

Direct Searches for New Physics Particles with BABAR

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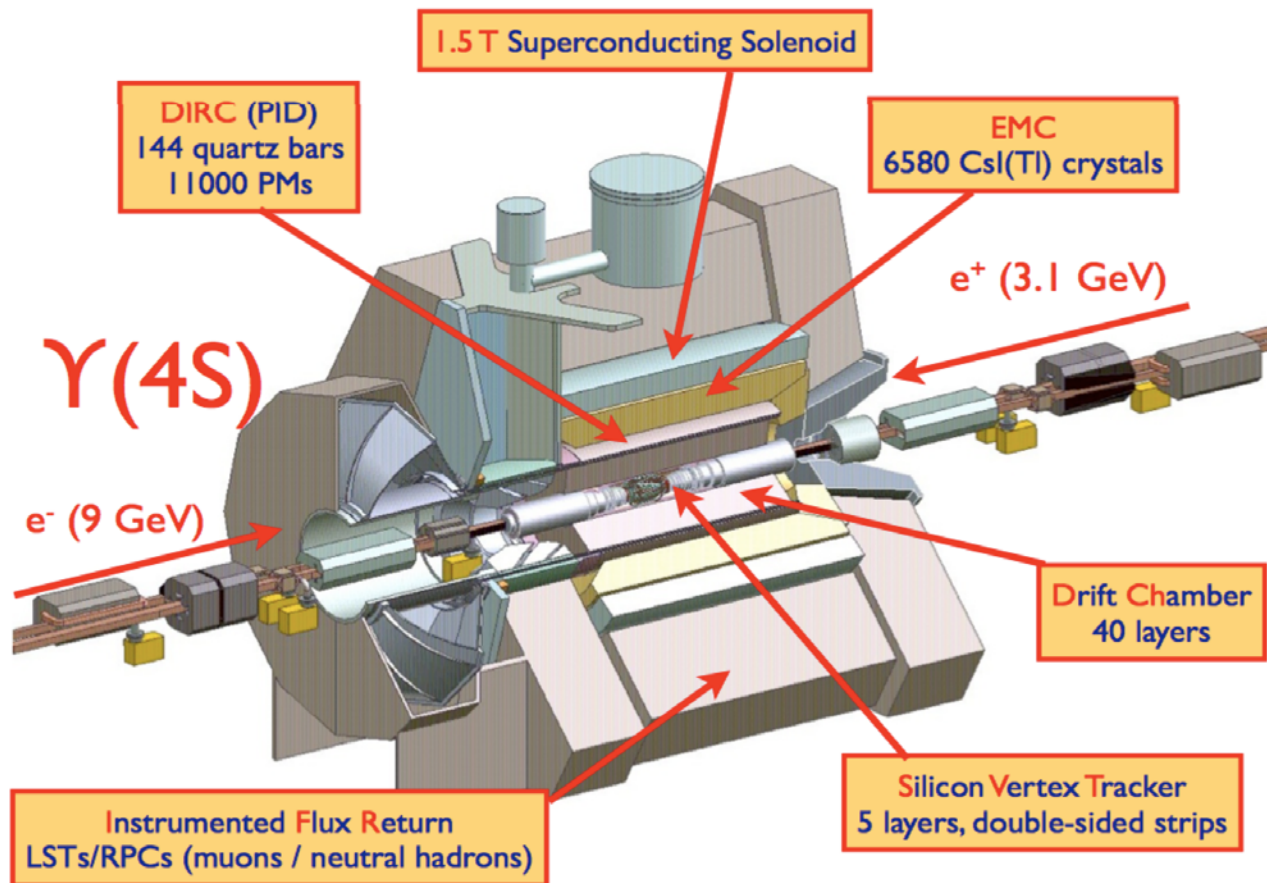


Scope

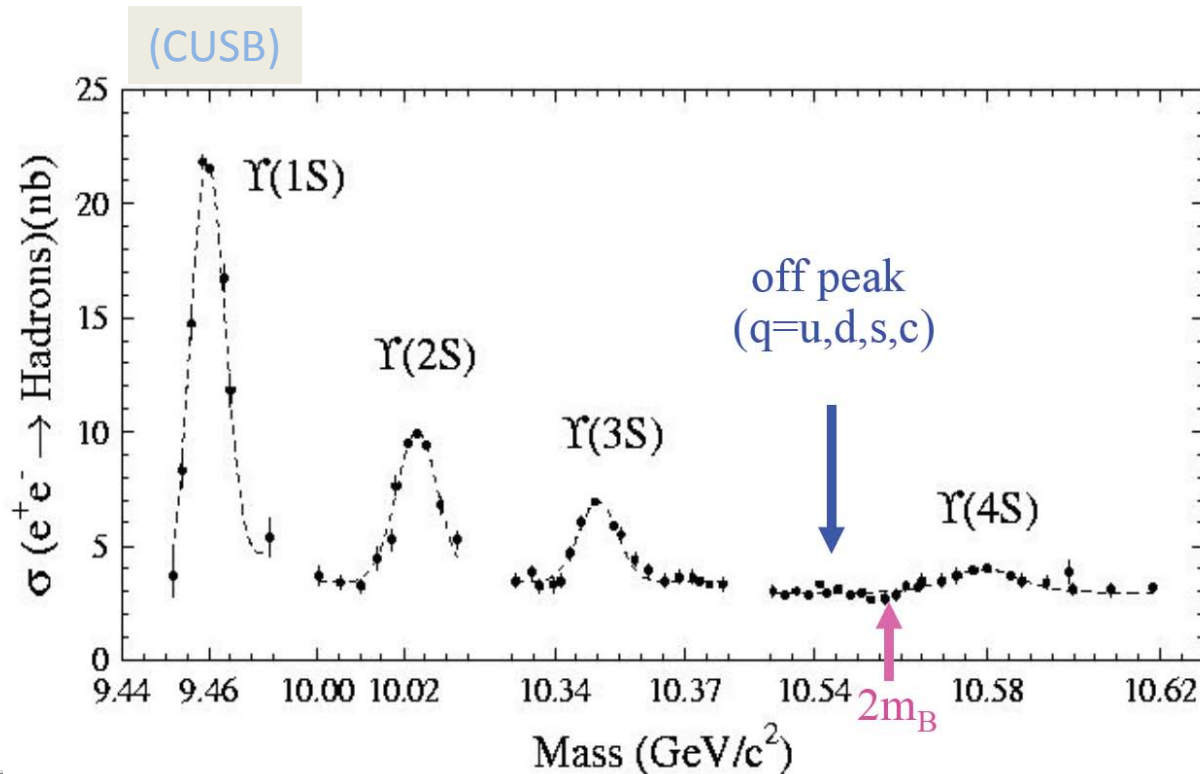
- Hidden sector searches emerged as a strong topic in the late years of the BABAR experiment.
- Among the particles sought by SHiP, BABAR looked for
 - Dark photon A' [PRL113, 201801 \(2014\)](#)
 - Dark Higgs h' [PRL108, 211801 \(2012\)](#)
 - Long lived neutral particles LLP or L [PRL114, 171801 \(2015\)](#)
- Other paths to dark sectors were explored (preliminary results), some are still studied
 - Spinoff of $A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}(s)$ [arXiv:0808.0017 \[hep-ex\]](#)
[PRL107, 021804 \(2011\)](#)
 - 4 leptons events from W' [arXiv:0908.2821 \[hep-ex\]](#)



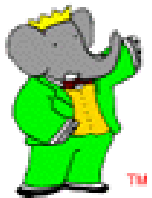
The *BABAR* Experiment



Datasets



- A' and L searches on full data sample 514 fb^{-1} (of 531.34 fb^{-1})
- A^0 search on the narrow resonances
 - inclusive
 - tagged



18 M ← 99 M — 122 M
+ 5 M ←

471 M events

$\pi\pi$ transitions

Dark photon A' (or U boson)

PRL113, 201801 (2014)

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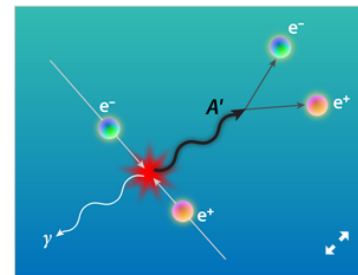
Viewpoint: New Light Shed on Dark Photons

Douglas Bryman, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia V6T2A3, Canada

November 10, 2014 • *Physics* 7, 115

A search for a photonlike particle that could be related to dark matter has come up empty, putting new constraints on models that imagine a dark form of electromagnetism.

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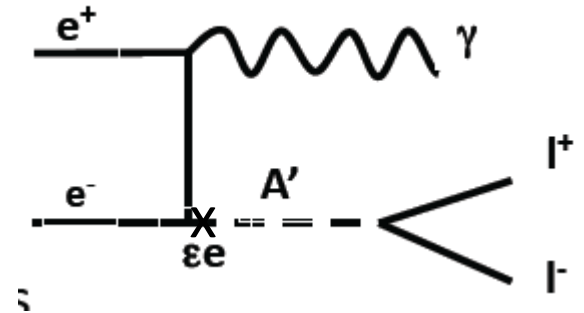
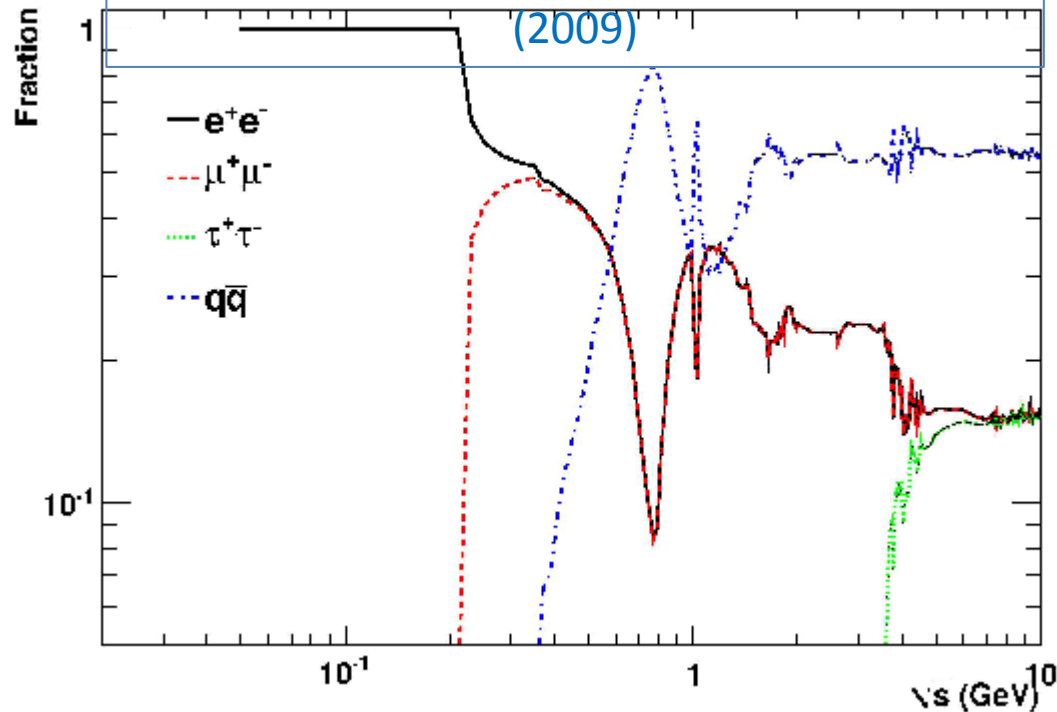


APS/Alan Stonebraker

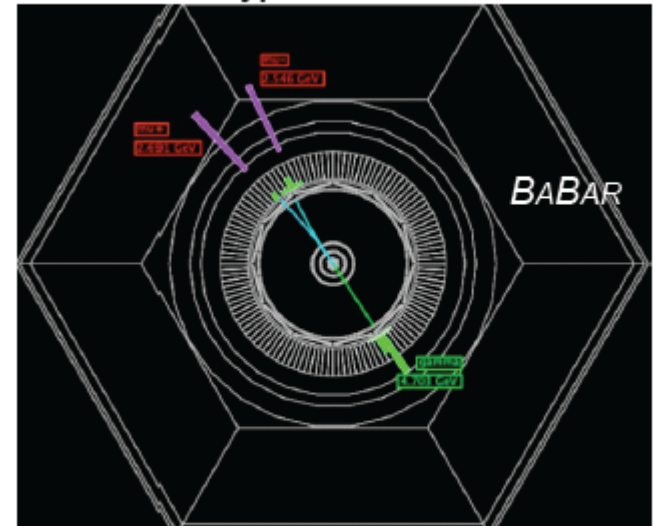
Dark photon

- photon $\rightarrow A'$; $\alpha \rightarrow \varepsilon^2 \alpha$. A' narrow
- look for narrow resonance produced in e^+e^- , decaying to 2 leptons $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$

R. Batell, M. Pospelov, A. Ritz, PRD 79 115008



Typical event



- Tracks
- Photon
- Signal in muon/hadron detector

$$A' \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$$

PRL113, 201801 (2014)

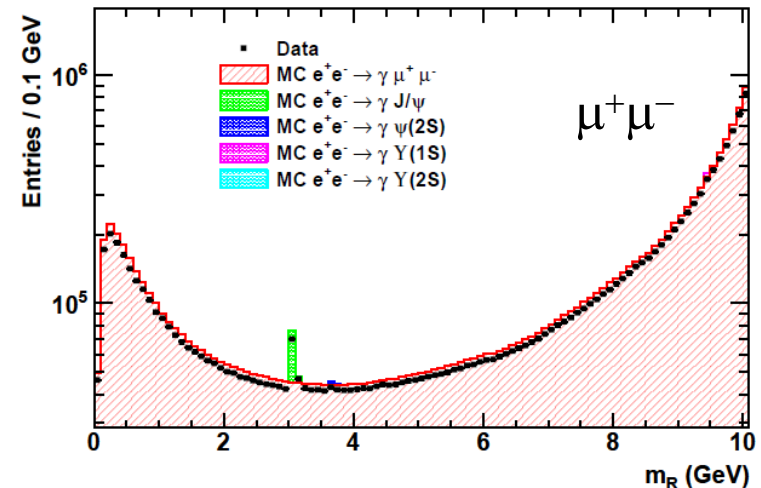
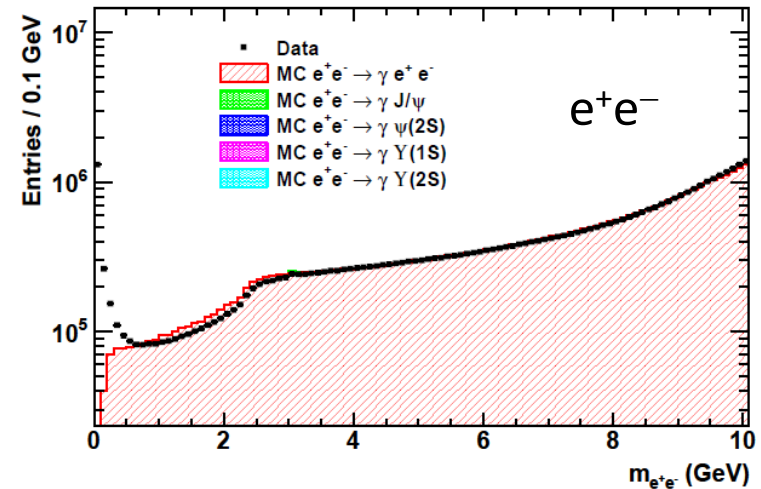


Event selection

- 2 tracks + 1 photon with $E_{\text{cm}} > 200 \text{ MeV}$
- 1 (e) or 2 (e, μ) track(s) positively identified
- Kinematic+ geometric fit
- MVA to remove conversions (e)

Measurement (blind analysis)

- Final sample with radiative Bhabha's + $\mu\mu\gamma$ + narrow resonances
 - Correction to model the remaining conversions
- Extract cross section with fits over sliding windows covering $0.02 (e), 0.212 (\mu) < m_{A'} < 10.2 \text{ GeV}$



