



# Searches for light CP-odd Higgs

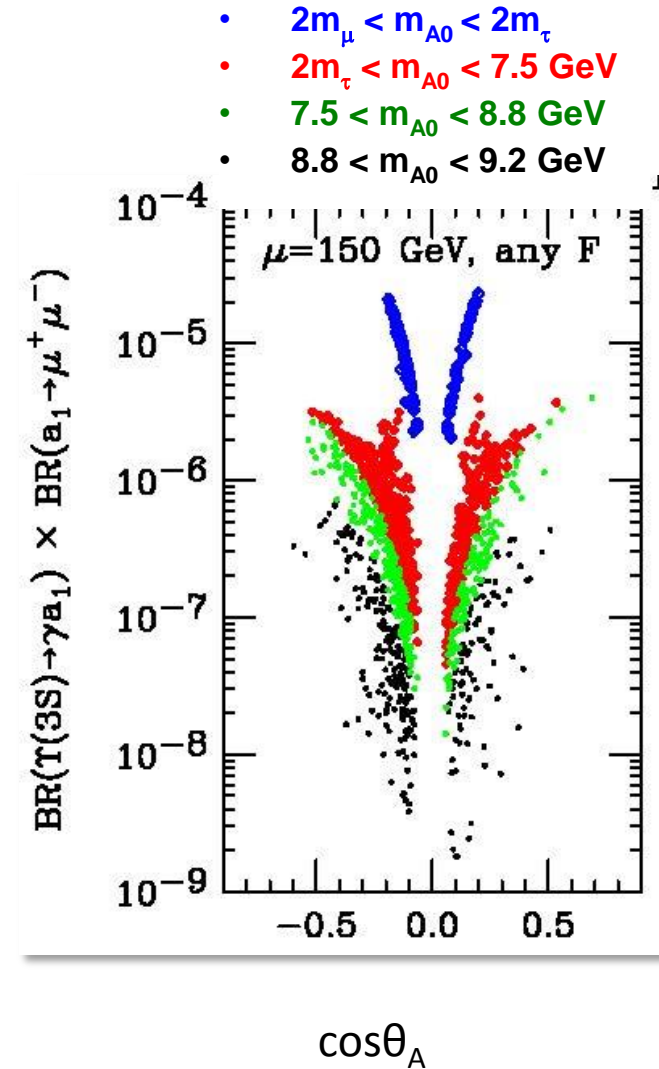


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# Light CP-odd Higgs



- Light CP-odd Higgs  $A^0$  appear in many models e.g. NMSSM.
- In NMSSM coupling to  $b$  quark depends on  $\cos\theta_A$  (CP-odd Higgs doublet/singlet fraction),  $\tan\beta$  (ratio of vev of doublet giving mass to up/down-like quarks), and mass of  $A^0$ .
  - CP-odd Higgs can be light
  - Important to look at many decay possibilities.
- If  $A^0$  mass  $< 2m_b$  not detectable at LEP but may be detectable through  $\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow \gamma A^0$  ( $n=1,2,3$ ).

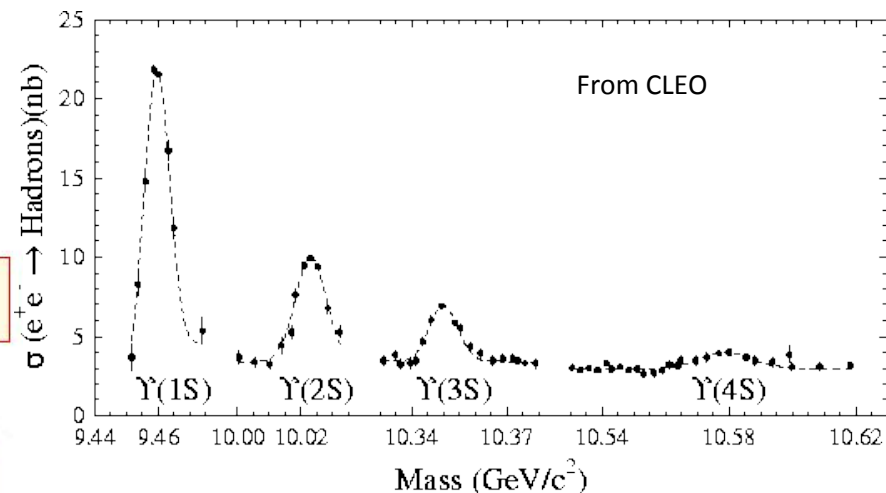
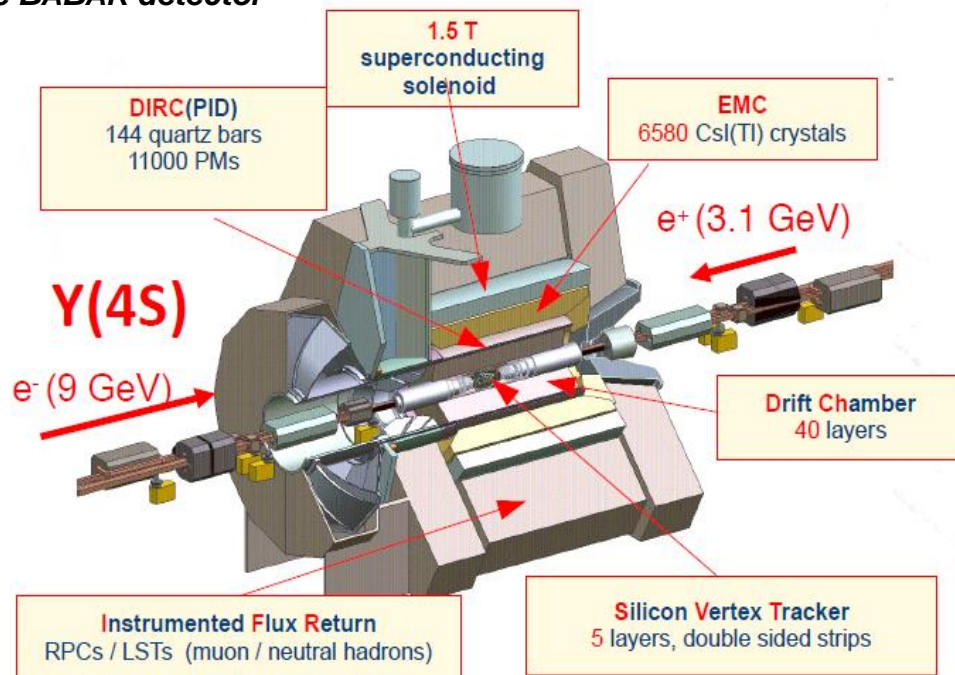


