

NA64++

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- **NA64 e^{\pm}**
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- **NA64h**

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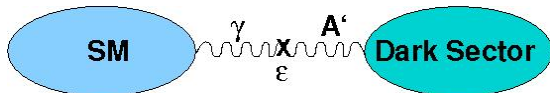
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- NA64 collaboration (~ 50 researchers from 18 institutes)
- Proposed in 2014 as **P348**, first test beam in 2015 (2 weeks);
- **Approved** by CERN SPS in March 2016 → **NA64**. 2016: 5 weeks; 2017: 5 weeks; 2018: 6 weeks.
- 2021/2022: 5/10 weeks in H4 and 3/3 weeks at M2

NA64e: Vector Portal to Dark Sector

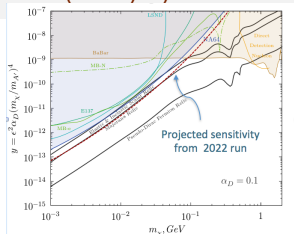
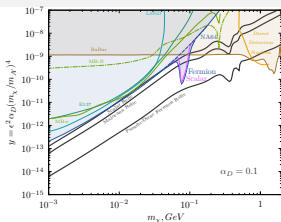
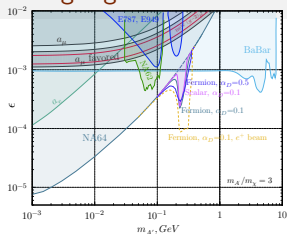


- **Okun, Holdom (1986)** $\alpha_D = e_D^2/(4\pi)$: new massive boson A' (dark photon) which has kinetic mixing ϵ with ordinary photon A :

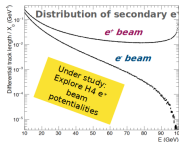
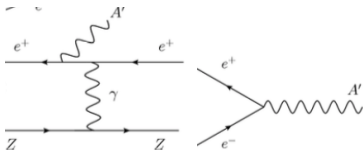
$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{1}{4}(F'_{\mu\nu})^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}F_{\mu\nu}F'_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}^2(A'_\mu)^2 + e\bar{\psi}_e\gamma_\mu A'^\mu\psi_e + \mathcal{L}_{int}(A' - \text{DM})$$

- Field redefinition $A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \epsilon A'_\mu$ to get rid of kinetic mixing between Standard Model (SM) photon A and massive Dark Photon A'
- That implies the effective interaction of DP with electrons $\mathcal{L} \supset e\epsilon \cdot \bar{\psi}_e\gamma^\mu A'_\mu\psi_e$
- Production:
 - A' -**bremstrahlung** $e^- N \rightarrow e^- NA'$, ($A' \rightarrow \chi\chi$)
 - resonant pair **annihilation** $e^+e^- \rightarrow A' \rightarrow \chi\chi$
- Decays:
 - Mostly **Visible**: $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-$, $\mu^+\mu^-$, hadrons, assuming $m_{A'} > 2m_e$, $2m_\mu\dots$
 - Mostly **Invisible**: $A' \rightarrow \chi\chi$ if $m_{A'} > 2m_\chi$ assuming $\alpha_D \sim \alpha_{QED} \gg \epsilon$
- Relic DM abundance: $\Omega_\chi \propto \langle v\sigma \rangle^{-1} \propto m_\chi^2/y$, where $y = \epsilon^2\alpha_D(m_\chi/m_{A'})^4$

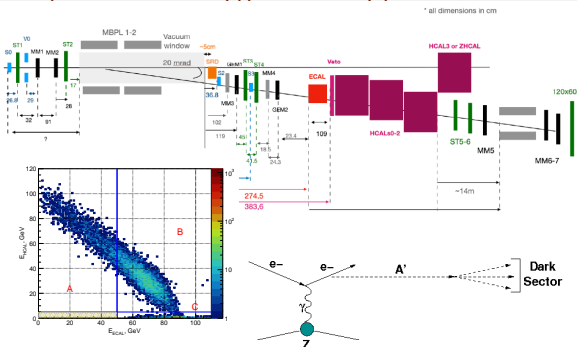
Probing Light Dark Matter with NA64++ (Phys.Rev.D 104 (2021) 9)