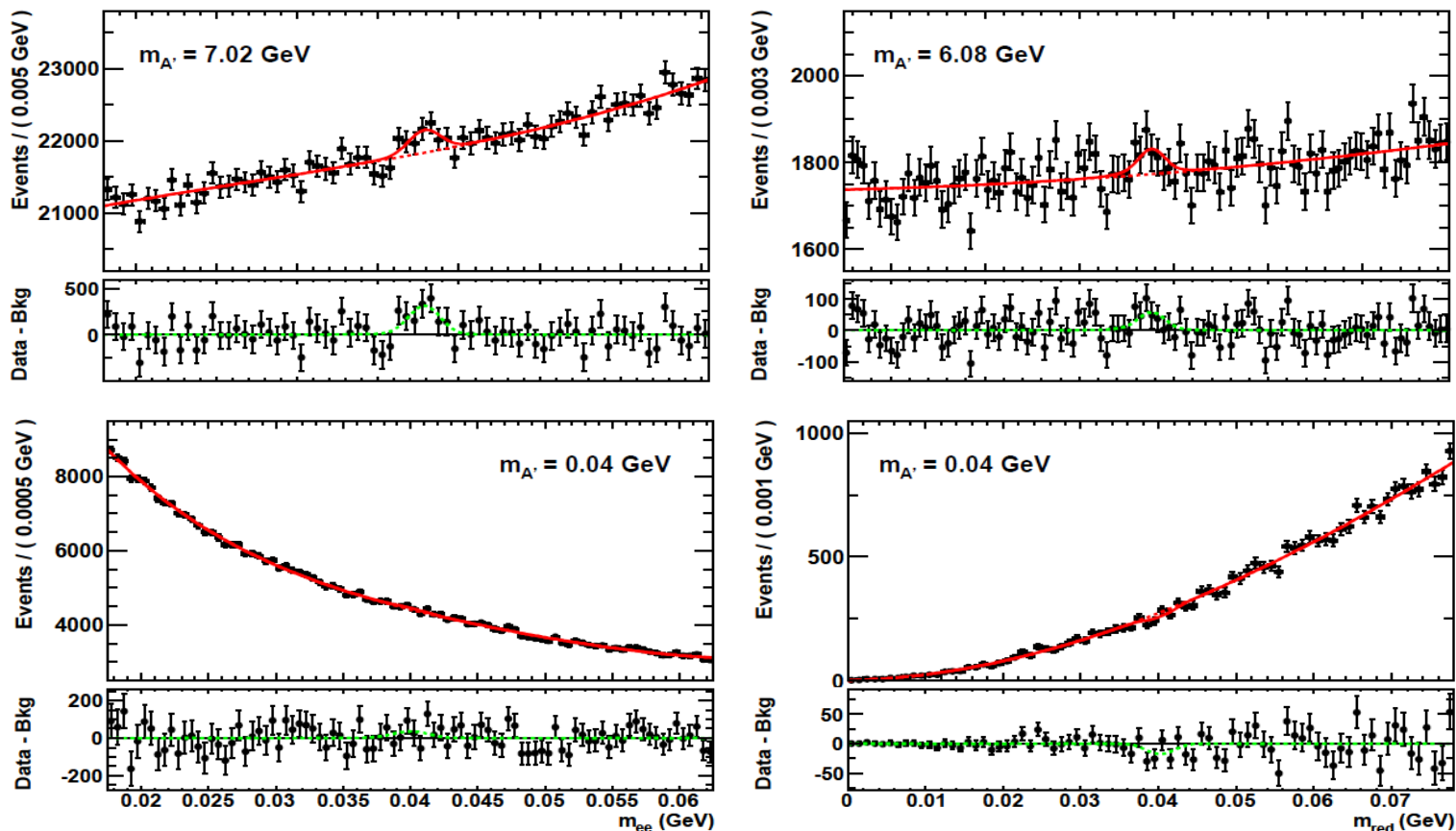
$$A' \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$$

PRL113, 201801 (2014)



Fit window size \gg signal width, \ll total mass range. Hence, we can use a polynomial background shape to obtain an optimal signal to background ratio.

A few scan points:



$$A' \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$$

PRL113, 201801 (2014)

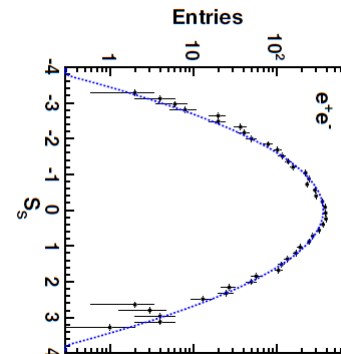
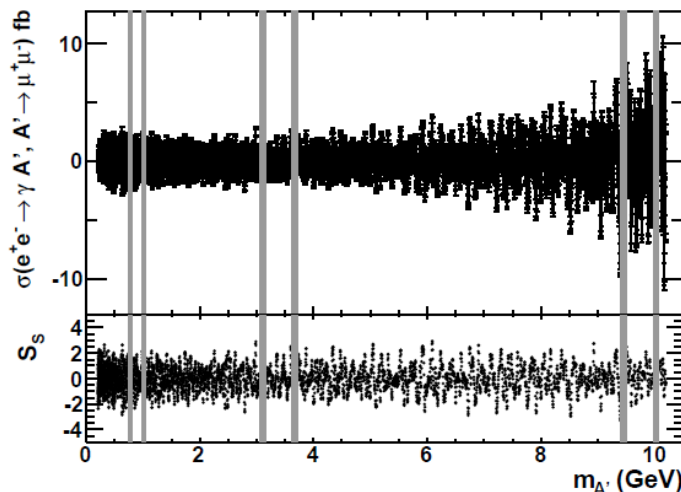
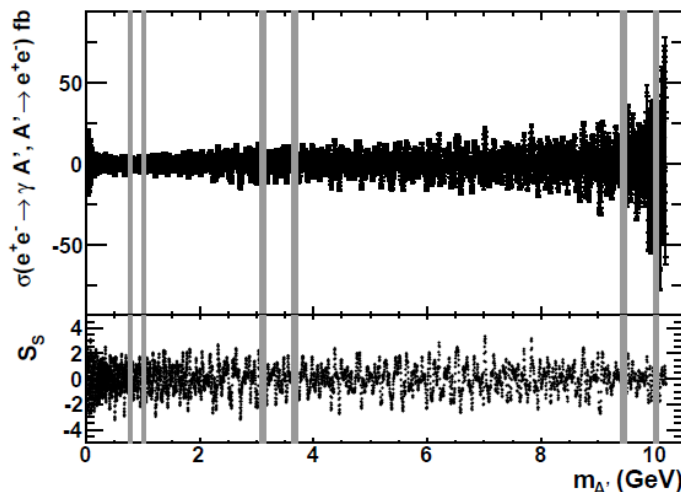


- Highest fluctuations

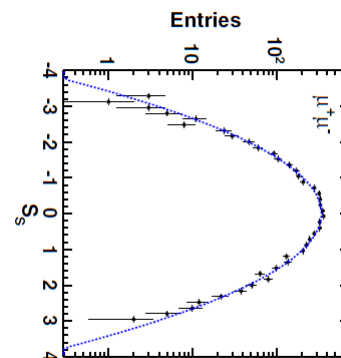
- $3.4 \sigma (e)$ $M=7.02 \text{ GeV}$
- $2.9 \sigma (\mu)$ $M=6.09 \text{ GeV}$
p-values=0.57, 0.94
including trial factors.

- Bayesian 90% C.L. upper limits ~ 1 to 10 fb

- used to derive
90% u.l. on ε .

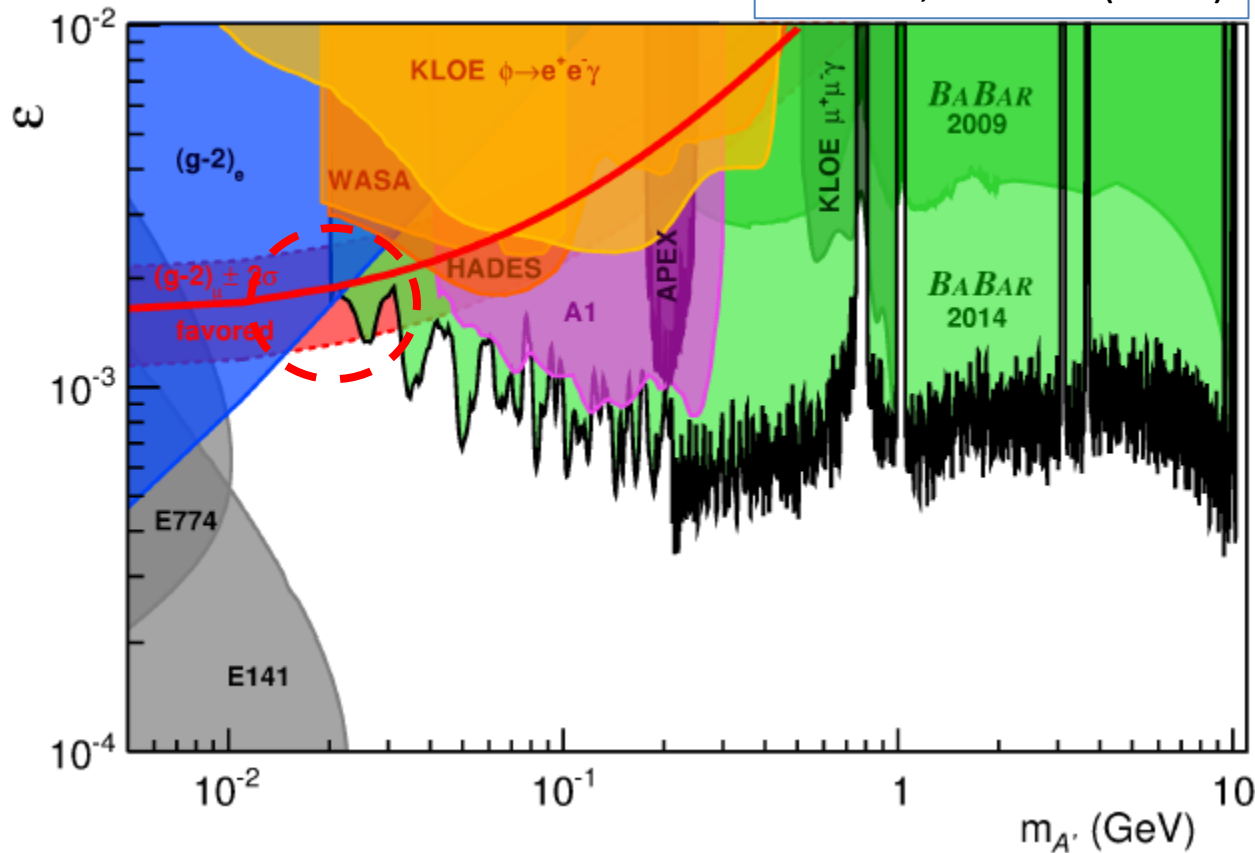


5704 trials



5370 trials

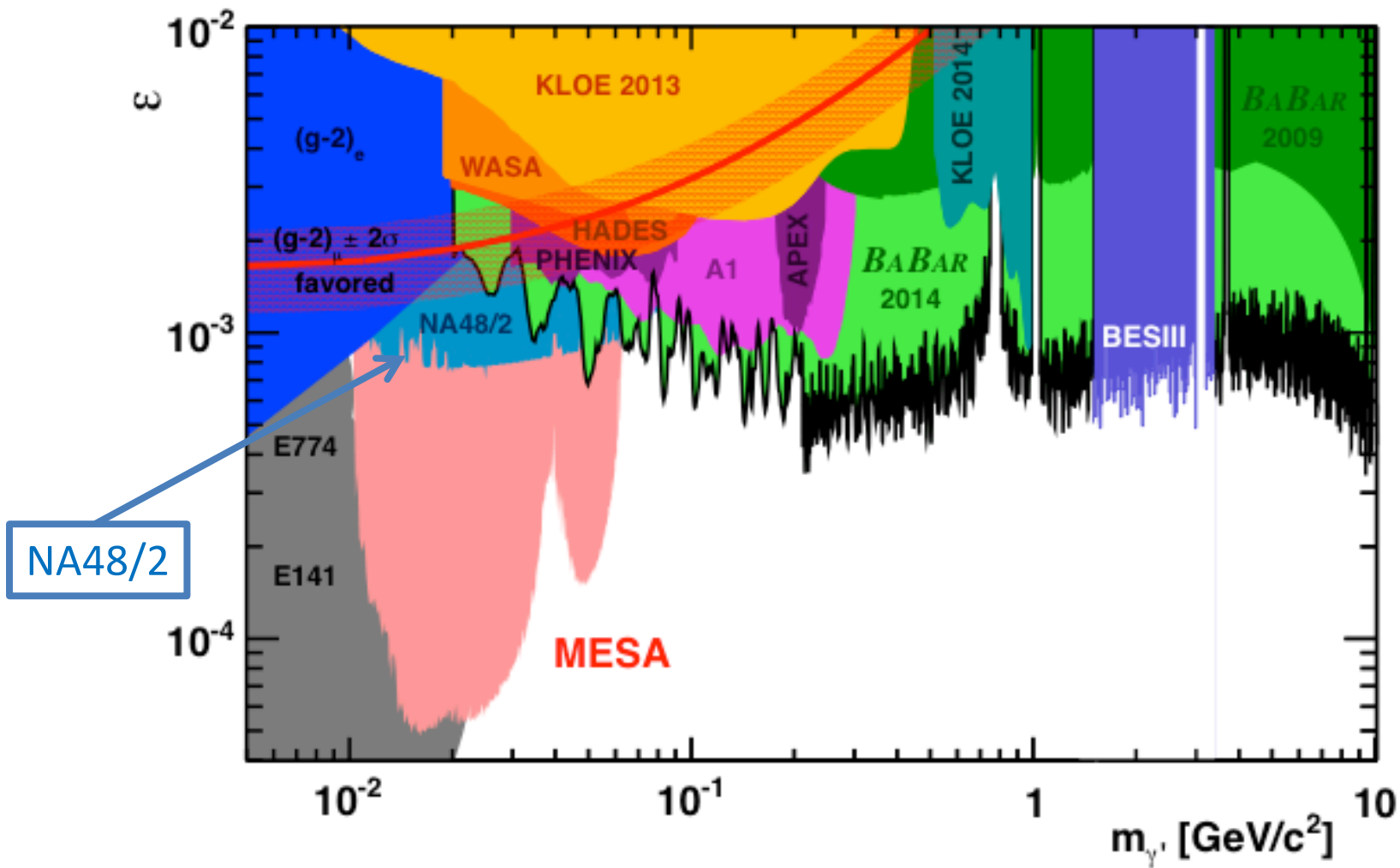
Dark photon Impact



- BABAR all inclusive search in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma A'$ has improved the constraints by an order of magnitude in the relevant mass range $0.2 < m_{A'} < 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.
- Parameter space for A' causing g-2 effect is now restricted to $15 < m_{A'} < 35 \text{ MeV}$

Dark photon Impact:

update at Phi Psi 2015/FPCP (A. Denig)





Search for long lived particles

PRL114, 171801 (2015)

$L(4S) = 404 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ $N(4S) = 448 \times 10^6$ events
(below) 44 fb^{-1}
[+ (4S) 20 fb^{-1} validation]

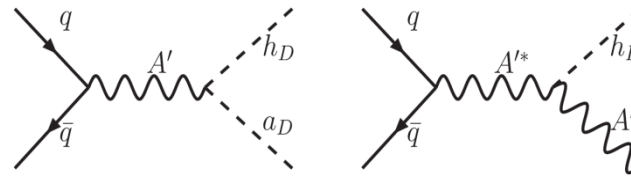
$L(3S) = 28 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ $N(3S) = 121 \times 10^6$
 $L(2S) = 14 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ $N(2S) = 98 \times 10^6$

Motivation

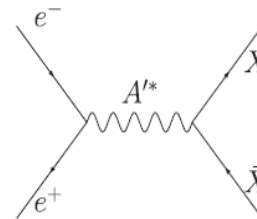
At the B factories LLP could come via

- **Vector portal**

Dark photon couples
to light dark sector
(pseudo) scalar/vector
which could be long lived



P. Schuster, N. Toro, I. Yavin, PRD 81, 016002 (2010)

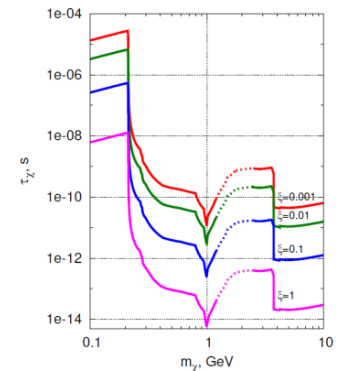
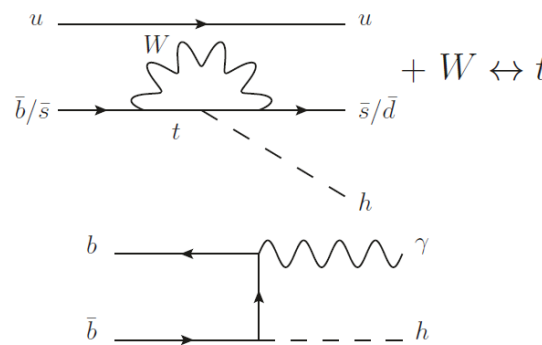


