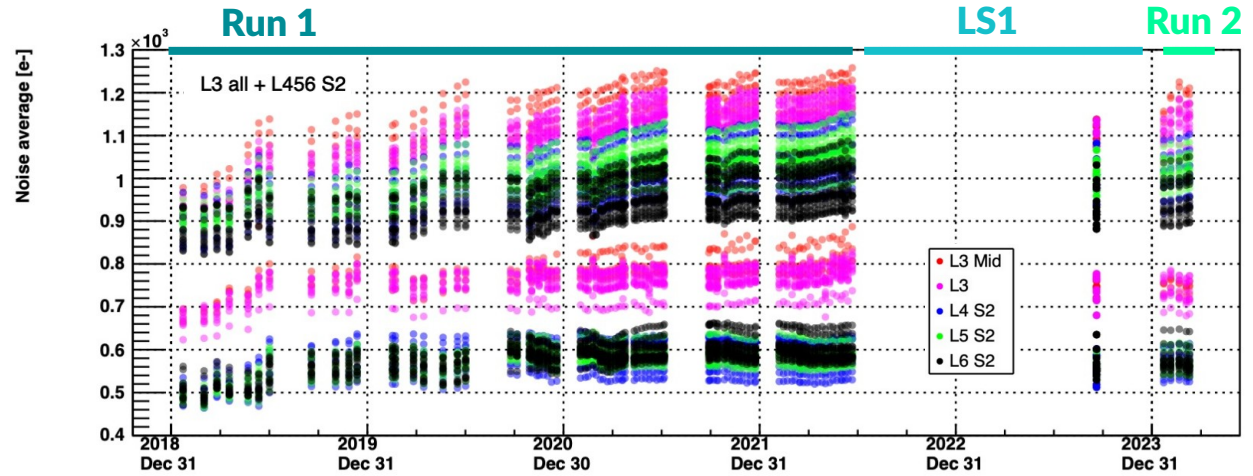
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Highlights of performance in Run 2

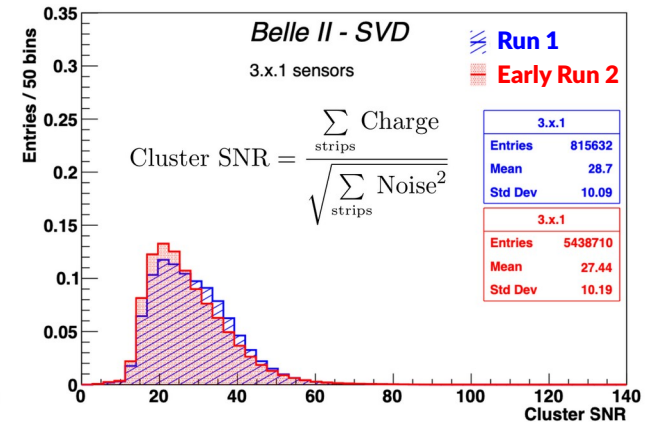
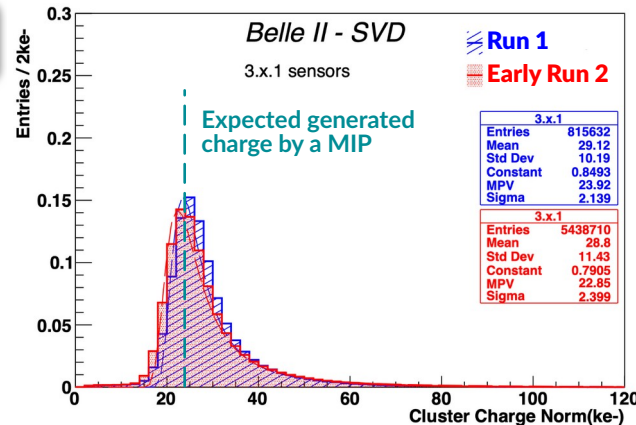
Evolution of noise

- **Run 1:** increased by 10%–30% due to radiation effect, as expected
 - Not affecting performance
- **LS1:** reduced by up to 10% due to lower operating temperature and annealing effect on the sensors
- **Run 2:** increasing again