- Combined 2016-2018 NA64 sensitivity ($N_{sign} \propto \epsilon^2$, $EOT \simeq 2.84 \times 10^{11}$) to light thermal DM exceeding constraints from beam dump experiments (suppressed $N_{sign} \propto \epsilon^4 \alpha_D$)
- In 2022 NA64e collected about 6.4×10^{11} EOT, thus the total amount of accumulated EOTs is 10^{12} ; The data analysis is in progress
- Improved limit on ϵ up to factor 10 in the resonant region $m_{A'} \simeq (2m_e E_{cut})^{1/2}$
- Advantage of using a positron beam \rightarrow beam energy scanning method, $10 \times$ bckgr. :(
- NA64++ target: SIGNIFICANT DM parameter space can be probed in Run 3 using unique CERN SPS electron and positron beams.

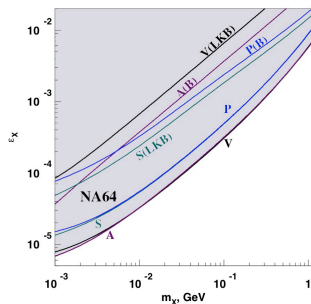
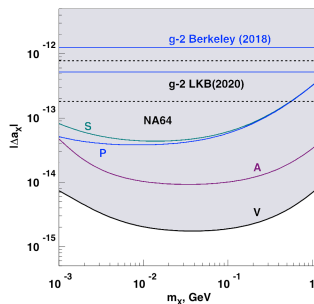
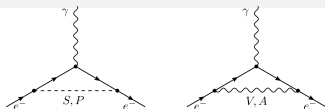


NA64e run in 2022 (sketch of the upgraded setup)



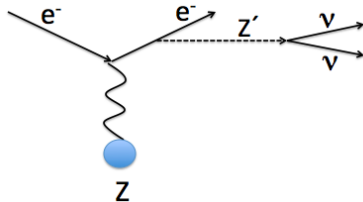
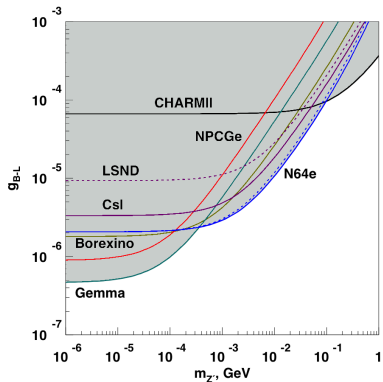
- NA64 is designed to search for BSM physics in missing-energy events with e^\pm, μ, π, K, p beams.
- Main Components: a) clean $E_0 = 100$ GeV e^- beam; b) e^- tagging system: tracker+SRD; c) hermetic ECAL+HCAL;
- $E_{beam} \simeq E_{HCAL} + E_{ECAL}$ - main diagonal
- Signal Box (A):
 - a) in: 100 GeV e^- track; b) out: $E_{ECAL} < 0.5E_0$ electromagnetic shower in ECAL; c) no energy in Veto and HCAL;
- Background:
 - a) μ, π, K decays in flight; b) upstream interaction; c) Tail < 50 GeV in the e^- beam; d) energy leak from ECAL+HCAL. Background free at the level of $\sim 10^{-12}$

Probing $(g - 2)_e$ with NA64: $eN \rightarrow eNX, (X \rightarrow \chi\chi)$, where $X = (S, P, V, A)$