R. Essig, P. Schuster, N. Toro, PRD 80, 015003 (2009)

- **Scalar portal**

$h_{(D)}$ mixing with H

Inflaton



J.D. Clarke, R. Foot, R. Volkas, PRD 80, 015003 (2009)
F. Bezrukov, D. Gorbunov JHEP 1307 (2013) 140



Method

- Search in e^+e^- collisions for L
 - Long lived
 - Neutral
 - with 2-body charged decays
 $L \rightarrow f, f^=$

$e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-, e^\pm\mu^\mp, \pi^+\pi^-, K^+K^-, \pi^\pm K^\mp$

- Presented in 2 ways
 - (MI) Model independent
 - (MD) $B \rightarrow X_s L$

➤ Displaced vertex

➤ Peaks in V invariant mass

Upper limits vs m of

➤ $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow L) \times \text{BF}(L \rightarrow f) \times \varepsilon(f)$
at or near $Y(4S)$, at $Y(2S, 3S)$

giving tables of $\varepsilon(m, p_t, c\tau)$

➤ $\text{BF}(B \rightarrow X_s L) \times \text{BF}(L \rightarrow f)$

Supplement to PRL114, 171801 (2015)



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Signal extraction

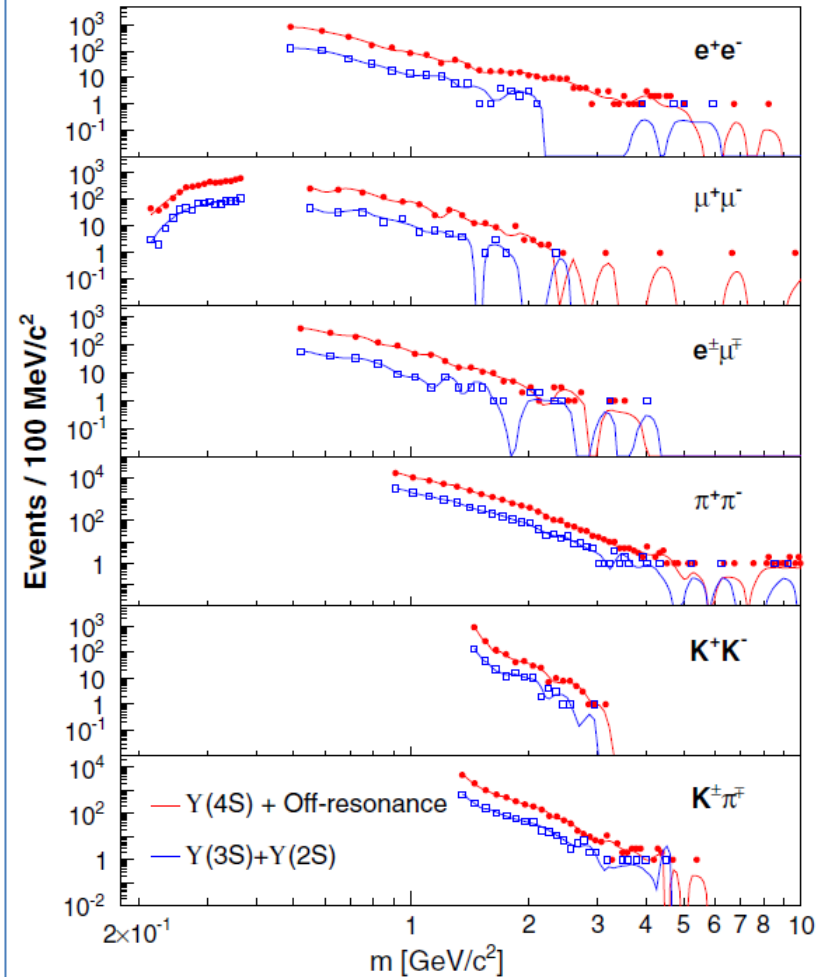
PRL114, 171801 (2015)



For each mode & each data sample, perform unbinned likelihood fits, scanning the mass range in 2 MeV/c² steps.

- Fit background on data assuming no peak.
- Signal PDF has the MC mass resolution shape, scaled to the measured rms.
- σ_m from 6 to 180 MeV/c² across the range.

- Significance: $S = \text{sgn}(n_s) \sqrt{2Ln \frac{L(s+b)}{L(b)}}$
<3 except for 2 scan points in Y(4S) sample
 - One consistent with γ conversion,
 - The other is not significant, when accounting for the *look elsewhere effect*.



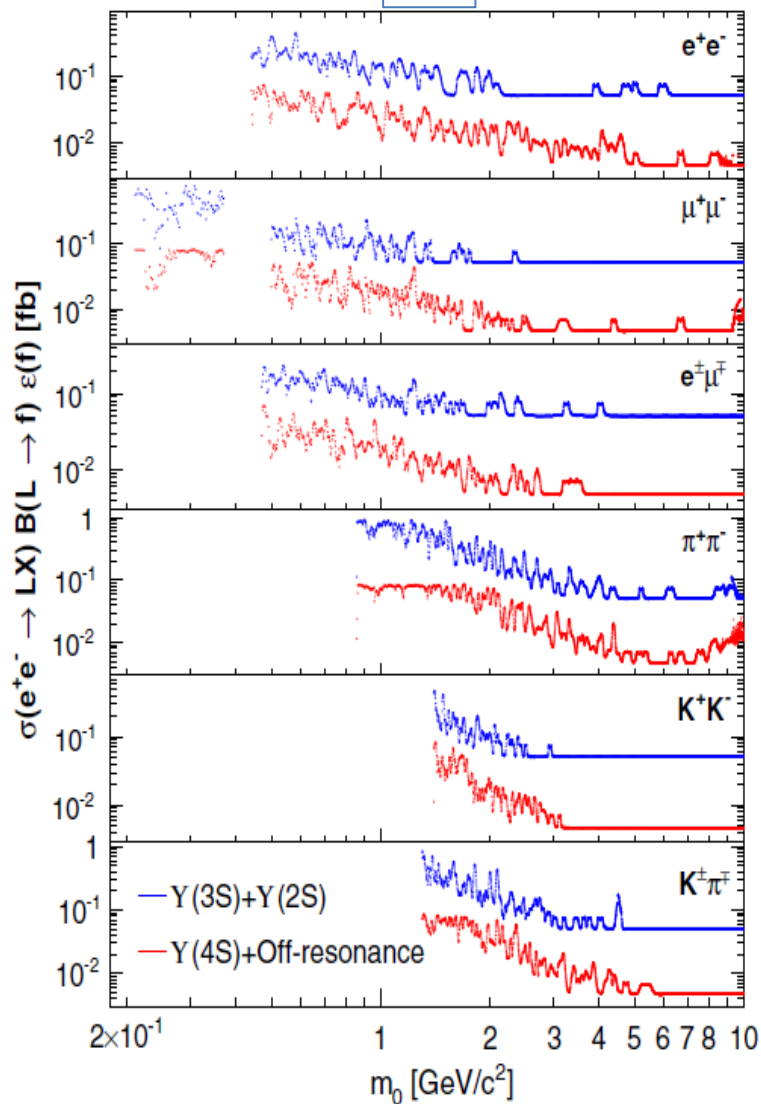
90% c.l. Bayesian U.L.
including systematics
(mainly background PDF)

Results

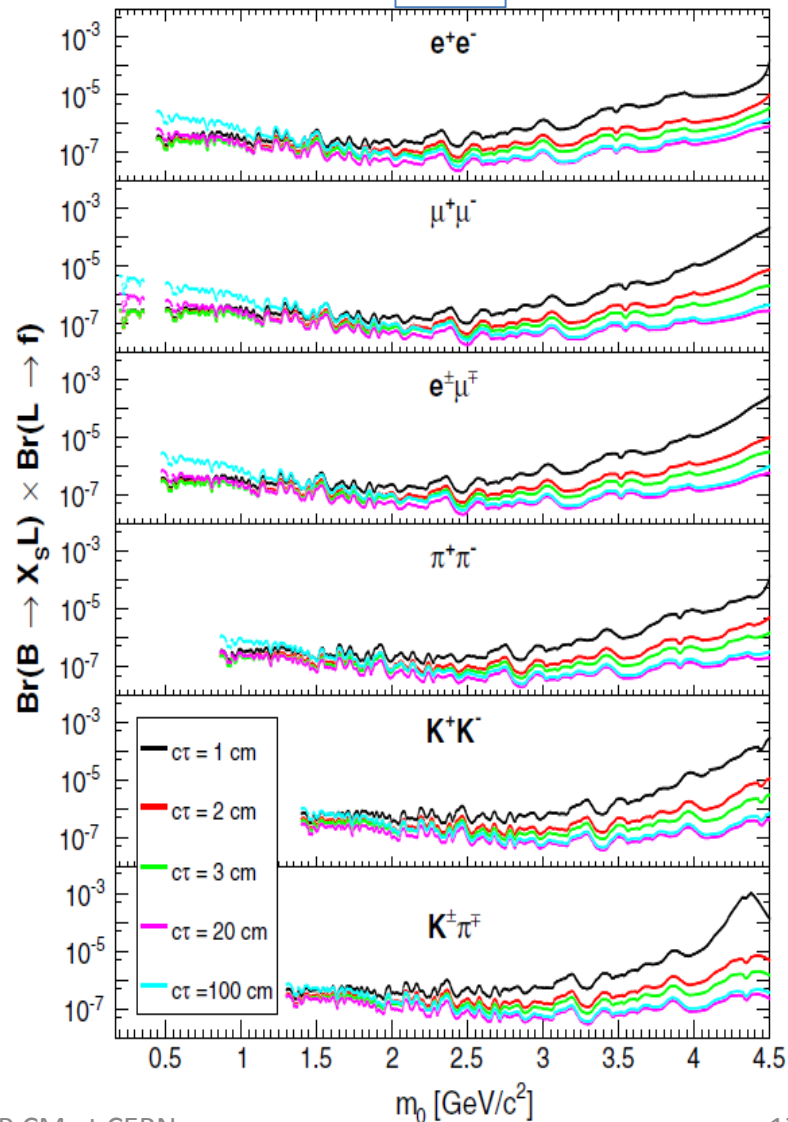
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MI



MD





Radiative $\Upsilon([1,3]S)$ decays to invisibles

$$L(2S) = 14 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$L(\text{below}) = 1.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}.$$

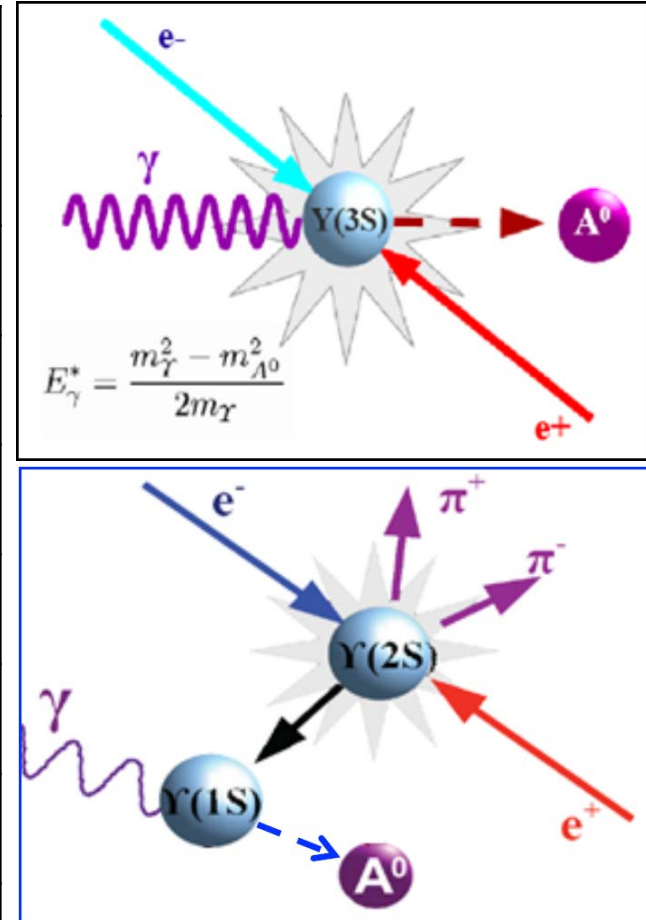
$$N(2S) = 98 \times 10^6 \text{ events,}$$

$$N(2S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- 1S) = 18 \times 10^6 \text{ events.}$$

Searches at BABAR



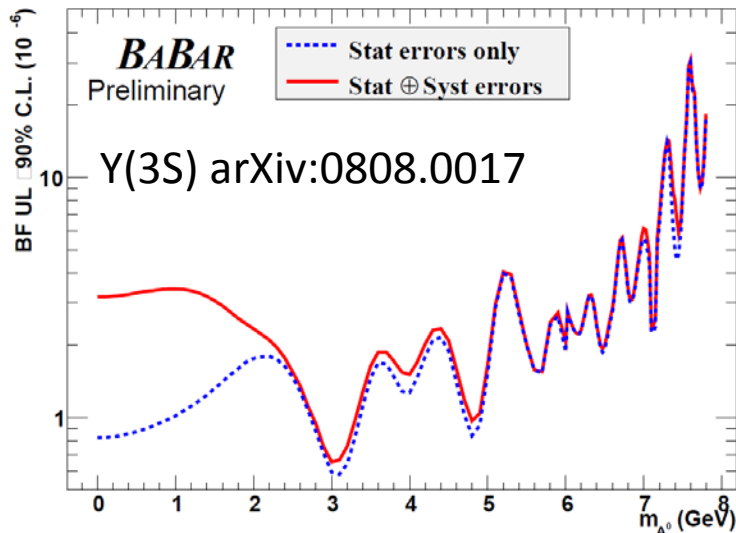
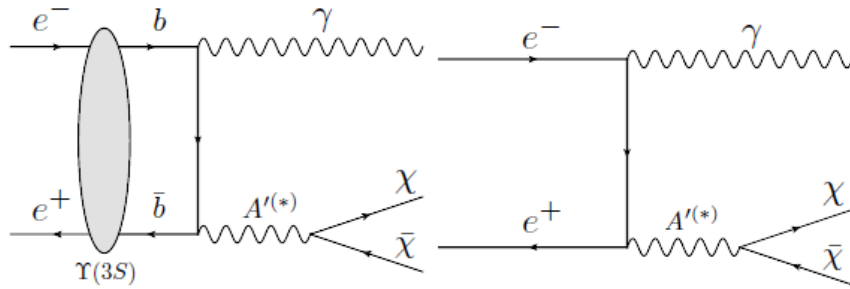
$Y(3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$	arXiv:0808.0017 [hep-ex]
$Y(3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	PRL 103, 181801 (2009)
$Y(2S, 3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	PRL 103, 081801 (2009)
$Y(2S, 3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$	PRL 107, 221801 (2011)
$Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma + \text{invisible}$	PRL 107, 021804 (2011)
$Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	PRD 87, 031102 (2013)
$Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	PRD 88, 031102 (2013)
$Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow gg, ss$	PRD 88, 031701 (2013)
$Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow cc$	PRD 91, 071102 (2015)