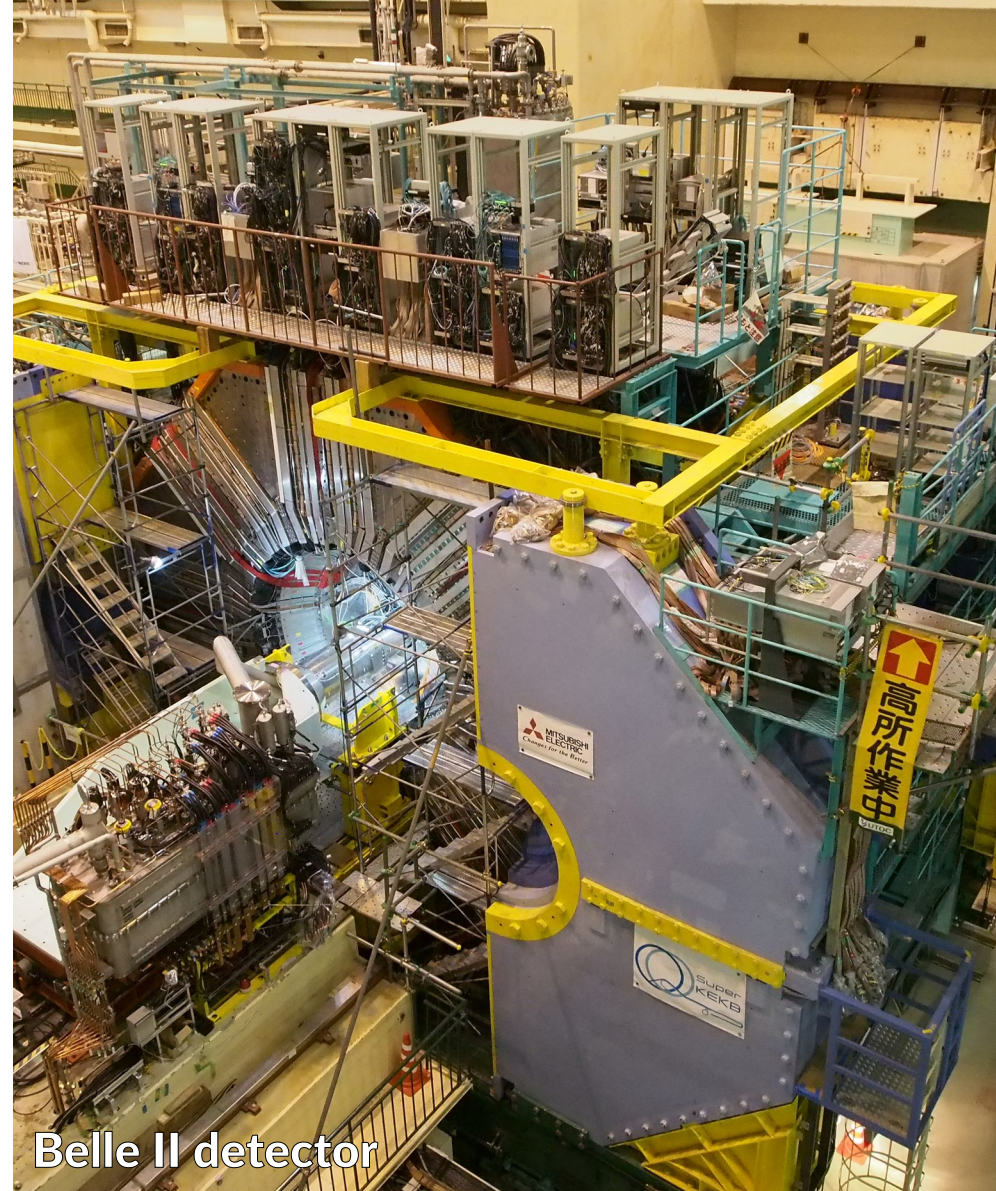


Performance in Run 2 as good as in Run 1

- No significant changes in cluster charge and SNR
- Hit efficiency keeps > 99%
- Number of total masked strips ~1%
- No evidence of detrimental effect of the accumulated dose



