

Polarization effects in the search for dark vector boson in $e^+ e^-$ colliders

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Introduction and motivations

- **Growing interests in searching for DM related phenomenon with high statistics and high precision measurements.**
- **Such phenomenon has to do hidden sector*, assumed to interact with the visible sector through a messenger particle.**
- **A popular proposal for such a messenger is the so-called dark photon**, which mixes with $U(1)_Y$ in SM.**

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- **Such a mixing induces EM couplings between dark photon and SM fermions, which generate rich phenomenology.**
- **The search for light boson with the reaction $e^+e^- \rightarrow A'+\text{gamma}$ has been proposed*.**
- **Many new proposals to search for dark photons with the above process—see the list next page**
- **These proposals are based upon either fixed target or electron-positron collider**

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- The dark photon interaction with EM current is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \varepsilon_\gamma e J_{\text{em}}^\mu A'_\mu \quad \varepsilon_\gamma \equiv \varepsilon \text{ in}$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}} = -\frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varepsilon}{\cos \theta_W} B^{\mu\nu} A'_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} A'_{\mu\nu} A'^{\mu\nu}$$

- The neutral current interaction is suppressed in the limit $M_{A'} \ll M_Z$
- The detection of A' determines the mixing parameter and the mass of the dark photon.
- On the other hand, there could be other mixing between dark boson and SM gauge bosons, such as*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = \frac{1}{2} M_Z^2 Z_\mu^0 Z^{0\mu} - \delta m^2 Z_\mu^0 A'^\mu + \frac{1}{2} M_{A'}^2 A'_\mu A'^\mu$$

*H. Davoudiasl, H. S. Lee and W. J. Marciano, Phys. Rev. D 85, 115019 (2012)

Introduction and motivations

- **With the above mass mixing, an independent neutral current coupling between dark boson and SM fermions is induced:**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \varepsilon_Z \frac{g}{\cos \theta_W} J_{\text{NC}}^\mu A'_\mu \text{ with } \varepsilon_Z \equiv \delta m^2 / M_Z^2$$

- **Considering both mixings, the interaction between dark boson (renamed as \mathbf{Z}_d from now on) and SM fermions becomes**

$$e \varepsilon \bar{f} (g_{f,V} \gamma_\mu + g_{f,A} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5) f Z_d^\mu$$

- **In the search for \mathbf{Z}_d with $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_d + \text{gamma}$, can one determine the relative strength of vector and axial-vector couplings?**
- **The key is on the polarization of \mathbf{Z}_d**

Outline

- **Heuristic derivation of Z_d -fermion interactions**
- **Ward-Takahashi identity and the polarization of Z_d in $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_d + \text{gamma}$**
- **Differential cross section of $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_d + \text{gamma}$ for each polarization of Z_d and the decay distribution of $Z_d \rightarrow l^+ l^-$**
- **Searching for Z_d by $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_d + \text{gamma}$ and Z_d decaying to muon pairs in BaBar and Belle II**
- **Summary**

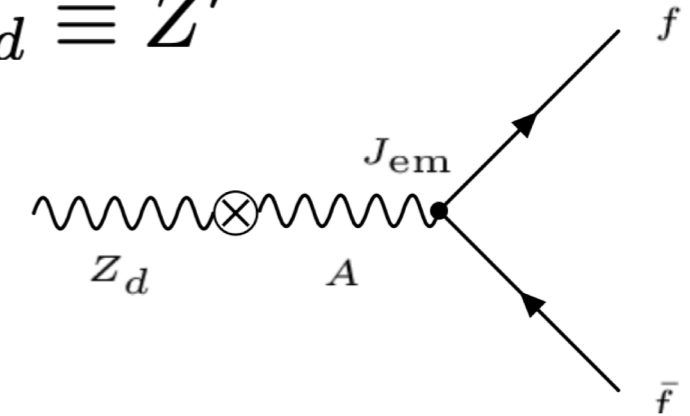
Heuristic derivation of Z_d -fermion interactions

