Recent BaBar results on BSM Higgs



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Outline

- Searches for Charged Higgs
 - $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ submitted to PRD-RC, arXiv:1207.0698
 - $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau v$ PRL 109, 101802 (2012) and New preliminary extra studies submitted to PRD, arXiv:1303.0571
- Searches for Low-mass Higgs
 - $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow A^0 \gamma; A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-, \mu^+ \mu^-$

PRD 87, 031102 (2013) and submitted to PRD-RC, arXiv:1210.5669

Searches for Dark Higgs

PRL 108, 21180 (2012)



The use of charge conjugate modes are implied throughout talk Dana Lindemann - BaBar

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Charged Higgs Searches



$B \rightarrow \tau v$ and $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau v$ Motivation

- H⁺ predicted by many New Physics scenarios
 - e.g. Type-II Two-Higgs Doublet Model (2HDM) of MSSM
- H⁺- ℓ coupling $\propto m_{\rho}$





$B \rightarrow \tau v$ and $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau v$ Common Methodology

- Hermetic BaBar detector : neutrino "detection" via p_{miss}
- Exploit $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\overline{B}$ production by reconstructing both B's



$B^{+} \rightarrow \tau^{+} v Search$ arXiv:1207.0698 Submitted to PRD

Clean test of SM predictions without uncertainties from hadronic (QCD) final-states $\mathcal{B}(B \to \ell \nu) = \frac{G_F^2 m_B}{8\pi} m_l^2 (1 - \frac{m_l^2}{m_b^2})^2 f_B^2 |V_{ub}|^2 \tau_B$ $|\text{Vub}| \text{ and } f_B \text{ dominate SM uncertainty}$ $f_B = \text{B decay constant (lattice QCD)}$ $B(B \to \tau \nu)_{\text{SM}} \text{ is } O(10^{-4})$ Charged Higgs can enhance or suppress SM rate: $\mathcal{B}(B \to \tau \nu)_{2\text{HDM}} = \mathcal{B}_{\text{SM}} \times (1 - \tan^2 \beta \frac{m_B^2}{m_H^2})^2$

Event Selection:

- Reconstruct 1-prong τ decay modes: evv, $\mu\nu\nu$, $\pi\nu$, and $\rho\nu \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0\nu$
- 2- and 4-variable LHR for πv and ρv
- Unbinned Maximum LH fit to
 - E_{extra} = sum of neutral energy

not associated with B_{sig} or B_{tag}



Exclusion of null hypothesis at 3.8 σ (incl. syst.)

$B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ Results in Context

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$\underline{B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau v} Search$

Sensitivity to New Physics through $R(D^{(*)})$ signal $R(D^{(*)}) = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu_{\tau})}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu_{\ell})_{\ell=e,\mu}}$ normalization

- Spin-0 Higgs doesn't couple to all helicity states: affects D and D* differently

Event Selection:

- Reconstruct D^(*) candidate
- Exactly one extra leptonic track $(\tau \rightarrow evv, \mu vv)$
- Multiple variables in Boosted Decision Trees
- Key variables to discriminate signal/norm decays:

 \mathbf{m}^{2}_{miss} and \mathbf{p}^{*}_{ℓ} in \mathbf{B}_{sig} rest frame





$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau v$ Results

PRL 109, 101802 (2012)



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B→D^(*)τν Results II



$$R(D) = \begin{cases} 0.440 \pm 0.072 & \text{BaBar} \\ 0.297 \pm 0.017 & \text{SM} \end{cases} 2.0\sigma$$
$$R(D^*) = \begin{cases} 0.332 \pm 0.030 & \text{BaBar} \\ 0.252 \pm 0.003 & \text{SM} \end{cases} 2.7\sigma$$

• R(D) and R(D*) are not independent: -27% correlation



Combined deviation from SM: $R(D^{(*)}) = 3.4\sigma$



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Exclusion reach of Type-II 2HDM



Type-III 2HDM

New Results! arXiv:1303.0571 submitted to PRD



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Light Higgs Searches



Light Higgs Motivation

- Low-mass Higgs arise in several BSM scenarios
- NMSSM: proposed to solve EW scale finetuning by adding a singlet Higgs field to MSSM
 - Adds an additional CP-odd Higgs (A⁰) that mixes with MSSM CP-odd Higgs