Towards the high luminosity

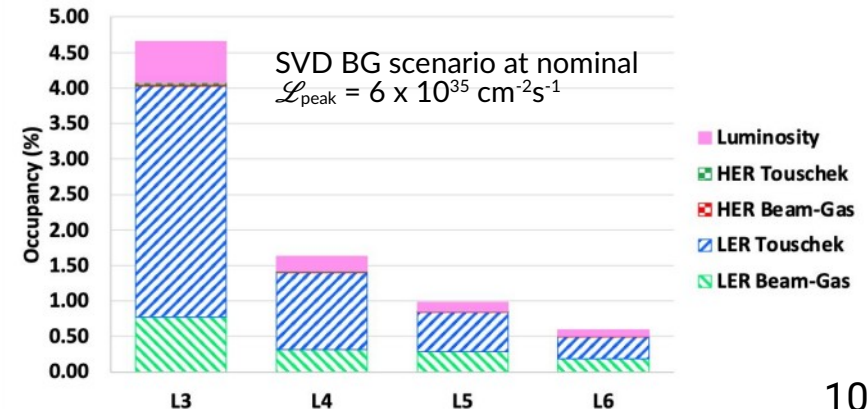
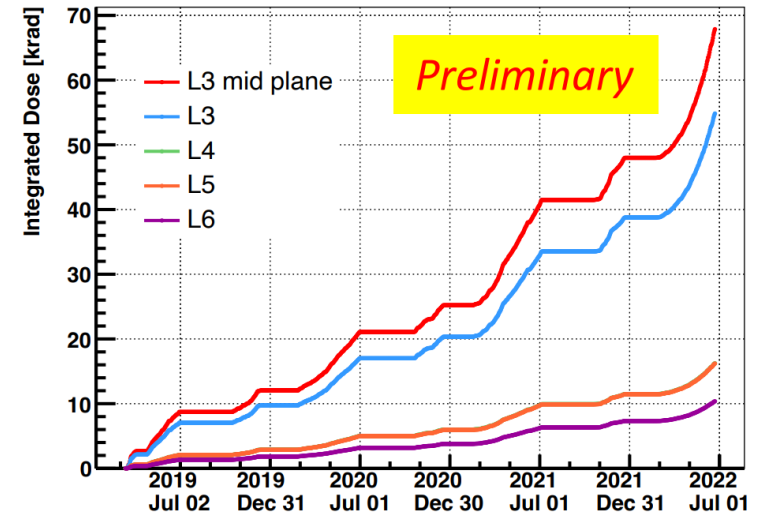


Belle II detector

Beam background effects

- Integrated radiation damage in Run 1
 - Deteriorate the sensor performance increasing the strip noise, the leakage current, and changing the depletion voltage
 - Dose is constantly monitored using the diamond detectors and hit occupancy
 - Total **SVD** integrated dose on Layer 3 is < 70 krad ($1.6 \times 10^{11} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$) in Run 1
 - Run 2: different temperature, calibration constants, etc... need to be considered properly → not included for now
- Current **SVD** hit occupancy is $< 1\%$
- Occupancy extrapolated at target luminosity is 4.7% in Layer 3
 - Large uncertainties due to machine development
- High **SVD** hit occupancy can degrade tracking performance
 - Developments in **SVD** software reconstruction