The mixing terms give two point functions

$$i\Pi_{AZ_d}^{\mu\nu} = i\varepsilon k^2 g^{\mu\nu},$$

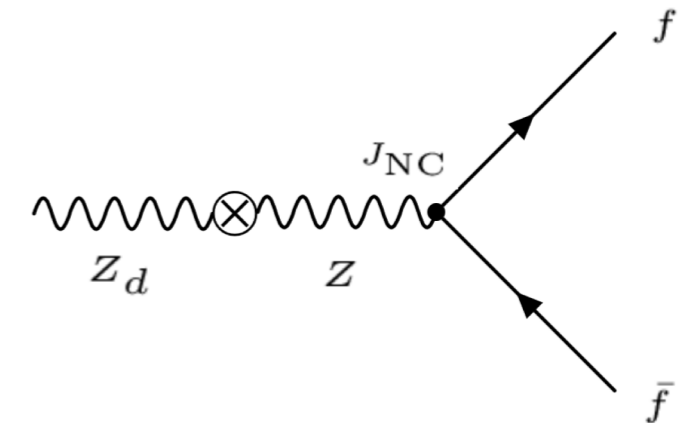
$$i\Pi_{ZZ_d}^{\mu\nu} = -i(\varepsilon \tan \theta_W k^2 + \delta m^2) g^{\mu\nu},$$

$$Z_d \equiv Z'$$



The *EM* interactions of dark boson

$$ieJ_{\text{em}}^\alpha \frac{-ig_{\alpha\mu}}{k^2} i\varepsilon k^2 g^{\mu\nu} Z_{d\nu} = ie\varepsilon J_{\text{em}}^\nu Z_{d\nu}.$$



The *Neutral-Current* interactions of dark boson

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{ig}{\cos \theta_W} J_{\text{NC}}^\alpha \frac{-i}{k^2 - M_Z^2} \left(g_{\alpha\mu} - \frac{k_\alpha k_\mu}{M_Z^2} \right) \cdot (-i)(\varepsilon \tan \theta_W k^2 + \delta m^2) g^{\mu\nu} Z_{d\nu} \\ &= \frac{-ig}{\cos \theta_W} J_{\text{NC}}^\nu Z_{d\nu} \frac{(\varepsilon \tan \theta_W M_{Z_d}^2 + \delta m^2)}{(M_{Z_d}^2 - M_Z^2)}. \end{aligned}$$

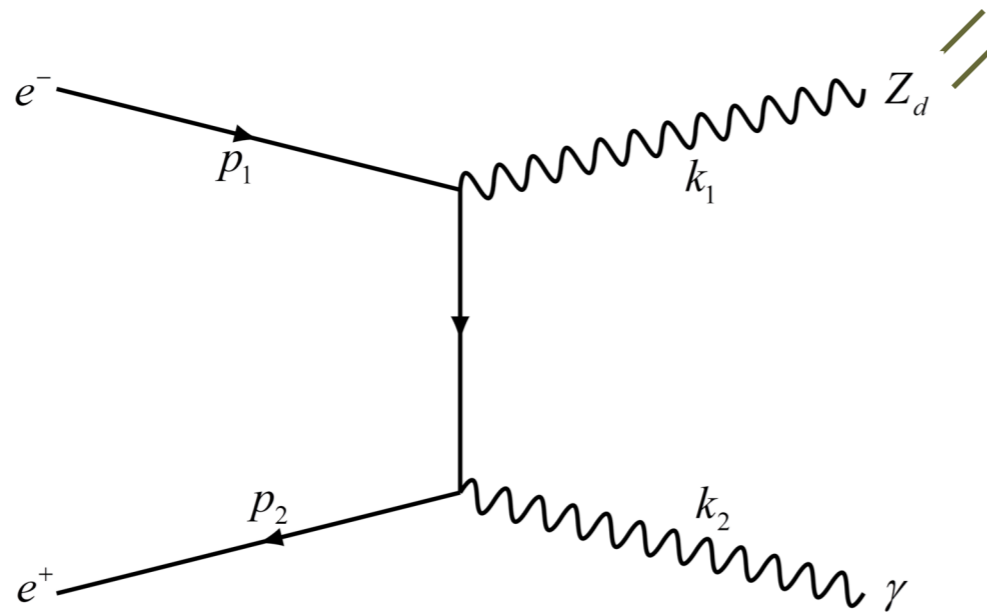
Heuristic derivation of Z_d -fermion interactions