 $A^{0} = \cos\theta_{A} a_{MSSM} + \sin\theta_{A} a_{singlet}$

- Also adds a neutralino and a CP-even Higgs
- If m_{A⁰} < 2m_b, models are not excluded by LEP constraints
- Light CP-odd Higgs can be directly produced in radiative decays of heavy quarkonium states like Υ(nS)
 - Can have large branching fractions

Dermisek et al., PRD 76, 051105 (2007) Dermisek and Gunion, PRD 81, 075003 (2010)



BaBar Light Higgs Searches

Clean environment for New Physics (A⁰) searches using 2-body radiative decays



$\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \pi \pi \Upsilon(1S),$ $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^{0}, A^{0} \rightarrow \tau^{+} \tau^{-}$



Event Selection:

- Require 4 tracks: $\pi\pi$ tag + ee, eµ, e π , µµ, or µ π for tau pair
- Two neural nets ($N_{\pi\pi}$ and $N_{\tau\tau}$) to discriminate background from signal
- Search for narrow peak in photon energy spectrum by scanning mass of A⁰:



Observed deviations are consistent with background fluctuations

$A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ Results

Results from this search:

B(
$$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0$$
) x B($A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$) < (0.9 - 13) x 10⁻⁵ for 3.6 < m_{A0} < 9.2 GeV

Combine with previous $B(A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)$ results using:



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Dark Higgs Searches



Dark Forces

- Overwhelming evidence of Dark Matter + Recent astronomical observations
 - 511 keV γ -ray excess (INTEGRAL), e[±] excess (PAMELA, ATIC, FERMI, HESS), etc.

New models introduce new hidden dark sector with $U(1)_{DARK}$ gauge group

- TeV-scale dark matter \rightarrow GeV-scale dark photon pair \rightarrow SM fermions
- Dark photon (A') could couple to SM particles through a small kinetic mixing term (ε F^{µν} B_{µν})
- Dark photon coupling to SM fermions: $\alpha' = \epsilon^2 \alpha_D$



Some models include a dark Higgs (h') (gives mass to dark photon)

Arkani-Hamed et al, PRD 79, 015014 (2009); Batell et al, PRD 79, 115008 (2009); Essig et al, PRD 80, 015003 (2009);

GeV-range dark photons could be produced at B-factories!

Higgs-strahlung process $e^+e^- \rightarrow A'^* \rightarrow h'A', h' \rightarrow A'A'$ only suppressed by factor of ϵ

e A'* A'' C'' C'

Also, $A^0 \rightarrow \ell \ell$ searches can be reinterpreted as $A' \rightarrow \ell \ell$ Aspen 2013 Dana Lindemann - BaBar

PRL 108, 211801 Search for a Dark Higgs h'

(2012)

Limit on $\varepsilon^2 = \alpha'/\alpha$ assuming $\alpha_{D} = \alpha_{em}$

- Event Selection on full BaBar dataset $\Upsilon(4S, 3S, 2S)$
 - (a) Exclusive: Fully reconstruct 3 dark photons: A' $\rightarrow e^+e^-$, $\mu^+\mu^-$, $\pi^+\pi^-$
 - (b) Inclusive/partial reconstruction: 2 A' decaying to leptons and 1 A' to qq
 - Four momentum $p_3 = p_{ee} p_1 p_2$
 - 3 A' candidates have similar masses
- 6 events observed (none with 6 leptons), consistent with bkg from control samples



Summary

- The B-factory environment of BaBar provides access to missing-energy decays and to high-energy regions not accessible to hadron machines
- BaBar has searched for evidence of several types of BSM Higgs:
 - Charged Higgs
 - $B(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau v)$ and $B(B \rightarrow \tau v)$ measured in excess of SM predictions
 - $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau v$ has excluded MSSM Type-II 2HDM at 99.8% CL
 - Light Higgs favored by NMSSM
 - Comprehensive searches using a variety of channels, including new $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0$, $A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ and $\tau^+ \tau^-$ results, significantly constrain NMSSM parameter space
 - Dark Higgs suggested by dark sector models
 - Constraints on the coupling parameters of dark-sector models
- Ongoing searches in progress!
 - e.g. Additional $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau v$, $\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow \gamma A^0$, and $A' \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ analyses

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