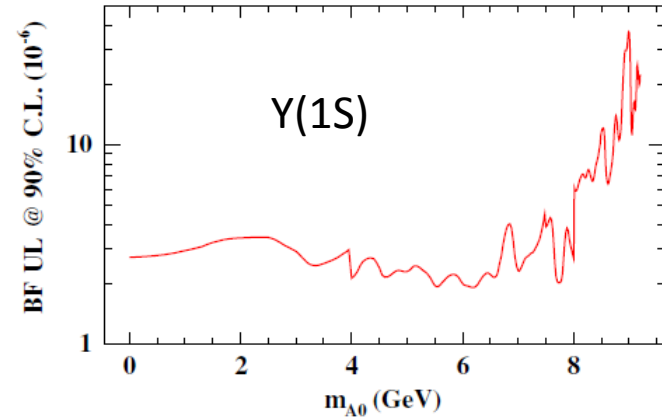


$A' \rightarrow$ invisibles

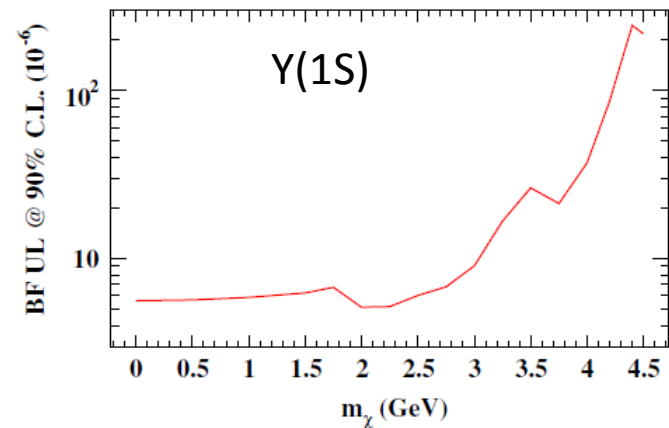
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90% C.L. upper limits on
 $\mathcal{B}(Y(3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times \mathcal{B}(A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible})$



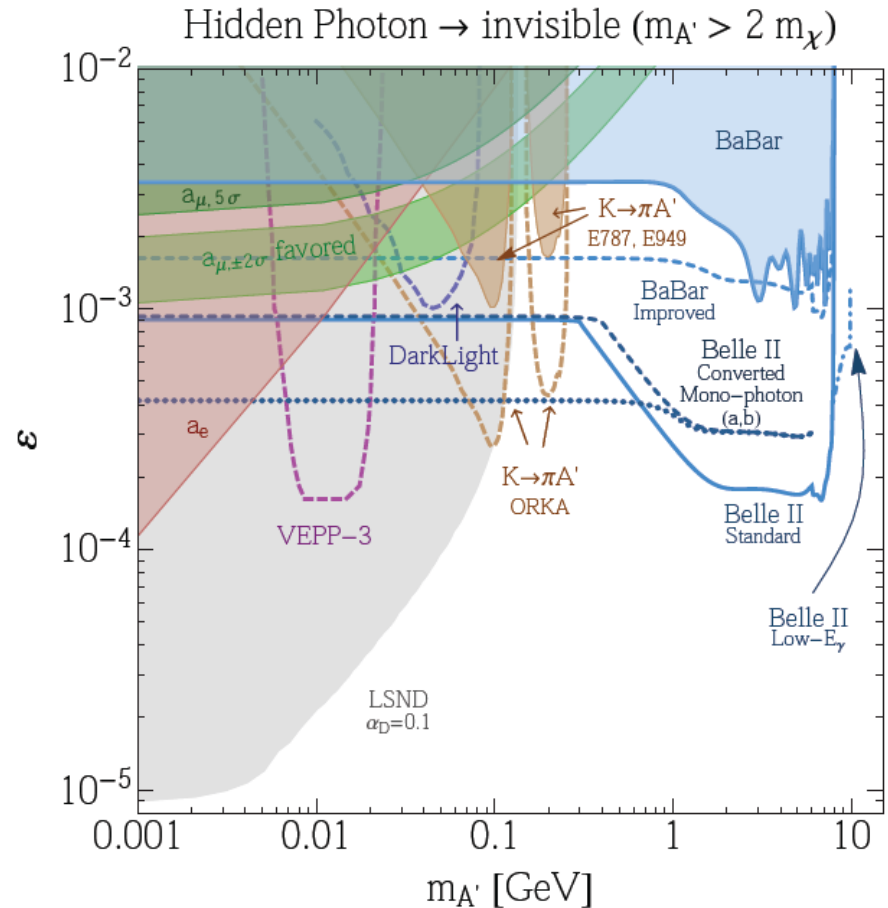
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90% C.L. upper limits for $\mathcal{B}(Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma \chi \bar{\chi})$

$A' \rightarrow$ invisibles

- Though unpublished, BABAR Y(3S) paper arXiv:0808.0017 (2008) has 74 citations,
- e.g. a reinterpretation by theoreticians including continuum events under the 3S peak.
- This analysis is currently upgraded in BABAR.
- Interesting prospects for Belle II.



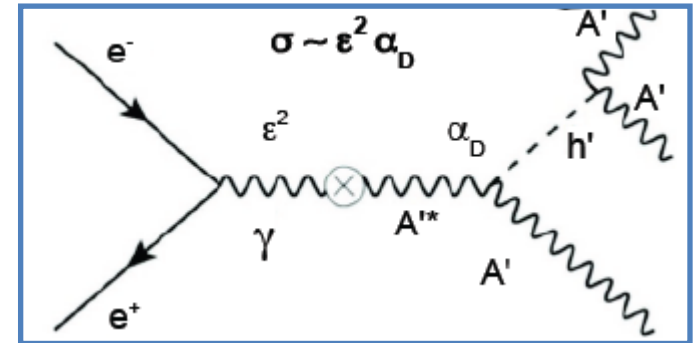
R. Essig et al., JHEP 1311 (2013) 167



Dark Higgs h'

PRL108, 211801 (2012)

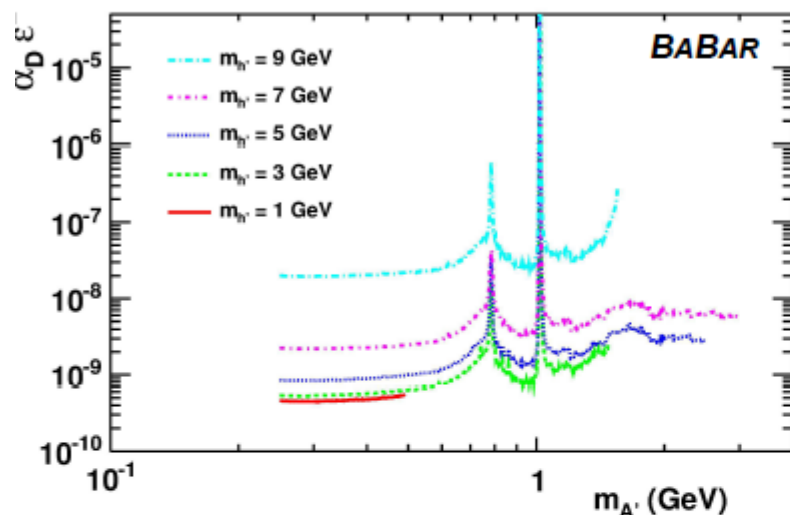
- Mass generation in the dark sector
- Higgs-strahlung allows a low background search in the kinematic region
 - $M_{h'} > 2 M_{A'}$ (prompt decays)
 - $M_{h'}$ in $0.8 - 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
 - $M_{A'}$ in $0.25 - 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Look in full data sample (521 fb^{-1}) for 3 A' in $3(\ell\ell), 2(\ell\ell)\pi\pi, \ell\ell 2(\pi\pi), 2(\mu\mu)X, \mu\mu eeX$
- Translate 90% c.l. UL on cross sections to UL on $\varepsilon^2 \alpha_D$



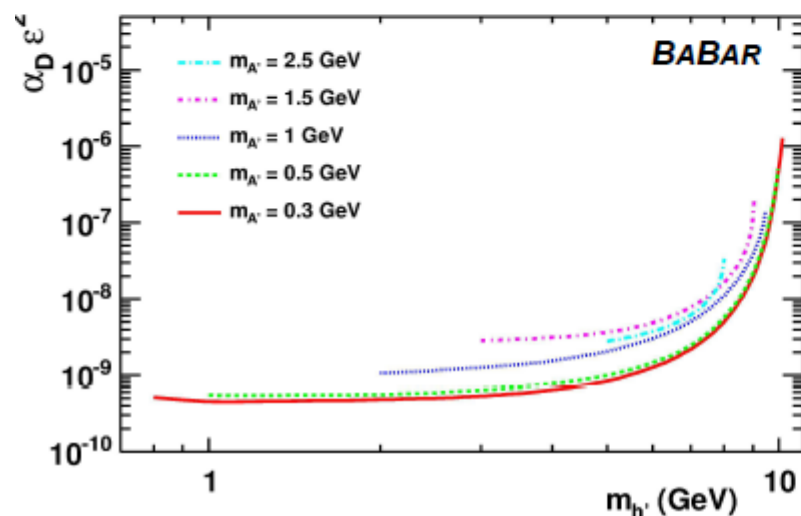
Dark Higgs Limits



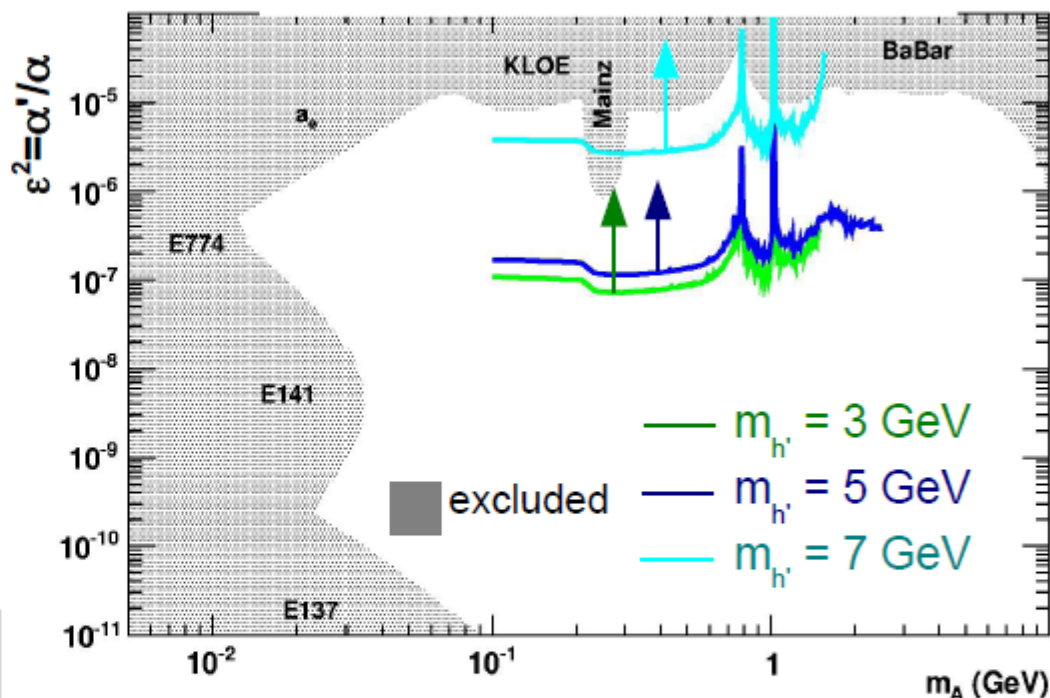
90% CL upper limit on $\alpha_D \epsilon^2$



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Limit on $\epsilon^2 = \alpha'/\alpha$ assuming $\alpha_D = \alpha_{em} = 1/137$



PRL **108**, 211801 (2012)

Substantial improvement over previous limits. Constrain model space

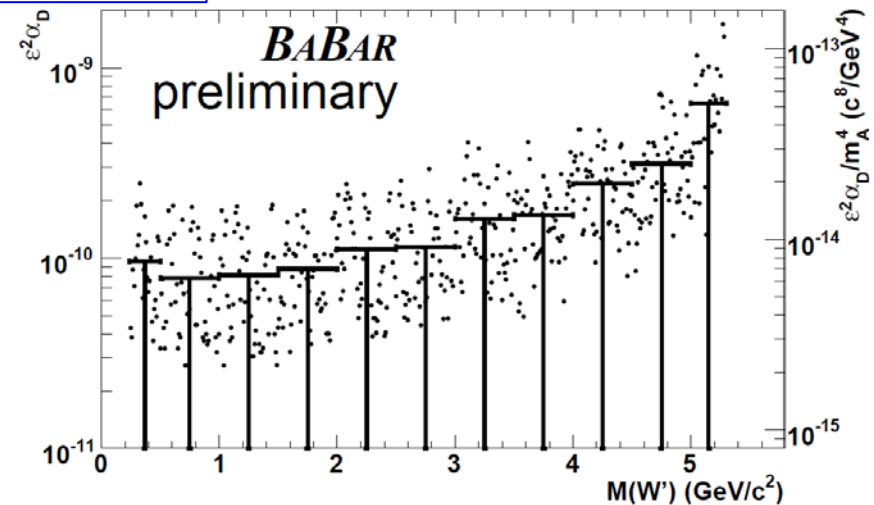
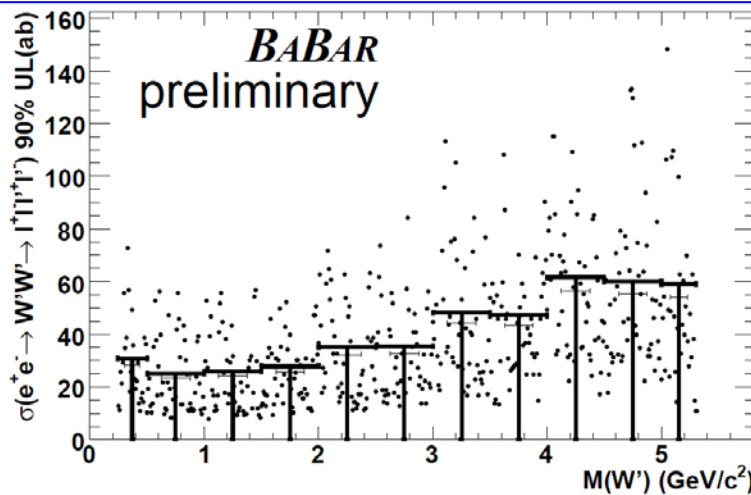
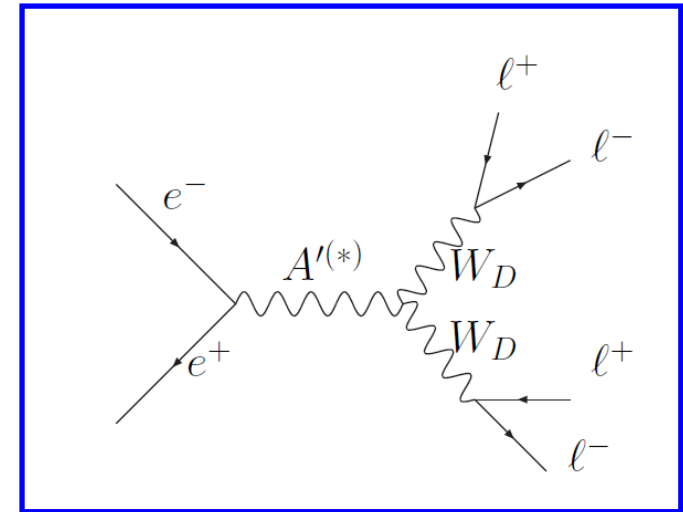
Y. Kolomensky at Lomonosov Conference, Aug. 2015

Non Abelian Dark Sector, W'

arXiv:0908.2821 [hep-ex]



- Test h-scenario with at least A' , h' and W' .
- Search in full data sample (536 fb^{-1}) for 4-lepton final states with 2 equal-mass lepton neutral pairs
(ee)(ee), (ee)($\mu\mu$), ($\mu\mu$)($\mu\mu$).
- Assume lepton universality.
- Upper Limits on cross sections $\sim 20 - 60 \text{ ab(!)}$ translate into $\varepsilon^2 \alpha_D$ (or $\varepsilon^2 \alpha_D / m_{A'}^4$) for $m_{A'} > (\text{or } <) E_{\text{cm}}$.





