

Dark Sector Searches at BESIII

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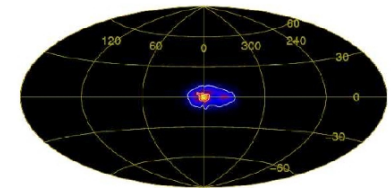
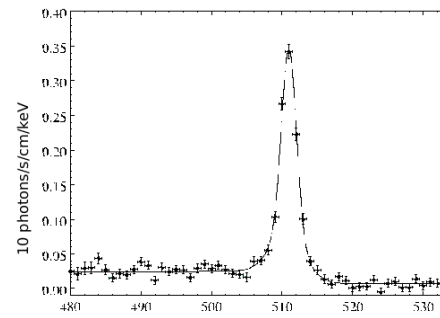
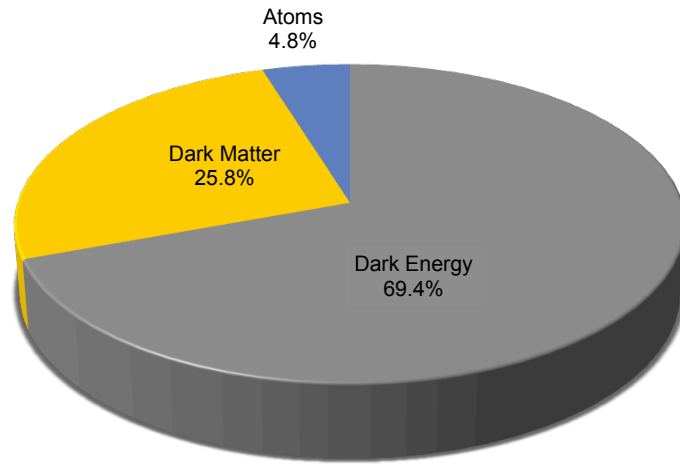
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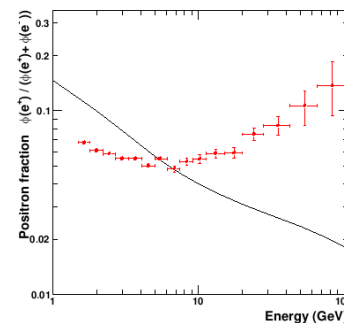
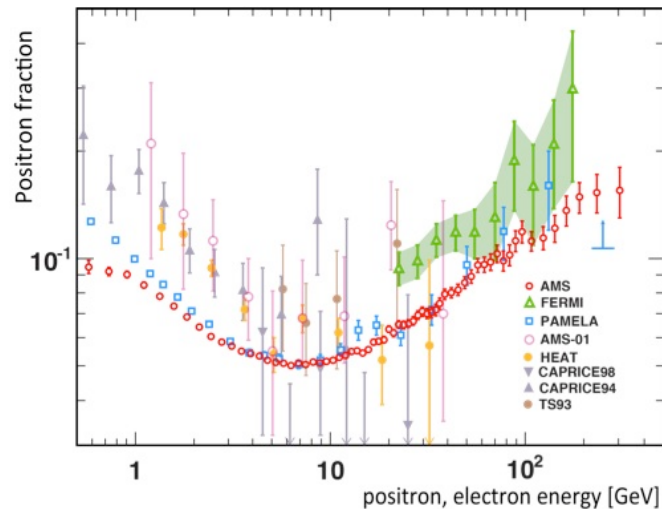


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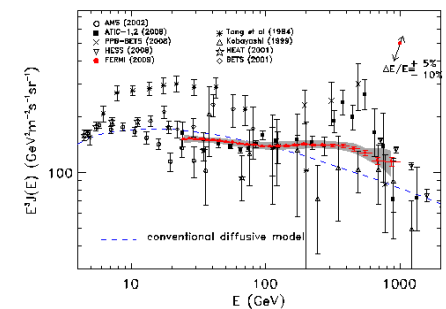
Heidelberg, Sep 27 2017



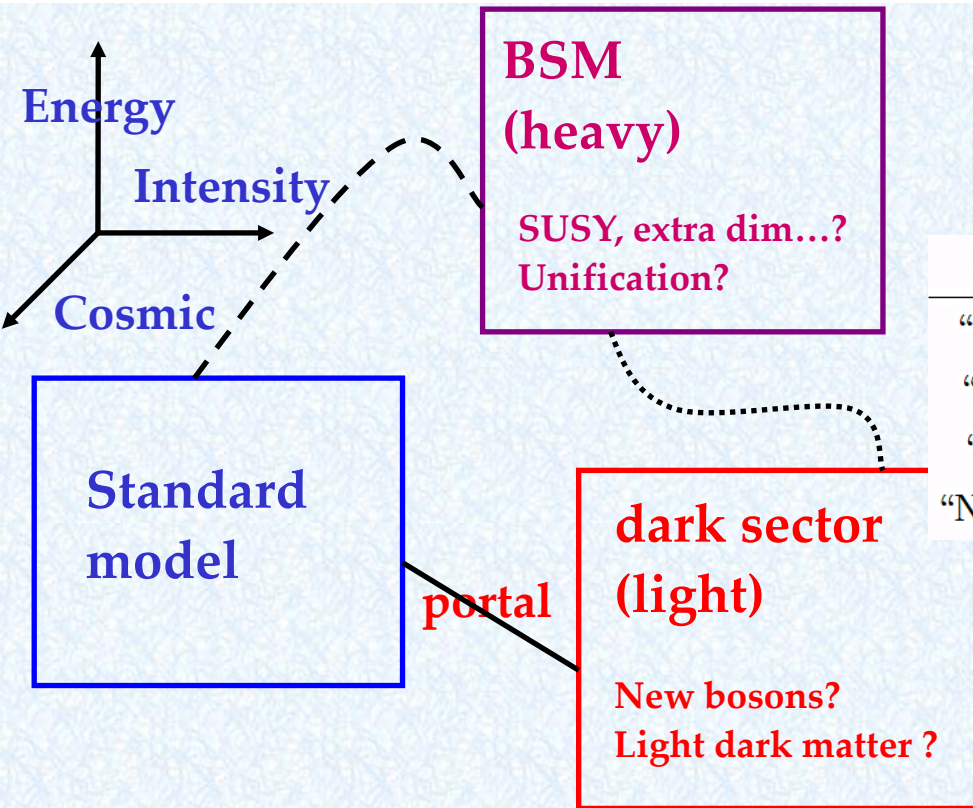
511 keV line - sky map
G. Weidenspointner et al., *Nature* 451 (2008) 159



PAMELA: positron fraction
(confirmed by Fermi)
O. Adriani et al., *Nature* 458 (2009) 607



Fermi: $e^+ + e^-$ spectrum
A.A. Abdo et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 102 (2009) 181101



It is also referred as to heavy photon, hidden photon, A' , γ' or U boson in the literature

Portal	Particles	Operator(s)
"Vector"	Dark photons	$-\frac{\epsilon}{2 \cos \theta_W} B_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$
"Axion"	Pseudoscalars	$\frac{a}{f_a} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \frac{a}{f_a} G_{i\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_i^{\mu\nu}, \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi$
"Higgs"	Dark scalars	$(\mu S + \lambda S^2) H^\dagger H$
"Neutrino"	Sterile neutrinos	$y_N L H N$



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Physicists hunt for dark forces

Dark Sectors 2016 Workshop: Community Report

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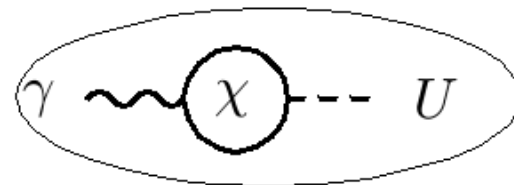
$$SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y \otimes U(1)_{DM} \otimes \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}^F + \mathcal{L}_{SM}^B + \mathcal{L}_{SM}^H$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{DM} &= \mathcal{L}_{DM}^F(\chi) & \Rightarrow M_\chi \sim 100 - 1000 \text{ GeV WIMP} \\ &+ \mathcal{L}_{DM}^B(\mathbf{U}) & \Rightarrow m_U \sim \text{GeV Dark Photon U or V, A'} \\ &+ \mathcal{L}_{DM}^B(h') & \Rightarrow \text{Higgs potential breaking } U(1)_{DM} \end{aligned}$$

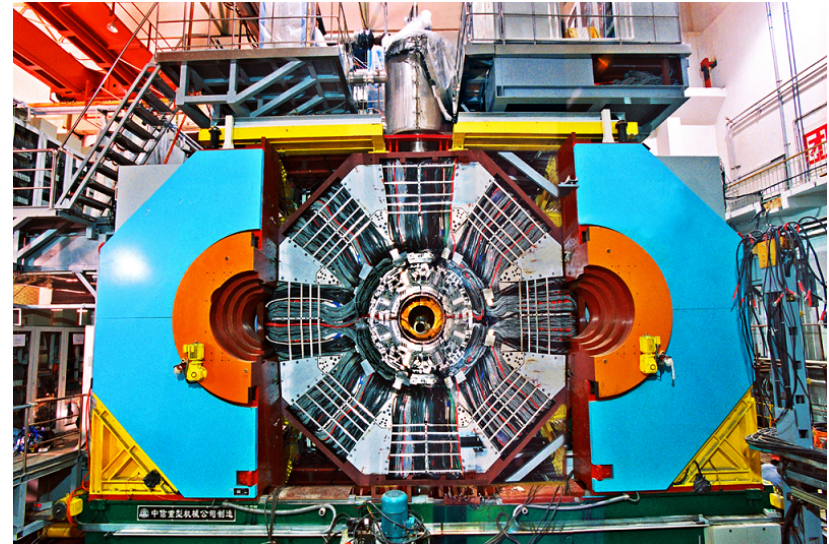
$$\mathcal{L}_{mix} = \epsilon F^{\mu\nu DM} F_{\mu\nu}^{EM}$$

+ Higgs–Dark Photon int. + ...