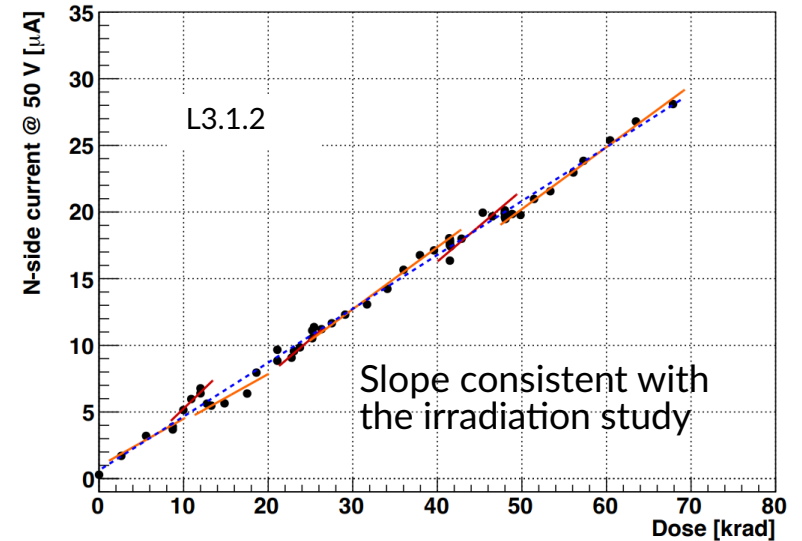
Integrated dose in SVD Layers



Radiation damages in Run 1

NIEL non-ionizing energy loss

- **Noise** Increasing, but not affecting performance (see slide 10)
- **Leakage current** Linear correlation between dose and leakage current as NIEL hypothesis in the installed sensors
- **Depletion voltage** No change in full depletion voltage due to bulk damage observed so far
 - As expected with only ~70 krad in Layer 3
- **Estimated radiation levels of 0.35 Mrad/yr** ($8 \times 10^{11} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$) at target luminosity $\mathcal{L}_{\text{peak}} = 6 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- **Irradiation campaign** in July 2022 with a 90 MeV e^- beam up to 10 Mrad ($3 \times 10^{13} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$)
 - **Type inversion** confirmed at ~2 Mrad ($6 \times 10^{12} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$)
 - Type inverted irradiated sensor **confirmed to collect charge well after 10 Mrad irradiated**
 - ▶ **Large safety margin** even after 10 years of operation at target luminosity

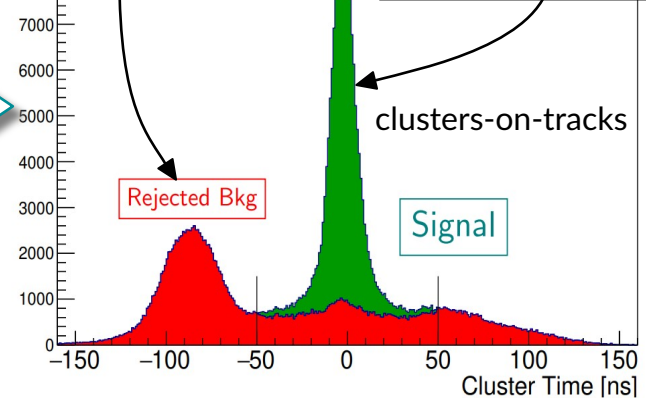
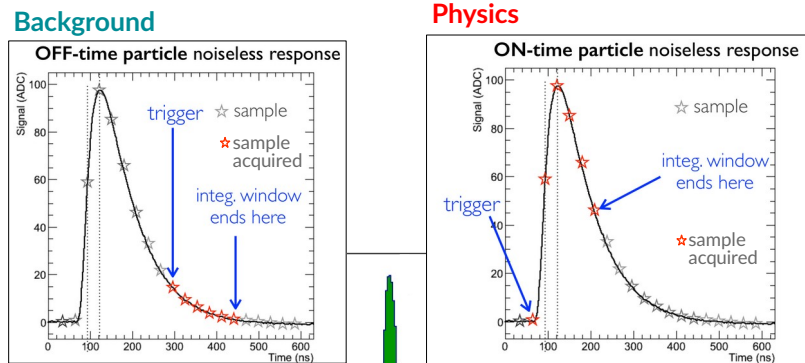
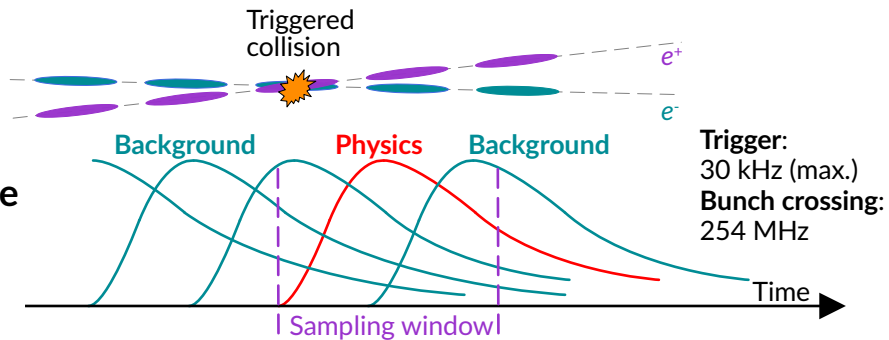


Background rejection

- Crucial to reduce occupancy and keep high tracking performance in high background conditions
- Excellent hit time performance (resolution < 3 ns) can be exploited to remove off-time tracks
 - ➔ **Hit-time selection:** remove 50% off-time hit background keeping > 99% of signal hits
 - ➔ Tested but not yet deployed in data reconstruction
- The hit time is determined from the APV sampled response in the **sampling window**
- **Background:**
 - ➔ **Peak < 50ns:** accumulation of off-time particles hitting the sensor before the beginning of the **sampling window**
 - ➔ **Uniform component:** single-beam background