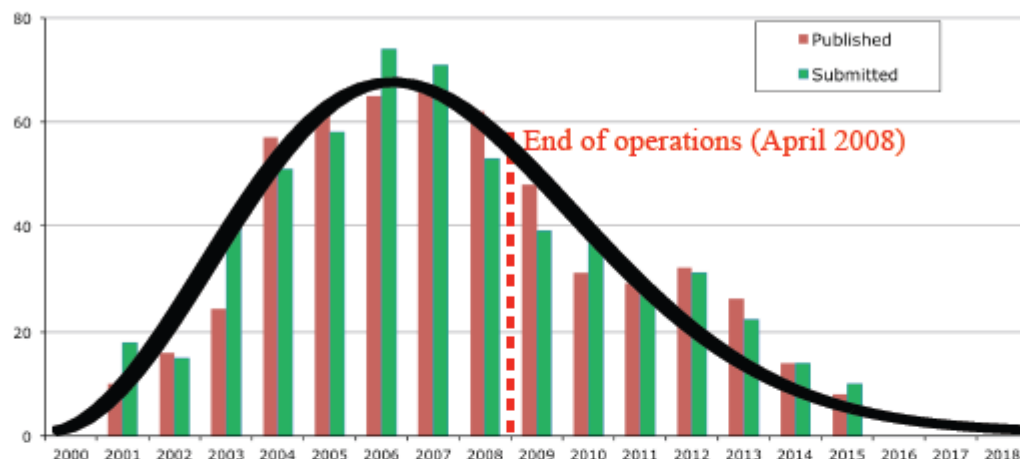
Summary and outlook

- **BABAR has made significant contributions to the emerging research on light hidden sector particles**
 - Pushing down limits on A' with ISR technique.
 - Exploring generically the production of long lived neutral particles in e^+e^- collisions and B decays.
 - *Ruling out a wide parameter space region for an NMSSM-like A^0 boson, exploring all accessible final states (most recently the $A^0 \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ channel)* with dark sector decays to invisible particles as spinoff.
 - Conducting h' and W' searches.
- **Further progress is expected from Intensity Frontier experiments**
 - e^+e^- machines: recently BES III, especially Belle-II.
 - Beam dump experiments: at electron (e.g. HPS) and proton (**SHiP project**).

Backup



BABAR's Scientific Productivity



Continue harvesting scientific results from the BABAR dataset

551 papers published (as of 1-Aug-2015)

Significant number still in the pipeline

Recent highlights:

- Indirect searches for new physics (precision measurements):
 - Measurement of $\sin 2\beta$ in $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)0} h^0$ (joint with Belle): arXiv:1505.04147, accepted to PRL
 - CPV in B mixing with dilepton events: PRL **114**, 081801 (2015), arXiv:1411.1842
 - Measurement of radiative tau decays: PRD**91**, 051103 (2015), arXiv:1502.01784
 - See also: K. Flood, "Measurement of Angular Observables in the rare decay $B \rightarrow K^* l^+ l^-$ at BABAR", Monday Session H
- Direct searches for new physics (this talk)

Inflaton

[F. Bezrukov](#), [D. Gorbunov](#) JHEP 1307 (2013) 140

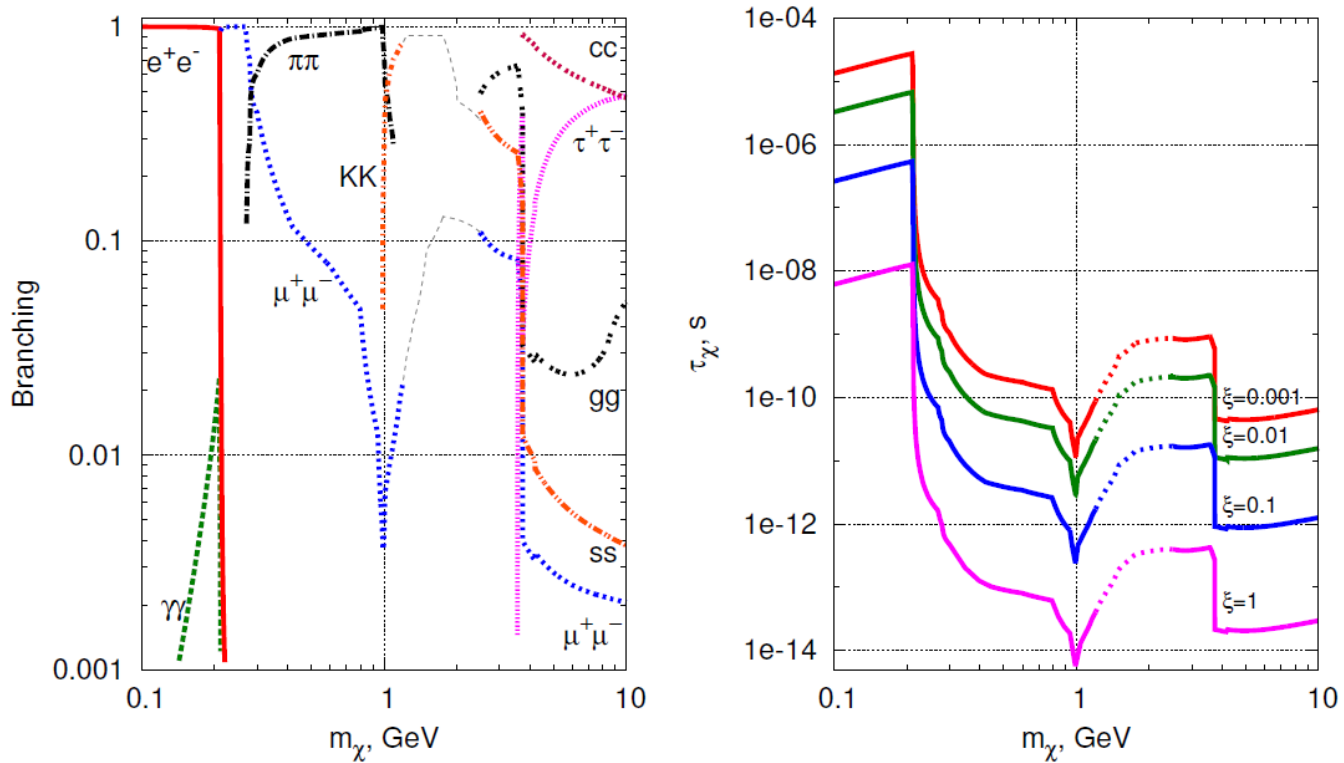
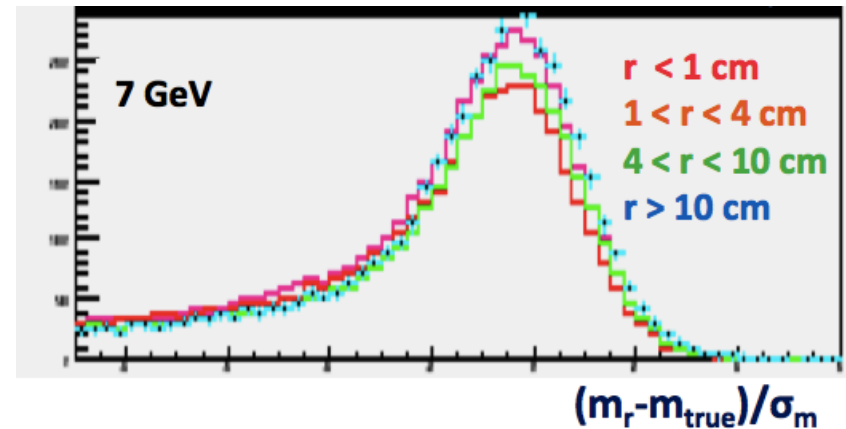


Figure 3: Inflaton decay branching ratios (*left plot*) and inflaton lifetime (*right plot*); theoretical predictions for $m_\chi \simeq 1 - 2$ GeV (thin dashed lines on the *left plot* and dotted lines on the *right plot*) suffer from significant QCD-uncertainties.

Signal PDF

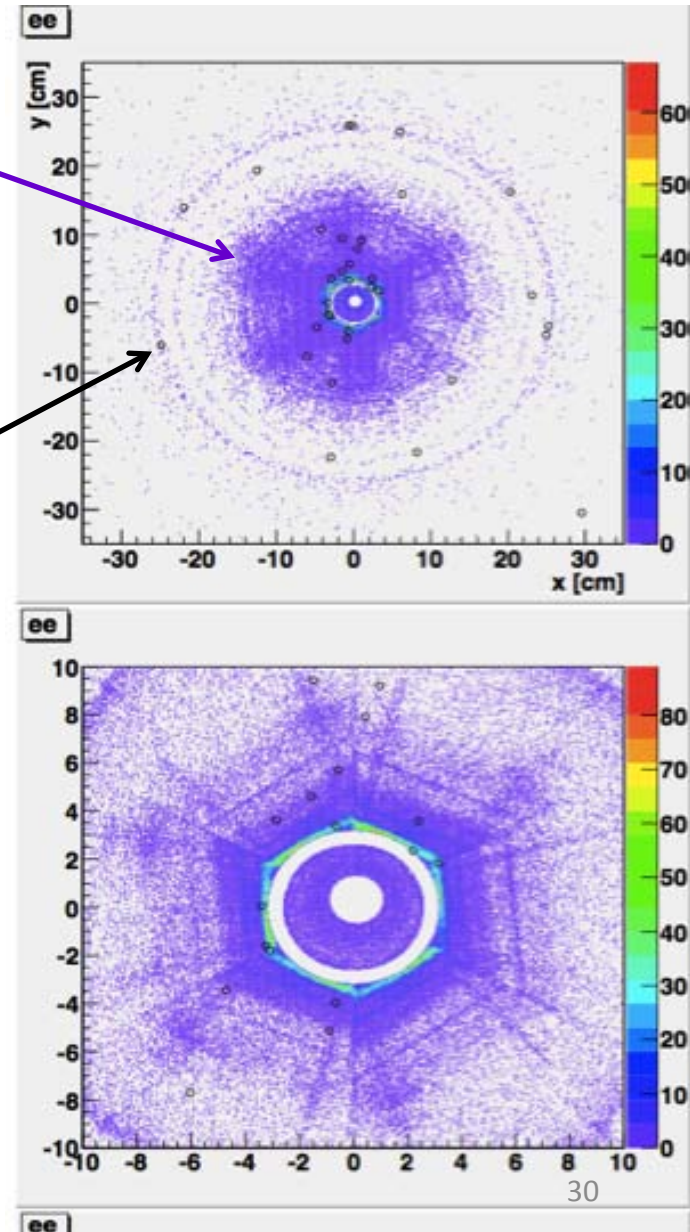
- Mass uncertainty σ_m changes greatly with vertex m , r , boost
- But mass resolution function is quite stable wrt. the candidate's estimated σ_m
- So construct each event's PDF from its σ_m and the signal-MC resolution function histogram (obtained @ 12 mass points)



Highest-significance points

- $m_{\mu\mu} = 0.212$ GeV:
 - $S = 4.7$
 - 13 signal events
 - P-value = 4×10^{-4} with look-elsewhere effect in $m_{\mu\mu} < 0.37$ GeV
 - More than 50% of the candidates are in or near material regions
 - All have $0.2 < p < 0.3$ GeV, where $e - \mu$ discrimination is small.
 - Look like γ conversions
- $m_{\mu\mu} = 1.24$ GeV:
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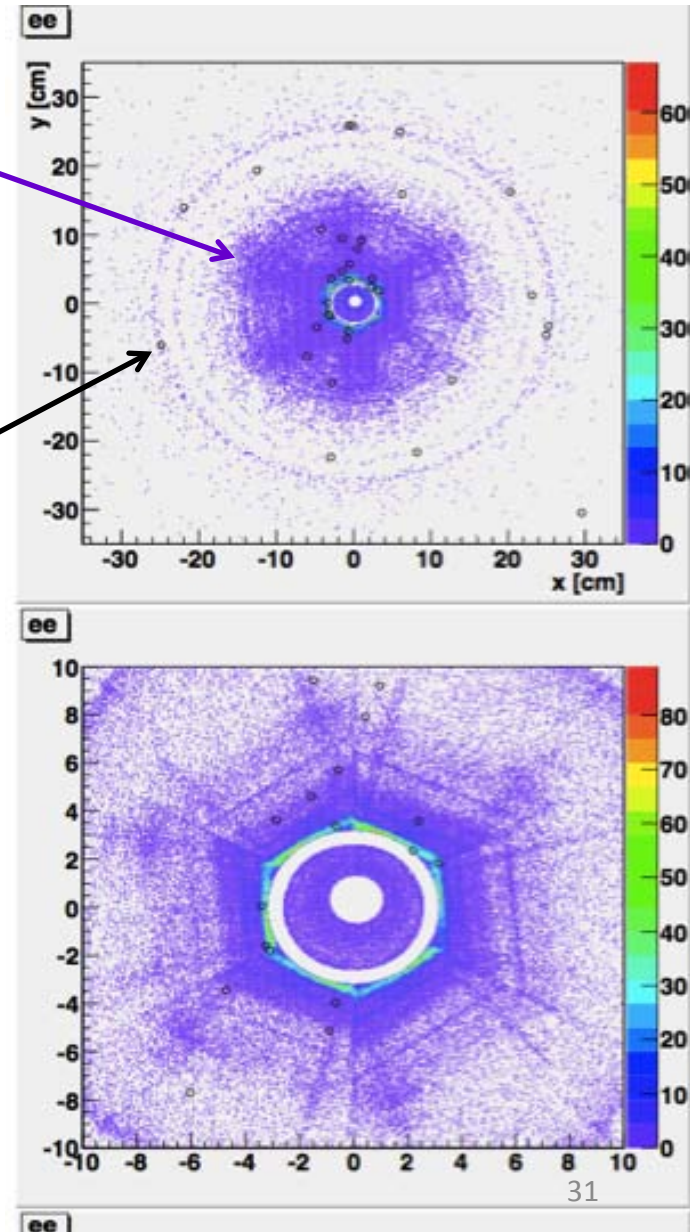
γ conversion,
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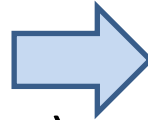
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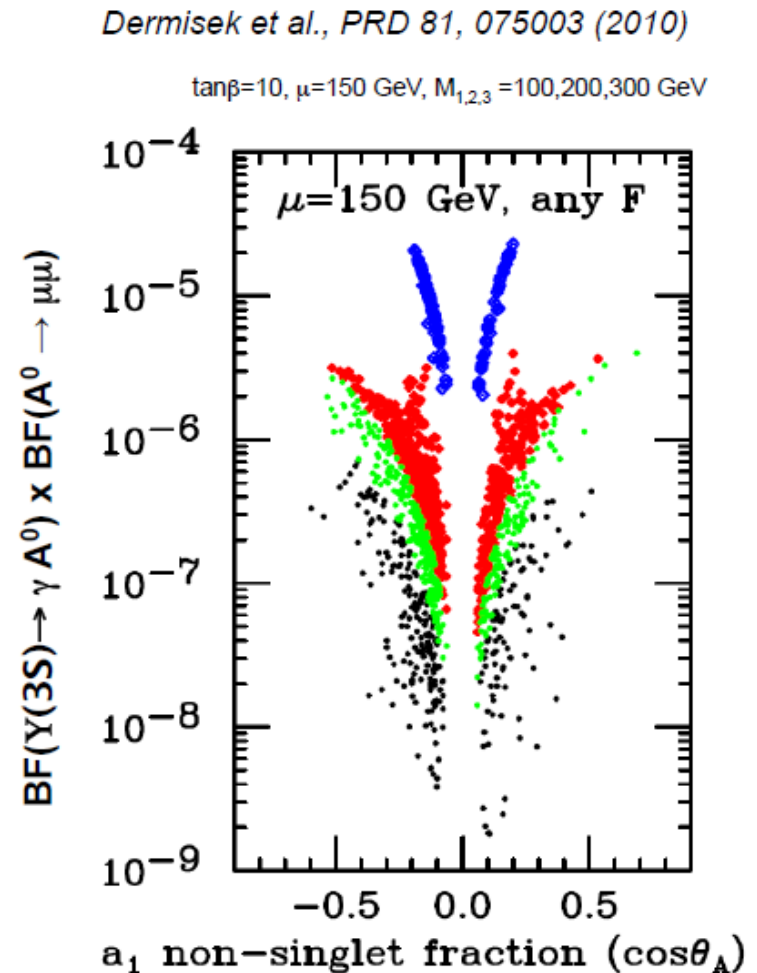


CP-odd Higgs in NMSSM

- $Y \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow f\bar{f}, gg$
- $A^0 = \cos\theta_A A_{\text{MSSM}} + \sin\theta_A A_{\text{singlet}}$
- Predicted BF depend on $\cos\theta_A, \tan\beta, m_{A^0}$
 - Scans of e.g.
 $\text{BF}(Y \rightarrow A^0) \text{BF}(A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$
- Rate accessible to BABAR