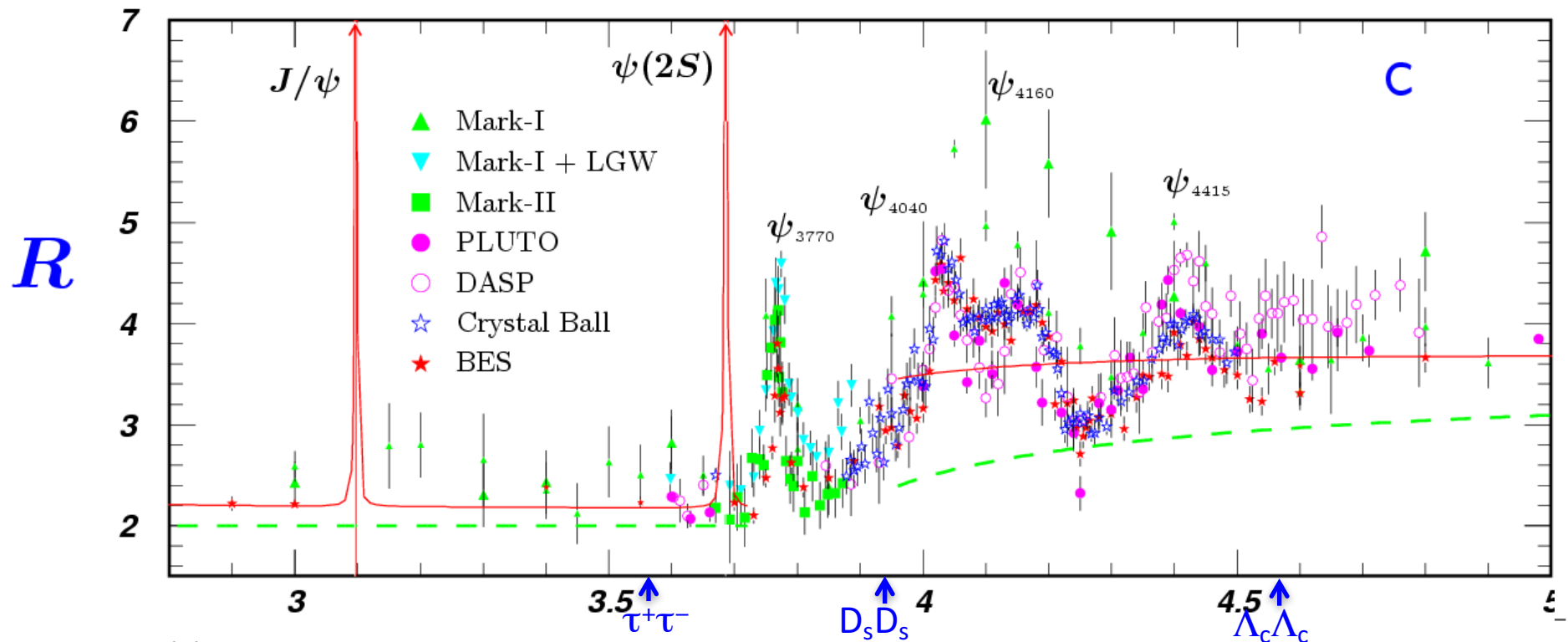
ϵ (or κ): kinetic mixing parameter $\epsilon \sim 10^{-3} \rightarrow$ milli-charged SM fermions with coupling ϵe to the dark photon (neglecting mixing with the Z)

Low energy, high luminosity $e^+ e^-$ colliders are believed to be good places to search new physics models with dark sector phenomenology.



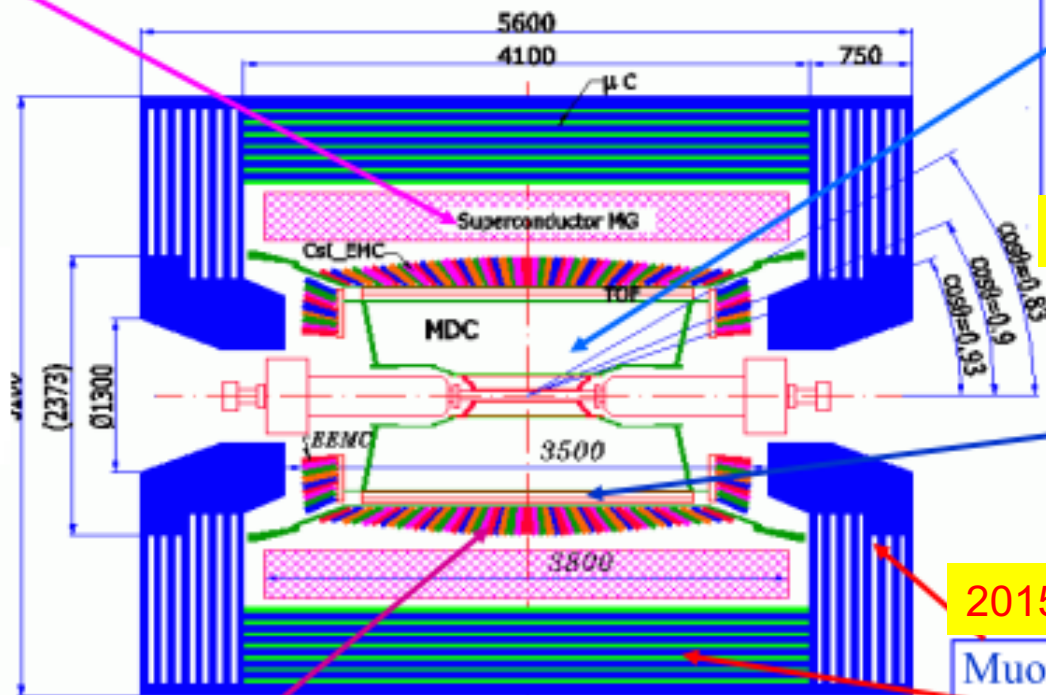
- BEPCII is the only collider currently running at τ -charm energy
- First collision in 2008, physics run started in 2009
- **BEPCII reached peak lumi of $1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ @ 1.89 GeV in April 2016**
- BESIII collaboration includes 61 institutes: 36 Chinese institutes , 14 European ones , 5 US ones and 6 from other Asian countries
- Secured the running for another 7-8 years, with small (but critical) energy increase and lumi upgrade

- Rich of **resonances**, charmonia and charmed mesons.
- Threshold** characteristics (pairs of τ , D , D_s , charmed baryons...).
- Transition** between perturbative and non-perturbative **QCD**.
- New hadrons: glueballs, hybrids, multi-quark states
- New Physics**: high lumi, large datasets, hermetic detector with good performance



Solenoid Magnet: 1 T Super conducting

Ref:
NIM A614,
345 (2010)



MDC: small cell & He gas
 $\sigma_{xy} = 130 \mu\text{m}$
 $\delta p/p = 0.5\% @ 1\text{GeV}$
 $dE/dx = 6\%$

2018: Inner upgrade

TOF:
 $\sigma_T = 90 \text{ ps}$ Barrel
 110 ps Endcap

2015 ETOF upgrade: 60ps

Muon ID: 8~9 layer RPC
 $\sigma_{R\Phi} = 1.4 \text{ cm} \sim 1.7 \text{ cm}$

EMCAL: CsI crystal
 $\Delta E/E = 2.5\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$
 $\sigma_{\phi,z} = 0.5 \sim 0.7 \text{ cm}/\sqrt{E}$

Data Acquisition:
 Event rate = 3 kHz
 Throughput $\sim 50 \text{ MB/s}$

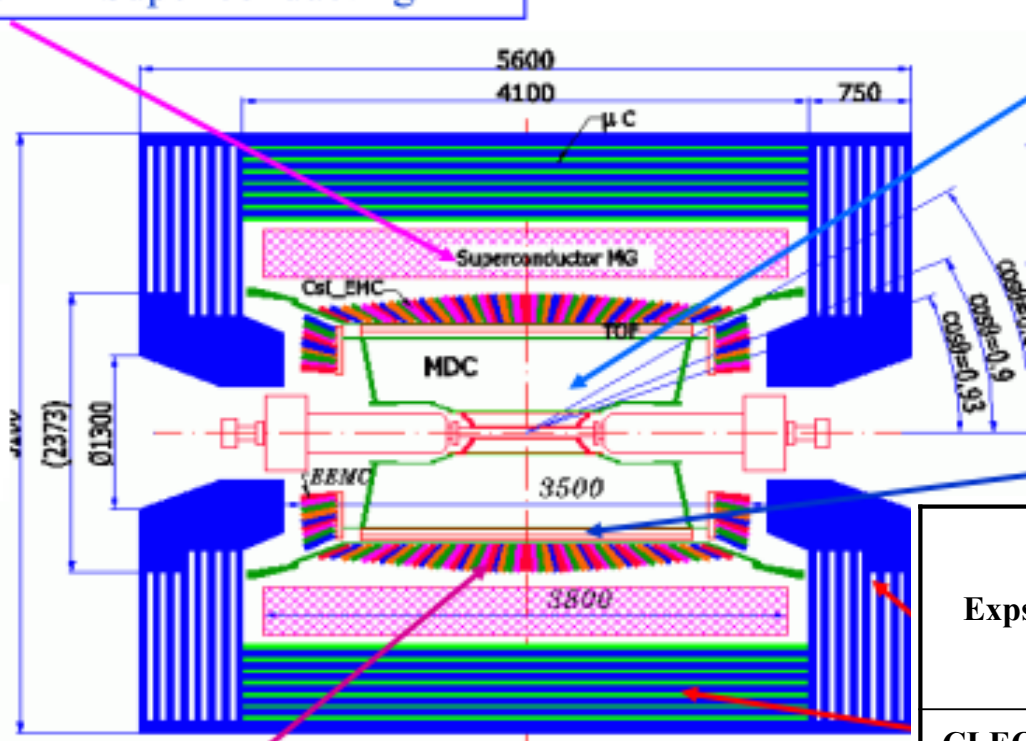
Trigger: Tracks & Showers
 Pipelined; Latency = $6.4 \mu\text{s}$

Clean environment and high luminosity at BESIII are helpful for indirect probe of new physics

Magnet: 1 T Super conducting

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2015 ETOF upgrade: 60ps
2018: Inner upgrade?