• SVD occupancy limit for Layer 3 can be set at 4.7%

Hit-time selection:
 $|t| < 50$ ns
 $|t_U - t_V| < 20$ ns



Further background rejection

Cluster grouping Event-by-event classification of clusters into groups based on their time

- Further reduces tracking fake rate by up to 15% on high-background data

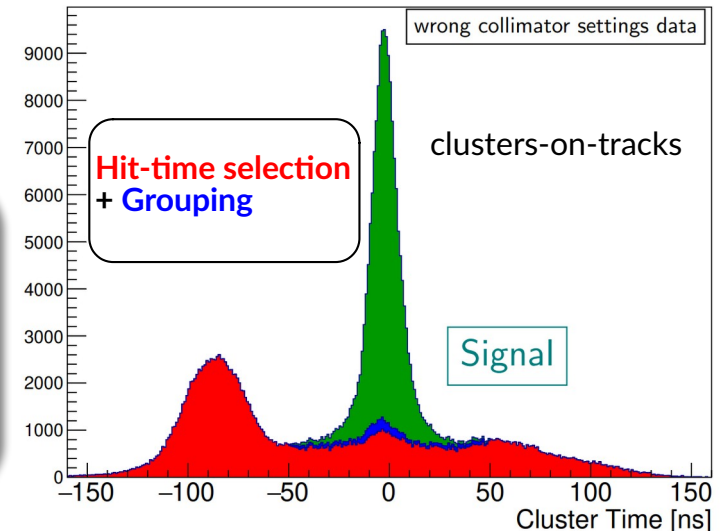
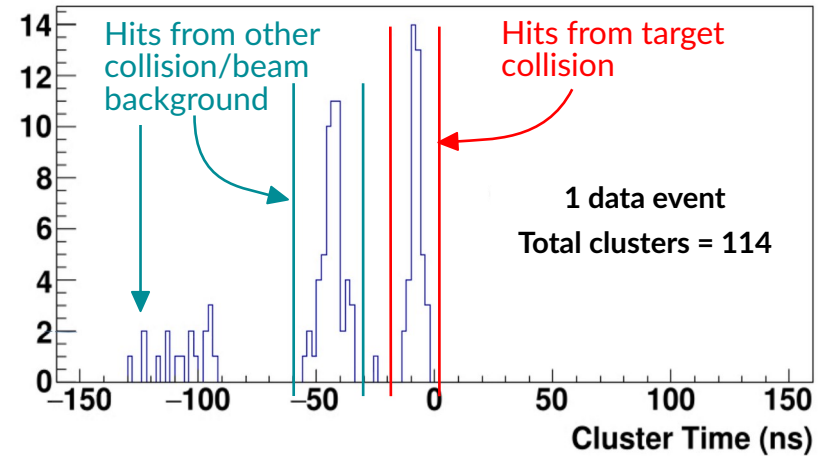
Track-time selection Remove off-time track, further reducing fake rate by a factor 1.5 on high-background data

Fake rate tracks reconstructed with hits from beam-induced background or originating from wrong combinations of hits

Track time Computed combining hit time of clusters associated to the track

- Further increase SVD occupancy limit for Layer 3 from 4.7% to ~6%
 - ➔ Large uncertainty due to future machine evolution and possible interaction region re-design, conservative extrapolation is 8.7%

➔ **Vertex Detector Upgrade (VTX, see talks [1] and [2] today at this same session)**



[1] K. Nakamura on "The Belle II Upgrade Program" (at 8:48)

[2] A. Kumar on "Upgrade of the Belle II Vertex Detector with monolithic active pixel sensors" (at 15:57)

Summary & conclusions

Excellent performance and stability **SVD** has been taking data since March 2019 smoothly and reliably

- **Stable cluster charge, position resolution, SNR** in agreement with expectations, and **excellent hit-time resolution** (< 3 ns) and **hit efficiency** ($> 99\%$)
- Some effects of **radiation damage** started to be seen, **not affecting performance**

LS1 New **VXD** with complete **PXD** installed

- **Intense hardware activities**
- The commissioning in Sept. 2023 **confirmed the good performance of SVD** as Run 1

Run 2 Started in January 2024

- **Confirmed the good performance of SVD** as Run 1

Towards higher luminosity Development of a robust **SVD** software to improve reconstruction with higher background