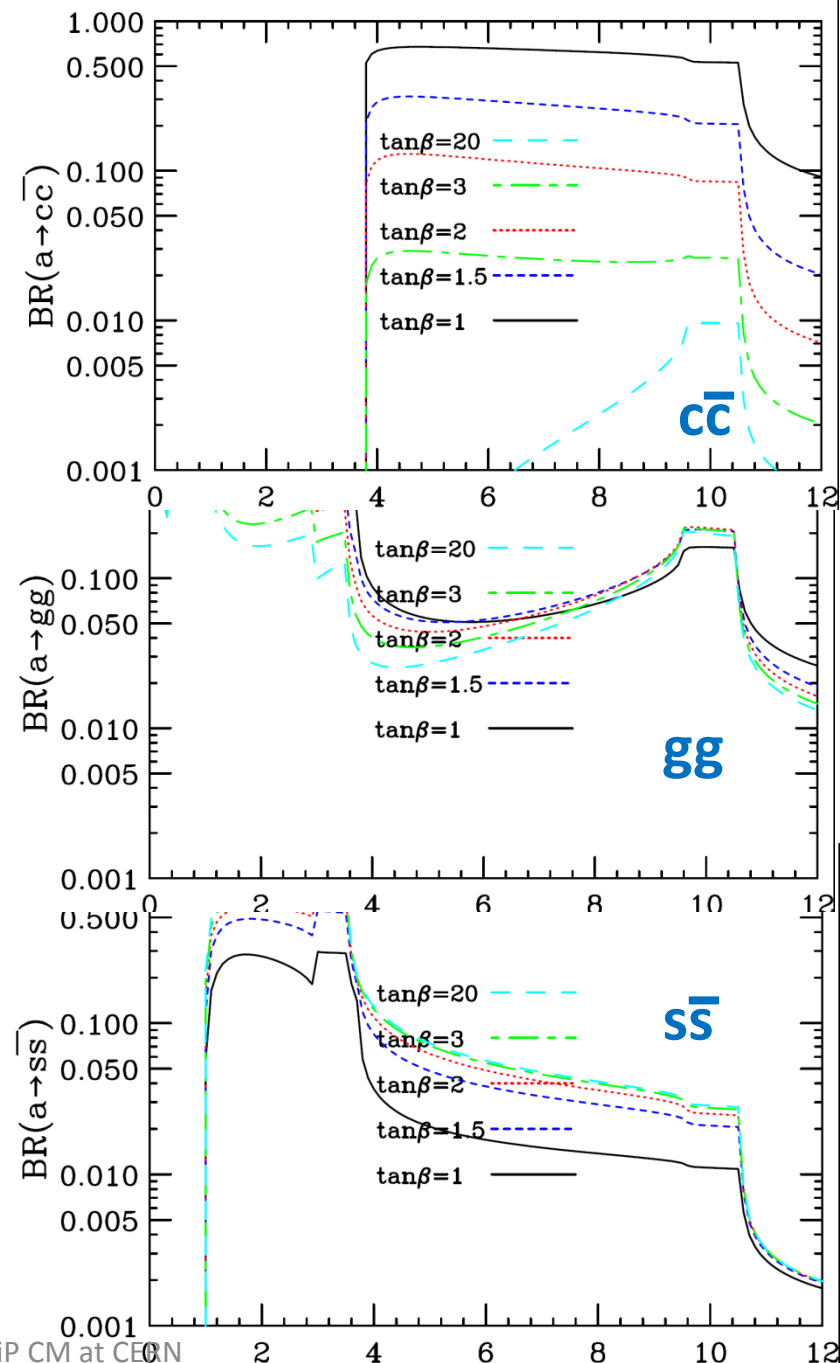
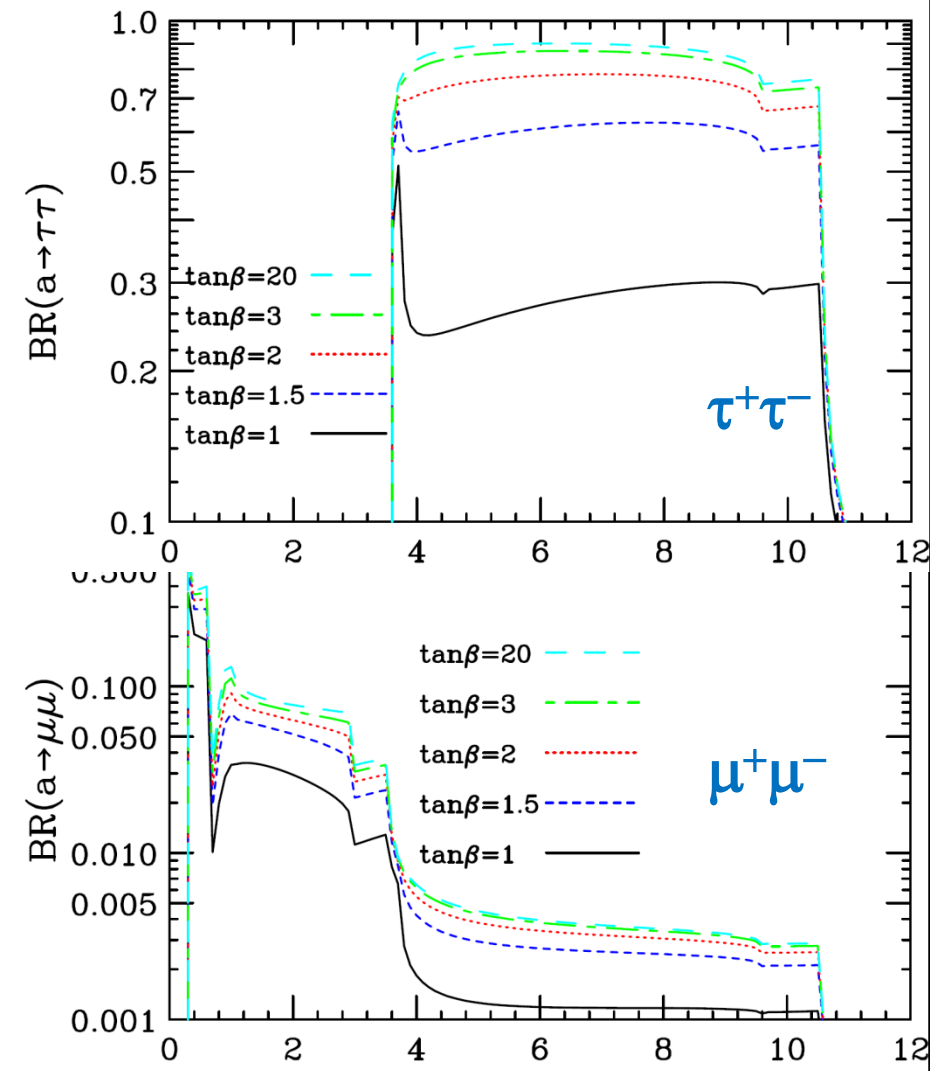
$0 < m_{A^0} < 2m_\tau$
 $2m_\tau < m_{A^0} < 7.5 \text{ GeV}$
 $7.5 < m_{A^0} < 8.8 \text{ GeV}$
 $8.8 < m_{A^0} < 9.2 \text{ GeV}$



A^0 branching fractions

sensitive to m_{A^0} , $\tan\beta$, fermion masses

Dermisek et al., PRD81, 075003 (2010) $\Gamma_{\text{inv}}=0$ assumed



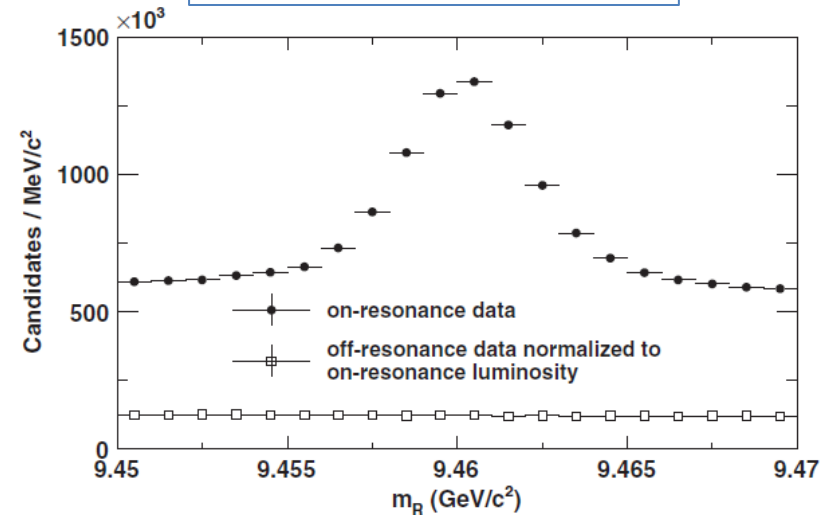
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PRD 91, 071102 (2015)



• Event selection

- 2 tracks (dipion), 1 photon, hadronic system ($cc \rightarrow D+X$)
- Missing mass consistent with $Y(1S)$
- 5 (charm) \times 2 (m) BDT to discriminate signal from background



Charm tag:

1. $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
2. $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$
3. $D^0 \rightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$
4. $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
5. $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+ D^0$,
 $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^0$

Backgrounds:

- $1S \rightarrow \gamma gg$
- $1S \rightarrow X$
- $2S \rightarrow X$
- qq continuum

- photon with $E_{cm} > 30$ MeV

- Scan m_X

$$m_X^2 = (P_{e^+e^-} - P_{\pi^+\pi^-} - P_\gamma)^2$$

- High mass [7.50 – 9.25] GeV/c²
- Low mass [4.99 – 8.00]
- Exclude [8.95 – 9.10] to avoid
($2S \rightarrow \chi_b \rightarrow 1S$) cascade

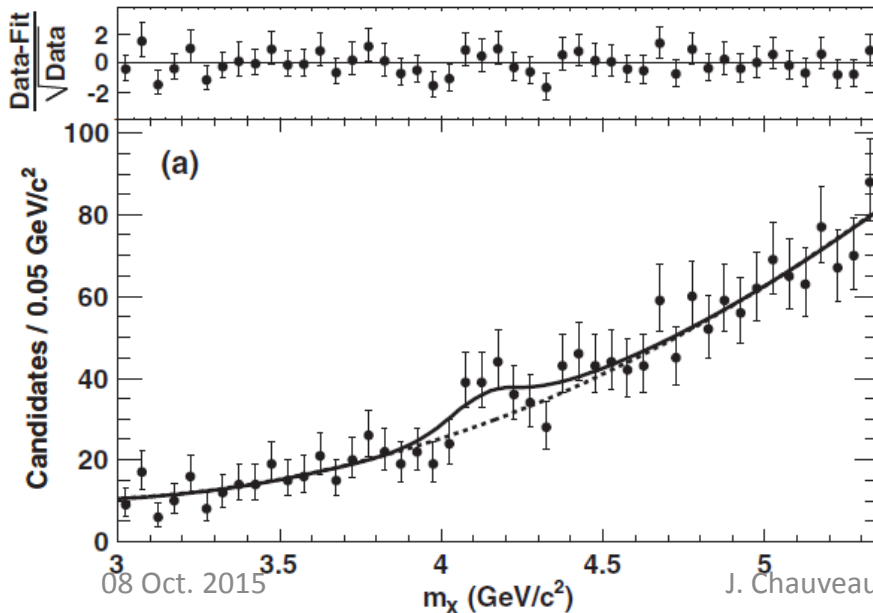
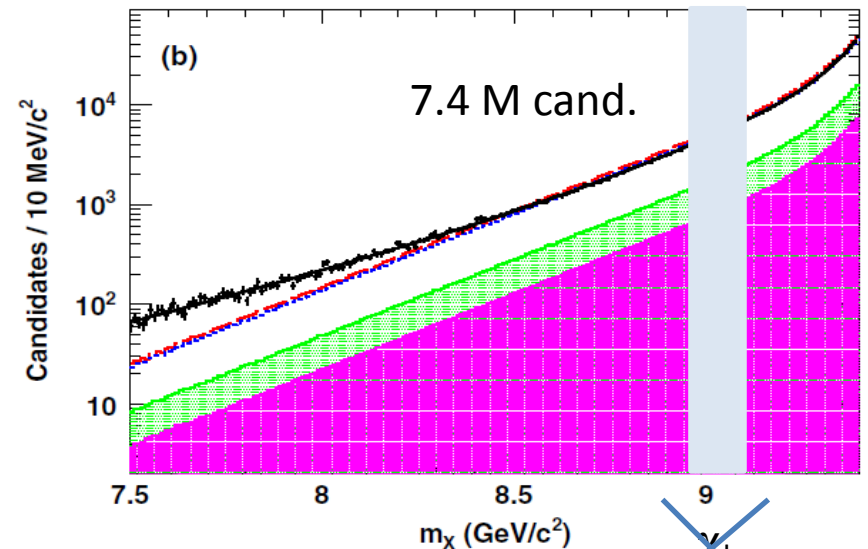
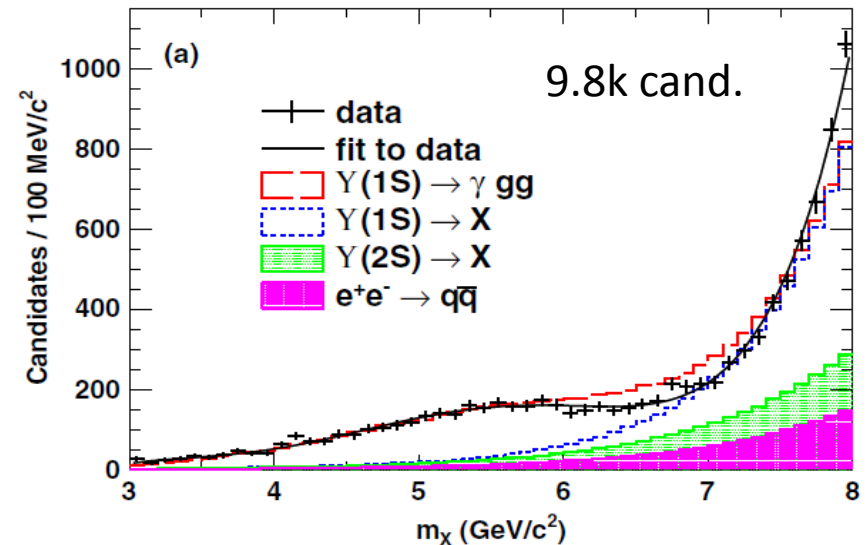
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Measurements

- background from global fits
- efficiency from 0.04 to 0.026 with ~10% systematics ($c\bar{c}$ hadronization dominant)
- resolution from 120 MeV to 8 MeV
- Local fits in ± 10 resolution ranges
- steps < 0.3 resolution
 - signal PDF with fixed local parameters
 - background PDF 2nd order polynomial



