



Heavy to light exclusive at Belle (II)

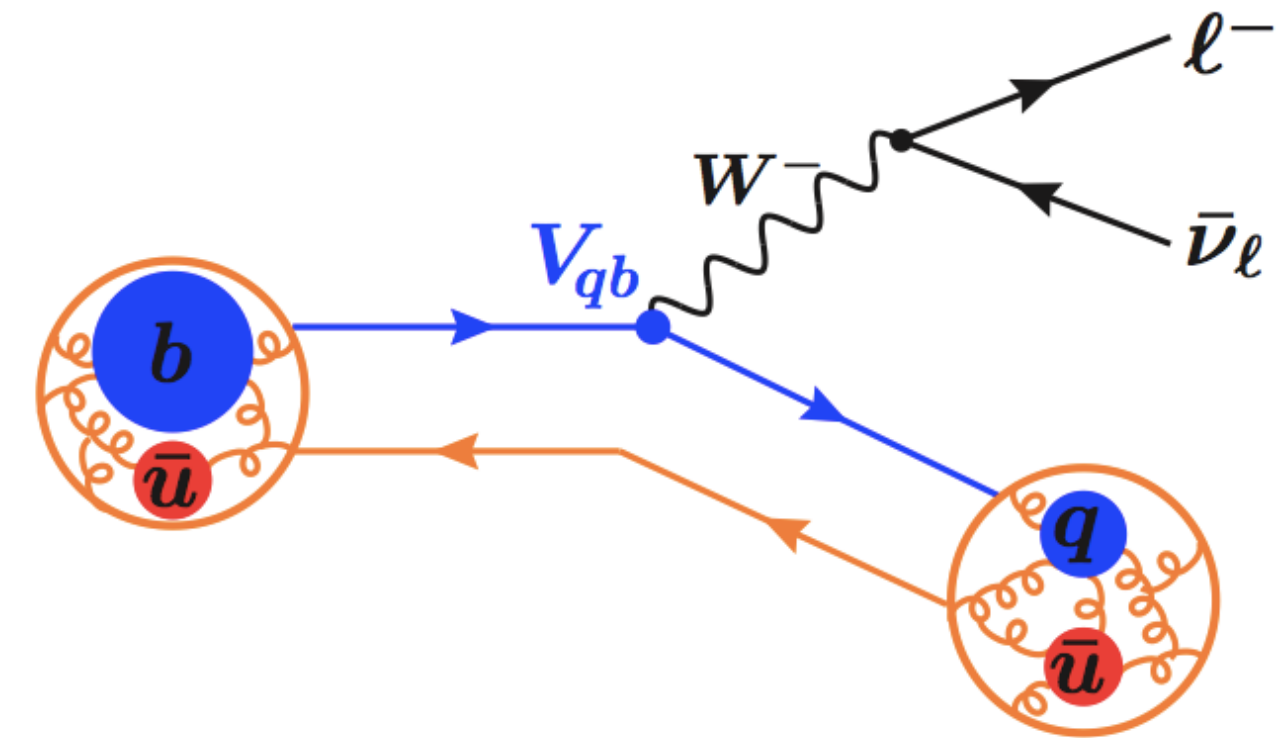
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$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$

The golden mode



- Differential rate in terms of $q^2 = (p_\ell + p_\nu)^2$

$$\frac{d\Gamma(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu)}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2}{24\pi^3} |V_{ub}|^2 |p_\pi|^3 |f_+(q^2)|^2$$

- BCL extraction of $|V_{ub}|$ [[Phys.Rev.D79:013008,2009](#); [Erratum-ibid.D82:099902,2010](#)]
 - Experiments determine the differential rate in bins of q^2
 - Theory calculates $f_+(q^2)$ at values of q^2
 - Combined fit to the BCL expansion to determine $|V_{ub}|$ and b_k (z is a map of q^2)

$$f_+(q^2) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2/m_{B^*}^2} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} b_k \left[z^k - (-1)^{k-K} \frac{k}{K} z^K \right]$$

$$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$$

Theory input

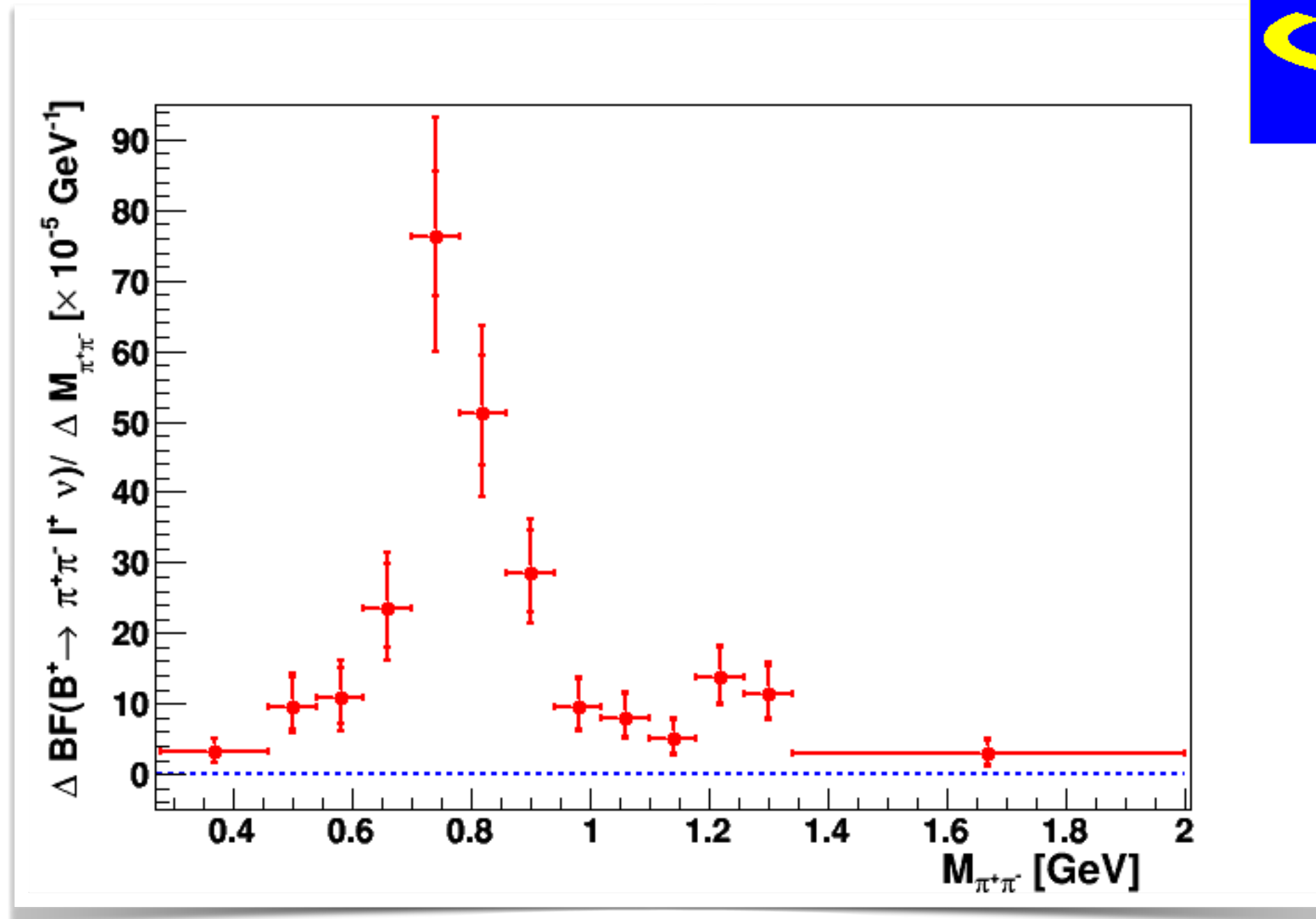
- Lattice QCD
 - Fermilab-MILC [*Phys. Rev. D* 92, 014024 (2015)]
form factor calculation presented as BCL expansion
 - RBC-UKQCD [*Phys. Rev. D* 91, 074510 (2015)]
form factor at $q^2 = 19.0, 22.6, 25.1 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Light-cone sum rules
 - A. Bharucha [*JHEP* 05 (2012) 092]
form factor at $q^2 = 0$

$$B \rightarrow \rho, \omega, \eta^{(\prime)} \ell \nu$$

- Although these modes have been measured precisely at B factories, we haven't seen competitive determinations of $|V_{ub}|$
- Theoretical issues
 - LCSR FF available for rho and omega [[J. High Energ. Phys. \(2016\) 2016: 98](#)]
 - Lack of precise lattice predictions for the vector modes
- Experimental issues
 - $B \rightarrow \rho \ell \nu$: Spin of the rho not identified in experimental analyses, scalar pi pi background?

$$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$$

[Phys. Rev. D 103, 112001 (2021)]



$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (22.7^{+1.9}_{-1.6}(\text{stat}) \pm 3.5(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$$

vs.

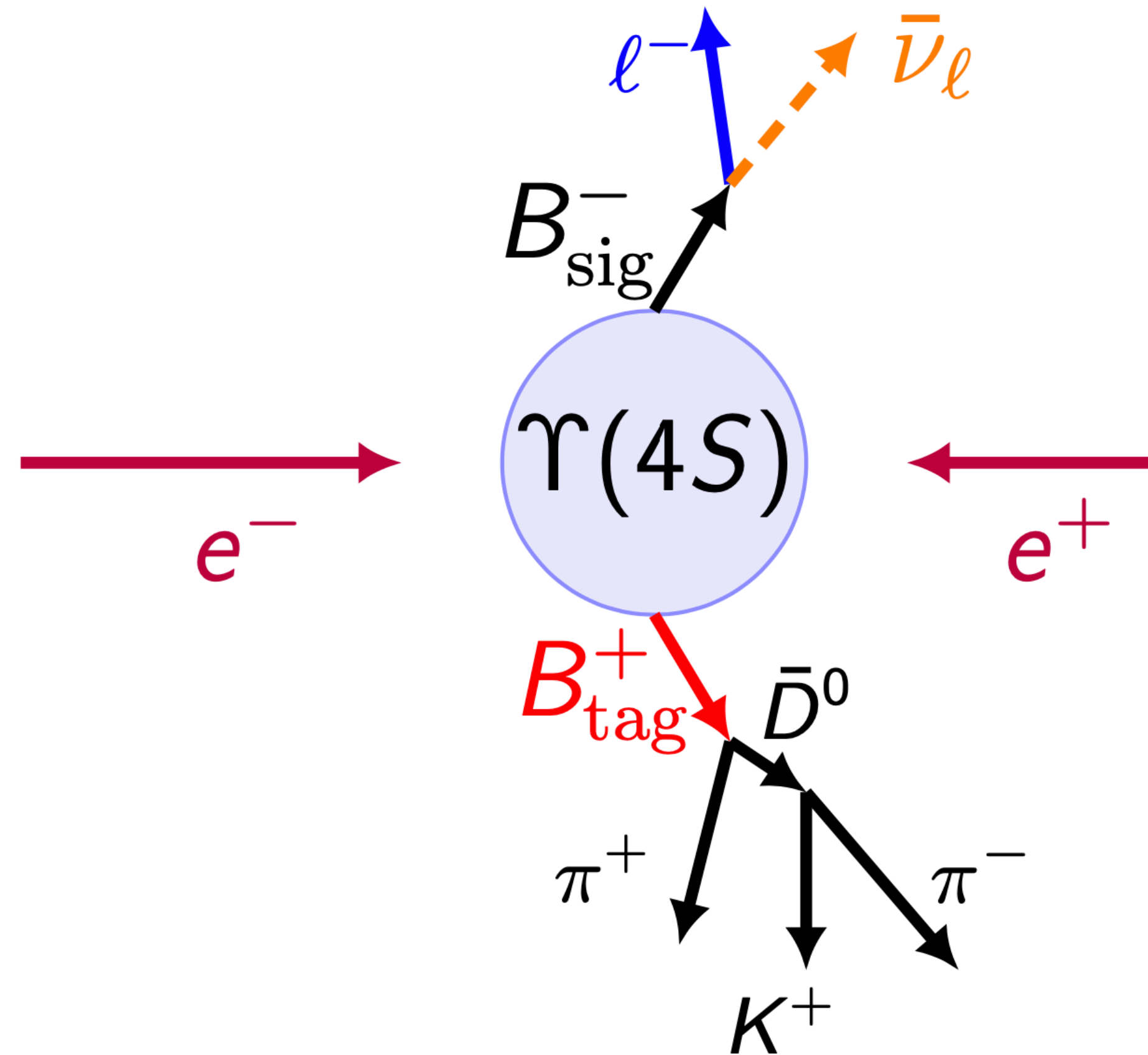
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = [18.3 \pm 1.0(\text{stat}) \pm 1.0(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-5}$$