In the limit $M_{Z_d} \ll M_Z$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \left(\varepsilon_\gamma e J_{\text{em}}^\mu + \varepsilon_Z \frac{g}{\cos \theta_w} J_{\text{NC}}^\mu \right) Z_{d\mu},$$

$$\varepsilon_Z \equiv \delta m^2 / m_Z^2.$$

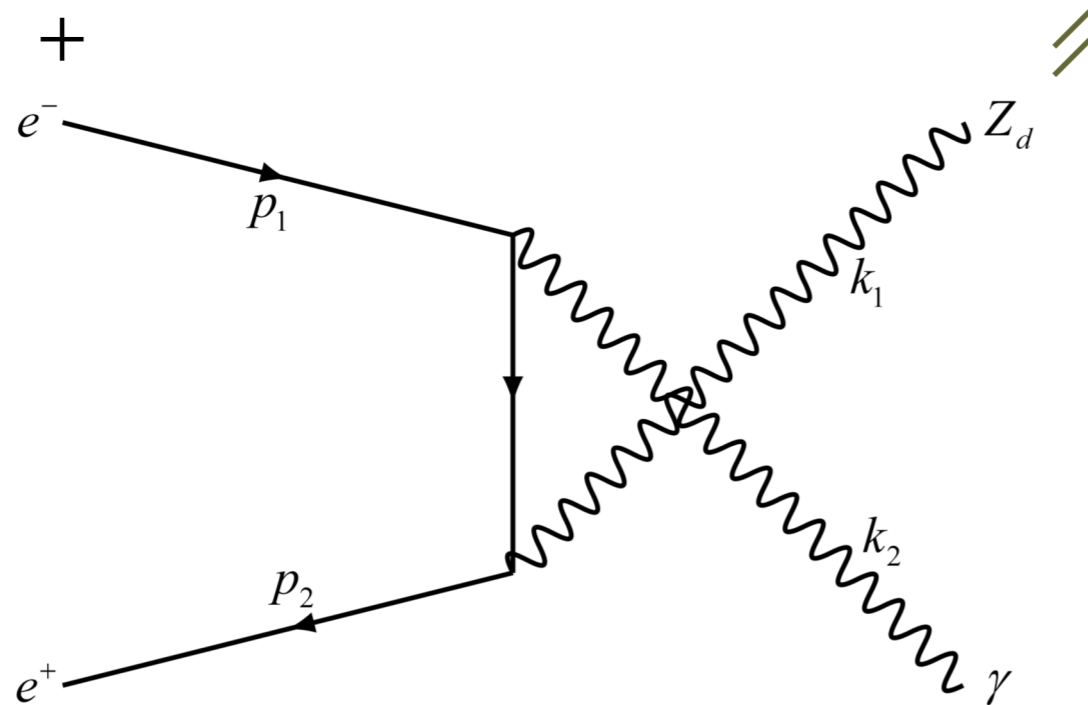
Ward-Takahashi identity and Z_d polarization



$$\epsilon^\mu(k_1) = (|\vec{k}_1|, E_{Z_d} \hat{k}_1) / m_{Z_d}$$

$$= k_1^\mu / m_{Z_d} + \mathcal{O}(m_{Z_d} / E_{Z_d})$$

Z_d is expected to be transversely polarized for dark boson mass much less than CM energy