Clean environment and high luminosity at BESIII are helpful for indirect probe rare/forbidden decays

Exps.	MDC Spatial resolution	MDC dE/dx resolution	EMC Energy resolution
CLEO-c	110 μm	5%	2.2-2.4 %
BaBar	125 μm	7%	2.67 %
Belle	130 μm	5.6%	2.2 %
BESIII	115 μm	<5% (Bhabha)	2.4%

~ 0.5 B $\psi(3686)$ events

~ 24×CLEO-c

~ 1.3 B J/ψ events

~ 21×BESII

~ 2.9/fb $\psi(3770)$

~ 3.5×CLEO-c yellow book: 90M DDbars

~ 0.482/fb 4.009

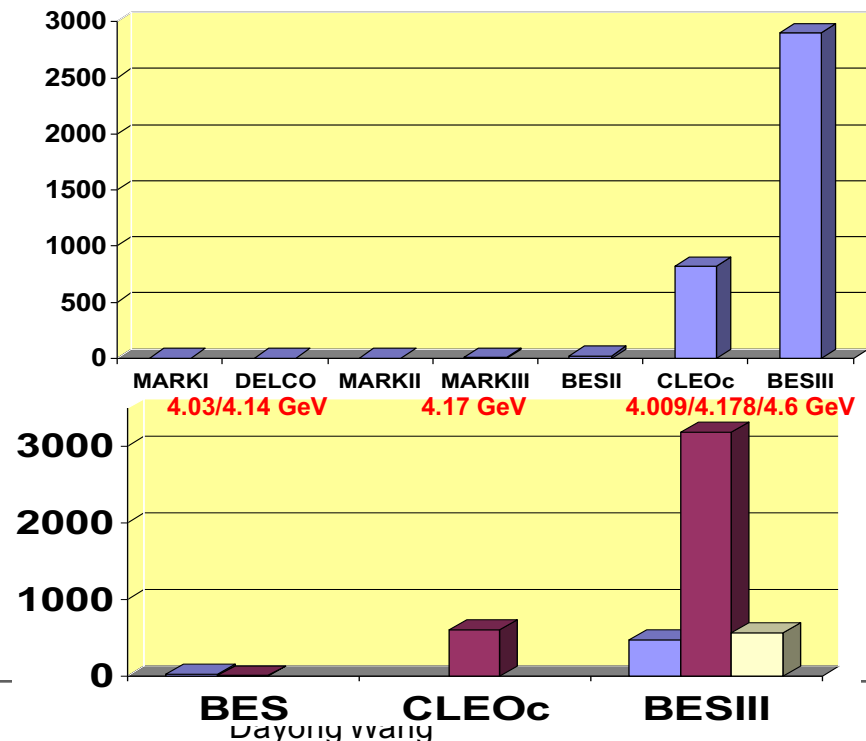
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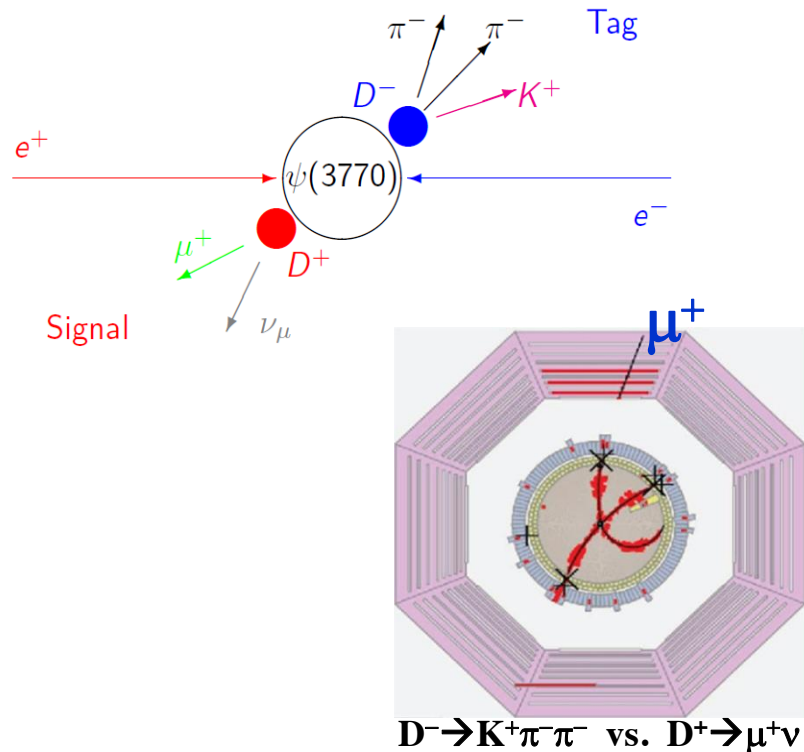
~ 0.6/fb Λ_c pairs at threshold Unique

~ 9/fb XYZ above 4 GeV

- 20 points for R & QCD Scan: 500/pb finished in May 2015
- $Y(2175)$ resonance: 100 /pb
- 2016: 3/fb Ds data at 4170 MeV
- ~ 5×CLEO-c
- 2017: $Y(4260)$, $X(3872)$
- 2018: 6-8B J/ψ (NEW)

~ other data sets: tau, resonance scan and continuum, etc.





- $e^+e^- \rightarrow D\bar{D}$ ($\Lambda_c^+ \Lambda_c^-$), near Thrs.

- Double tag analysis

- ✓ Tagging D^- (\bar{D}^0), Λ_c^- from hadronic decay modes

$$M_{BC} = \sqrt{E_{\text{beam}}^2 - p_{\bar{D}_{\text{tag}}}^2}$$

- ✓ (semi-)leptonic decay event can be well reconstructed in the recoil side of the tagged \bar{D} (Λ_c^-)

$$M_{\text{missing}}^2 = E_{\text{miss}}^2 - p_{\text{miss}}^2 \sim 0$$

$$U_{\text{miss}} \equiv E_{\text{miss}} - |\vec{p}_{\text{miss}}| \sim 0$$

- Event is very clean
- High tagging efficiency
- Most systematic uncertainties can be cancelled
- Could measure absolute BF's

Reach of rare charm decays

Haibo Li

SM predictions

Experimental reaches

10^{-1}

Cabibbo favored

10^{-2}

Singly Cabibbo suppressed

10^{-3}

10^{-4}

Doubly Cabibbo suppressed

10^{-5}

Radiative decays

$$D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} \gamma / \phi \gamma / \rho \gamma / \omega \gamma$$

10^{-6}

$$D^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \gamma / \rho^+ \gamma \quad D_s^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \gamma / \rho^+ \gamma$$

10^{-7}

Long distance:

10^{-8}

Vector meson Dominance

$$D^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma / V V' (\rightarrow ll) / h V (\rightarrow ll) / h h' V (\rightarrow ll)$$

10^{-9}

10^{-10}

Short distance FCNC

$$D^0 / D^+ \rightarrow \gamma \gamma / V l^+ l^- / h l^+ l^- / h h' l^+ l^-$$

10^{-11}

$$D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

10^{-12}

10^{-13}

$$D^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$

10^{-14}

10^{-15}

Forbidden decays: LNV, LFV, BNV

$$D \rightarrow (h) \mu^+ e^-$$

$$D \rightarrow (hh) e^+ e^+ / (hh) \mu^+ \mu^+$$

CLEO-c

BESIII

BESIII final/B factory

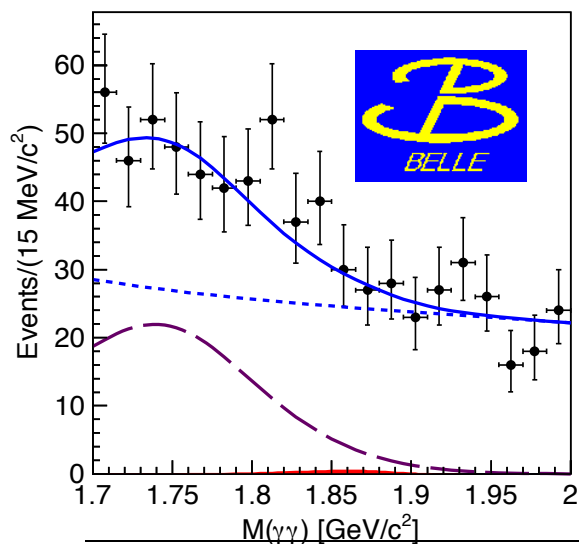
LHCb

Super-B

Super- τ -charm

BESIII is more competitive in channels with low energy electron/photons, neutrons, π^0 's

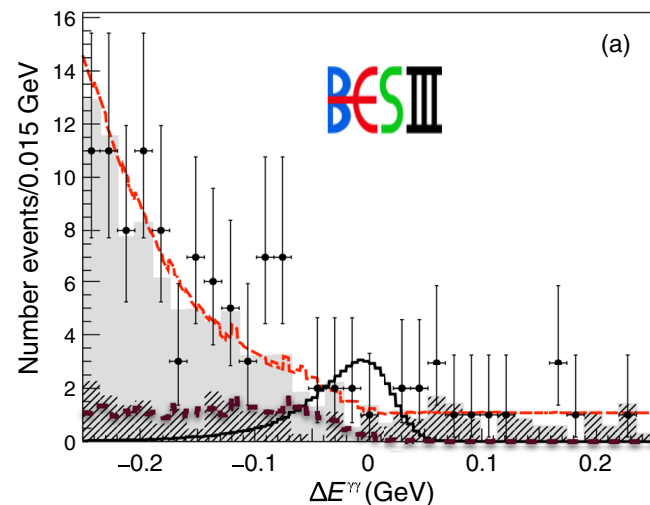
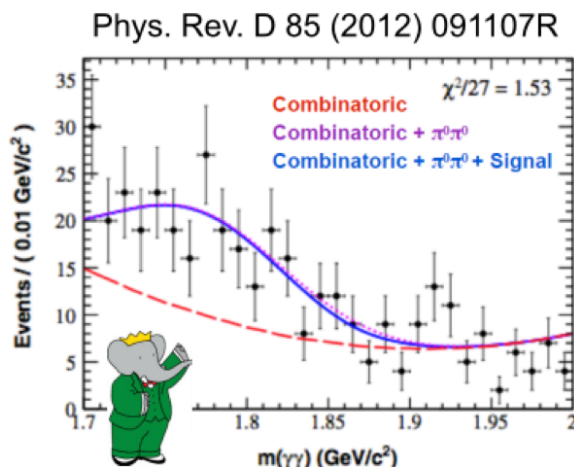
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Source	Contribution
Cut variation	$\pm 6.8\%$
PDF shape	$+4.0$ -2.4 events
Photon detection	$\pm 4.4\%$
K_S^0 reconstruction	$\pm 0.7\%$
π^0 identification	$\pm 4.0\%$
$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^0)$	$\pm 3.3\%$

Uncertainties independent of fitting procedure

Source	Relative uncertainty (%)
Photon reconstruction	2.0
$M_{BC}^{\gamma\gamma}$ requirement	3.1
ST D^0 yields	1.0
Total	3.8



- ❑ BESIII has the least background contamination
- ❑ and very good control of systematics
- ❑ Could still be competitive with the final DDbbar sample
- ❑ Detailed projection study is needed to check what is the critical points for DDbbar sample size

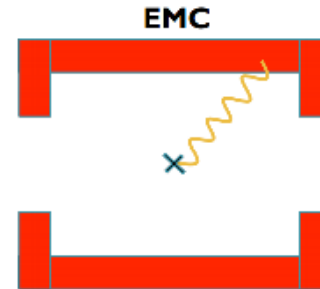
Search for narrow structure on top of the continuum QED background

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{\text{ISR}} l^+ l^-$$

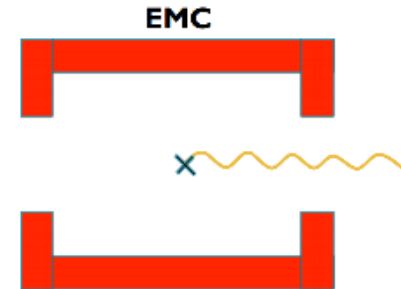
- Use an untagged photon method to perform this analysis.