on the same data set [Phys. Rev. D 88, 032005 (2013)]

Untagged vs. Tagged

Untagged:
only B_{sig} is reconstructed

high signal yield (+)
high backgrounds (-)
poor q^2 resolution (-)



Tagged:
 B_{sig} and B_{tag} are reconstructed

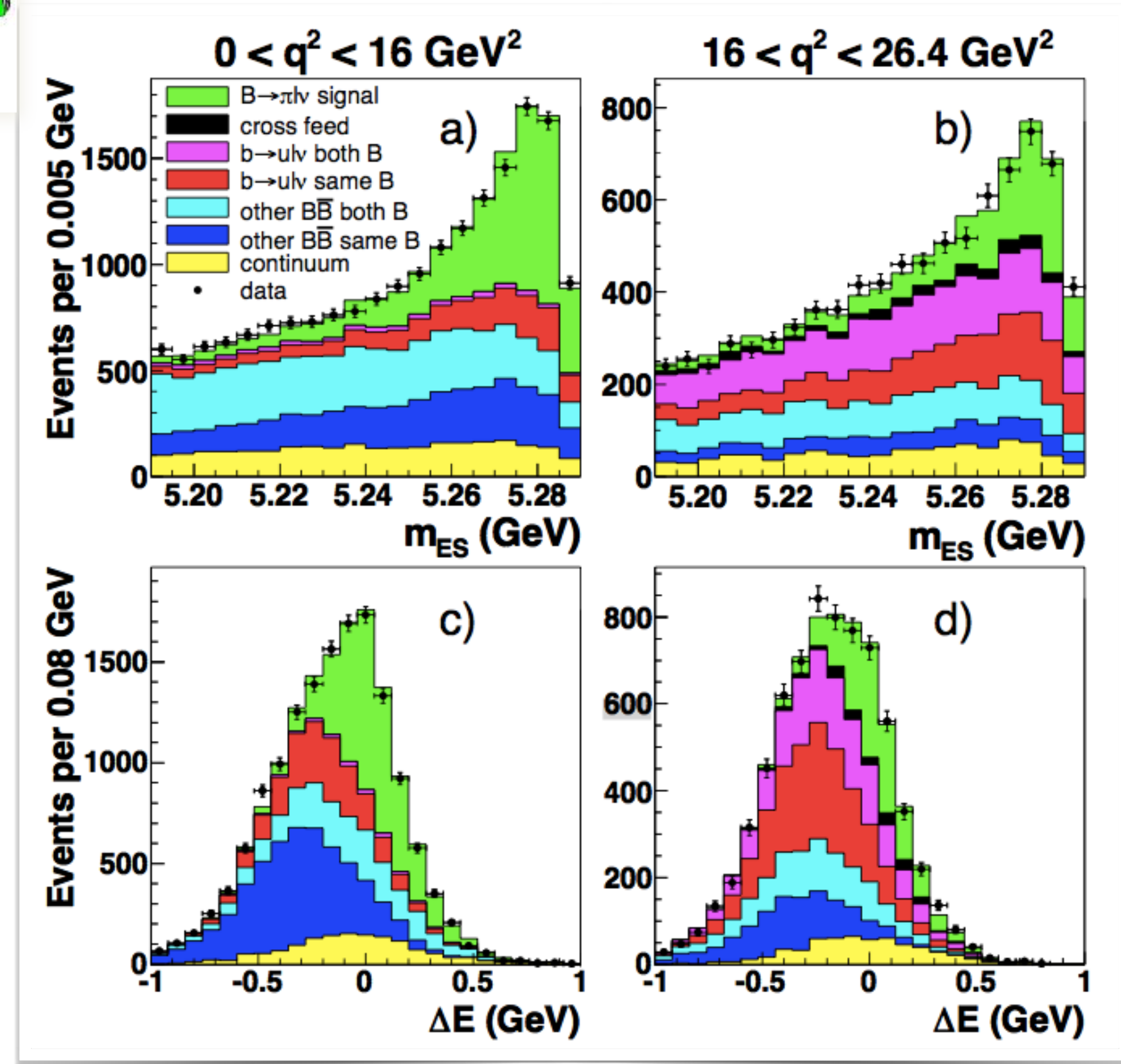
signal yield $O(10^3)$ lower (-)
low backgrounds (+)
good q^2 resolution (+)
tag calibration (-)

$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ untagged

[PRD 86, 092004 (2012)]



- 416/fb of BaBar $\Upsilon(4S)$ data
- Reconstruct only $\pi e, \pi \mu$, infer neutrino momentum from p_{miss} (loose neutrino reconstruction technique)
- About 12,000 signal events, S/N ~ 0.1
- Partial branching fractions obtained in 12 q^2 bins
- Systematics: detector effects, $b \rightarrow u$ background



$$m_{ES} = \sqrt{E_{beam}^{*2} - \mathbf{p}_{\pi\ell\nu}^{*2}}$$

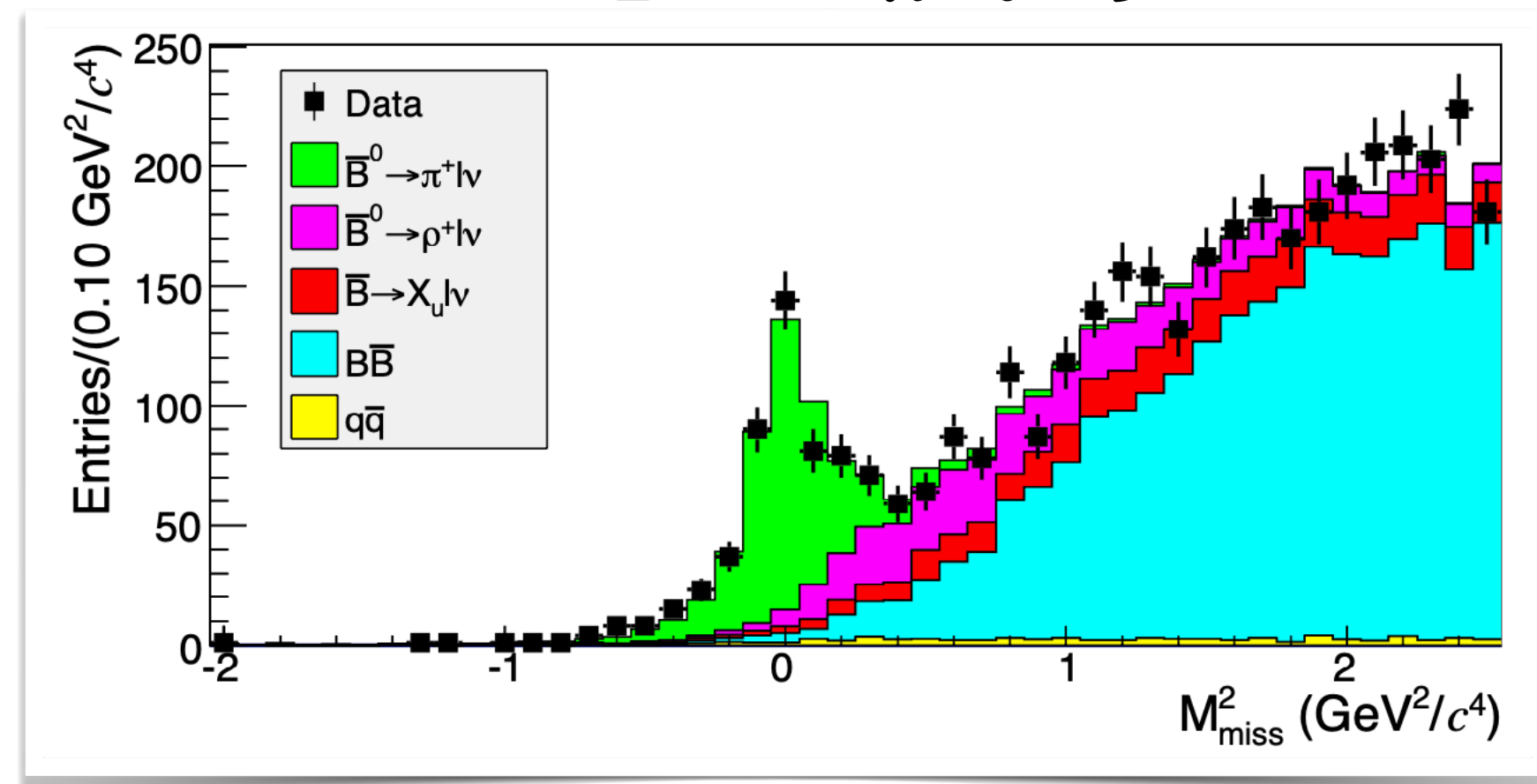
$$\Delta E = E_{\pi\ell\nu}^* - E_{beam}^*$$