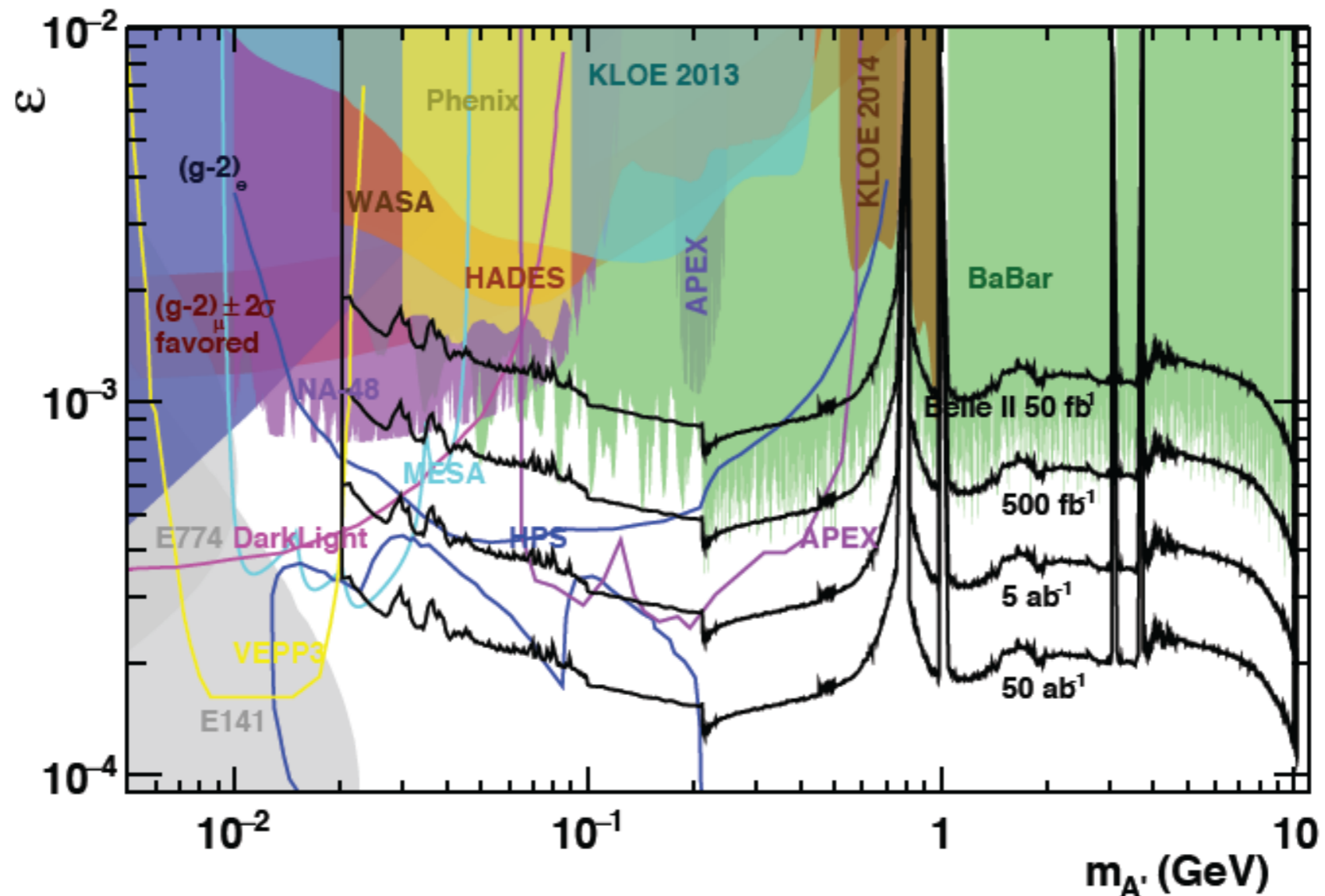


$$= 0 \text{ for } m_e \rightarrow 0$$

BaBar search result and Belle II sensitivity to

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

The Belle II physics book, arXiv:1808.10567



Take $\varepsilon = 7 \times 10^{-4}$; $m_{Z_d}/\sqrt{s} = 0.1, 0.3, \text{ and } 0.8$.

J. P. Lees et al. [BaBar Collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, no. 20, 201801 (2014)

Polarized amplitudes

θ the direction of \mathbf{Z}_d with respect to e^- direction in CM frame

$$|\bar{\mathcal{M}}|_+^2 = \frac{8\pi^2\alpha^2\varepsilon^2}{(t - m_e^2)(u - m_e^2)} \left[(1 + \cos^2 \theta)(s^2 + m_{Z_d}^4) + \rho \cos \theta (s - m_{Z_d}^2)^2 \right],$$