Dermisek & Gunion PRD 81, 075003 (2010)

# The BaBar detector



## The BABAR detector



## BABAR data sample contains

- $\sim 470 \times 10^6$   $\Upsilon(4S)$
- $\sim 120 \times 10^6$   $\Upsilon(3S)$  (10x Belle)
- $\sim 100 \times 10^6$   $\Upsilon(2S)$  (10x CLEO)
- $\sim 23 \times 10^6$   $\Upsilon(2S,3S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\Upsilon(1S)$

$$B(\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\Upsilon(1S)) = (17.90 \pm 0.06)\%$$

$$B(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\Upsilon(1S)) = (4.37 \pm 0.08)\%$$

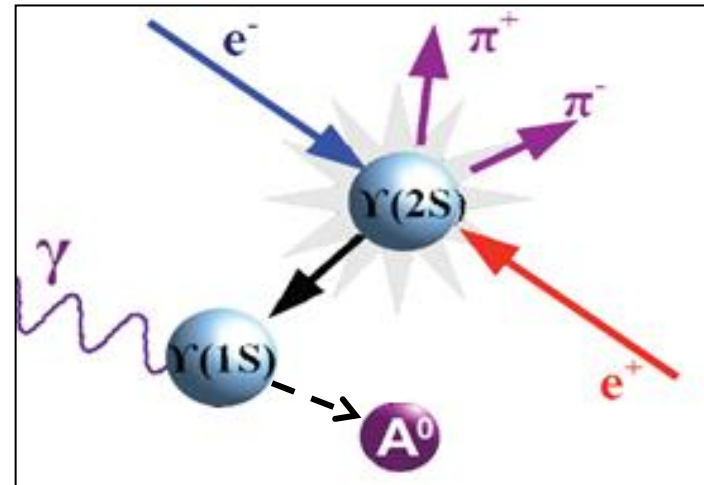
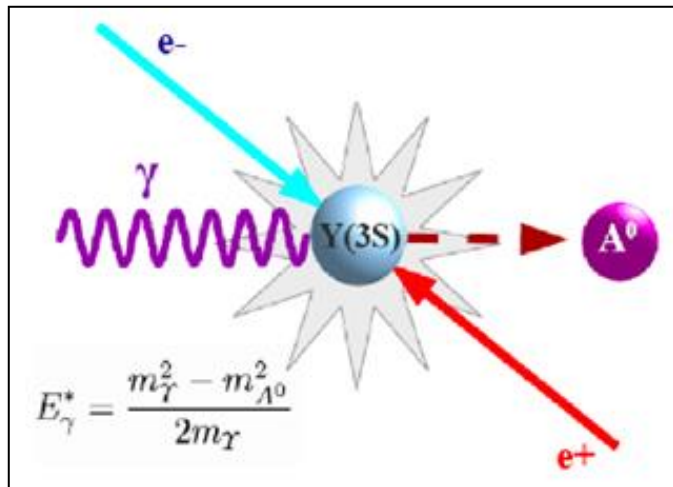


# Searches at BaBar



$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$	arXiv:0808.0017
$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	PRL 103, 181801 (2009)
$\Upsilon(2S, 3S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	PRL 103 081803 (2009)
$\Upsilon(2S, 3S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$	PRL 107, 221803 (2011)
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$	PRL 107 021804 (2011)
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	PRD 87 031102 (2013)
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	PRD 88 071102 (2013)
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow A_0 \gamma, A_0 \rightarrow gg \text{ or } \bar{s}s$	PRD 88 031701 (2013)

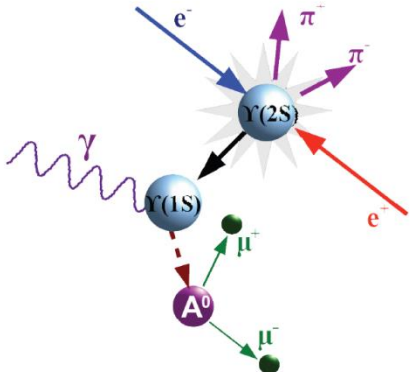
All analyses assume scalar/pseudoscalar  $A^0$  and negligible decay width.



# $\Upsilon(2,3S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\Upsilon(1S), \Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