$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ with hadronic tag

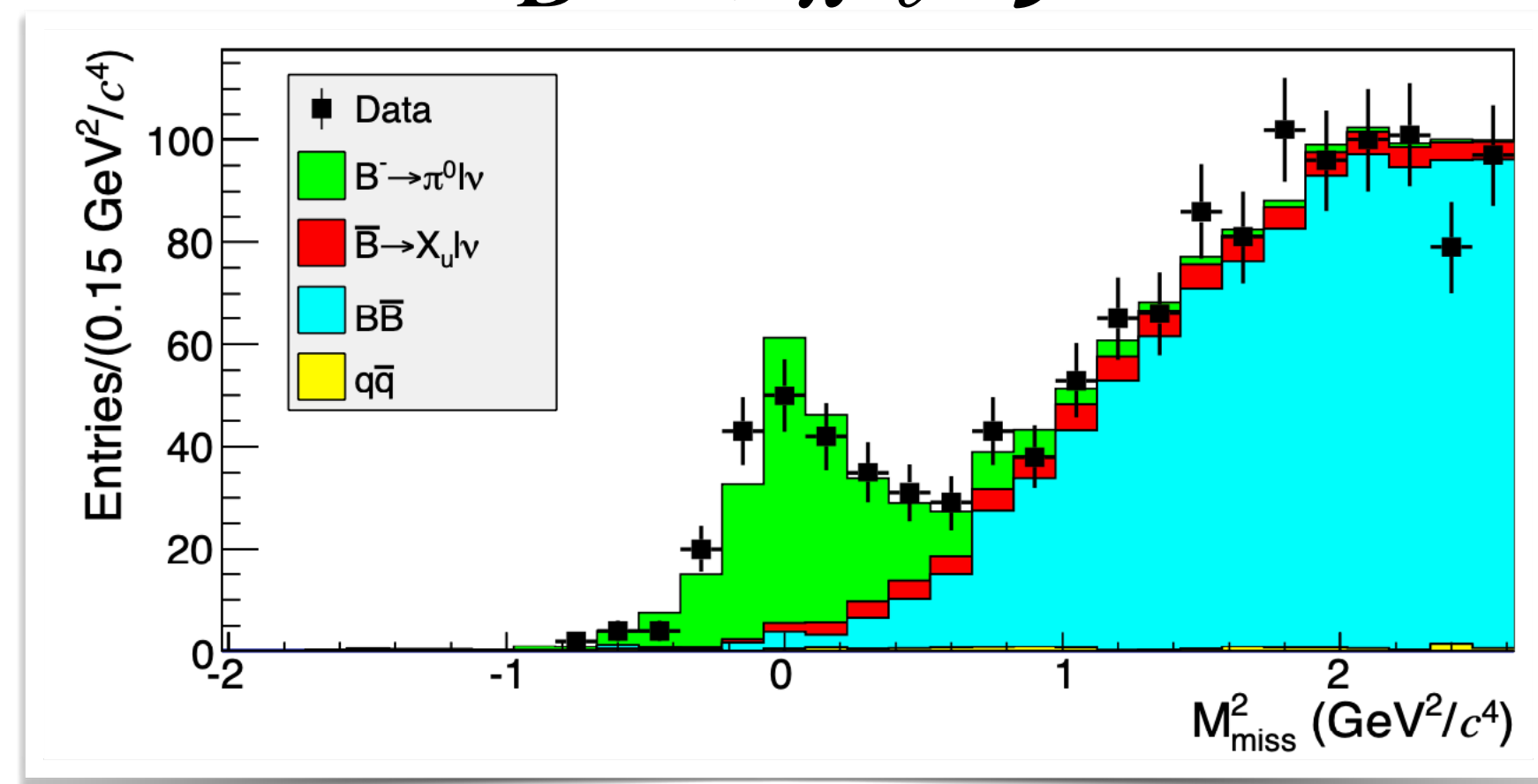
[PRD 88, 032005 (2013)]



$$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$$



$$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu$$



- 711/fb of Belle $\Upsilon(4S)$ data
- Belle hadronic tag
- Yield extracted from M_{miss}^2 in 13 (7) bins of q^2 for $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$ ($B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu$)
- Main systematics: tag calibration

$$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu$$

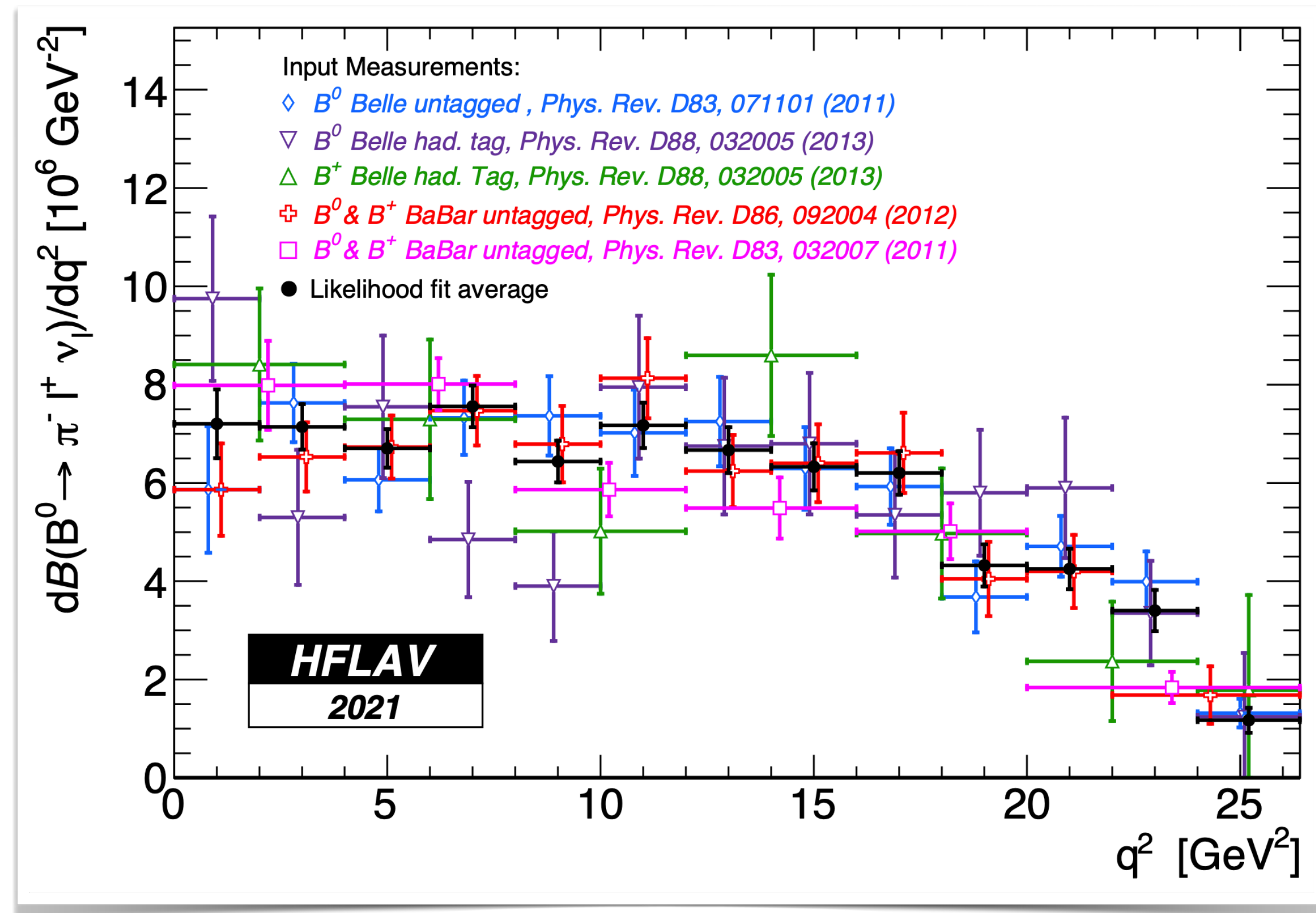
Component	Yield
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$	462.6 ± 27.7
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \rho^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$	514.5(fixed)
$\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$	599.5 ± 198.4
$B\bar{B}$	5511.6 ± 200.7
$q\bar{q}$	111.8(fixed)
χ^2/ndf	76.0/76

$$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu$$

Component	Yield
$B^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$	232.2 ± 22.6
$\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$	100.0 ± 86.7
$B\bar{B}$	1993.4 ± 90.7
$q\bar{q}$	18.5(fixed)
χ^2/ndf	56.3/50

$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ average

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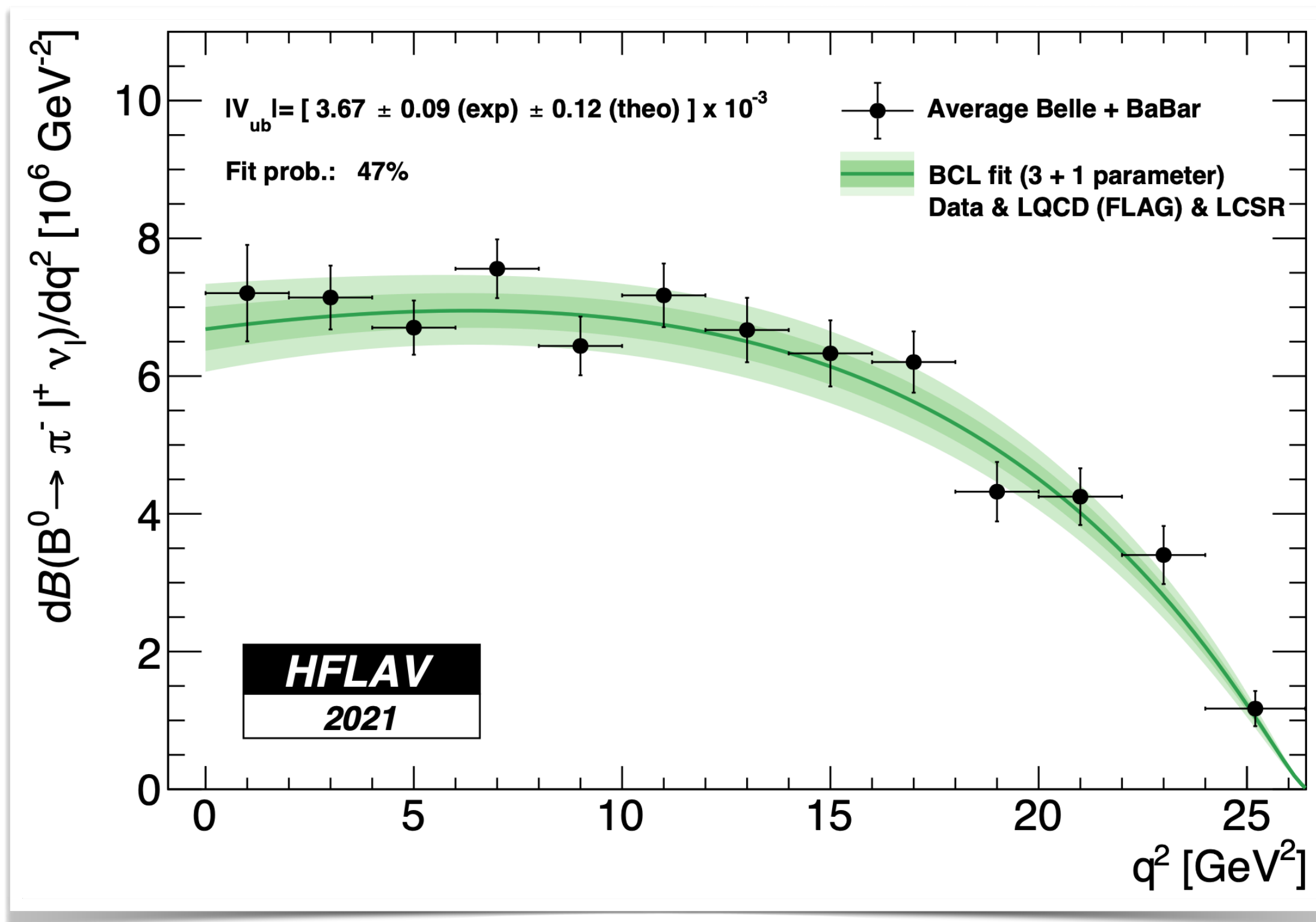