- $\Delta a_e^{LKB} = a_e^{exp} - a_e^{th} = (4.8 \pm 3.0) \cdot 10^{-13}$ LKB, L. Morel, Zh. Yao, P. Clade, and S. Guellati-Khelifa, Nature (London) 588, 61 (2020).
- $\Delta a_e^B = a_e^{exp} - a_e^{th} = (-8.8 \pm 3.6) \cdot 10^{-13}$ Berkeley, R. H. Parker, C. Yu, W. Zhong, B. Estey, and H. Muller, Science 360, 191 (2018)
- $X(J^P = 0^\pm, 1^\pm) \rightarrow$ invis.: **Motivation** is to check the explanation of $(g - 2)_e$ puzzle due to X decaying invisibly.
- **NA64, Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 211802 constraint is better than High Precision Table-top Experiments Berkeley**

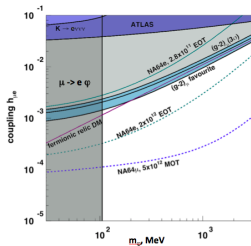
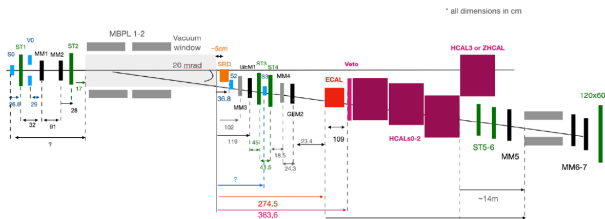
Z' boson from B-L scenario: Phys.Rev.Lett. 129 (2022) 16, 161801



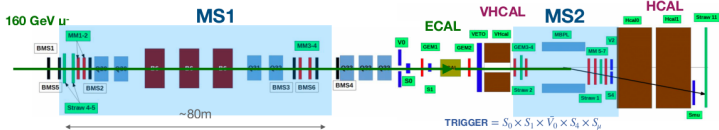
$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_{B-L} Z'_\mu \sum_{\text{families}} \left[\frac{1}{3} \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q - \bar{l} \gamma^\mu l - \bar{\nu} \gamma^\mu \nu \right]$$

- Mass range of interest $1 \text{ keV} \lesssim m_{Z'} \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$
- DATA: 3.2×10^{11} EOT collected during 2016-2018 and 2021 runs
- **NA64 RESULTS** more stringent compared to those obtained from neutrino-electron scattering data in the mass range $300 \text{ keV} \lesssim m_{Z'} \lesssim 100 \text{ MeV}$

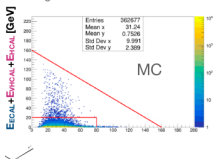
NEW ideas for NA64++ and resuming data taking after LS2



- NA64 theoretical group developments: Phys. Rev. D 106 (2022) 1, - lepton flavour violation
- NA64e design in 2022: new MBPL magnet was added to probe $eN \rightarrow \mu N \phi$ conversion (leptonic scalar)
- Total number of electrons accumulated during 2016-2022 Runs is close to $\sim 10^{12}$



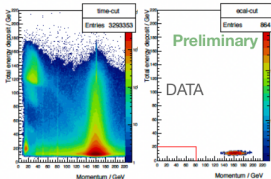
Z' signal-like events for $m_{Z'} = 100$ MeV



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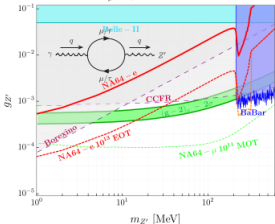
- 160 GeV initial μ -momenta (@MS1)
- Scattered μ -momenta < 80 GeV (@MS2)
- Energy deposit compatible with a MIP in ECAL, HCAL and in VETO

$$\text{TRIGGER} = S_0 \times S_1 \times V_0 \times S_4 \times S_p$$

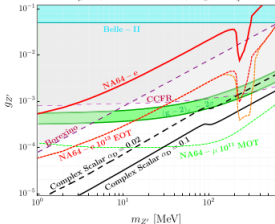


$$\mu + Z \rightarrow \mu + Z + Z_\mu, Z_\mu \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$$