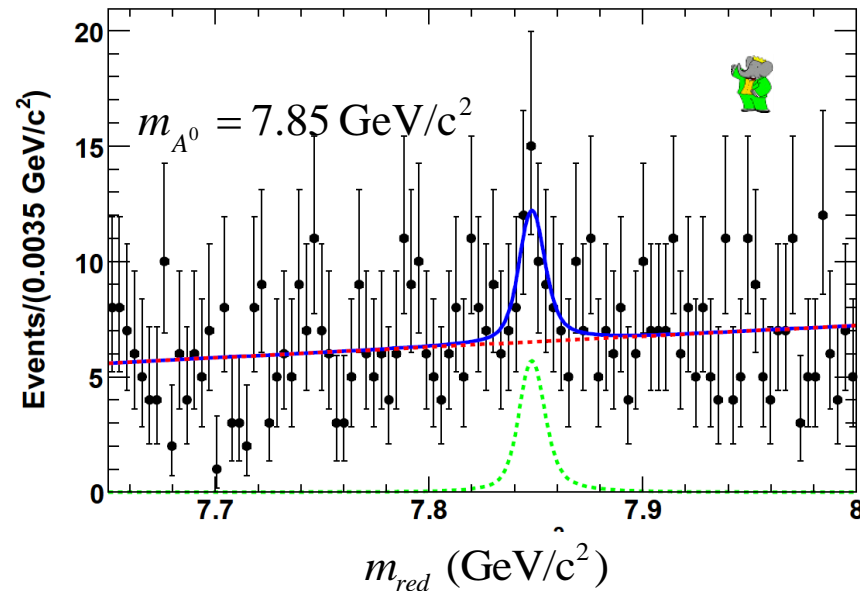
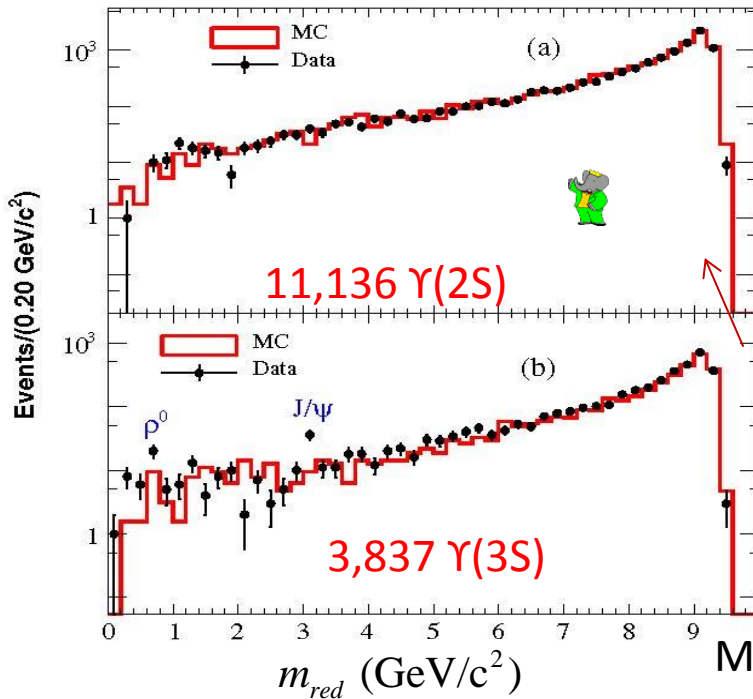


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- Identify  $\Upsilon(1S)$  from the two pion transition.
- $E_{\gamma}^* > 200$  MeV + 4 charged tracks; one track identified as muon by Particle Identification (PID) and transverse momentum  $P_t$ .
- Random Forest Classifier MVA to reject background.

$$\text{Reduced mass } m_{red} = \sqrt{m_{\mu\mu}^2 - 4m_{\mu}^2}$$



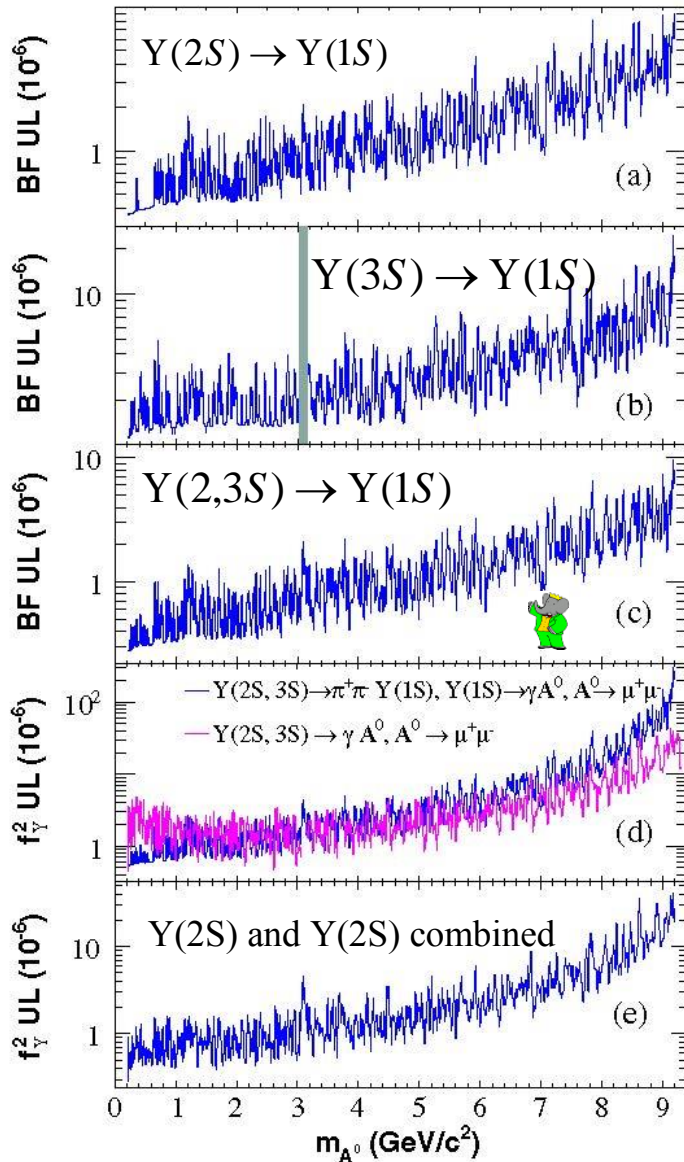
Maximum Likelihood fit scan through  $m_{red}$  at 4585 points:

- Background : threshold or Chebyshev function.
- Signal: two Crystal Ball functions.



# $Y(2,3S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- Y(1S), Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

PRD 87, 031102 (2013)  
PRL 103, 081803 (2009)



90% CL Upper limits :  $(0.28 - 9.7) \times 10^{-6}$  in  $A^0$   
mass range  $0.212 < m < 9.20 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .

Can place limits on effective Yukawa coupling  $f_Y$   
of the  $b$  quark to the  $A^0$ :

$$\frac{B(Y(nS) \rightarrow \gamma A^0)}{B(Y(nS) \rightarrow l^+ l^-)} = \frac{f_Y^2}{2\pi\alpha} \left( 1 - \frac{m_{A^0}^2}{m_{Y(nS)}^2} \right)$$

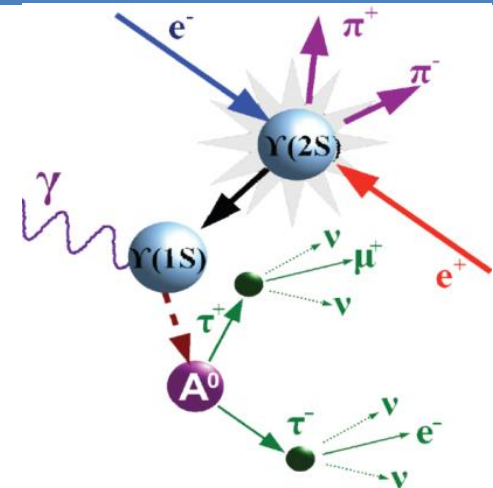
90% CL Upper Limits (combined with PRL 103,  
081803 (2009)):

$$f_Y^2 \times B(A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < (0.29 - 40) \times 10^{-6}$$