Event selection: $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma_{\text{ISR}}$ and $e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma_{\text{ISR}}$

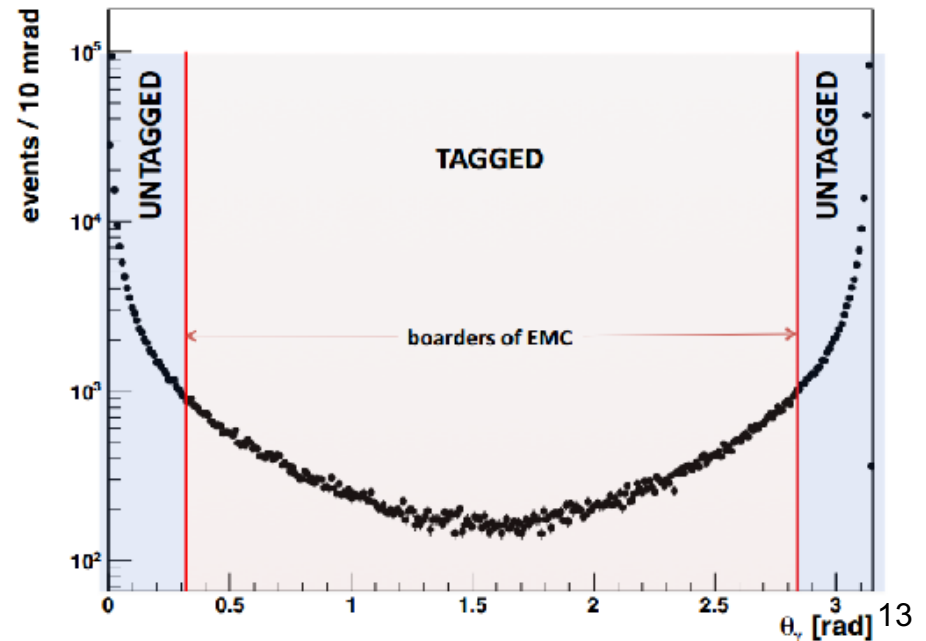
distance to interaction point	$R_{xy} < 1.0 \text{ cm}$ $R_z < 10.0 \text{ cm}$
acceptance	$0.4 \text{ rad} < \theta < \pi - 0.4 \text{ rad}$
to suppress background	PID
# charged tracks	= 2
total charge	= 0
# photons	= 0 (untagged analysis)
missing photon angle	$< 0.1 \text{ rad}$ or $> \pi - 0.1 \text{ rad}$
1C kinematic fit	$\chi^2_{1C} < 20$



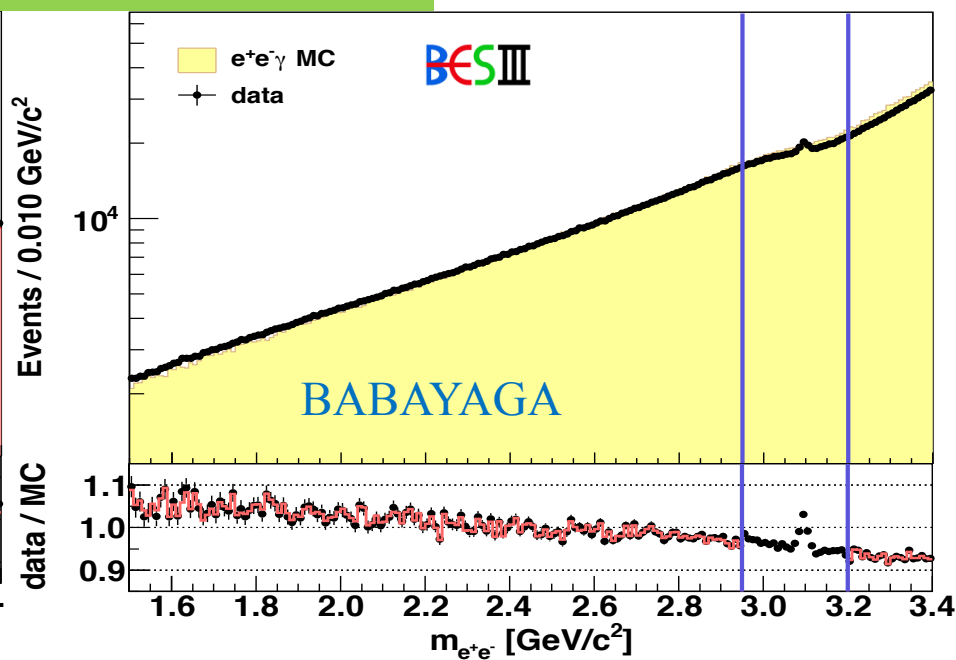
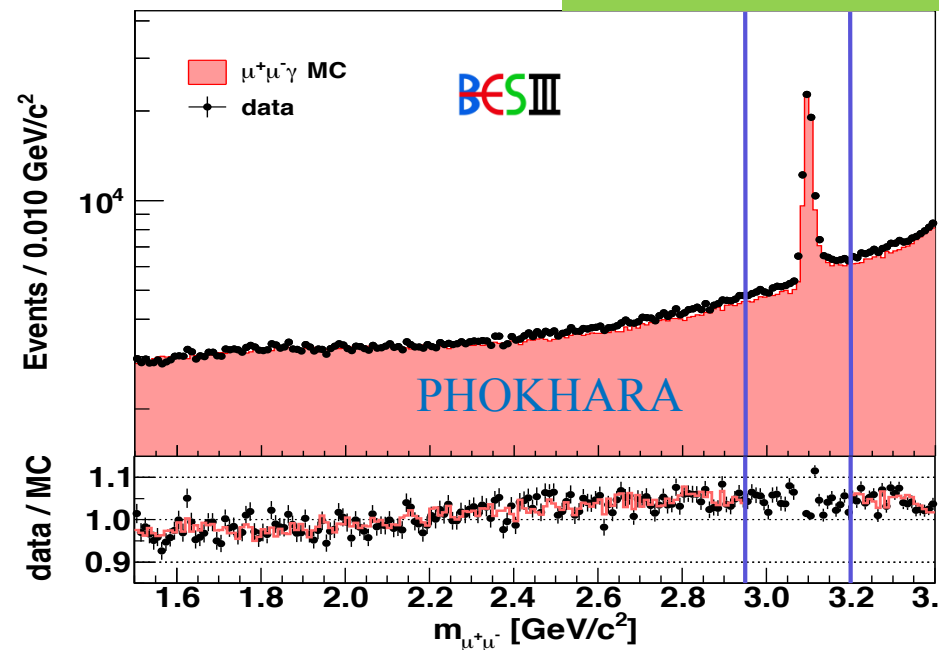
tagged:
photon hits EMC



untagged:
photon leaves the detector



2.9fb⁻¹ psi(3773) dataset(2010+2011)

