B-factory searches for light scalars and other new states Presented at 2nd Topical Meeting: Higgs to Dark Matter, Geilo, Norway

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B-factory searches

The B factories

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Dark Fermions

Heavy particles - such as SUSY LSP - need energy frontier machine

Dark photon

- New U(1) gives A' (Fayet PLB 95, 285(1980))
- Small coupling ϵ to conventional photon, from kinetic mixing
- One explanation for AMS positron excess
- Must be light, or would give cosmic \overline{p} excess. Mass $\lesssim GeV$

Dark Higgs - h or A^0 . Similar signature to dark photon

Not covered here: Indirect signals such as FCNC *b* decays, where virtual BSM particles can interfere with the W/Z, e.g. $B \to K \ell^+ \ell^-$, $B \to \tau \nu$ etc.

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Searches for Dark photon / Dark Higgs / BSM Higgs

Signatures similar: peak in mass distribution. Insensitive to difference in spin. Interpretation of [limits on] signal in framework of model. Two main production methods: First involves coupling to electrons, second method to *b* quarks



The ISR method ArXiV: 1406 2980



Data and SM prediction for e^+e^- and $\mu^+\mu^-$ pairs. Note: this MC not tuned for low mass $\ell^+\ell^-$ paris. MADGRAPH does better. MC is not used in extraction of results.



Upper limits set on ϵ at level $10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$ Nothing seen for $0.02 GeV < m_{A'} < 10.2 GeV$ Exclude almost all of the remaining region of parameter space favoured by $g_{\mu} - 2$ discrepancy.

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Results: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon \rightarrow \gamma A^0$

PRL103,081803(2009),PLR 103,181801 (2009),RPRL 107,221803(2011),PRD 87,031102 (2013), PRD 88, 071102 (2013), PRD 82, 0317019R (2013), PRL 107, 021808 (2011)

 A^0 is good match to NMSSM CP-odd Higgs. Tagged and untagged Υ decay analyses for $A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-, \tau^+ \tau^-$, hadrons, and invisible



Tagged $A^0 \to D\overline{D}$ recently completed. Shows limit on $BR(\Upsilon \to A^0\gamma) \times BR(A^0 \to D\overline{D})$

Dark Higgsstrahlung PRL 108,211801 (2012)

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Reconstruct all 3 pairs - or 2 pairs + compatible missing mass Look for $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-, \pi^+\pi^-$ (but not 6π mode)

P 10⁴ m, = 9 GeV BaBar α_D : the dark m., = 7 GeV PRL 108 211801 (2012) $m_{\rm el} = 5 \, \text{GeV}$ 10 m. = 3 GeV coupling m., = 1 GeV 10 constant 10 10 10-10 10-1 m_{A'} (GeV) Roger Barlow (Huddersfield University) B-factory searches 16th December 2014 7 / 12



Belle results on Dark Higgsstrahlung

arXiv: 1211.1403

Belle also considers cases where the A' has a long lifetime, travelling mm/cm before decay. (Possible for small coupling).



Dark Gauge Bosons arXiv:0908.2821

More non-Abelian symmetries \rightarrow more gauge bosons: W', W''...Search for $e^+e^- \rightarrow A'^* \rightarrow W'W'' \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-\ell^+\ell^-, \ell = e, \mu$ No signal...



Limits shown on $\epsilon^2 \alpha_D$. Left scale is for small $m_{A'}$, right for large $m_{A'}$

The longlived dark Higgs

Suppose low mass *h* decays to $f\overline{f}$ as no dark channels open. Coupling weak so long lifetime i.e. flight path $c\tau$. Produced in: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow A'^* \rightarrow A'h$ or $\Upsilon \rightarrow h\gamma$ or $b \rightarrow sh...$ Inclusive search for 'V' decays to $e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-, e^\pm\mu^\mp, \pi^+\pi^-, K^+K^-, K^\pm\pi^\mp$ Evaluate background, fold in systematic uncertainties. Set 90% Bayesian limits.

Left: Model independent limits on $\sigma \times BR \times$ effcy. Plug in tables for any particular model

Right: Model dependent limits, with strange hadron in other decay products



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Belle2 at SuperKEKb will take 40x more statistics Shut down for upgrade 2010. Belle-II due to roll in mid 2015, followed by commissioning. First physics data due 2017.



DM searches, including Higgsstrahlung analysis, will continue

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Conclusions



Many ways to search for Dark Matter and non-minimal Higgs particles. B factories still have a lot to contribute

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