- Average in each bin of q^2
- Taking into account correlated systematic uncertainties
- $P(\chi^2) = 6\%$
- Total \mathcal{B} is obtained from summing up partial branching ratios (accuracy 6%)

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (1.50 \pm 0.02_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

BCL fit

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Parameter	Value
$ V_{ub} $	$(3.67 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-3}$
b_0	0.418 ± 0.012
b_1	-0.399 ± 0.033
b_2	-0.578 ± 0.130

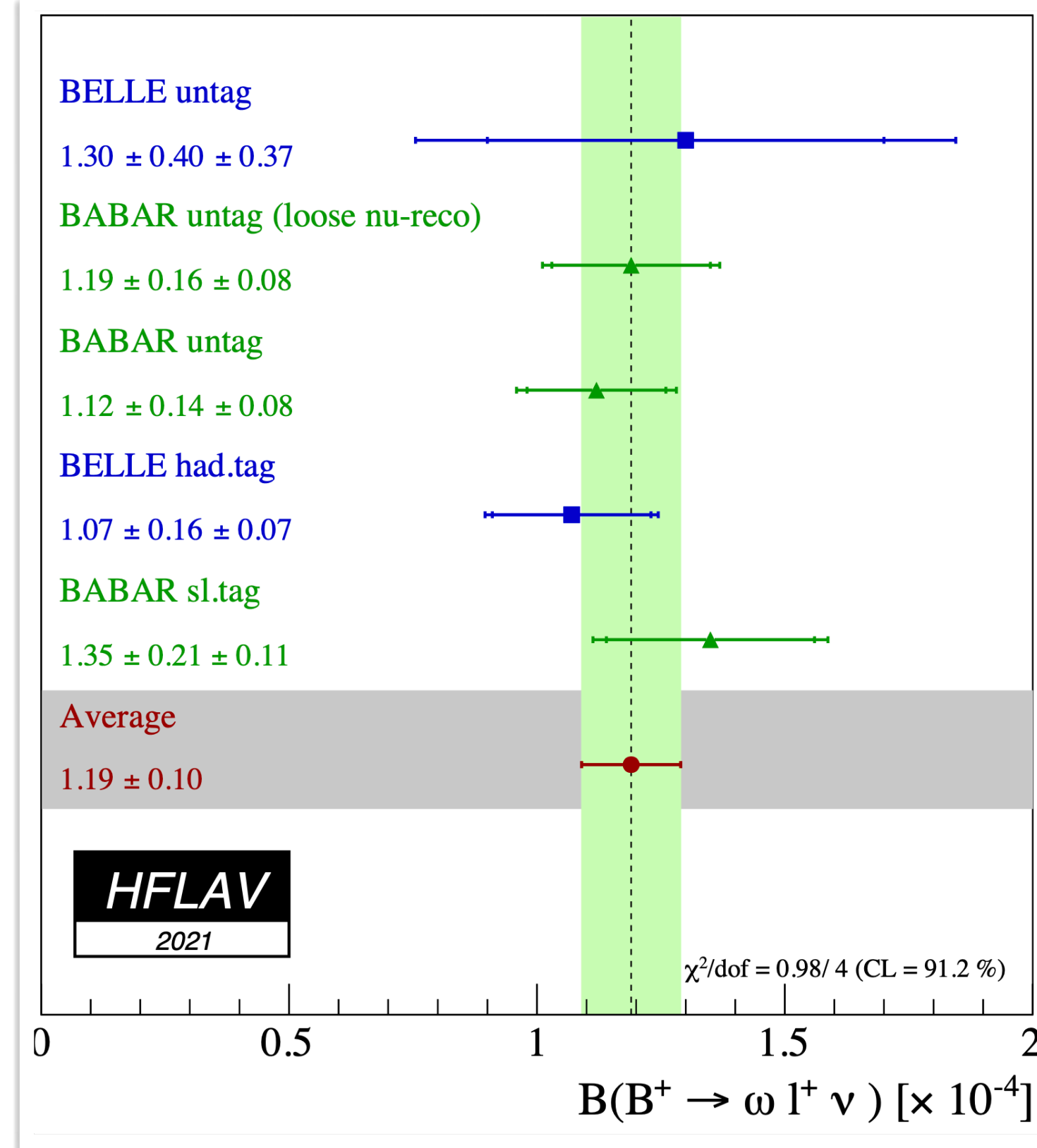
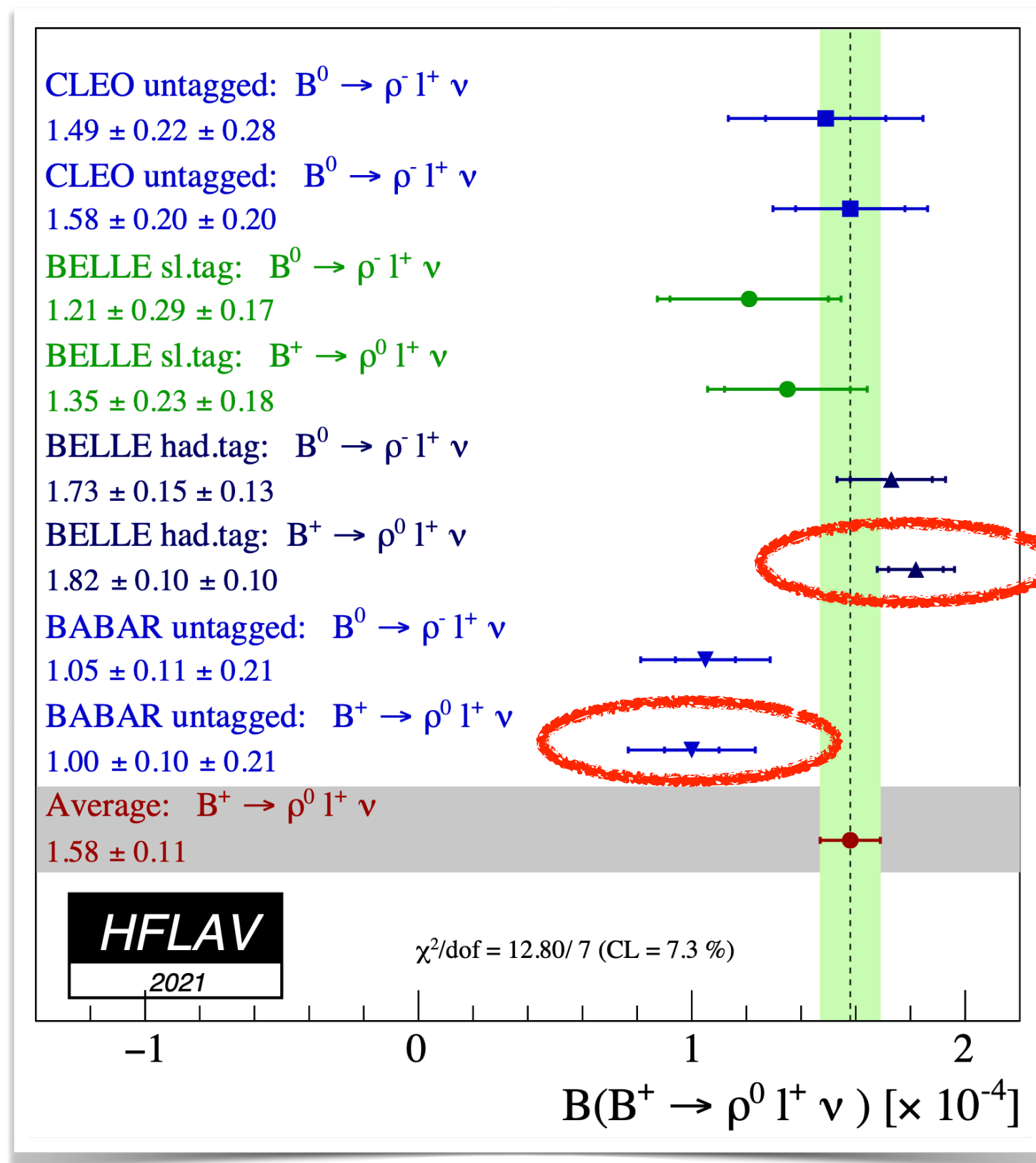
Parameter	$ V_{ub} $	b_0	b_1	b_2
$ V_{ub} $	1.000	-0.780	-0.404	0.401
b_0	-0.780	1.000	2.110	-0.587
b_1	-0.404	2.110	1.000	-0.686
b_2	0.401	-0.587	-0.686	1.000

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.67 \pm 0.09_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.12_{\text{theo}}) \times 10^{-3} \text{ (data + LQCD + LCSR)}$$

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.70 \pm 0.10_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.12_{\text{theo}}) \times 10^{-3} \text{ (data + LQCD)}$$