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

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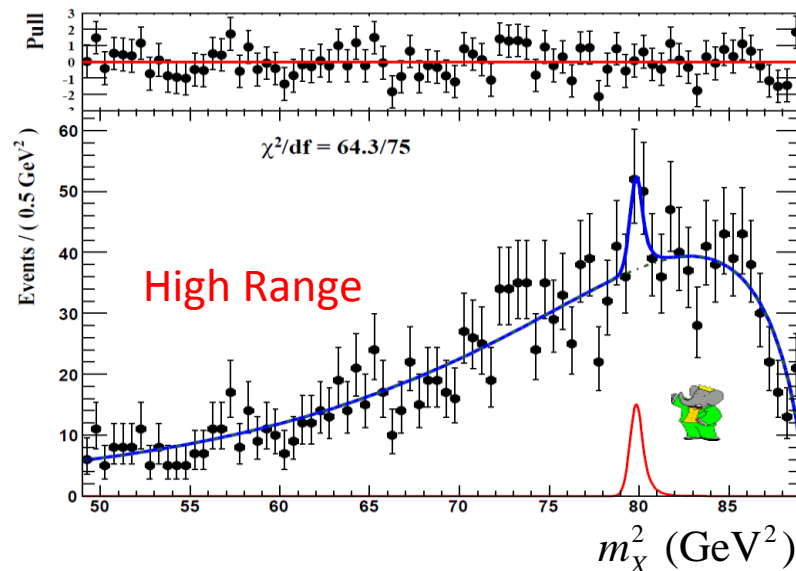
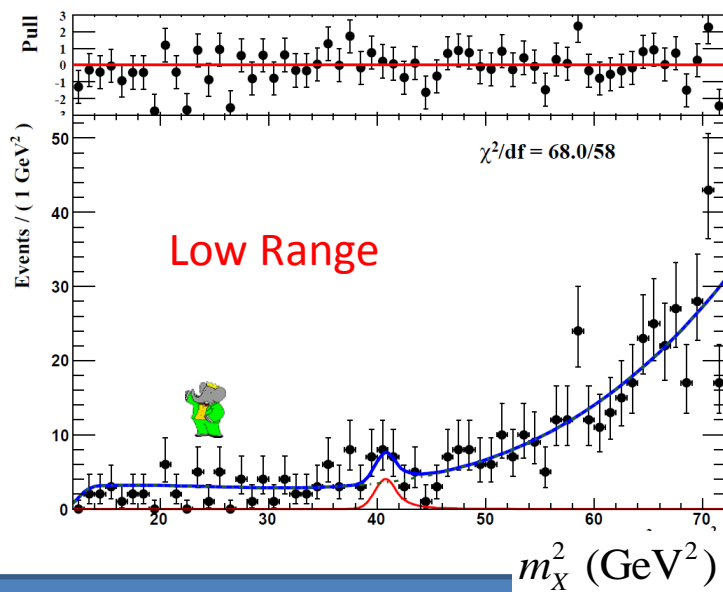


- One-prong decays of  $\tau$ ; at least one decay must be leptonic:  $e\bar{e}$ ,  $e\mu$ ,  $e\pi$ ,  $\mu\mu$ ,  $\mu\pi$ .
- Optimize selection in two  $A^0$  mass regions
  - Low:  $3.6 < m < 8.0 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - High:  $8.0 < m < 9.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Separate MVAs for  $\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\Upsilon(1S)$  and  $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0$
- Mass recoiling against  $\gamma$  in  $\Upsilon(1S)$  frame:

$$m_X^2 = \left( p_{e^+e^-} - p_{\pi\pi} - p_\gamma \right)^2$$

Scan through  $m_X^2$  at 201 points:

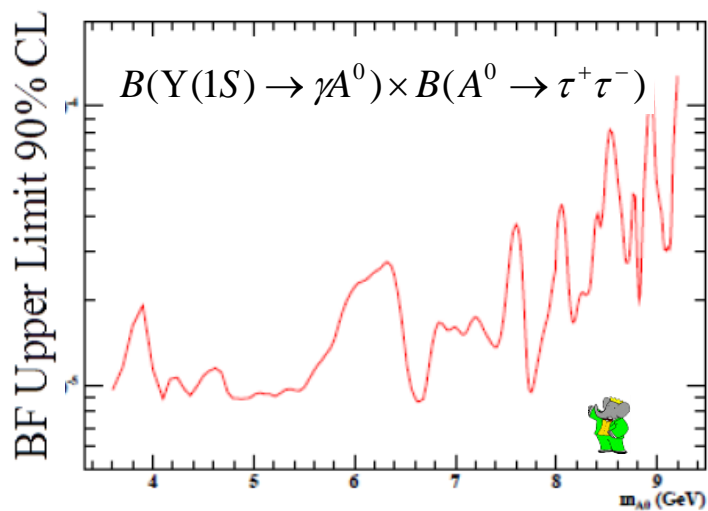
- Background : threshold function. Signal: Crystal Ball function.





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

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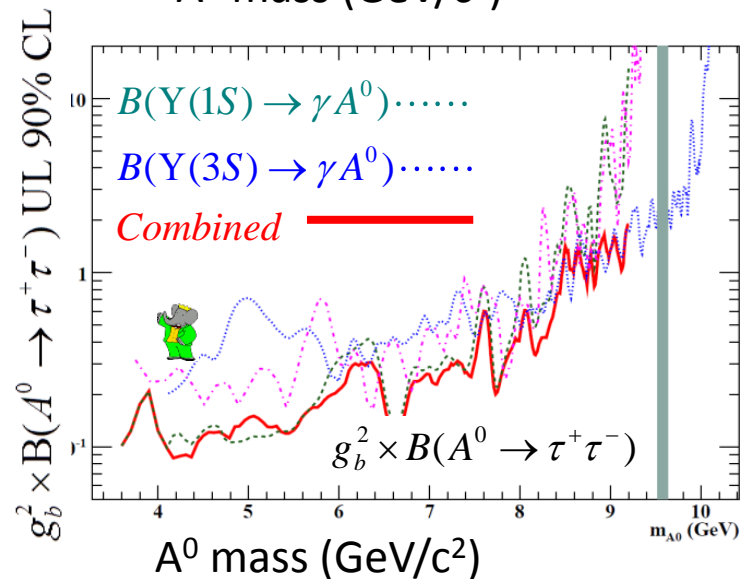


90% CL Upper limits :  $(0.9 - 13) \times 10^{-5}$  in  $A^0$  mass range  $3.6 < m < 9.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .

Can place limits on effective Yukawa coupling  $g_b^2$  of the  $b$  quark to the  $A^0$ :

$A^0$  mass ( $\text{GeV}/c^2$ )

$$\frac{B(\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow \gamma A^0)}{B(\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow l^+l^-)} = \frac{g_b^2 G_F m_b^2}{\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} F_{QCD} \left( 1 - \frac{m_{A^0}^2}{m_{\Upsilon(nS)}^2} \right)$$



90% CL Upper Limits (combined with  $\Upsilon(3S)$  result from PRL 103, 181801 (2009)):

$$g_b^2 \times B(A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-) < (0.09 - 1.9) \times 10^{-6}$$



# $\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \Upsilon(1S), \Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow gg, \bar{s}s$

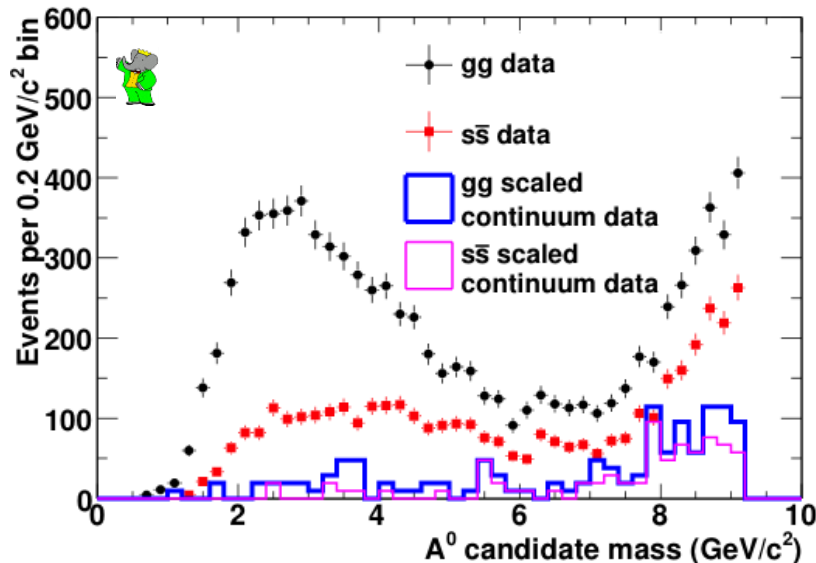
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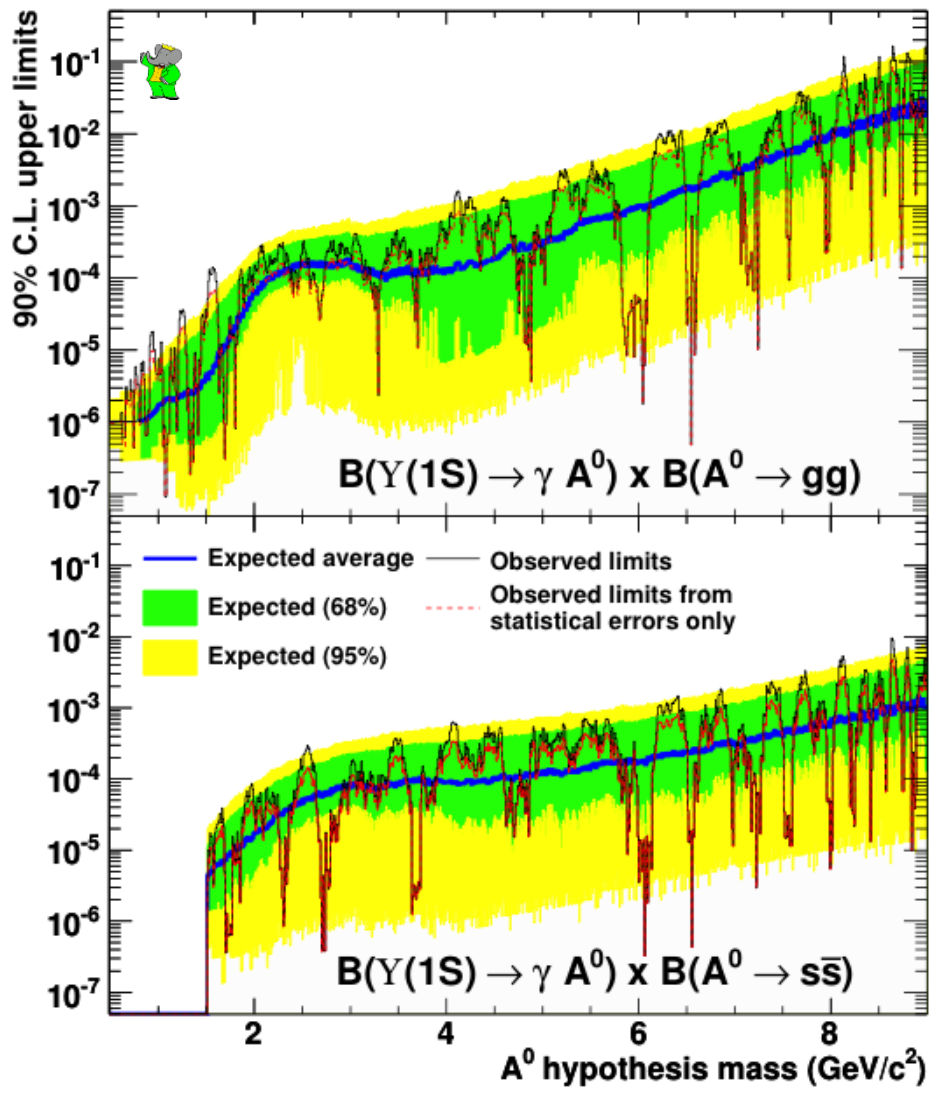
Number	Channel	Number	Channel
1	$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	14	$K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$
2	$\pi^+ \pi^- 2\pi^0$	15	$K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
3	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^-$	16	$K^+ K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
4	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- \pi^0$	17	$K^+ K^- \eta$
5	$\pi^+ \pi^- \eta$	18	$K^+ K^- 2\pi^+ 2\pi^-$
6	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- 2\pi^0$	19	$K^+ K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 2\pi^0$
7	$3\pi^+ 3\pi^-$	20	$K^+ K^- 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- \pi^0$
8	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- \eta$	21	$K^+ K^- 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- 2\pi^0$
9	$3\pi^+ 3\pi^- 2\pi^0$	22	$K^+ K_S^0 \pi^+ 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- \pi^0$
10	$4\pi^+ 4\pi^-$	23	$K^+ K^- 3\pi^+ 3\pi^-$
11	$K^+ K^- \pi^0$	24	$2K^+ 2K^-$
12	$K^+ K_S^0 \pi^+$	25	$p \bar{p} \pi^0$
13	$K^+ K^- 2\pi^0$	26	$p \bar{p} \pi^+ \pi^-$