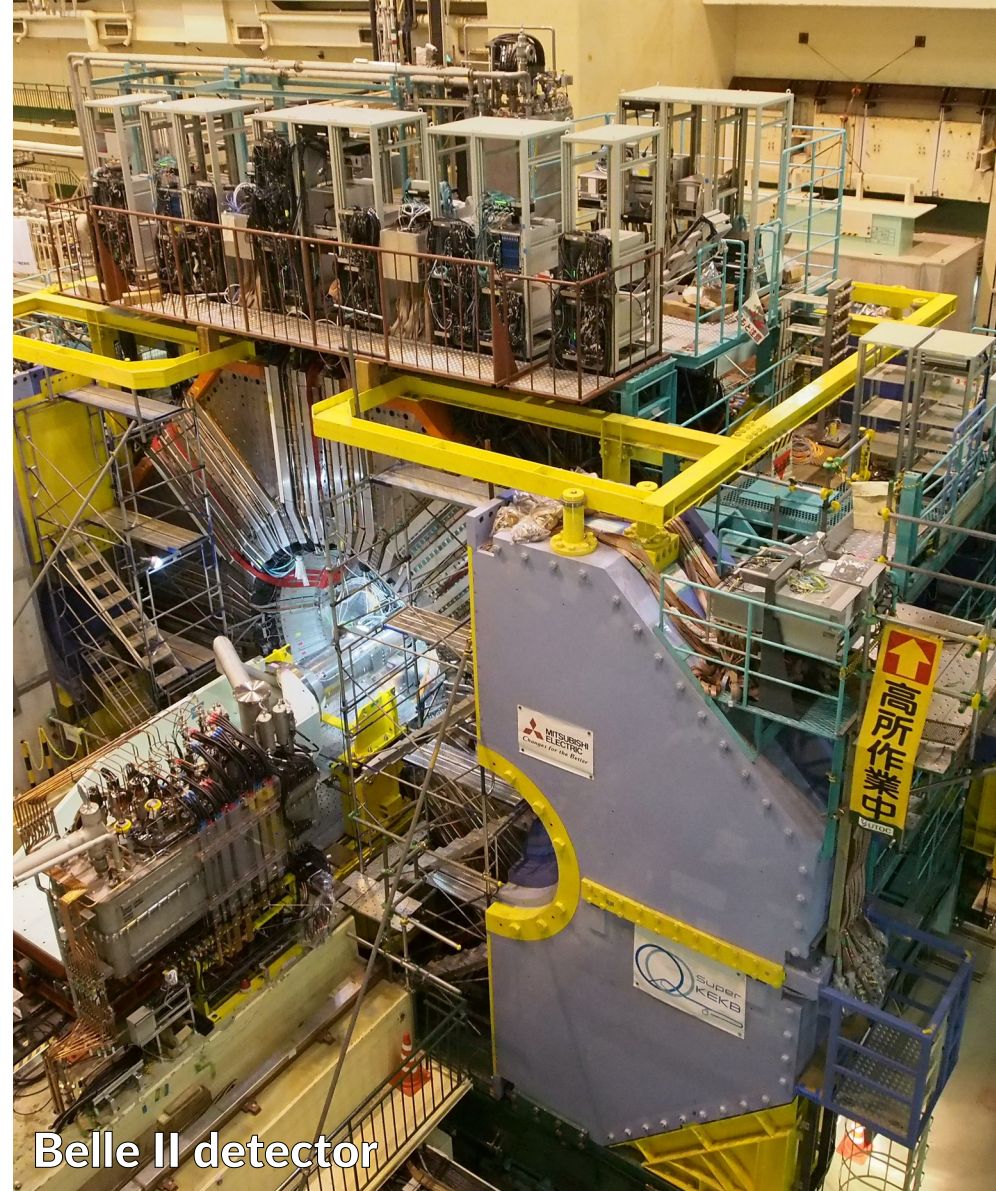
- **Excellent hit-time performance** are **crucial to reject off-time background** and keep high tracking performance



SVD technical paper [JINST, 17, 2022](#)

Belle II VXD (SVD half shell)

Backup slides



Belle II detector

SVD commissioning - LS1

🎯 Main goals

- Confirm all **SVD** sensors are working as in Run 1, and detector performance
- Check the effect of temperature increase due to complete **PXD** power consumption, and optimize cooling condition to maintain/improve detector performance

🔧 Functional tests and commissioning results

- Very small variation in the calibration constants (noise and gain) depending on temperature
- Good performance as before reinstallation from comparison of cosmic run data taken in **June 2022** and **September 2023**, both without *B*-field