$B \rightarrow \rho, \omega \ell \nu$ average

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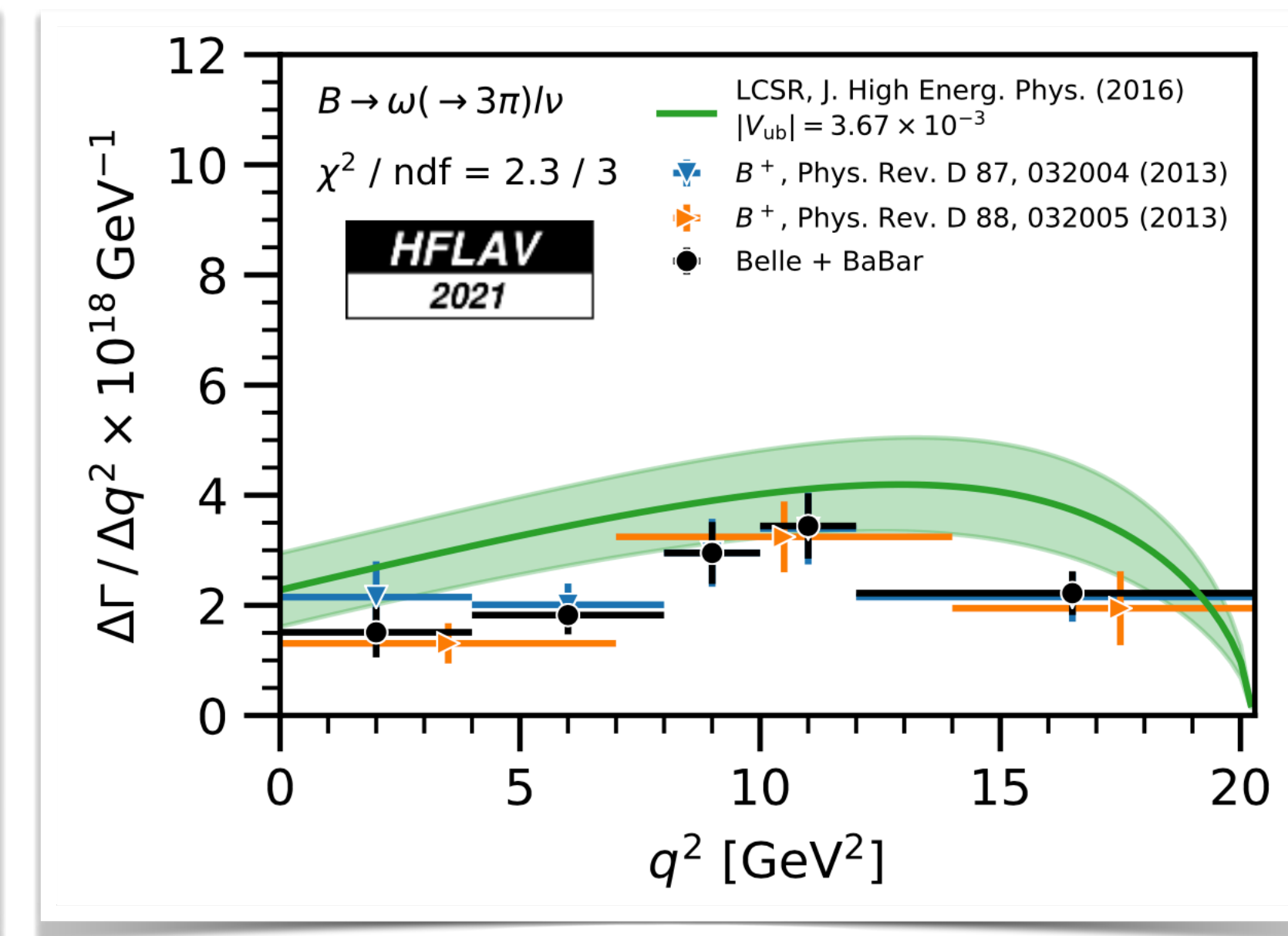
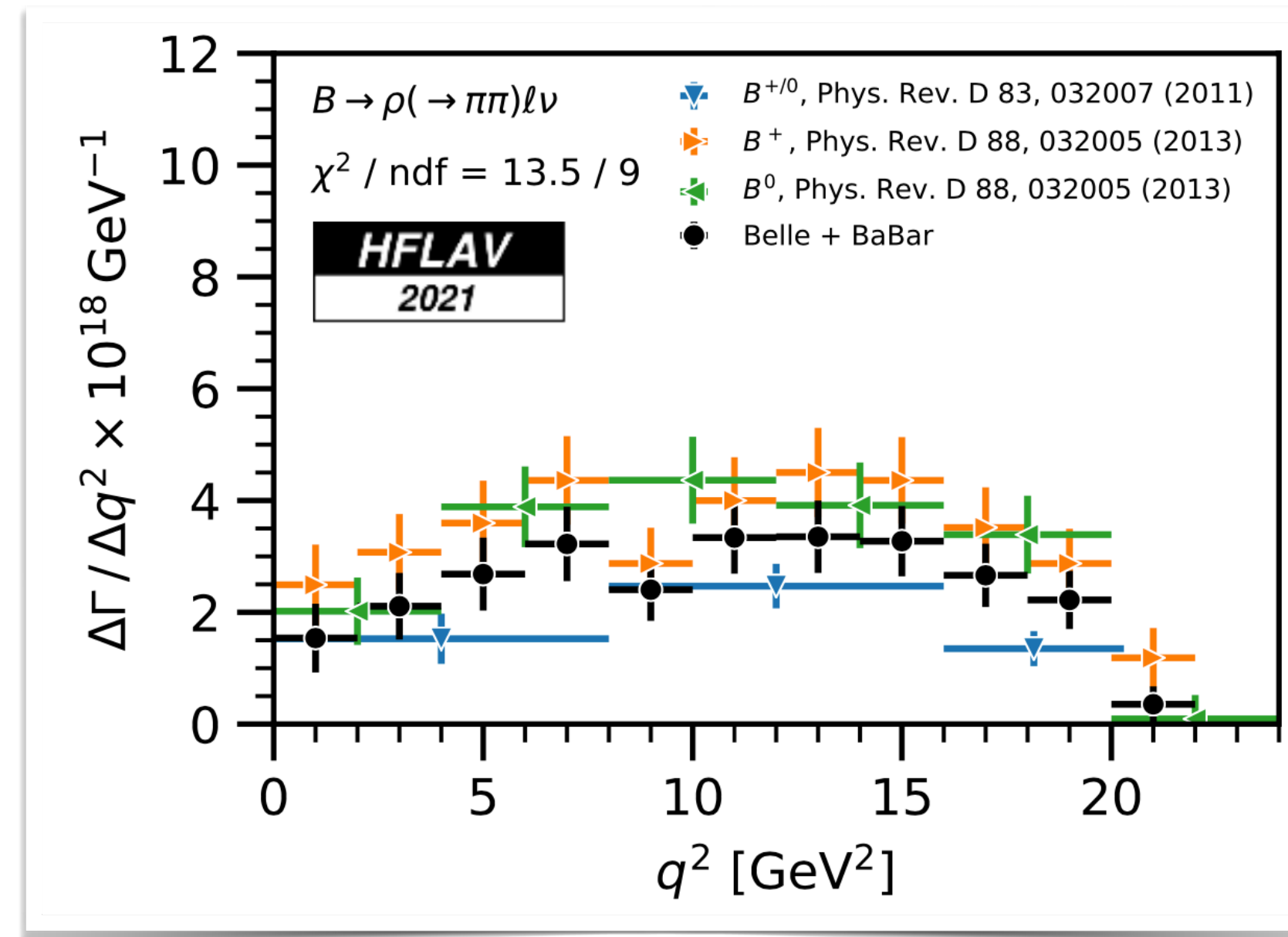


- $B \rightarrow \rho \ell \nu$
 - $B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 \ell^+ \nu$ average includes $B^0 \rightarrow \rho^- \ell^+ \nu$ results rescaled by $0.5\tau_{B^+}/\tau_{B^0}$ (isospin symmetry)
 - 7% overall precision
 - 3 sigma discrepancy between BaBar untagged and Belle tagged for $B^+ \rightarrow \rho^0 \ell^+ \nu$
- $B \rightarrow \omega \ell \nu$
 - 8% overall precision