- Events with 2 pions, a radiative photon ( $E_\gamma^* > 200$  MeV), and a hadronic system.
- Select events with  $9.45 < m_R < 9.47$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

$$m_R^2 = M_{\Upsilon(2S)}^2 + m_{\pi\pi}^2 - 2M_{\Upsilon(2S)} E_{\pi\pi}^{CM}$$

- Suppress background with an MVA.
- Reconstruct 26 hadronic decays:
  - $\bar{s}s$  : 2 or 4 kaons (channels #11-24)
- Form  $A^0$  mass from hadronic system.
- Scan 850 steps through  $A^0$  mass; count events in a mass window centred on  $A^0$  mass hypothesis.
- Large hadronisation uncertainty in MC (~50%). Use data/MC comparison in  $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma gg$  for  $2 < m_{gg} < 4$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup> to correct.





- Most significant signal
  - $gg$ :  $2.7\sigma$  at  $8.13 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - $s\bar{s}$ :  $2.9\sigma$  at  $8.63 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Statistical fluctuations are consistent with a null-hypothesis
- No evidence for  $A^0$

90% CL Upper Limits

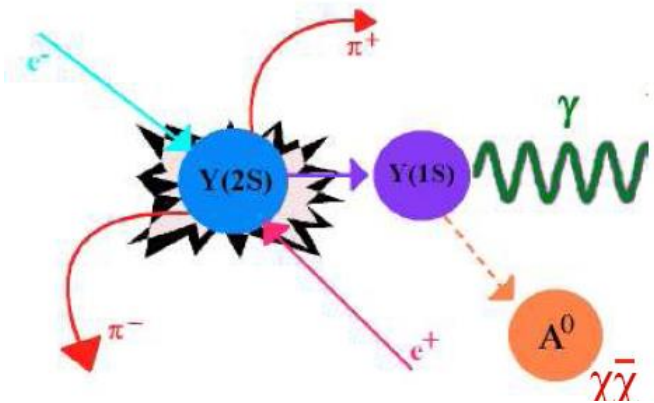
$B(Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times B(A^0 \rightarrow gg) < 10^{-6} - 10^{-2}$

$B(Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times B(A^0 \rightarrow s\bar{s}) < 10^{-5} - 10^{-3}$

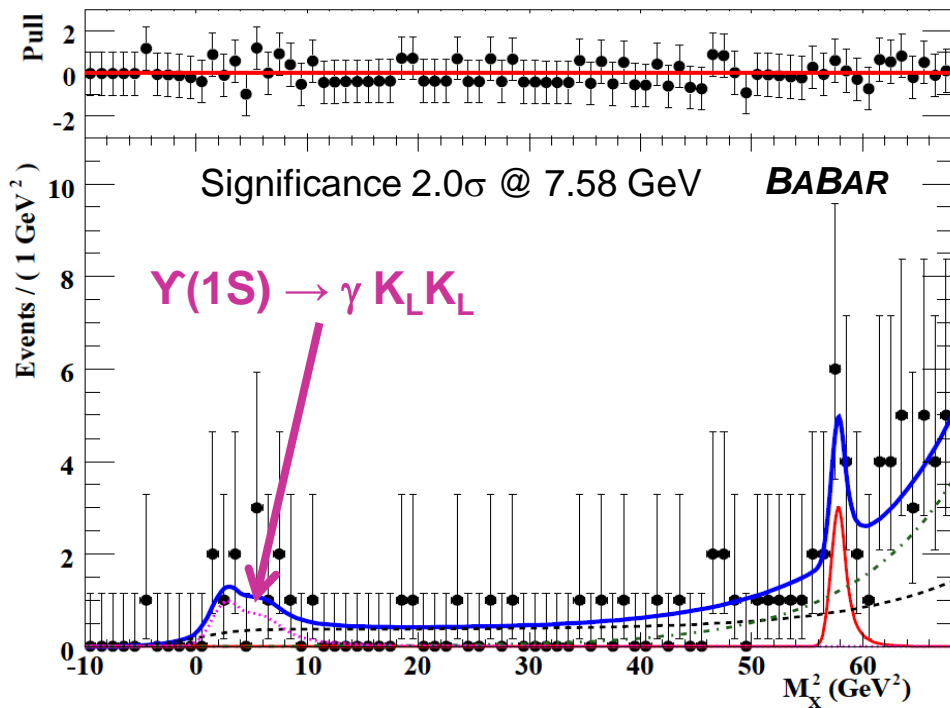


# $\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \Upsilon(1S)$ , $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0$ , $A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$

PRL 107, 021804 (2011)



- Light Higgs  $A^0$  or dark matter pair  $\bar{\chi}\chi$
- $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma \bar{\nu}\nu$  branching fraction at least 30 times lower than is detectable at BaBar.
- Tag  $\Upsilon(1S)$  as before.
- $E_\gamma^* > 150$  MeV.
- Search for single energetic photon and significant missing energy.