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$$|\bar{\mathcal{M}}|_{\parallel}^2 = \frac{8\pi^2\alpha^2\varepsilon^2}{(t - m_e^2)(u - m_e^2)} (4m_{Z_d}^2 s \sin^2 \theta),$$

where $\rho = 4g_{f,V}g_{f,A}$. $g_{f,V}^2 + g_{f,A}^2 = 1$

m_e is neglected except in the denominator

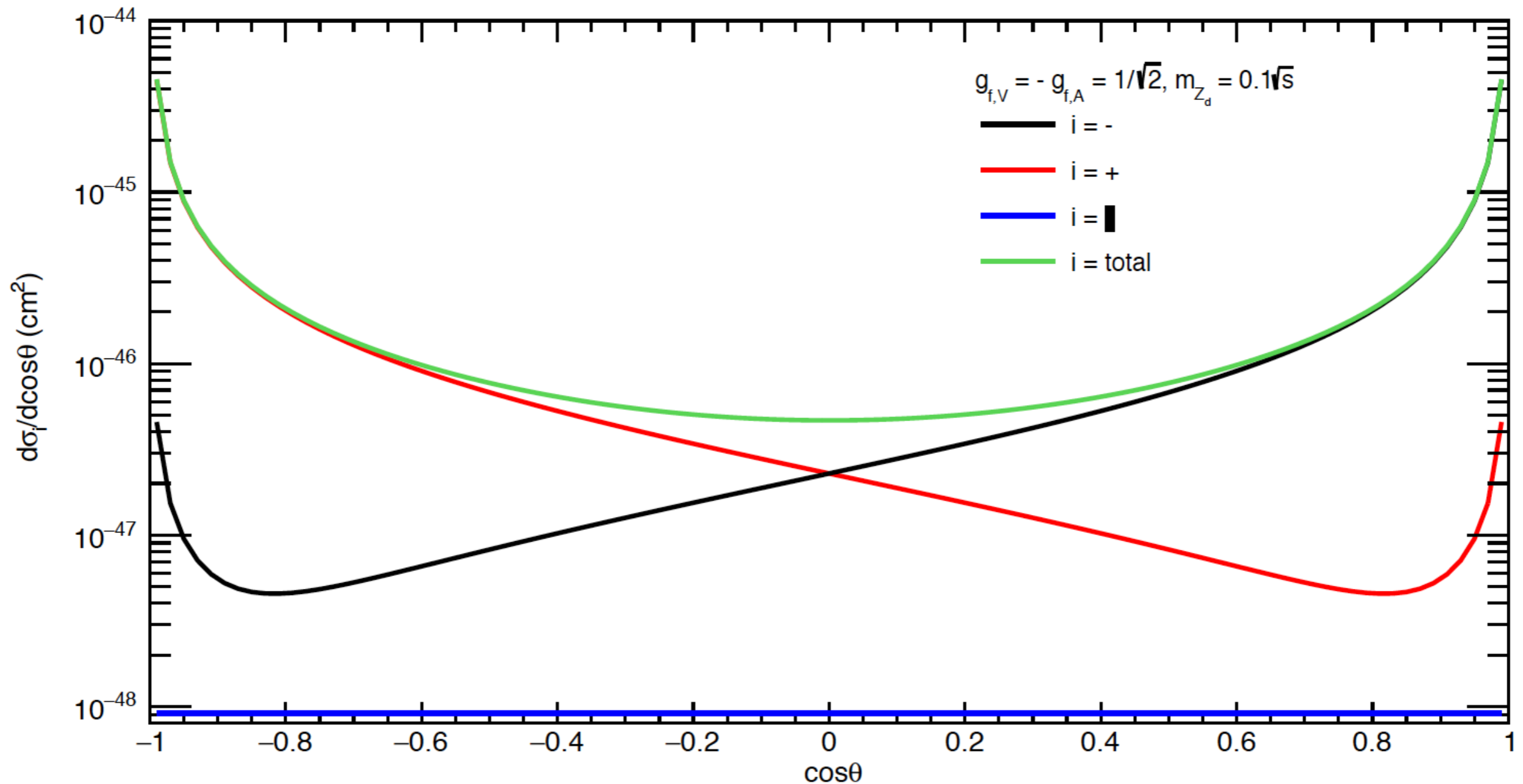
Polarized differential cross sections

$$\frac{d\sigma_i}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{1}{32\pi s} \left(1 - \frac{m_{Z_d}^2}{s}\right) |\mathcal{M}|_i^2$$