$B \rightarrow \rho, \omega \ell \nu$ q^2 spectrum

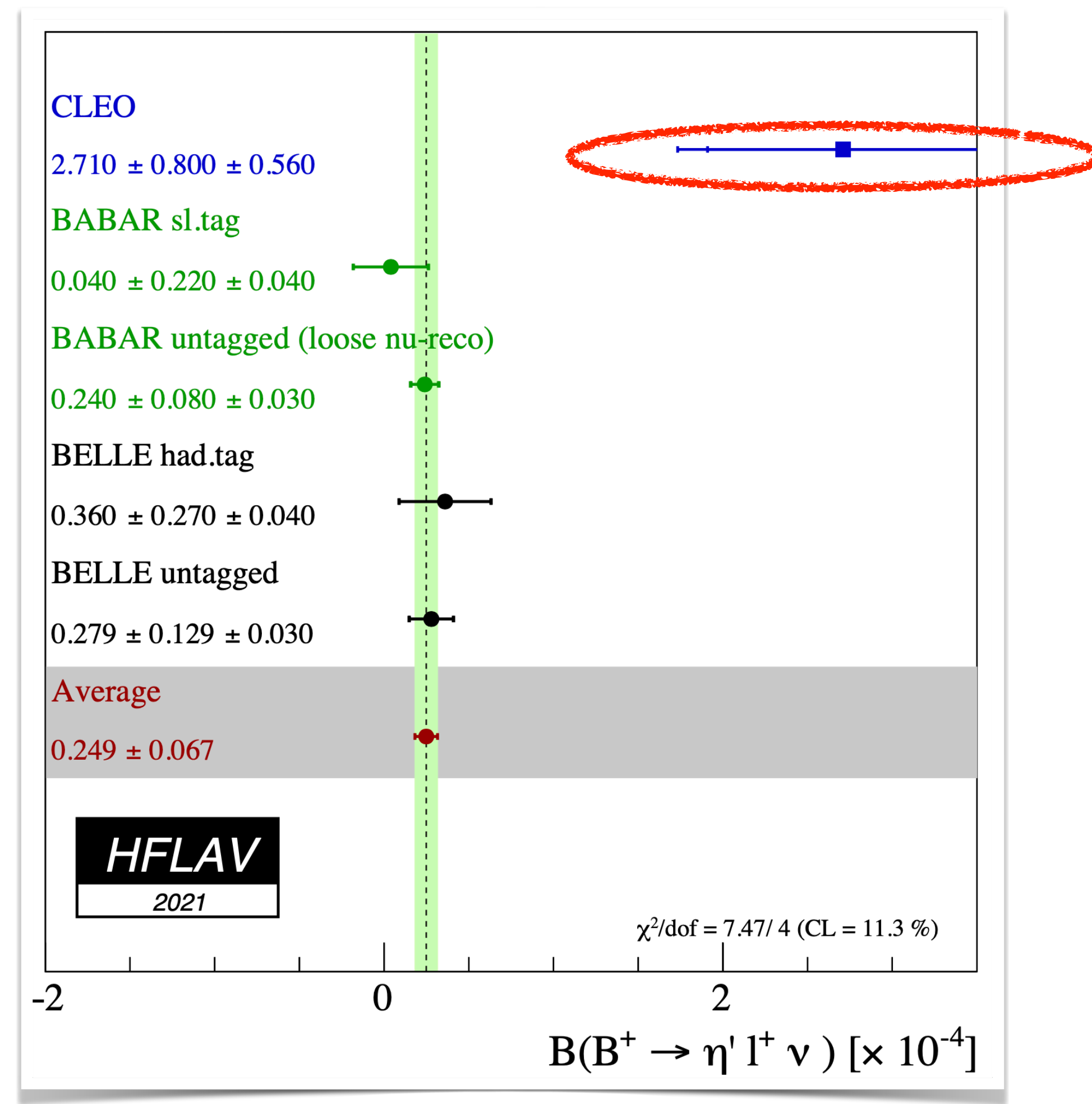
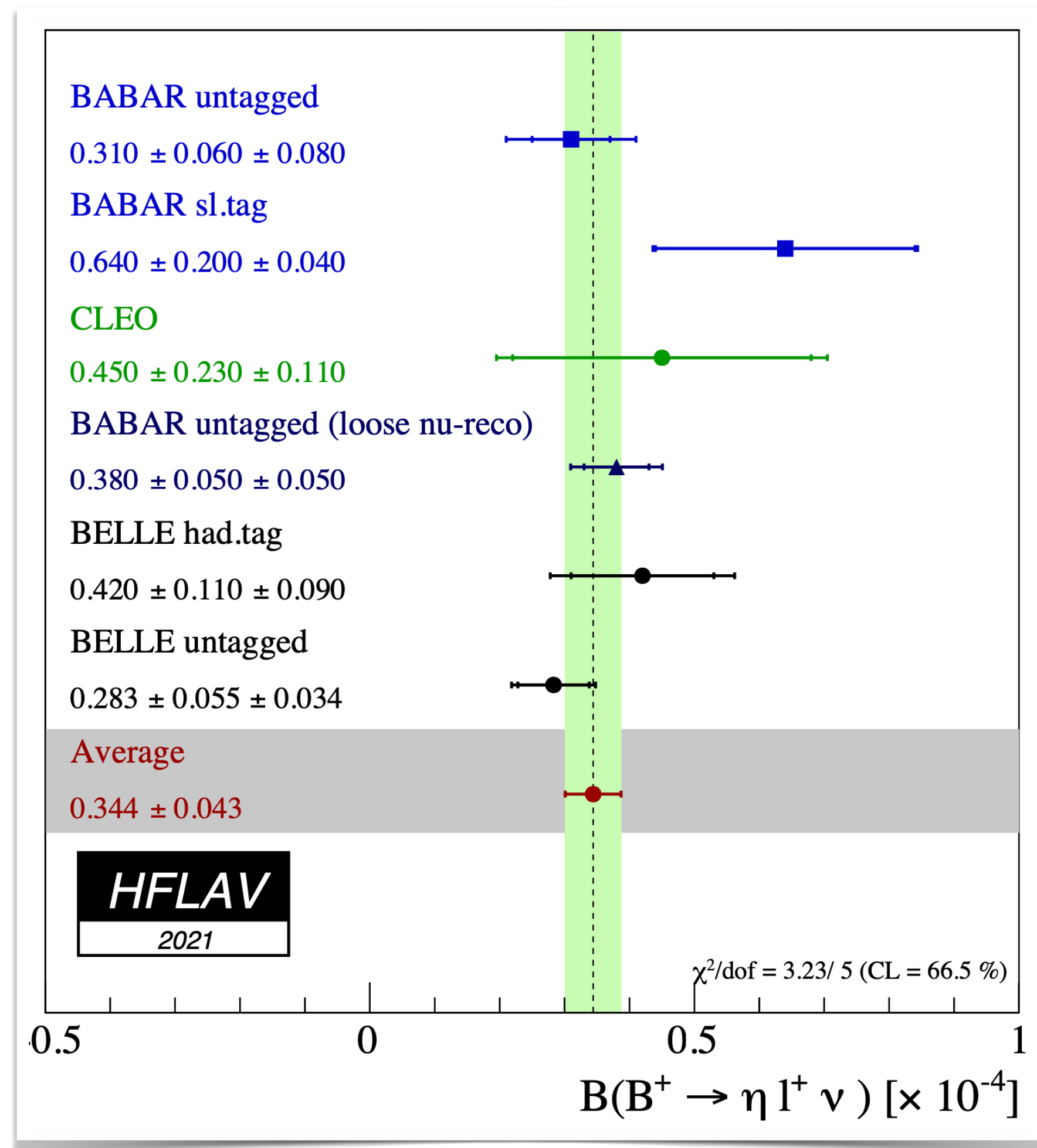
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- $B \rightarrow \rho \ell \nu$
 - Rate times bin width of the most precise measurements (BaBar untagged, Belle tagged) are averaged
- $B \rightarrow \omega \ell \nu$
 - BaBar untagged and Belle tagged are averaged
 - 2nd and 5th bin of the Belle spectrum is split using the LCSR spectrum [J. High Energ. Phys. (2016) 2016: 98]



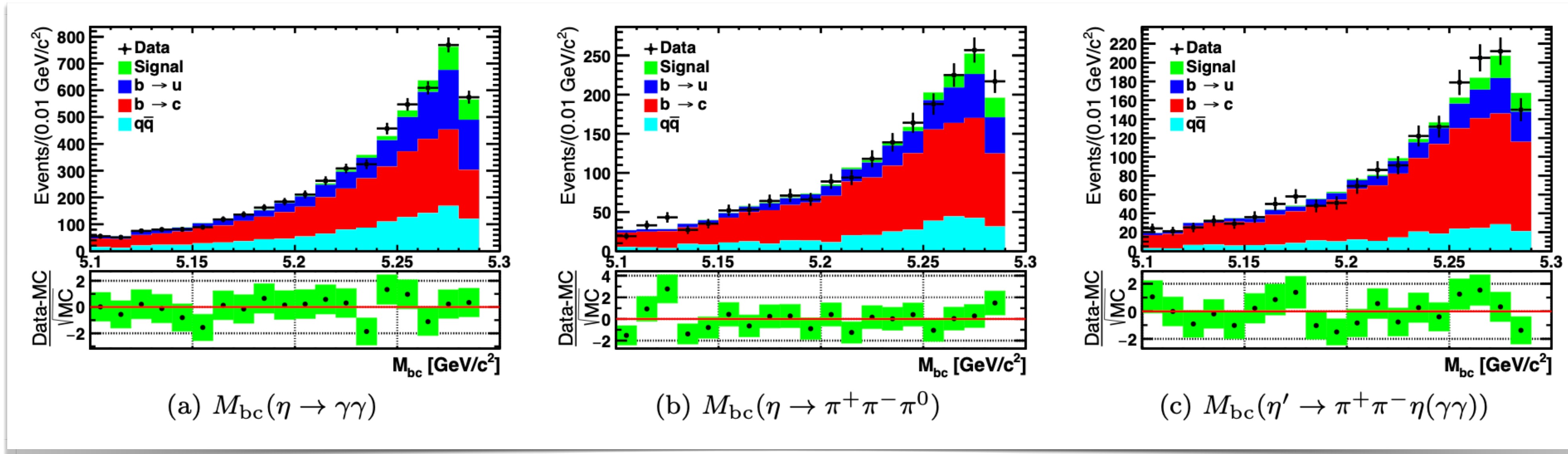
$B \rightarrow \eta^{(\prime)} \ell \nu$ average

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$$B^+ \rightarrow \eta^{(\prime)} \ell^+ \nu$$

Submitted to PRD [arXiv:2104.13354]