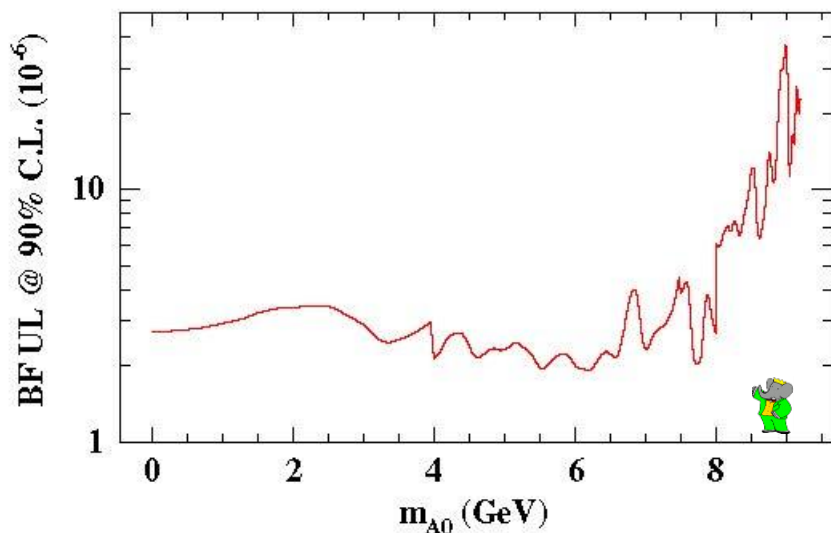
- Scan  $A^0$  mass:
  - 196 points  $0 < m < 8$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
  - 146 points  $7.5 < m < 9.2$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Scan  $\bar{\chi}\chi$  mass
  - 17 points  $0 < m < 4.5$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Use two variables in ML fit
  - $m_r^2$  and  $m_\chi^2$

$$m_R^2 = M_{\Upsilon(2S)}^2 + m_{\pi\pi}^2 - 2M_{\Upsilon(2S)} E_{\pi\pi}^{CM}$$

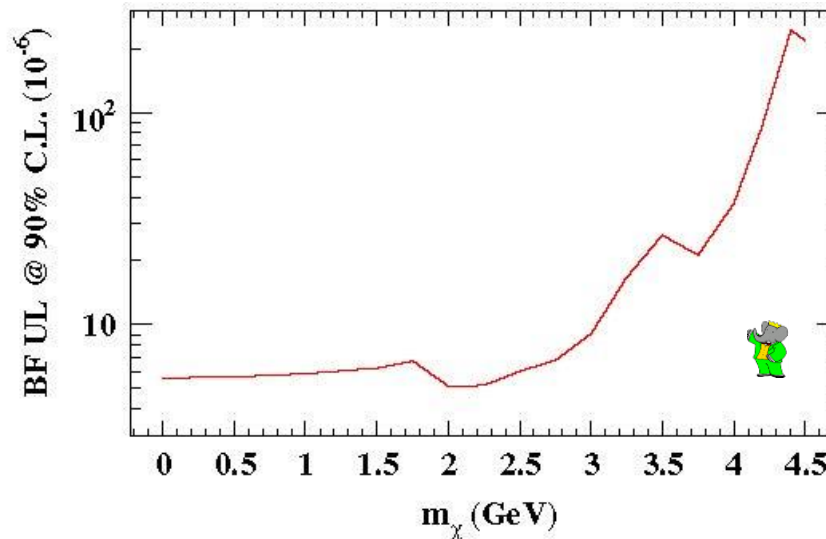
$$m_X^2 = \left( p_{e^+e^-} - p_{\pi\pi} - p_\gamma \right)^2$$



$B(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times B(A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible})$



$B(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi \bar{\chi})$



90% CL Upper Limits:

$$B(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times B(A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}) < (1.9 - 37) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$B(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi \bar{\chi}) < (0.5 - 24) \times 10^{-6}$$

Some predictions (e.g. PRD 80, 115019 (2009); PRD 81, 054025 (2010)):

$$B(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times B(A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}) < (4 - 18) \times 10^{-4}$$

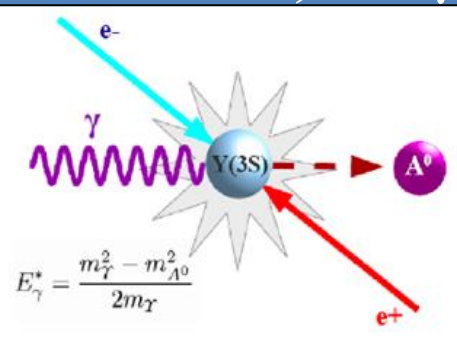
$$B(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi \bar{\chi}) < (1 - 10) \times 10^{-5}$$