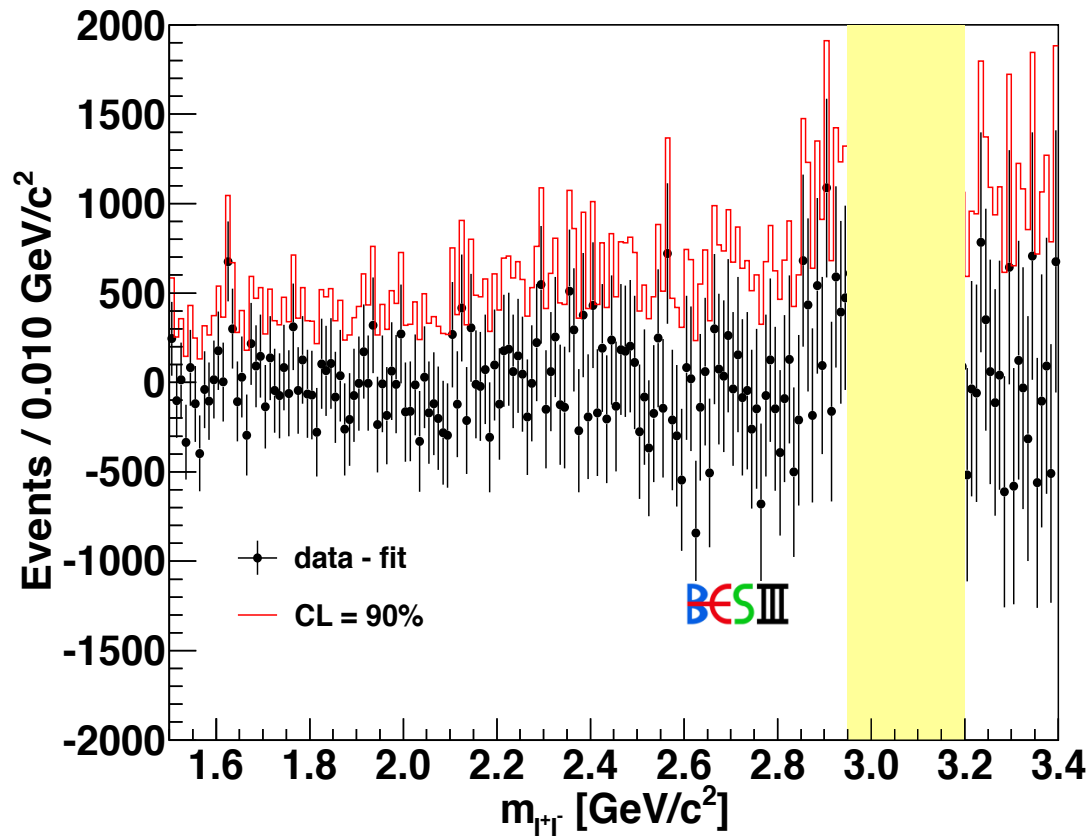


Cover mass region: 1.5 GeV/c² ~ 3.4 GeV/c²

□ <1.5 GeV/c² : $\pi^+\pi^-$ background dominates

□ >3.4 GeV/c² : hadronic qq-bar process

arXiv:1705.04265,
Accepted by Phy. Lett. B

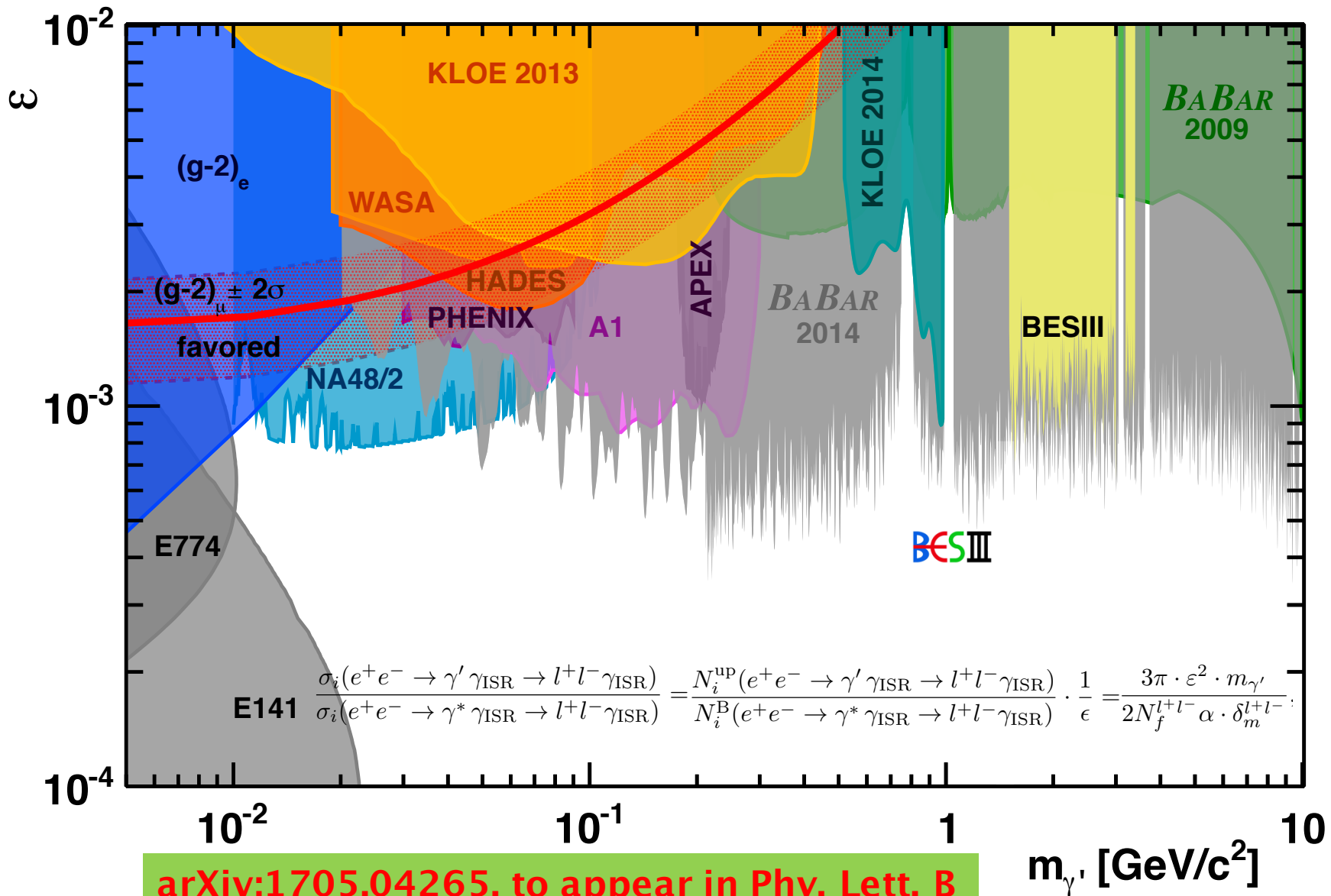


- Fit QED background with 4 order polynomial
- No peaking structure observed
- Combined statistical significance less than 3σ
- 90% confidence level limit obtained
 - with profile likelihood approach

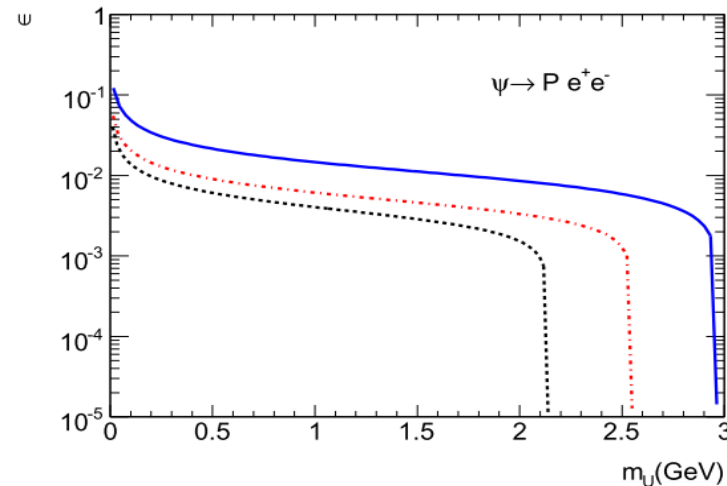
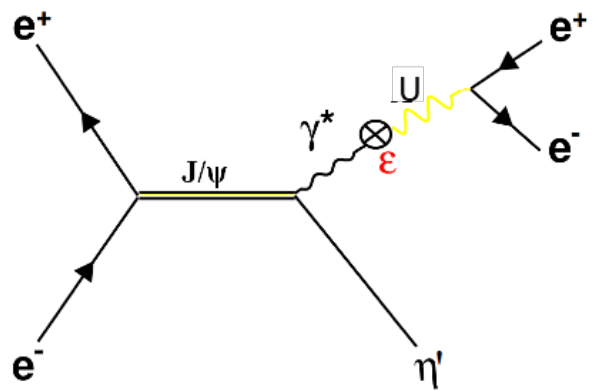
W. Rolke et al., NIM A 551, 493 (2005)

- systematic uncertainty included

arXiv:1705.04265, to appear in Phy. Lett. B



Theoretical prediction for the reach of dark photon.
The black dashed line represents $P = \eta'$



J Fu et al.,
Mod. Phys. Lett. A 27, 1250223 (2012)

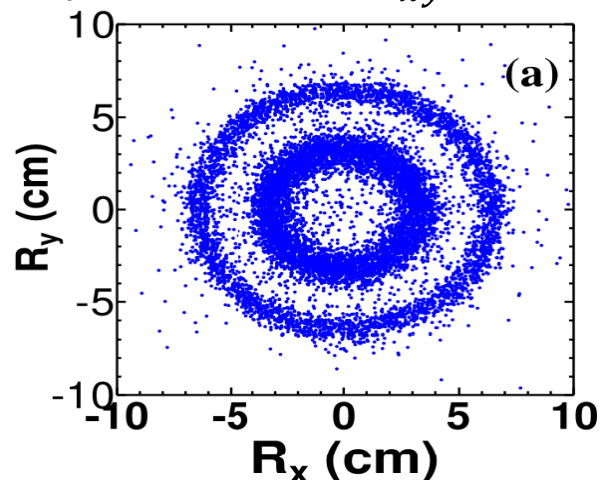
$$\frac{d\Gamma(\psi \rightarrow Pl^+l^-)}{dq^2\Gamma(\psi \rightarrow P\gamma)} = \frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \left| \frac{f_{\psi P}(q^2)}{f_{\psi P}(0)} \right|^2 \frac{1}{q^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_l^2}{q^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{2m_l^2}{q^2} \right) \\ \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{q^2}{m_\psi^2 - m_P^2} \right)^2 - \frac{4m_\psi^2 q^2}{(m_\psi^2 - m_P^2)^2} \right]^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ = |F_{\psi P}(q^2)|^2 \times [\text{QED}(q^2)],$$

This process was first observed by
BESIII with 225M J/ψ sample
Phys. Rev. D 89, 092008 (2014)

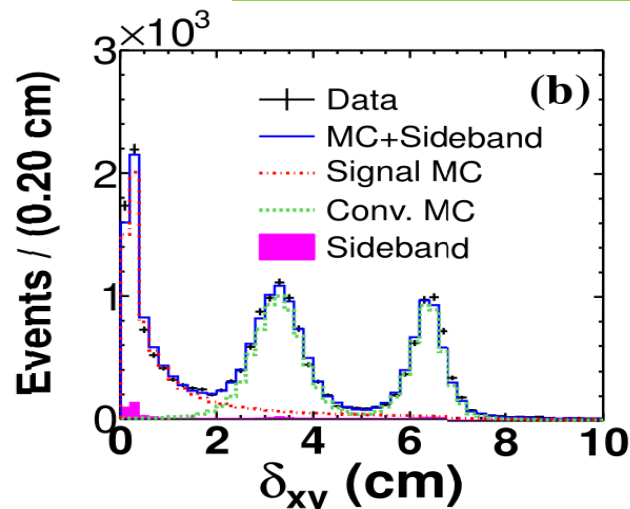
With 1.3 billion J/ψ data, it is a good
opportunity to improve the precision of
 $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' e^+ e^-)$ and search for the dark
photon through decays $J/\psi \rightarrow$
 $\eta' U, U \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ at BESIII.