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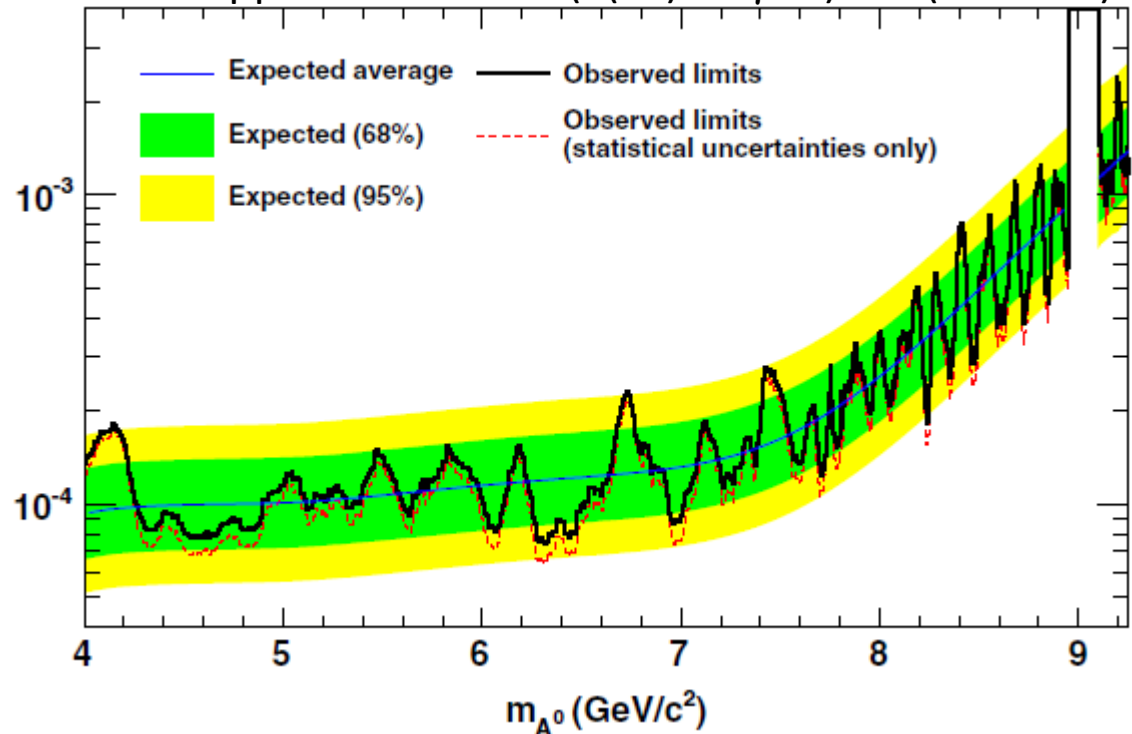
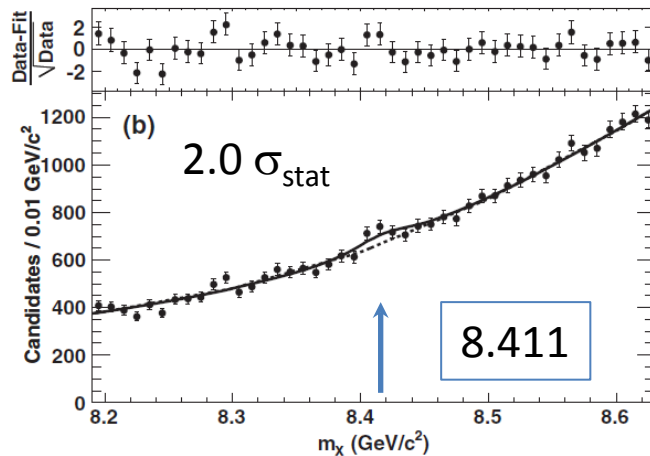
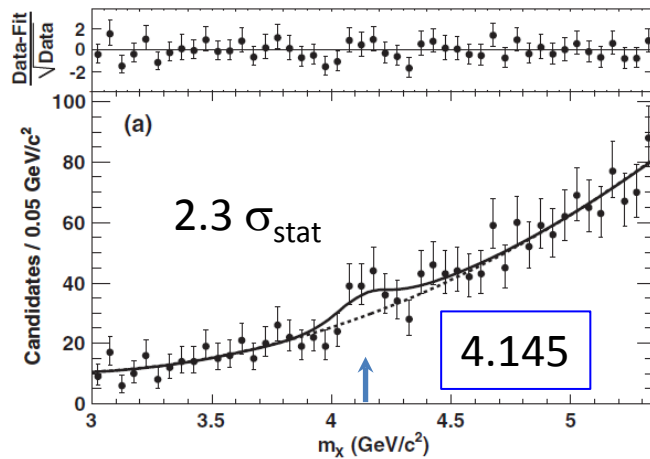
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Biggest peaks are not significant . Derive 90% Upper Limits on $\text{BF}(Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times \text{BF}(A^0 \rightarrow c\bar{c})$



$\text{BF}(Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0) \times \text{BF}(A^0 \rightarrow c\bar{c}) < [7.4 \times 10^{-5} - 2.4 \times 10^{-3}]$
at 90% c.l.

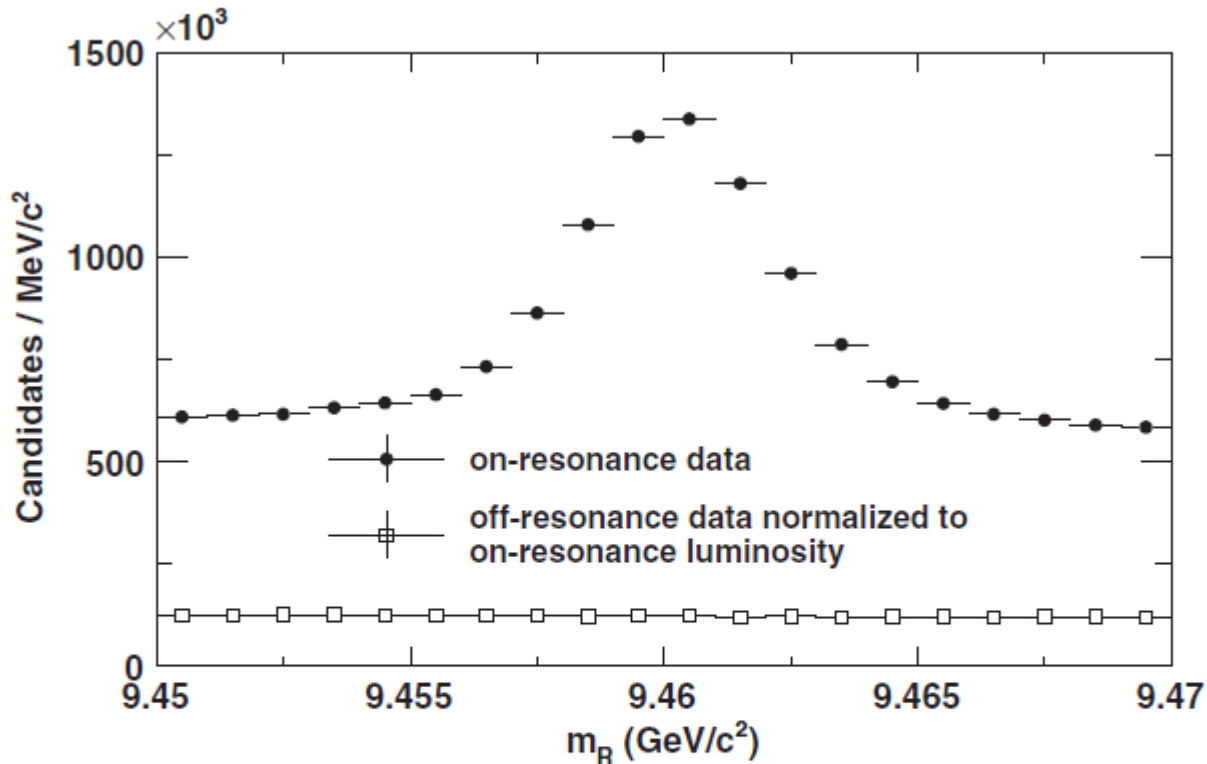


FIG. 1. The m_R distribution of events with a dipion, charm, and photon tag before application of selection criteria based on the BDT output (see text). The solid circles indicate the on-resonance data. The open squares indicate the off-resonance data normalized to the on-resonance luminosity.

$$Y(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- Y(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow ss, gg$$



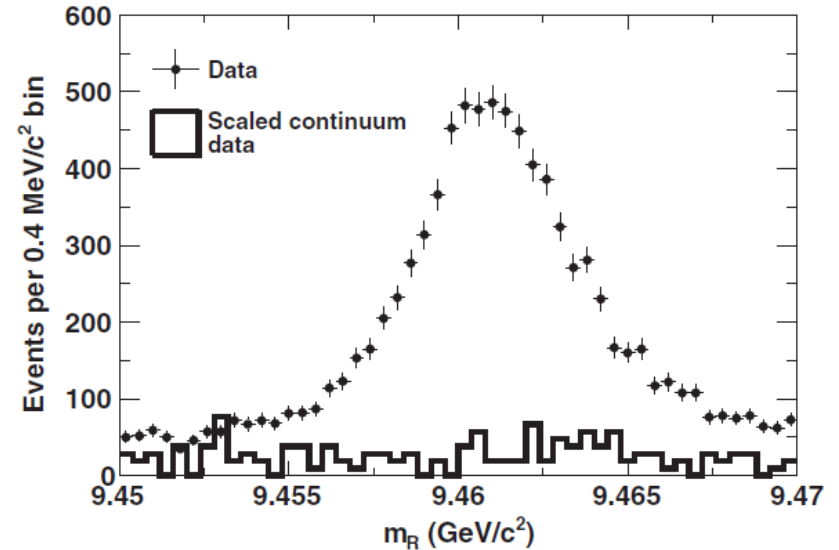
Event selection

PRD 88, 031701(R) (2013)

- 2 tracks (dipion), 1 photon, hadronic system (not 2-body, gg and/or **ss**)
- Missing mass consistent with Y(1S)
- MLP against Y hadronic background

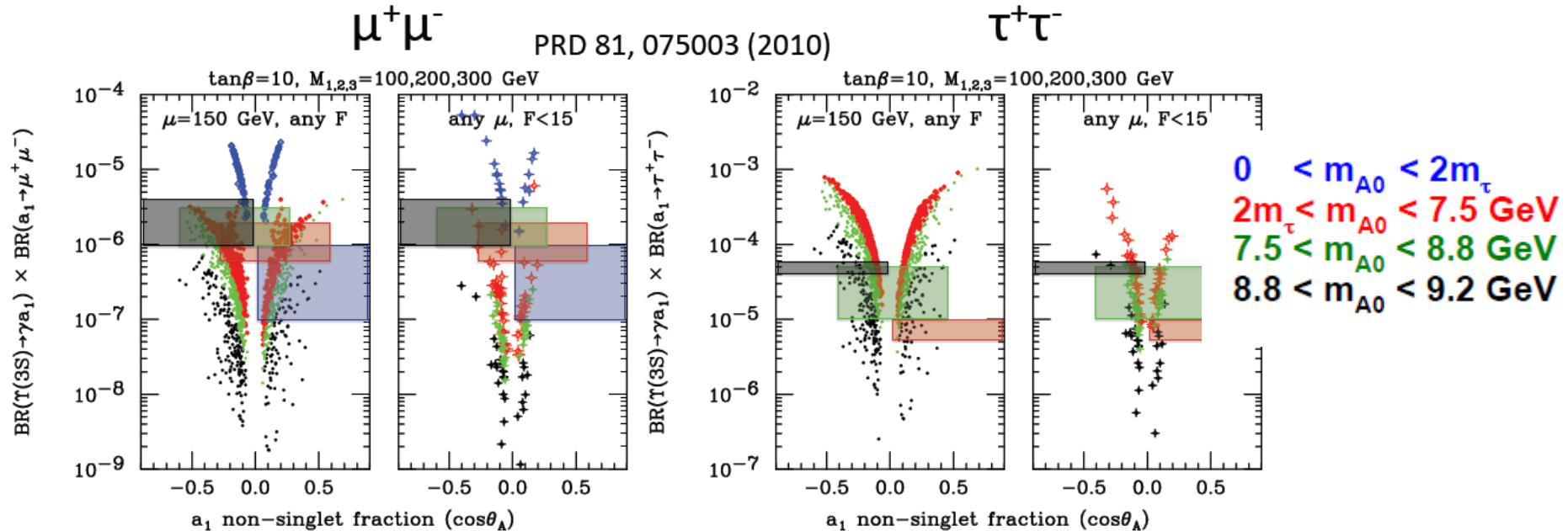
TABLE I. Decay modes for candidate $A^0 \rightarrow gg$ and $s\bar{s}$ decays, sorted by the total mass of the decay products.

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	$K^\pm K_S^0 \pi^\mp \pi^+ \pi^-$
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	$K^\pm K_S^0 \pi^\mp \pi^+ \pi^- 2\pi^0$
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	$K^\pm K_S^0 \pi^\mp 2\pi^+ 2\pi^- \pi^0$
10	$4\pi^+ 4\pi^-$	23	$K^+ K^- 3\pi^+ 3\pi^-$
11	$K^+ K^- \pi^0$	24	$2K^+ 2K^-$
12	$K^\pm K_S^0 \pi^\mp$	25	$p \bar{p} \pi^0$
13	$K^+ K^- 2\pi^0$	26	$p \bar{p} \pi^+ \pi^-$



- photon with $E_{cm} > 200$ MeV
- Fit constraining A^0 and γ candidates to Y(1S) mass and beam spot. Hence $\sigma(m_A) \sim 100 \text{ MeV}/c^2$.
- π^0 vetos

CP-odd Higgs (older results)

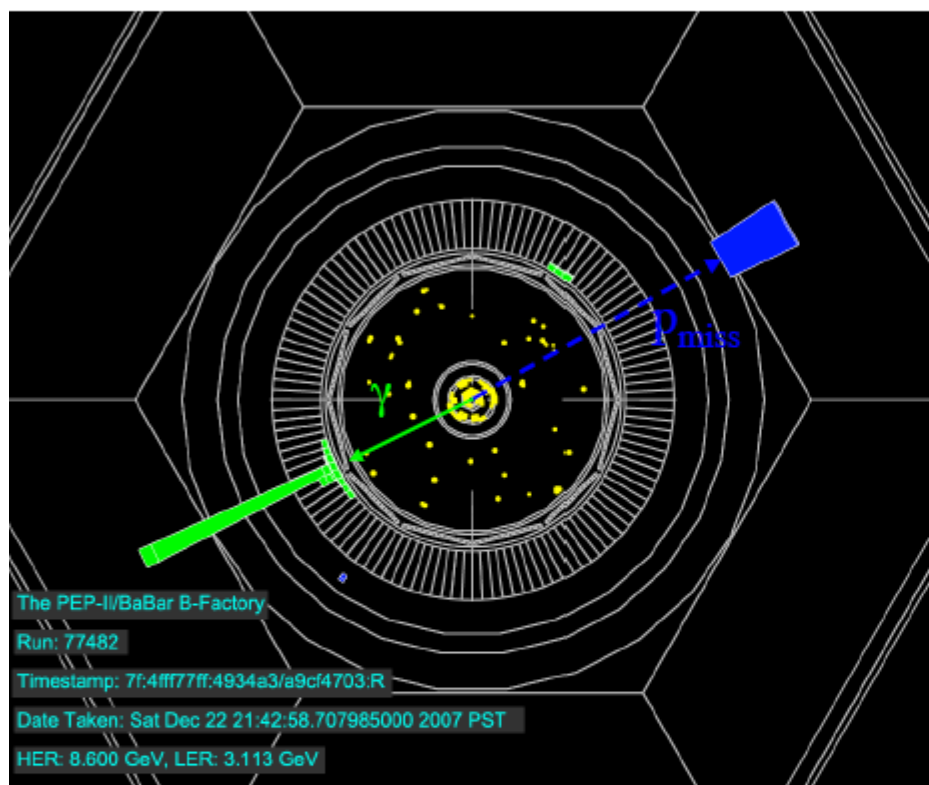


Mode	Mass range (GeV)	BF upper limit (90% CL)
$\Upsilon(2S, 3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	$0.21 < m_A < 9.3$	$(0.3 - 8.3) \times 10^{-6}$
$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	$4.0 < m_A < 10.1$	$(1.5 - 16) \times 10^{-5}$
$\Upsilon(2S, 3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$	$0.3 < m_A < 7.0$	$(0.1 - 8) \times 10^{-5}$
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \chi \bar{\chi}$	$m_\chi < 4.5 \text{ GeV}$	$(0.5 - 24) \times 10^{-5}$
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$	$m_A < 9.2 \text{ GeV}$	$(1.9 - 37) \times 10^{-6}$
$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$	$m_A < 9.2 \text{ GeV}$	$(0.7 - 31) \times 10^{-6}$



arXiv: 1209.1143 (B. Echenard)

Invisible Dark Photon: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + \text{invisible}$

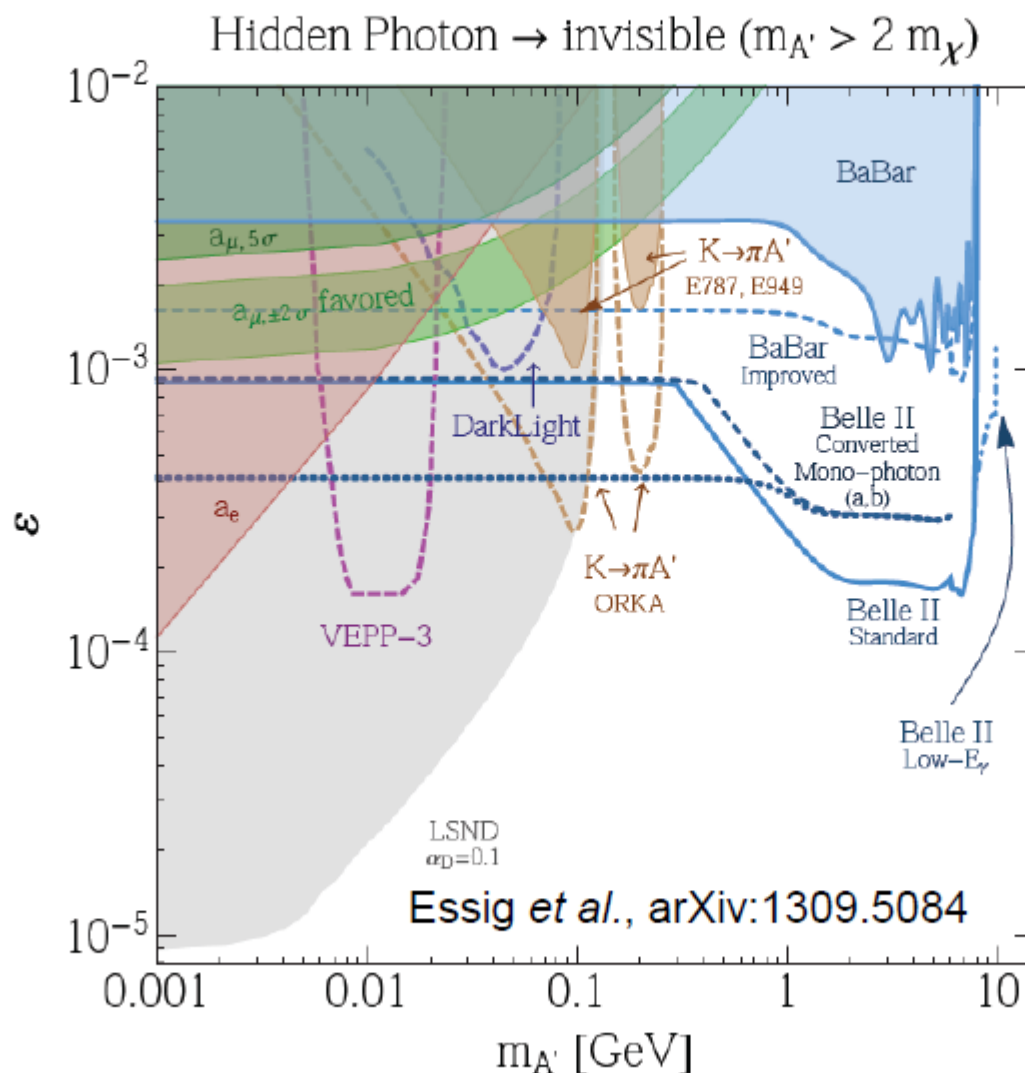


Peaking background from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, with one of the photons missing the EM calorimeter. Veto such events by detecting activity in the muon detector (IFR).