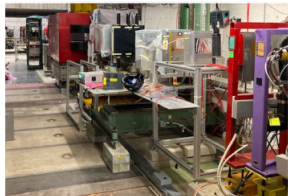
$L_\mu - L_\tau$ "vanilla" model



$$L_\mu - L_\tau \text{ "invisible" model, } m_{Z'} = 3m_\nu$$



$L_\mu - L_\tau$ models Z_μ could explain $(g-2)_\mu$



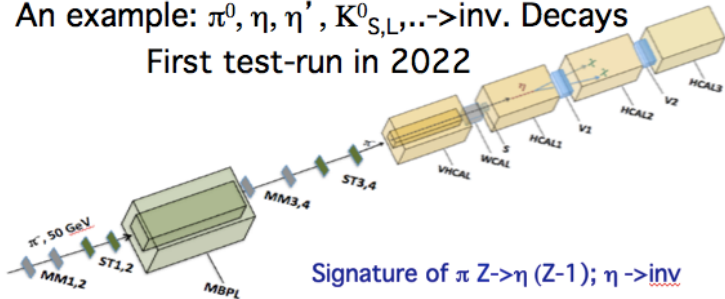
Pilot run 2021: 5×10^9 MOT
 Pilot run 2022: 4×10^{10} MOT

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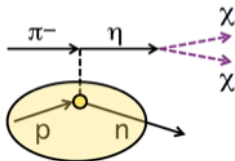


NA64h: Search for FIPs coupled to quarks

An example: $\pi^0, \eta, \eta', K^0_{S,L}, \dots \rightarrow \text{inv. Decays}$
 First test-run in 2022



η, η', K^0 - production:
 $\pi(K) Z \rightarrow \eta(K^0) (Z-1)$



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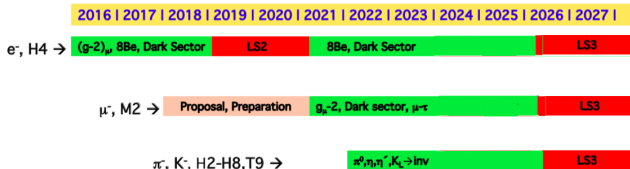
Signature of $\pi Z \rightarrow \eta (Z-1); \eta \rightarrow \text{inv}$

- Single track from 50 GeV π^-
- Events with $E_{\text{HC}} \approx E_0$ - test NA64mu
- MIP in WCAL and S
- **NO energy in HCAL:** $E_{\text{miss}} \sim E_0$
- Bckg: $\pi^- \rightarrow e(\mu)\nu$ decays $\sim 10^{-11}/\text{pot}$
- $\sim 2 \times 10^9$ pot (~ 1 d, 2022),
- $\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \text{inv}) < \sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$ (BaBar/BESIII)

Summary and plans

- **NA64e±: Beamtime 2022** just finished milestone of $\sim 10^{12}$ EOT, \rightarrow start probing **LDM benchmark models. Plan until LS3 increase statistics as much as possible. Beamtime 2022** (2 days) 10^{10} positrons on target collected; impact of $10\times$ larger hadron contamination than in electron mode (expected) under study
- **NA64 μ : Searches for dark sectors weakly coupled to muons at M2 beam-line** – pilot runs in 2021 and 2022 (4×10^{10} MOT collected). Start probing $(g-2)_\mu$ and Z' – Analysis ongoing, setup optimisation to collect before LS3 $\gtrsim 10^{11}$ MOT
- **NA64h:** Beamtime 2022 $\sim 2 \times 10^9$ pions (1 day) to understand potential of NA64 to explore dark sector coupled predominantly to quarks exploiting missing energy. **Letter Of Intent** was submitted to the **Moore Foundation** call for "Small scale experiments"

NA64++ provisional time schedule



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