- Selection of $\gamma e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^- / \gamma \gamma e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^-$
 - ◆ Four good charged tracks with $e^+ e^-$ identified successfully
 - ◆ At least one/two good photons in EMC
 - ◆ $e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ successful vertex fit
 - ◆ $\gamma e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^- / \gamma \gamma e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ 4C fit with $x_{4c}^2 < 100$

- Veto of γ conversion : $\delta_{xy} < 2\text{cm}$



1.3B J/psi dataset(2009+2012)



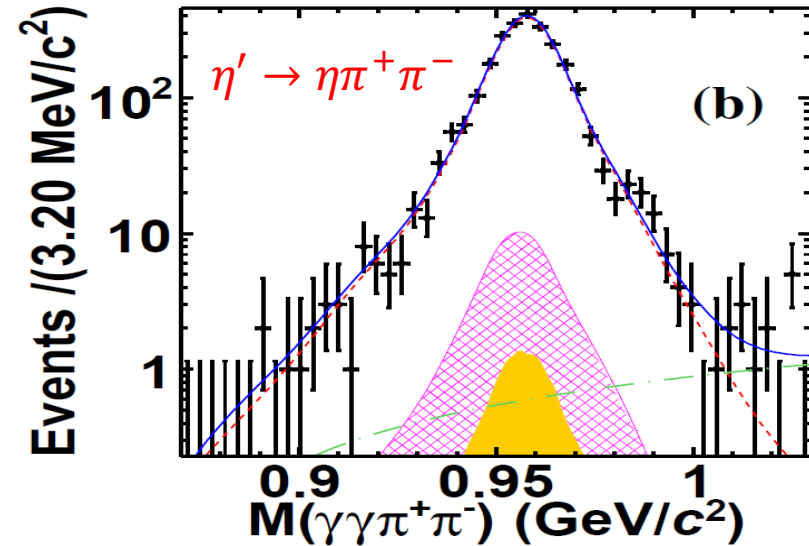
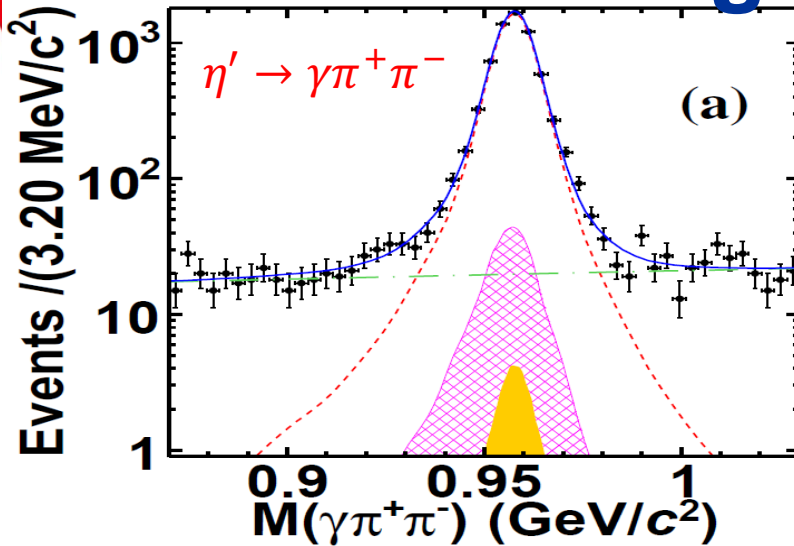
- Addition selection for each mode

- ◆ $\eta' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$

Veto π^0 : $M(\gamma e^+ e^-) \notin (0.10, 0.16) \text{ GeV}/c^2$

- ◆ $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$

Select η : $M(\gamma \gamma) \in (0.48, 0.60) \text{ GeV}/c^2$



- Signal: MC shape \otimes Gaussian
- Non-peaking background: Chebychev Polynomial
- Peaking background: MC shape (γ conversion / $J/\psi \rightarrow \Phi \eta'$)

	$\eta' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$	$\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$
Signal Yield	6436.9 ± 87.1	2494.4 ± 51.3
Background Yield	981.4 ± 43.8	27.3 ± 10.0
Efficiency (%)	28.21	19.94
$B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' e^+ e^-) (10^{-5})$	$5.98 \pm 0.08_{stat} \pm 0.32_{syst}$	$5.65 \pm 0.12_{stat} \pm 0.33_{syst}$
Combined result(10^{-5})	$5.81 \pm 0.07_{stat} \pm 0.29_{syst}$	

BESIII
Preliminary

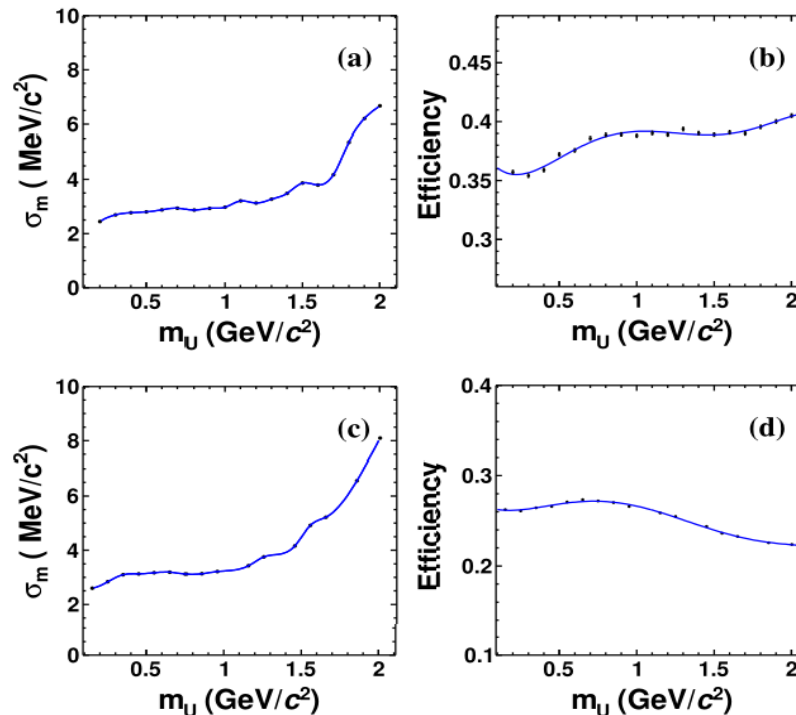
Improves on the previous BESIII measurement of $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' e^+ e^-)$

- Additional event selection criteria

1. Without γ conversion veto
2. η' signal region [0.93, 0.98] GeV
3. $M(e^+e^-) > 70 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

- Resolution and selection efficiency from signal MC

- ◆ The resolution σ_m of dark photon signal and selection efficiency depend on dark photon mass m_U .



$$\eta' \rightarrow \gamma\pi^+\pi^-$$

- ◆ σ_m : 2 - 7 MeV

- ◆ Efficiency: 35 - 41 %

$$\eta' \rightarrow \eta\pi^+\pi^-$$

- ◆ σ_m : 2 - 8 MeV

- ◆ Efficiency: 22 - 28 %

- Strategy:

- ◆ Assuming the background is smooth, dark photon would appear as a narrow peak on the top of the background.
- ◆ We look for a narrow peak signal on invariant mass of e^+e^- by a step of 2 MeV in [0.1, 2.1] GeV range.

- Background description:

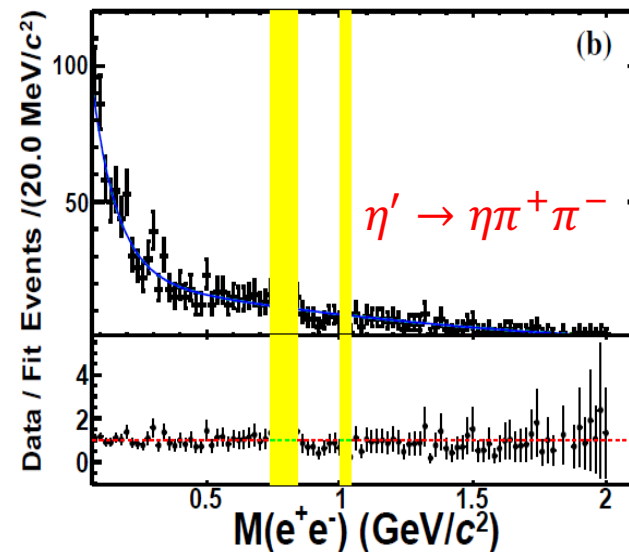
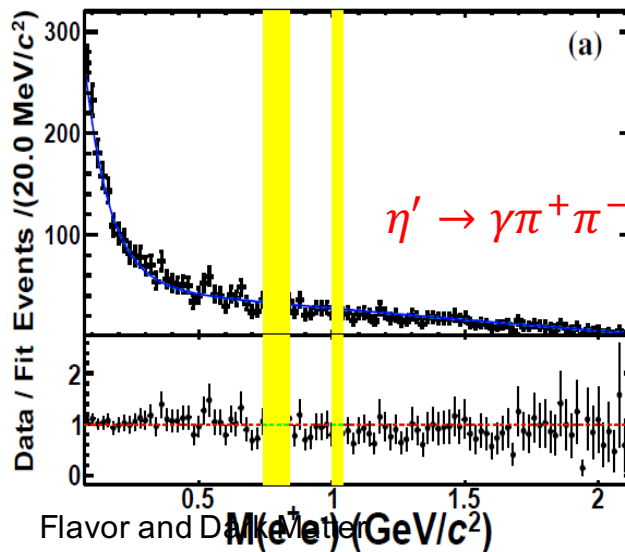
- ◆ Shape: A sum of 2nd order polynomial and exponential, parameters are determined from data fit.
- ◆ ω and Φ regions are excluded.

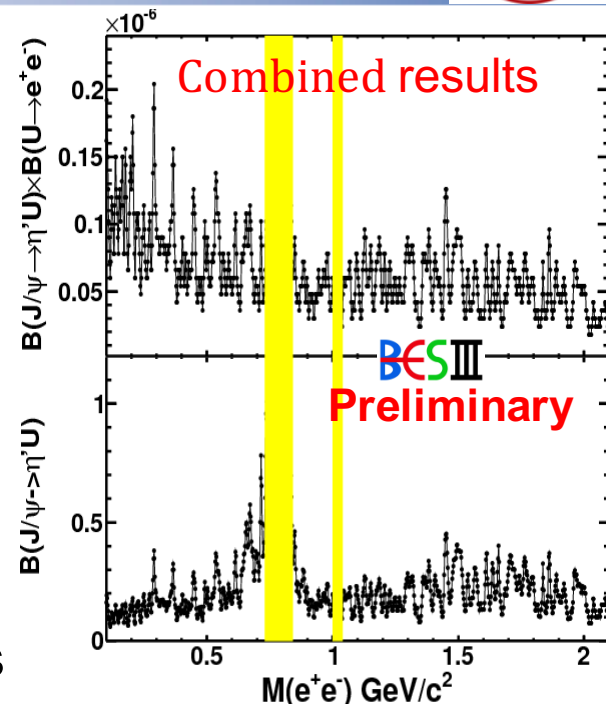
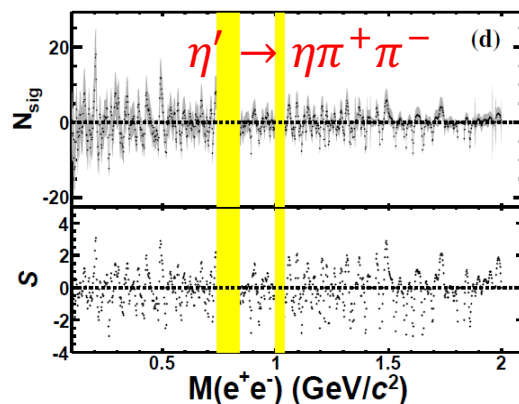
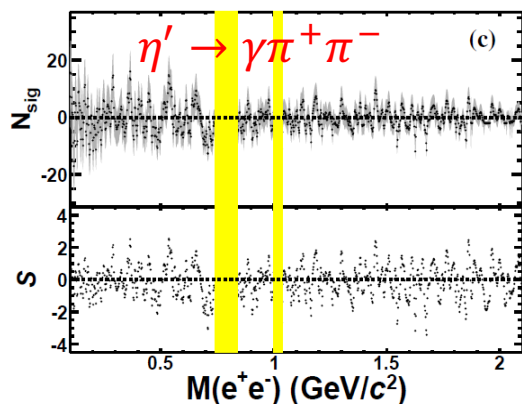
- Signal description:

- ◆ Shape: A sum of two Crystal Ball (CB) functions with opposite tails.

$$y = CB_1(x; \mu, \sigma_1, n1, \alpha_1) + f * CB_2(x; \mu, \sigma_2, n2, \alpha_2)$$

- ◆ Parameters are interpolated based on signal MC samples generated with different m_U hypotheses.