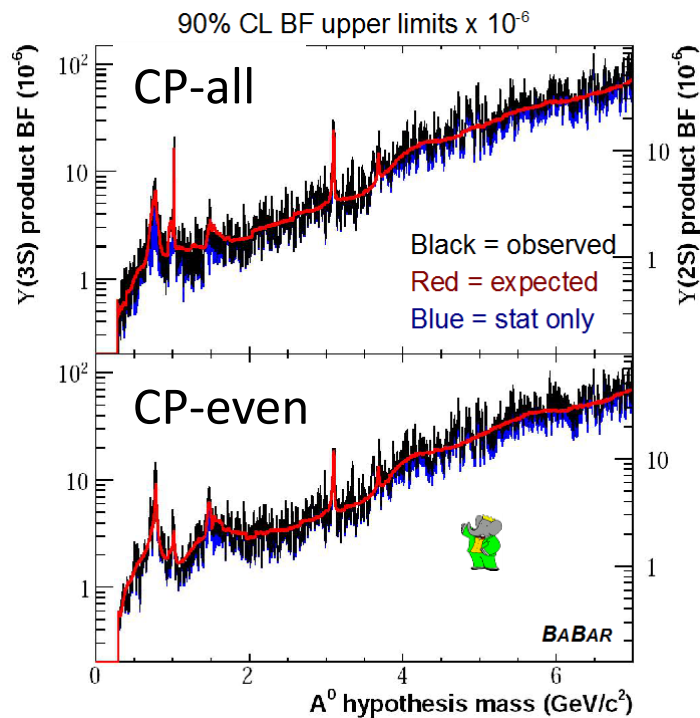
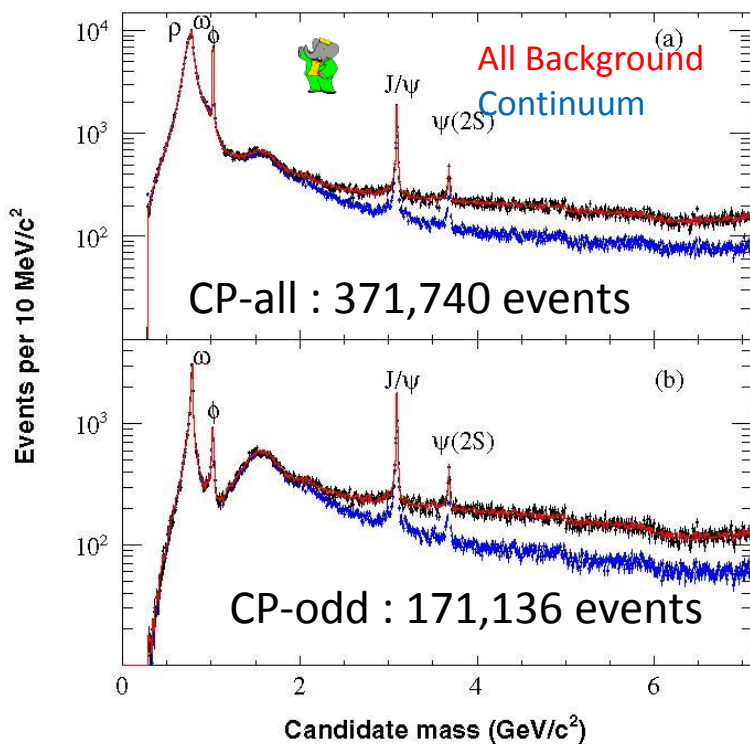


# $\Upsilon(2,3S) \rightarrow \gamma A_0, A_0 \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

PRL 107, 221803 (2011)

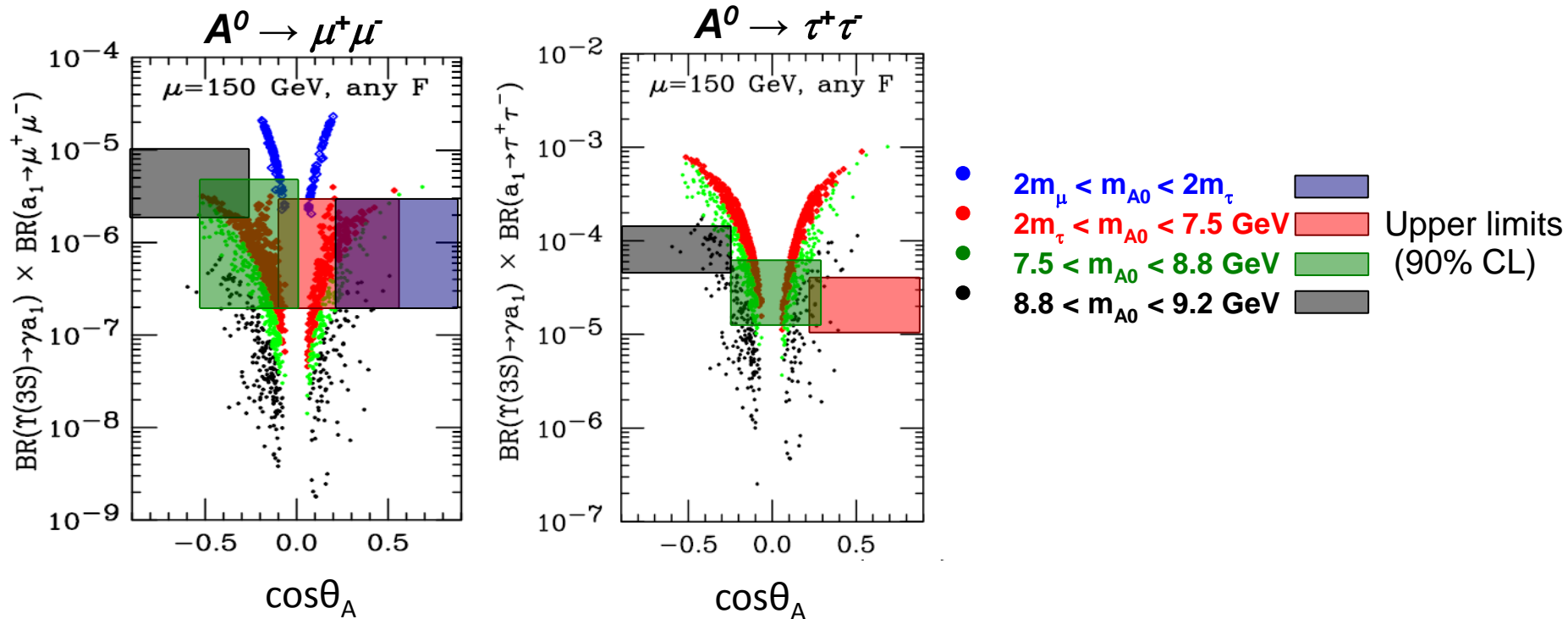


- No  $\Upsilon(1S)$  to constrain decay.
- $E_\gamma^* > 2.5$  GeV for  $\Upsilon(3S)$ , 2.2 GeV for  $\Upsilon(2S)$ .
- Consider CP-even ( $A^0 \rightarrow KK, \pi\pi$ ) as well as CP-odd.
- $A^0$  mass from remaining particles.
- Background fit : 16-knot spline + five Breit Wigner
- Scan 6710 (CP-all) and 6701 (CP-odd)  $A^0$  mass hypotheses



$$B(\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times B(A^0 \rightarrow \text{hadrons}) < (1-80) \times 10^{-6}$$

# Summary



- Searches for  $A^0 \rightarrow$  hadrons, invisible,  $\mu^+ \mu^-$ ,  $\tau^+ \tau^-$ ,  $gg$ ,  $\bar{s}s$  have been completed by BaBar.
- Substantial fraction of parameter space up to 7-8 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> excluded.
- New results in preparation:  $A_0 \rightarrow \bar{c}c$  and  $A_0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$