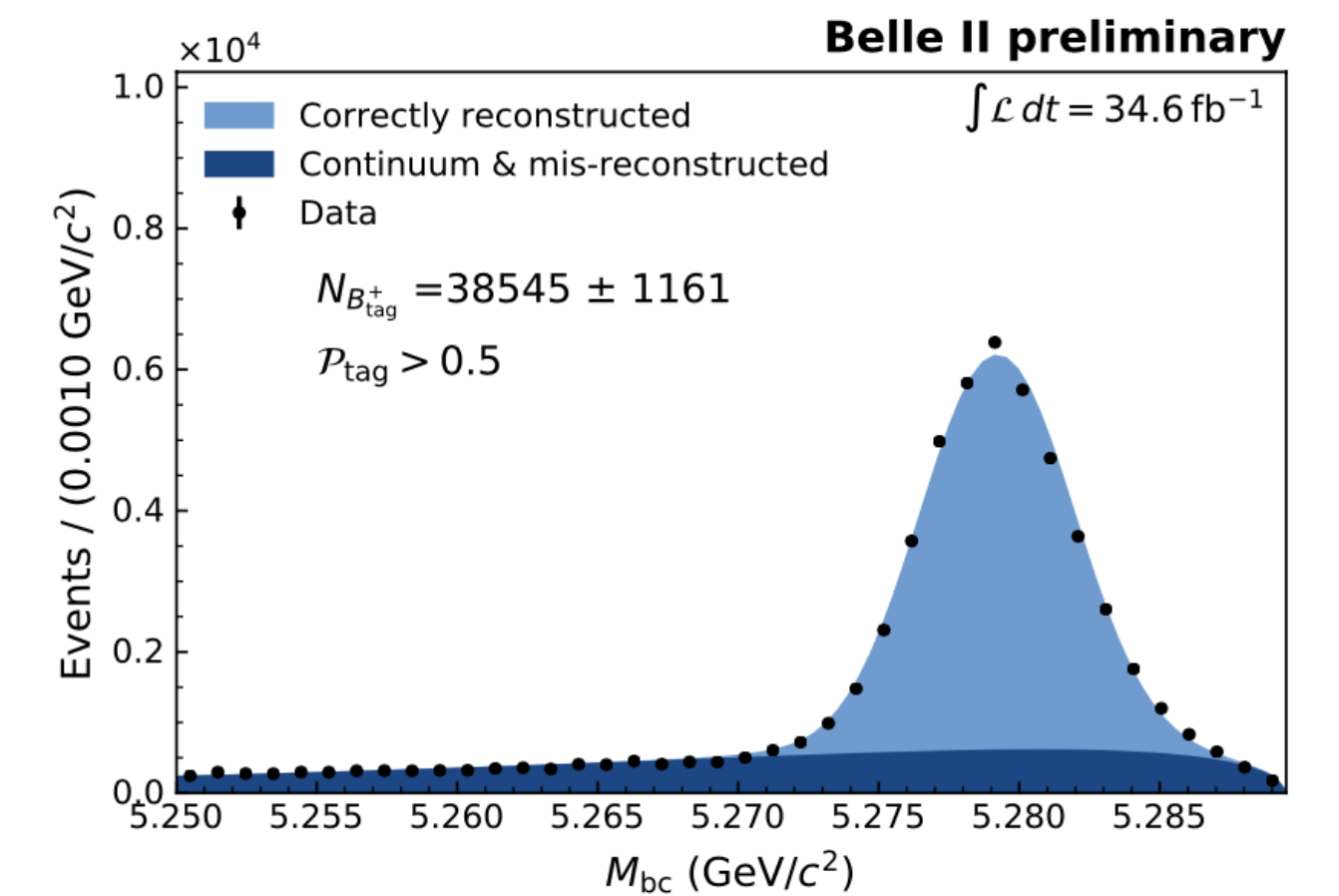
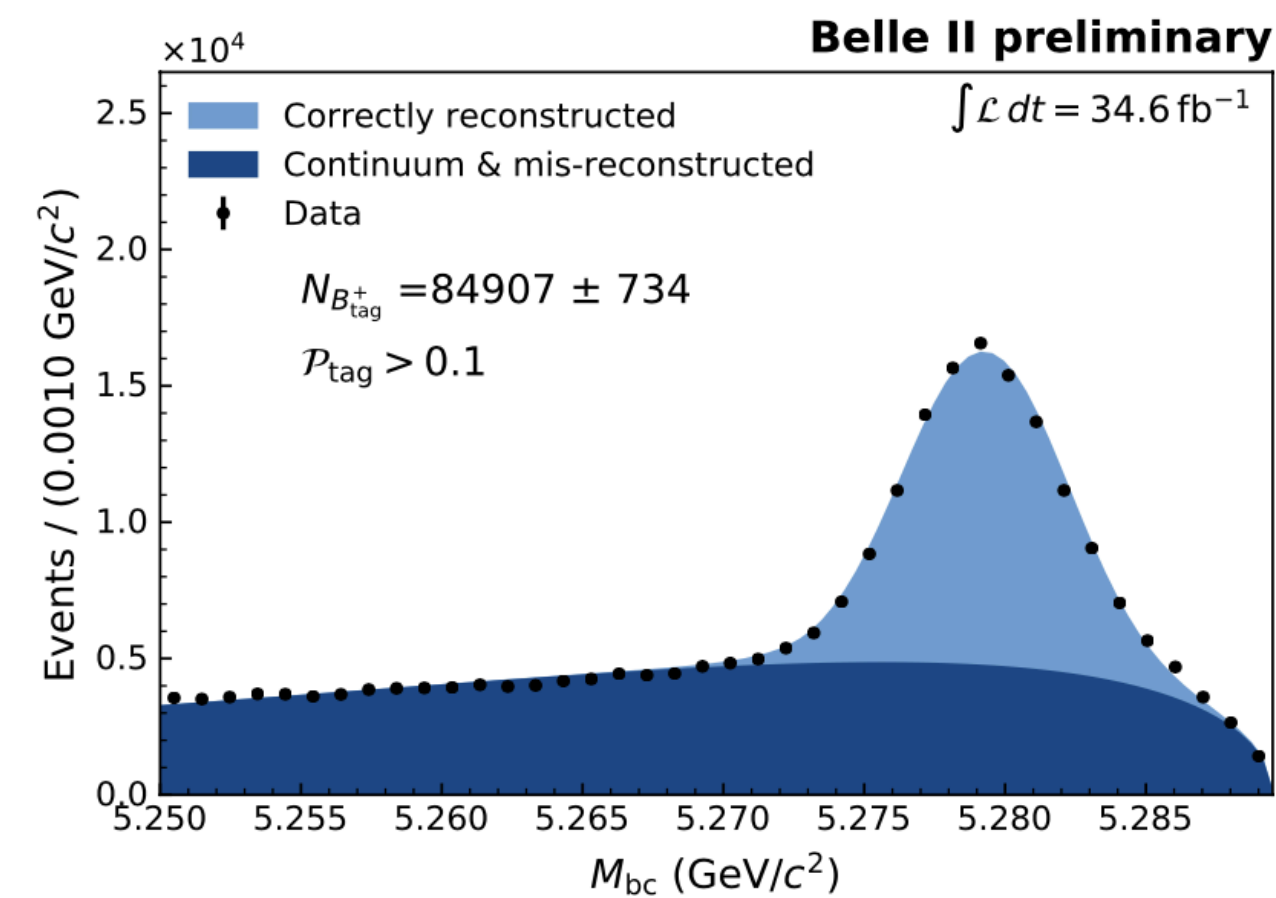
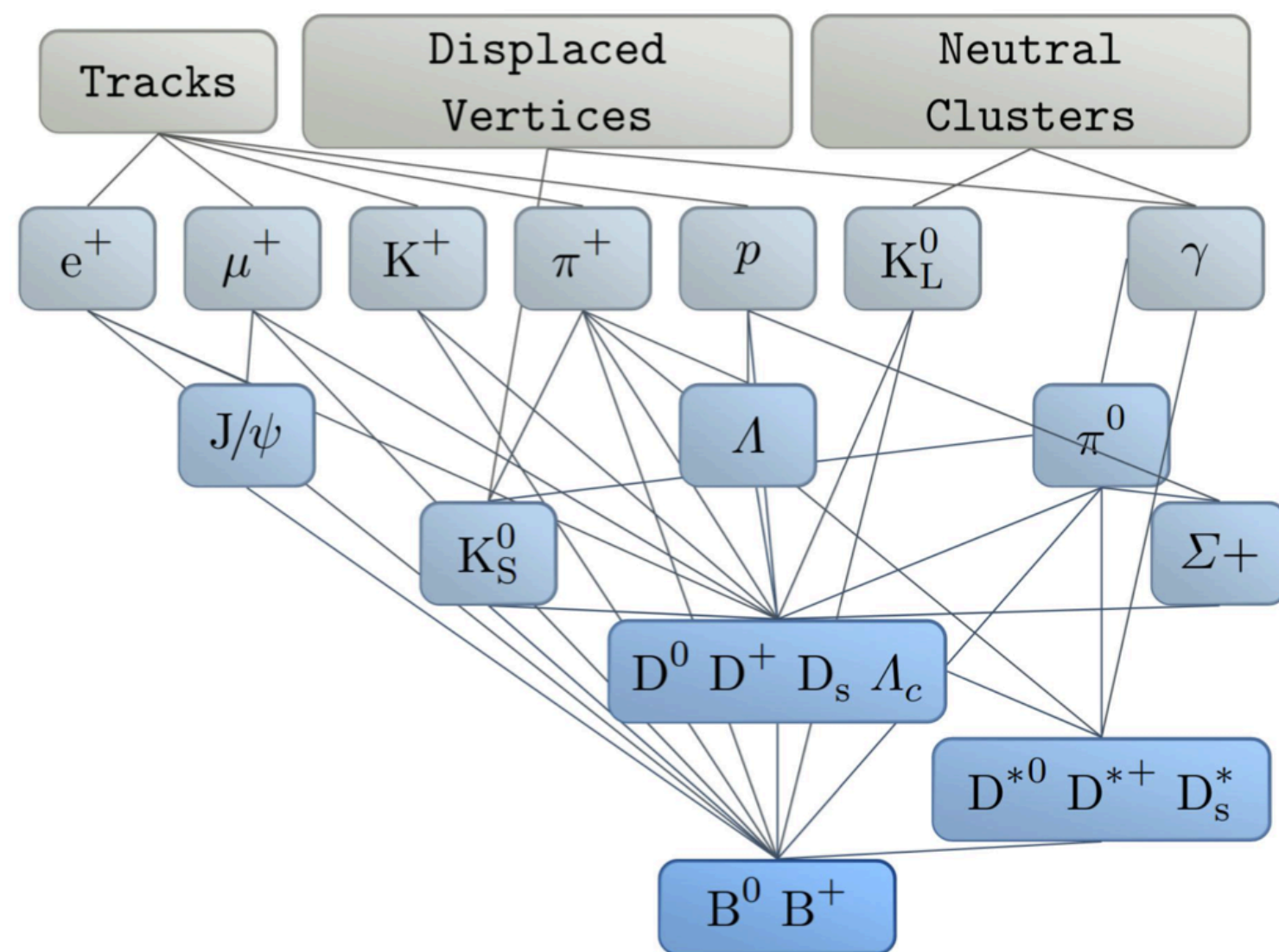
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \eta \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (2.83 \pm 0.55 \pm 0.34) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \eta' \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = (2.79 \pm 1.29_{(\text{stat.})} \pm 0.30_{(\text{syst.})}) \times 10^{-5}$$

Hadronic tagging at Belle II



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$$M_{bc} = \sqrt{E_{\text{beam}}^2/4 - (p_{B_{\text{tag}}}^{\text{cm}})^2} > 5.27 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