- N_{sig} : Number of signal yield.
- S : Statistical significance of signal , defined as

$$S = \text{sign}(N_{\text{sig}}) \sqrt{-2 \ln(\mathcal{L}_0 / \mathcal{L}_{\text{max}})}$$

- No significant dark photon signal is observed.
- Set combined limits @ 90% C.L. on the branching fractions
 1. $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' U) \times B(U \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$
 2. $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' U): B(U \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$ is considered as a function of m_U from Phys. Rev. D 79, 115008 (2009).

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' U)}{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' \gamma)} = \varepsilon^2 |F(m_U^2)|^2 \frac{\lambda^{3/2}(m_{J/\psi}^2, m_{\eta'}^2, m_U^2)}{\lambda^{3/2}(m_{J/\psi}^2, m_{\eta'}^2, 0)}$$

m_X : Mass of particle X

arXiv: 0904.1743

\mathcal{B} : Branching fraction

ε : Kinematic mixing strength between SM photon and dark photon

F : Form factor

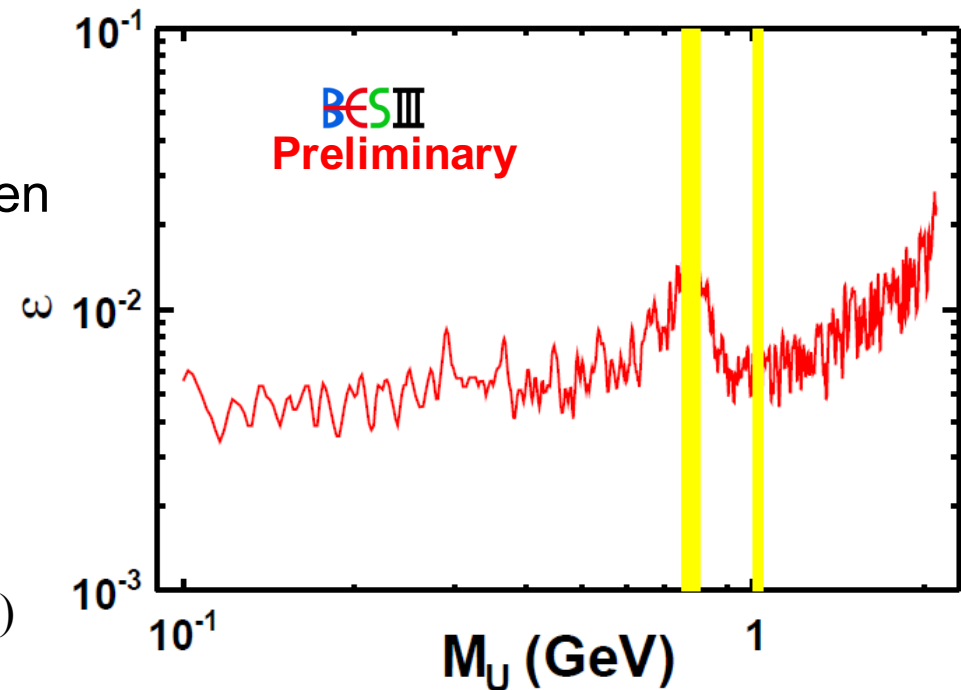
$$|F(q^2)| = 1/(1 - q^2/\Lambda^2)$$

$\Lambda = 3.686 \text{ GeV}$

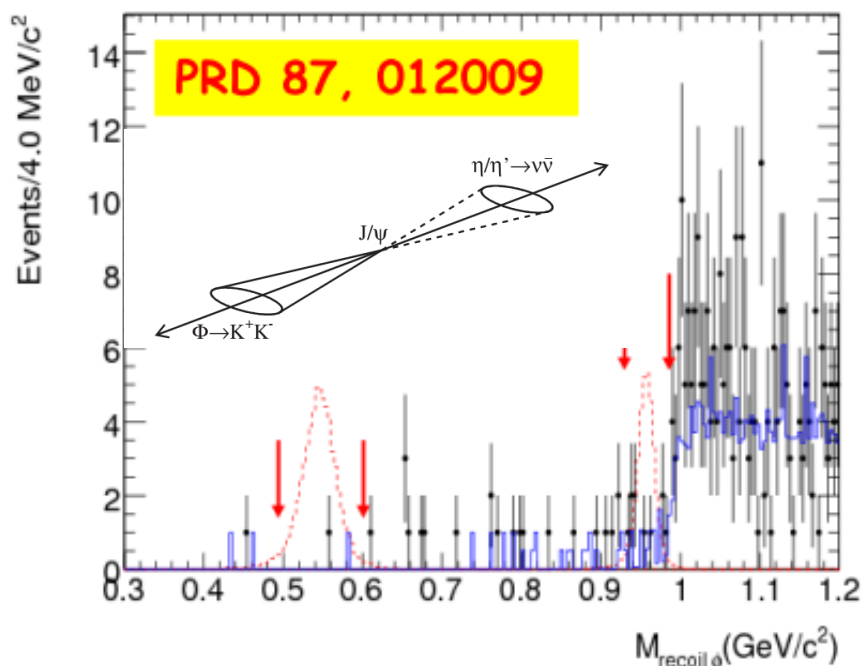
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λ : Kinematic factor

$$\lambda(m_1^2, m_2^2, m_3^2) = (1 + \frac{m_3^2}{m_1^2 - m_2^2})^2 - \frac{4m_1^2 m_3^2}{(m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2}$$



- η/η' decay play special role in low energy scale QCD theory.
- Invisible and radiative decays offer a window for new physics beyond the SM.
- The observation of the invisible final states provide information for light dark matter states χ , spin-0 axions, and light spin-1 U bosons.
- Huge J/ψ sample, large branching fraction of $J/\psi \rightarrow (\gamma/\phi)\eta/\eta'$ and narrow intermediate meson widths provide clean, large η/η' sample.



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \text{invisible}) / \text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) &< 2.39 \times 10^{-2} \\ \text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \text{invisible}) / \text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) &< 2.58 \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \text{invisible}) &< 5.21 \times 10^{-4} @ 90\% \text{C.L.} \\ \text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \text{invisible}) &< 1.01 \times 10^{-4} @ 90\% \text{C.L.} \end{aligned}$$

Improved PDG Values

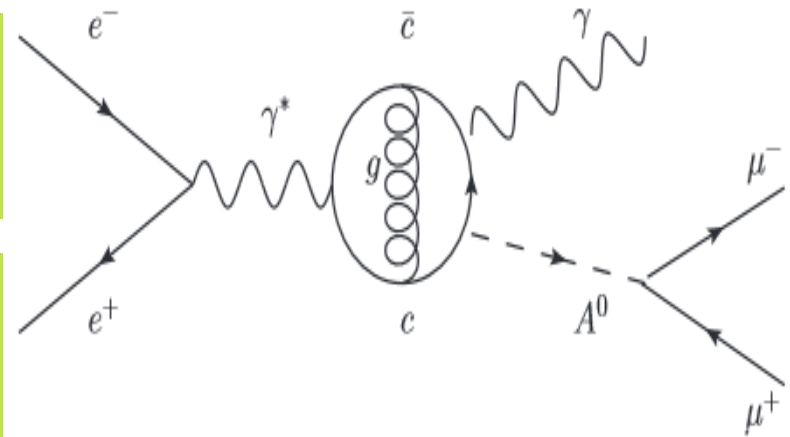
$$\begin{aligned} \text{PDG : } \text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \text{invisible}) &< 9 \times 10^{-4} @ 90\% \text{C.L.} \\ \text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \text{invisible}) &< 6 \times 10^{-4} @ 90\% \text{C.L.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Theory : } \text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \chi\chi) &\sim 8.1 \times 10^{-7} \\ \text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \chi\chi) &\sim 7.4 \times 10^{-5} \\ \text{B. McElrath, PRD 72, 103508 (2005)} \end{aligned}$$

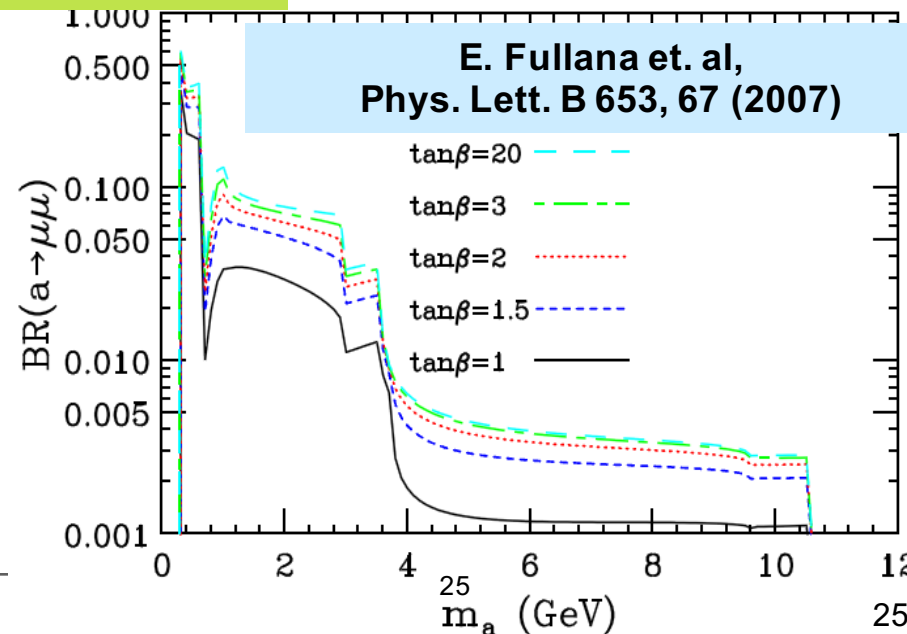
➤ Coupling of fermions and the CP-odd Higgs A^0 in the NMSSM:

$$L_{\text{int}}^{f\bar{f}} = -\cos\theta_A \tan\beta \frac{m_f}{v} A^0 \bar{d}(i\gamma_5)d, \quad d = d, s, b, e, \mu, \tau$$

$$L_{\text{int}}^{f\bar{f}} = -\cos\theta_A \cot\beta \frac{m_f}{v} A^0 \bar{u}(i\gamma_5)u, \quad u = u, c, t, \nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$$



$$\tan\beta = \frac{v_u}{v_d}$$

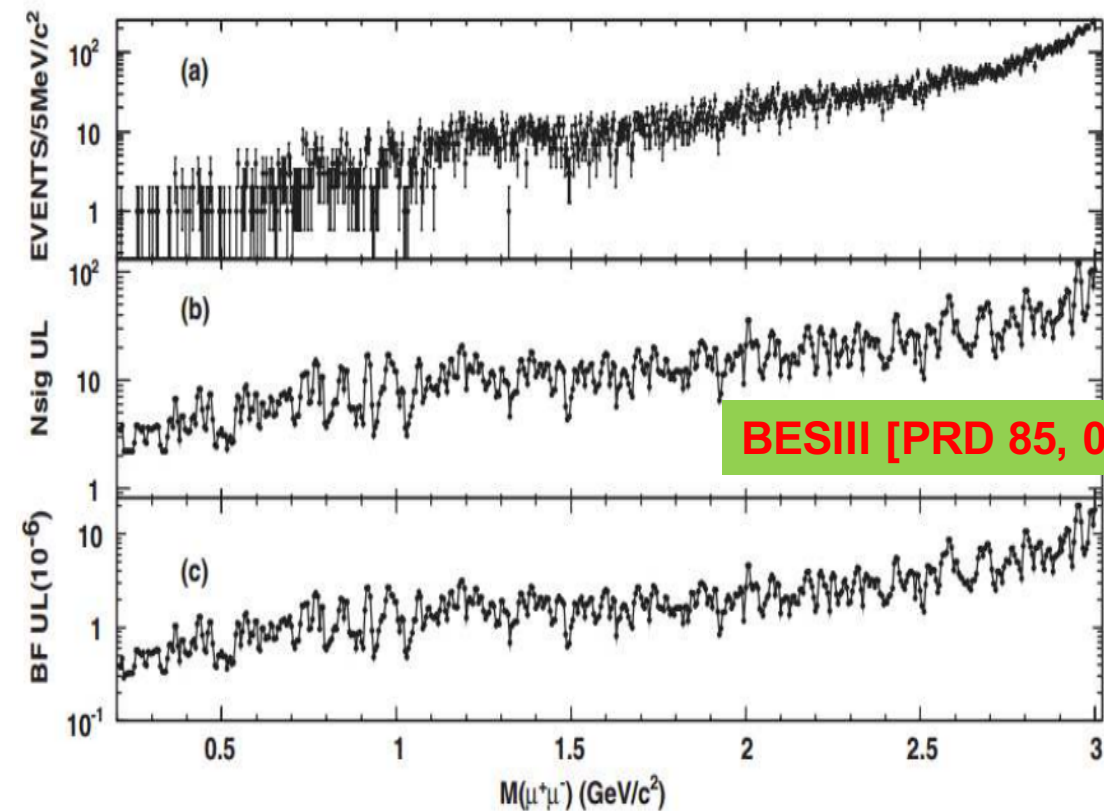


$\psi' \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi J/\psi, J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

Coupling of c-quark to the A^0 :

Expected BF: $10^{-7} - 10^{-9}$

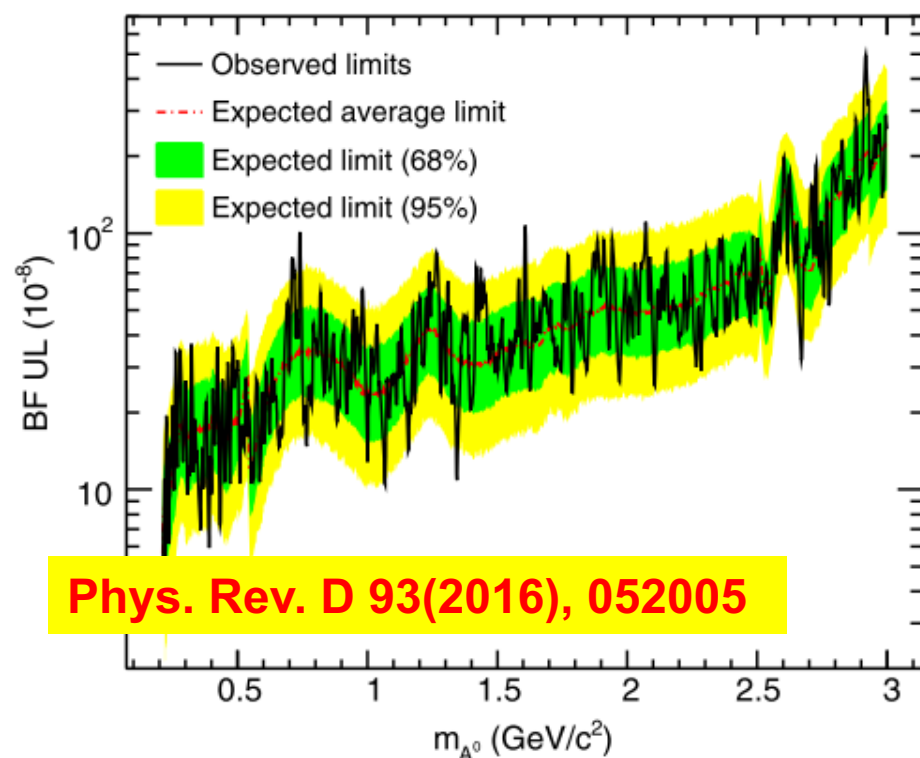
[PRD 76, 051105 (2007)]



BESIII [PRD 85, 092012 (2012)]

106M ψ' data

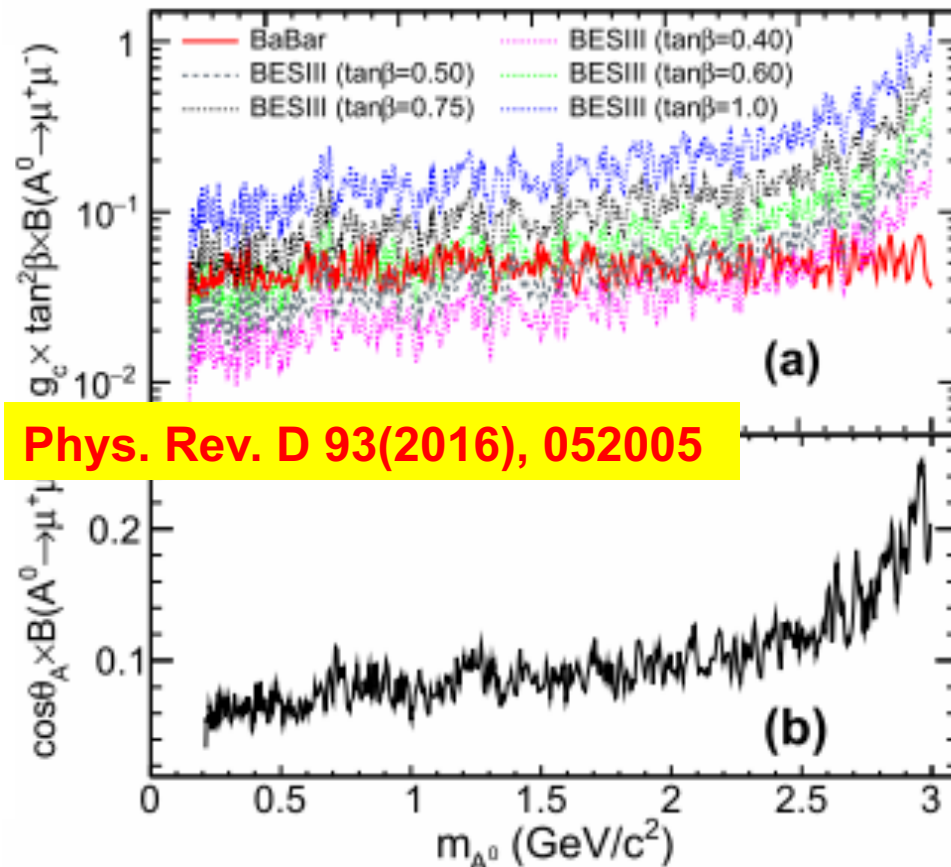
BESIII exclusion limit ranges from 4×10^{-7} - 2.1×10^{-5} depending on A^0 mass points.



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The new limits are five times below our previous results (2012, Psip)

BESIII [PRD 85, 092012 (2012)]



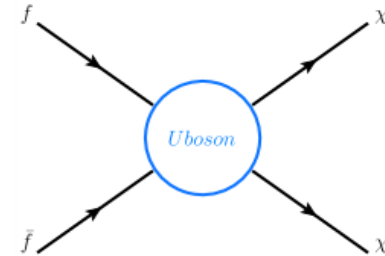
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PRD 87, 031102 (R) (2013) (BaBar experiment)

BESIII vs. BaBar measurements comparison and combination, A_0 is mostly singlet

■ Meson invisible decays

- ◆ $J/\psi \rightarrow \text{inv}$,
- ◆ $J/\psi \rightarrow \text{gam} + \text{inv}$
- ◆ $\phi/\omega \rightarrow \text{inv}$: first search



■ Ongoing related DP search channels

- ◆ Invisible DP in ISR process: to come soon, competitive
- ◆ LUV dark scalar search with $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- Z'$
- ◆ DP search with $J/\psi \rightarrow \eta e^+ e^-$
- ◆ ... and more

- **BESIII has joined the world wide efforts of dark sector search and is probing other new physics .**
- **DP search with untagged ISR events in $1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \sim 3.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ set competitive limit on the mixing strength between 10^{-3} and 10^{-4} in this region**
- **The branching fraction of $J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' e^+ e^-$ is updated with 1.3 billion J/ψ data to be $(5.81 \pm 0.07_{stat} \pm 0.29_{syst}) \times 10^{-5}$.**
- **DP is searched $J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' U$, $U \rightarrow e^+ e^-$. Upper limits on $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' U) \times B(U \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$ and $B(J/\psi \rightarrow \eta' U)$ is set for the first time, the mixing strength ε constrained**
- **BESIII has great potential with unique (and increasing) datasets and analysis techniques:**
 - **More to come, stay tuned!**
 - **More ideas from you are welcome!**

Thanks!

Extra slides...