- $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \gamma + \text{invisible}$ (arXiv:0808.0017)
- Require a single photon with $E_\gamma^* > 2.2 \text{ GeV}$
- No charged tracks
- No additional energy in EMC above 100 MeV
- Missing momentum points to EMC
- No activity in IFR aligning with missing momentum
- **No signal found: limits on ε of order $O(10^{-3}-10^{-2})$**
- **Updated analysis in progress**



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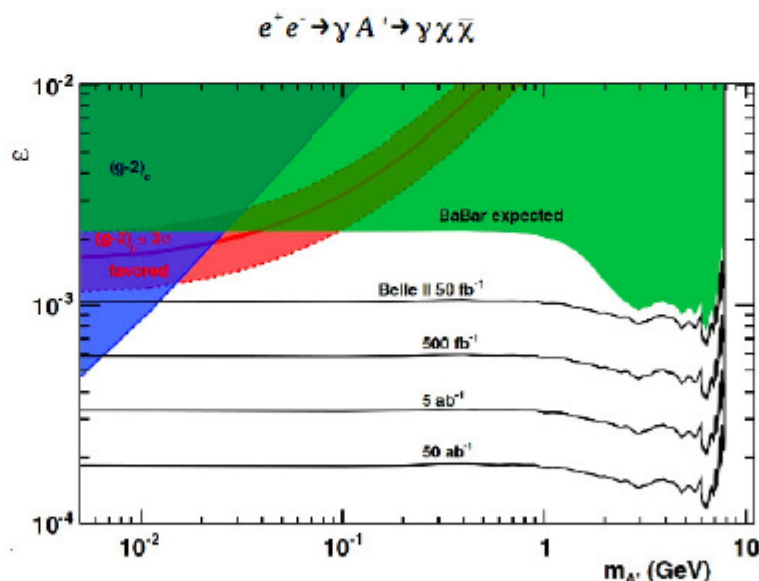
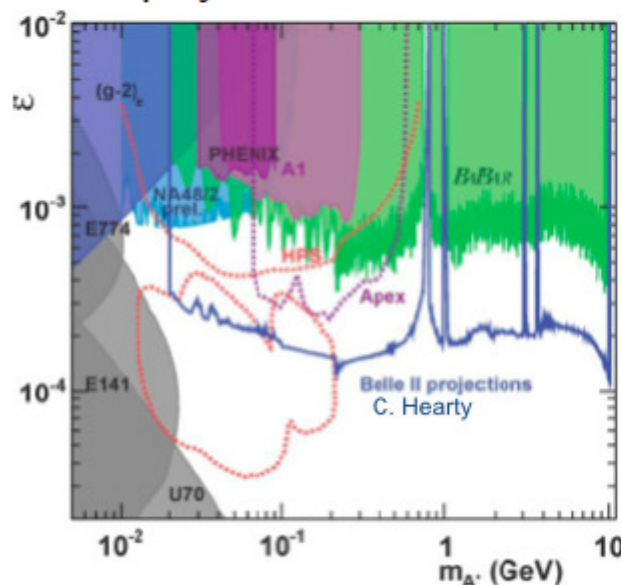


Belle2 at SuperKEKb will take 40x more statistics

Shut down for upgrade 2010.

Belle-II due to roll in mid 2015, followed by commissioning.

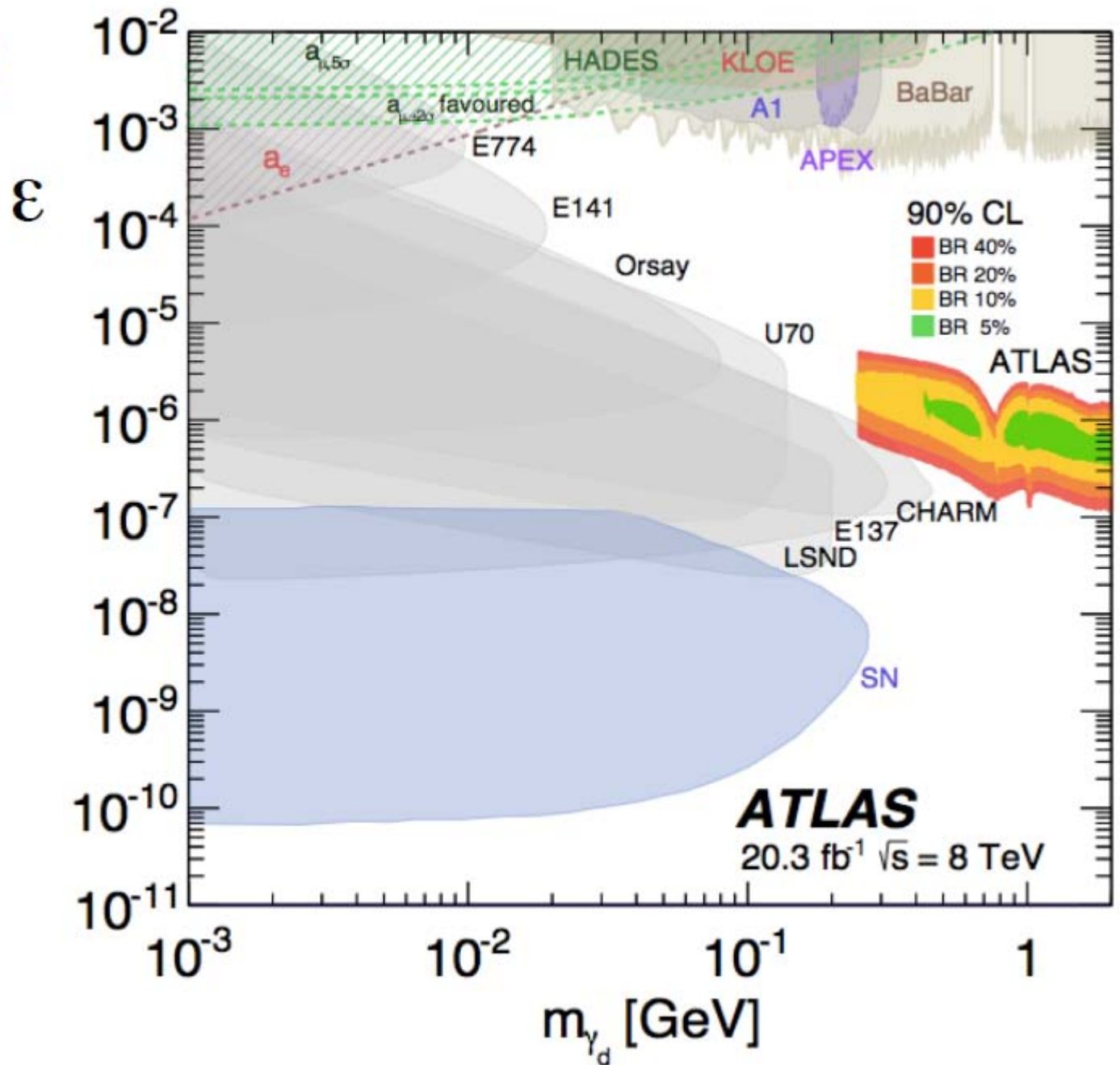
First physics data due 2017.



DM searches, including Higgsstrahlung analysis, will continue

ϵ Limits

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At FPCP2015



Dark Sector

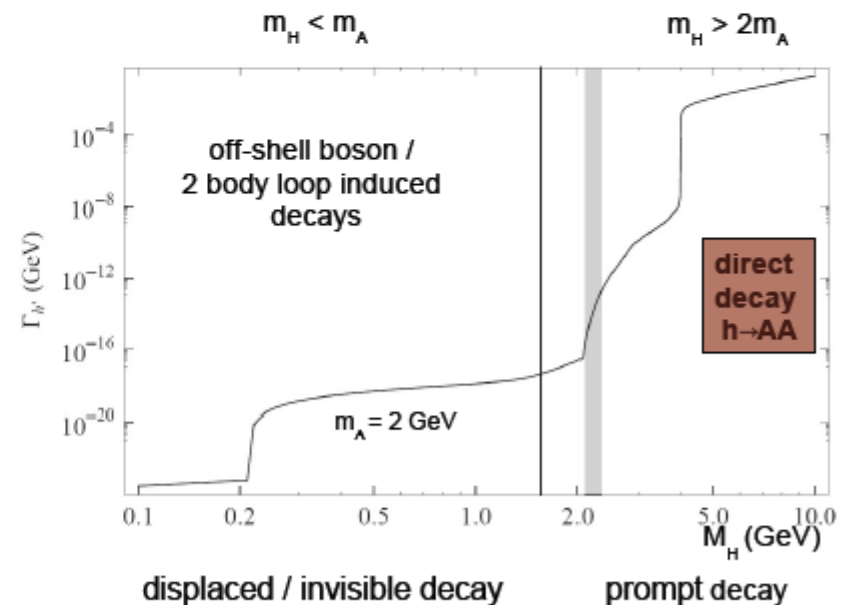
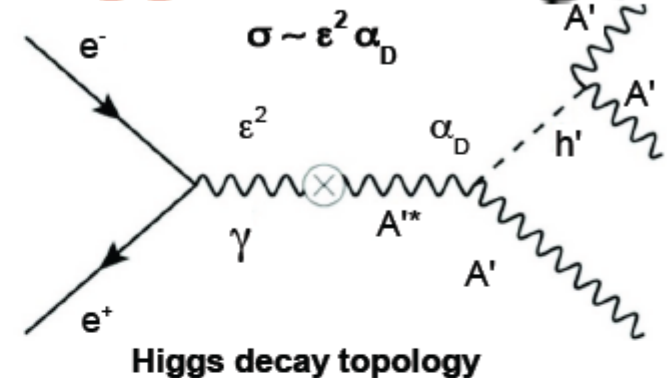
- Gauge boson of new $U(1)'$ the A' , with MeV-GeV mass
[P. Fayet PLB 95, 285\(1980\)](#)
- Kinetic mixing with γ , A' couples to electric charge with strength ϵe
- A' couples to **dark sector particles** with α_D
- *Unexplained cosmic ray observations*
- *Impacts $g-2$ puzzle*
- Dark higgs h' expected ...

Recent review with references: [R. Essig et al. arXiv: 1311.0029 \[hep-ph\]](#)

Search for Dark Higgs



- Extension of the dark sector models: dark Higgs
 - Mass generation in dark sector
 - Mass can be low
 - Detect by Higgs-strahlung process $e^+e^- \rightarrow A'h'$
 - Decays to A' pairs
 - ☞ Multi-particle (multi-lepton) final state
 - ☞ Clean detection, virtually no QED background

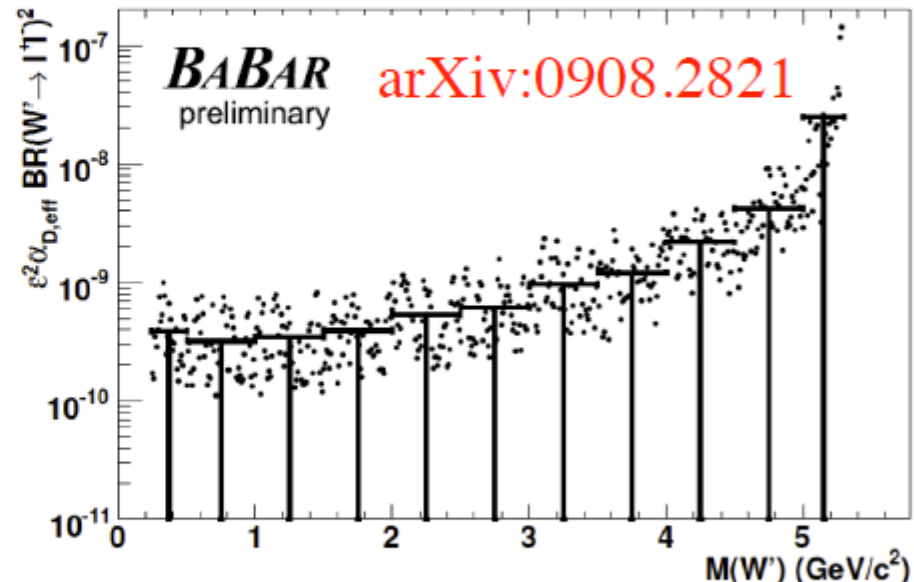
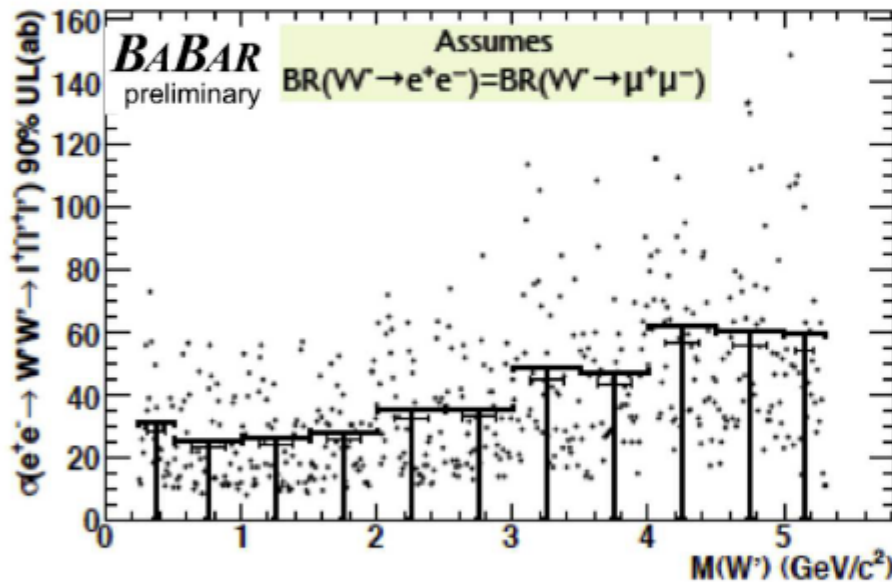




Direct Search for Dark Sector

Look for $e^+e^- \rightarrow l^+l^-l'^+l'^-$ final states ($4e, 2e2\mu, 4\mu$) as a function of two-lepton mass

Full BaBar dataset ($\sim 540 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)



$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow W'W' \rightarrow l^+l^-l'^+l'^-) < (25 - 60) \text{ ab}$$

Some of the smallest cross section ULs measured @ B-Factories