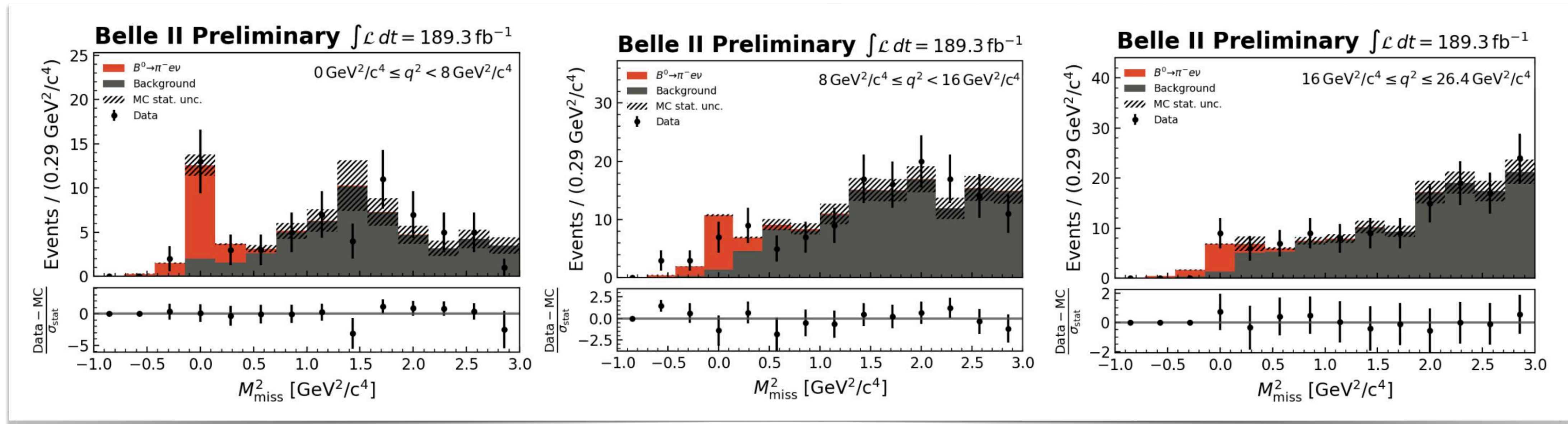
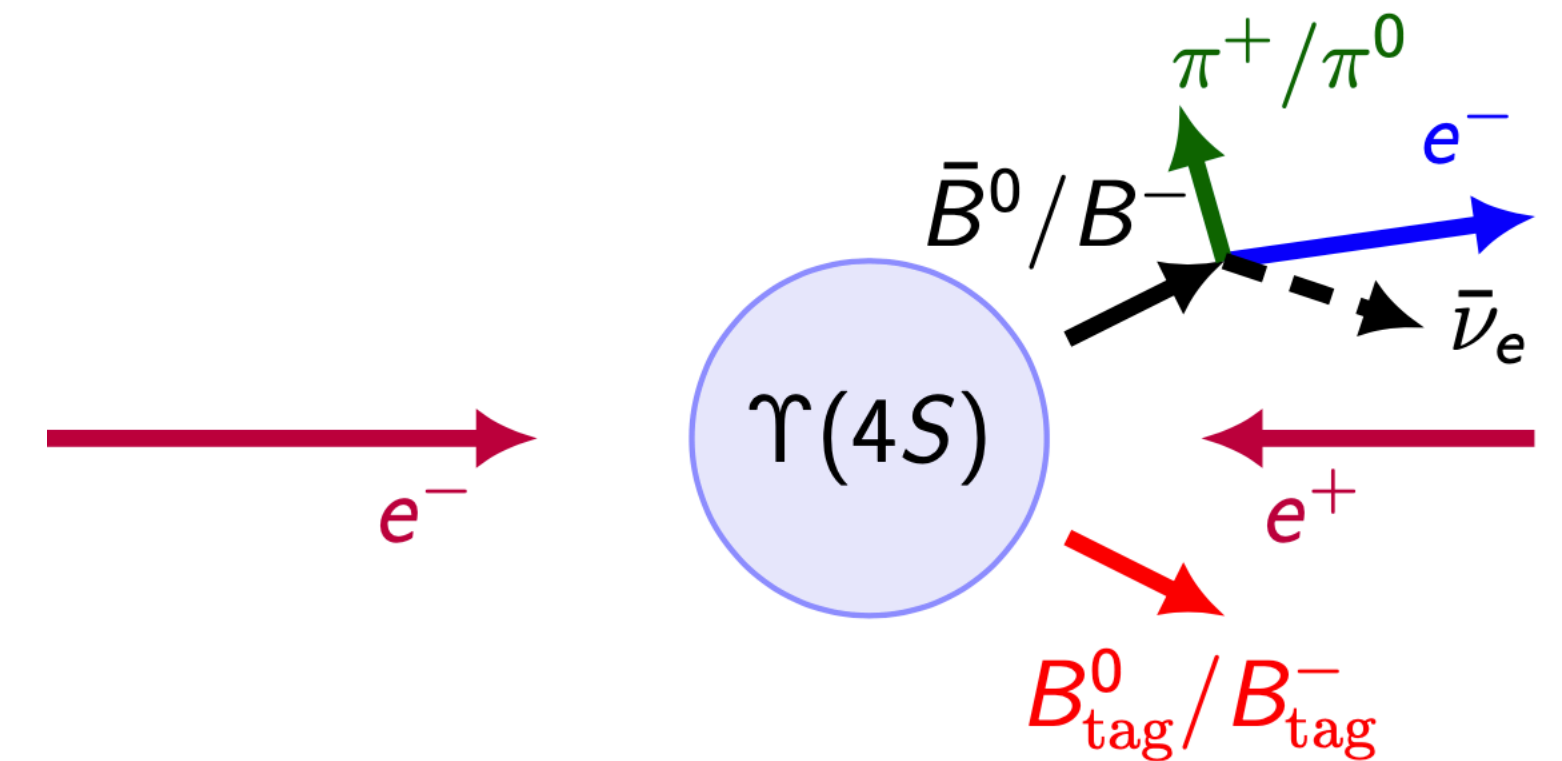
- The hadronic FEI employs over 200 boosted decision trees to reconstruct 10000 B decay chains
 - $\epsilon_{B^+} \approx 0.5 \%$, $\epsilon_{B^0} \approx 0.3 \%$ at low purity

$B \rightarrow \pi e \nu$ tagged at Belle II

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- 189.3/fb of Belle II, tag side is reconstructed by hadronic FEI
- $\pi^- e^+$ and $\pi^0 e^+$ are reconstructed on the signal side
- Signal yield is extracted from the missing mass distribution in three bins of q^2

- $M_{\text{miss}}^2 = (p_{\Upsilon(4S)} - p_{B_{\text{tag}}} - p_{\pi} - p_e)^2$



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q^2 bin	Signal efficiency	Unfolded signal yield	$\Delta\mathcal{B}$
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$			
$0 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq q^2 < 8 \text{ GeV}^2$	$(0.189 \pm 0.002)\%$	15.5 ± 4.6	$(0.61 \pm 0.18(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4}$
$8 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq q^2 < 16 \text{ GeV}^2$	$(0.239 \pm 0.003)\%$	15.3 ± 4.8	$(0.48 \pm 0.15(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4}$
$16 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq q^2 \leq 26.4 \text{ GeV}^2$	$(0.229 \pm 0.003)\%$	10.3 ± 4.2	$(0.34 \pm 0.14(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4}$
Sum	–	41.1 ± 7.8	$(1.43 \pm 0.27(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4}$
Fit over full q^2 range	$(0.217 \pm 0.002)\%$	42.0 ± 7.9	$(1.45 \pm 0.27(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-4}$
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e$			
q^2 bin	Signal efficiency	Unfolded signal yield	$\Delta\mathcal{B}$
$0 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq q^2 < 8 \text{ GeV}^2$	$(0.329 \pm 0.004)\%$	12.9 ± 4.7	$(2.90 \pm 1.12(\text{stat}) \pm 0.19(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$
$8 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq q^2 < 16 \text{ GeV}^2$	$(0.439 \pm 0.005)\%$	18.1 ± 5.1	$(3.05 \pm 0.91(\text{stat}) \pm 0.20(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$
$16 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq q^2 \leq 26.4 \text{ GeV}^2$	$(0.451 \pm 0.006)\%$	14.5 ± 4.9	$(2.38 \pm 0.85(\text{stat}) \pm 0.16(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$
Sum	–	45.5 ± 8.5	$(8.33 \pm 1.67(\text{stat}) \pm 0.55(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$
Fit over full q^2 range	$(0.402 \pm 0.003)\%$	43.9 ± 8.3	$(8.06 \pm 1.62(\text{stat}) \pm 0.53(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-5}$

- Yields in q^2 bins are corrected by bin-by-bin unfolding

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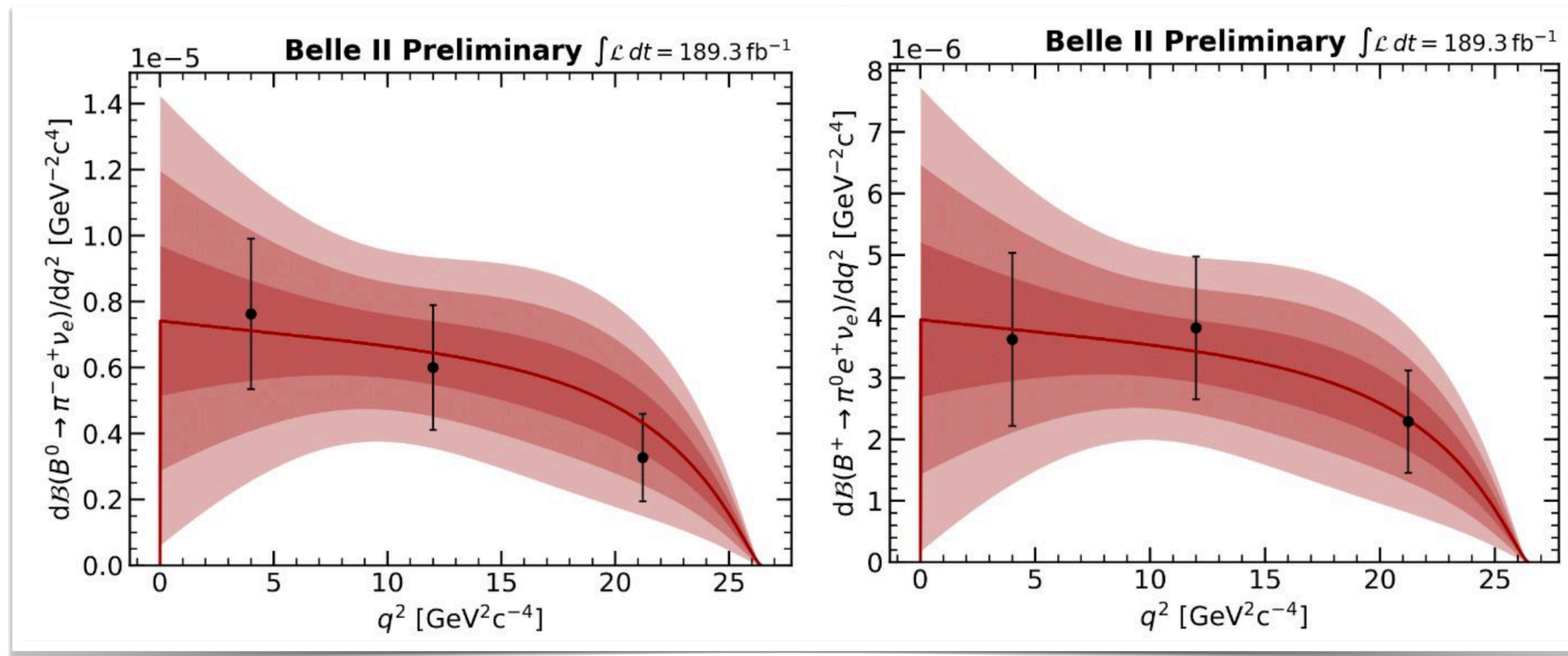
Source	% of $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e)$			% of $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e)$			
	q^2 bin index	1	2	3	1	2	3
$N_{B\bar{B}}$					2.9		
f_{+0}					1.2		
FEI calibration			3.2			3.1	
Tracking			0.6			0.3	
π^0 efficiency			—			4.8	
Signal efficiency ϵ	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.3	
Electron ID	1.0	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.5	0.5	
Pion ID	0.4	0.4	0.4		—		
Total	4.8	4.7	4.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	

First Belle II determination of $|V_{ub}|$

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- BCL fit with the FNAL-MILC form factor [Phys. Rev. D 92, 014024 (2015)]



Decay mode	Fitted $ V_{ub} $
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$	$(3.71 \pm 0.55) \times 10^{-3}$
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e$	$(4.21 \pm 0.63) \times 10^{-3}$
Combined fit	$(3.88 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-3}$

Summary

- $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$
 - The golden mode for $|V_{ub}|$ exclusive from $\Upsilon(4S)$ data
 - $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \nu) = (1.50 \pm 0.02_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$ (HFLAV 2021)
 - $|V_{ub}| = (3.67 \pm 0.09_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.12_{\text{th}}) \times 10^{-3}$ (HFLAV 2021, LQCD, LCSR)
- $B \rightarrow \rho, \omega \ell \nu$
 - \mathcal{B} s known to 7-8% precision (HFLAV 2021)
 - Lack of precise FF calculations limits their usefulness in terms of $|V_{ub}|$

Summary

- New Belle II results
 - First determination of $|V_{ub}|$ from $B \rightarrow \pi e \nu$ tagged using 189.3/fb of Belle II data
 - $|V_{ub}| = (3.88 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-3}$ (Belle II, LQCD)
- More results are in preparation
 - We expect in particular the untagged measurements for ICHEP 2022 which will significantly increase the precision in $|V_{ub}|$