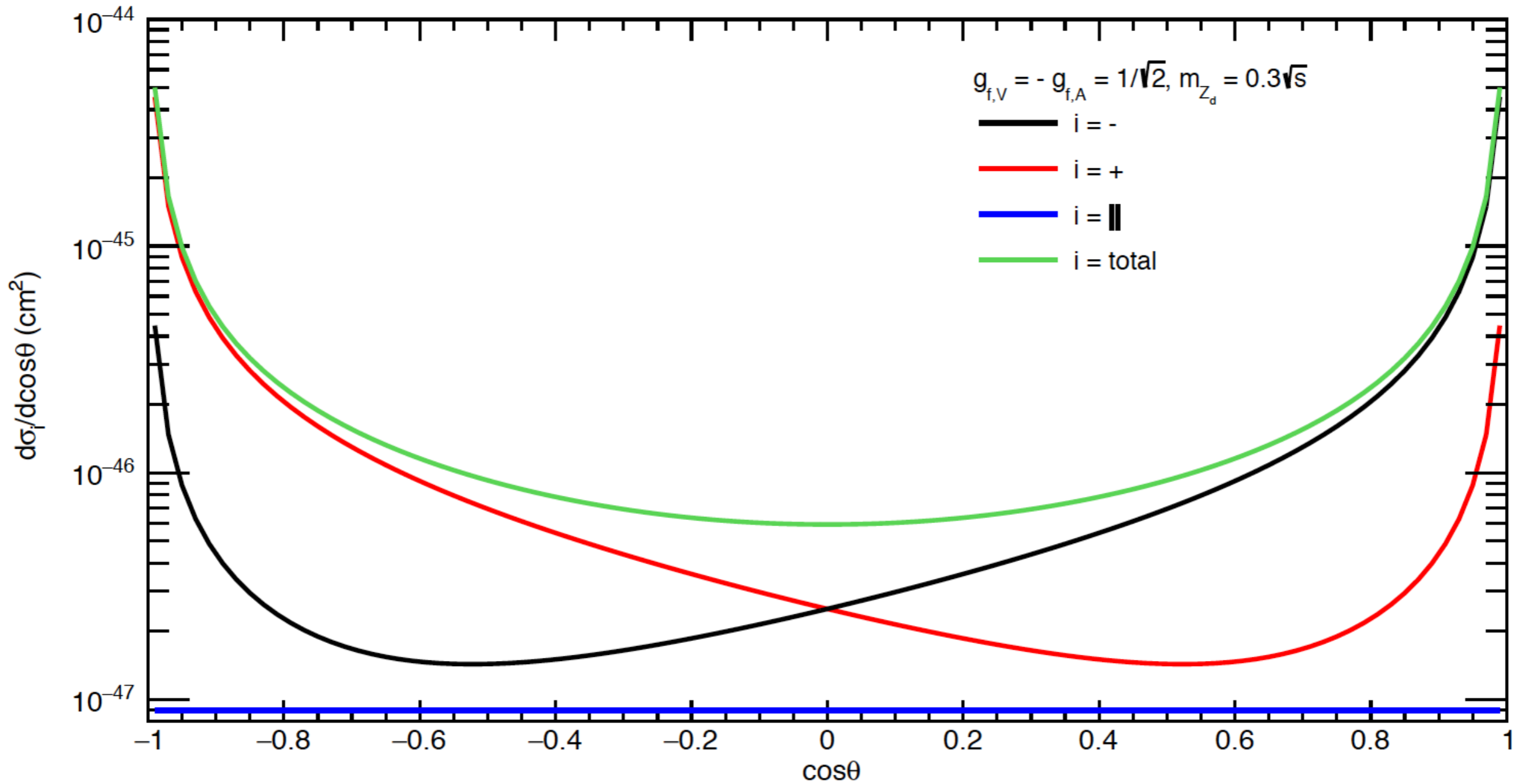
Differential cross section for longitudinal state is clearly suppressed by $m_{Z_d}^2/s$

Polarized differential cross sections-numerical results

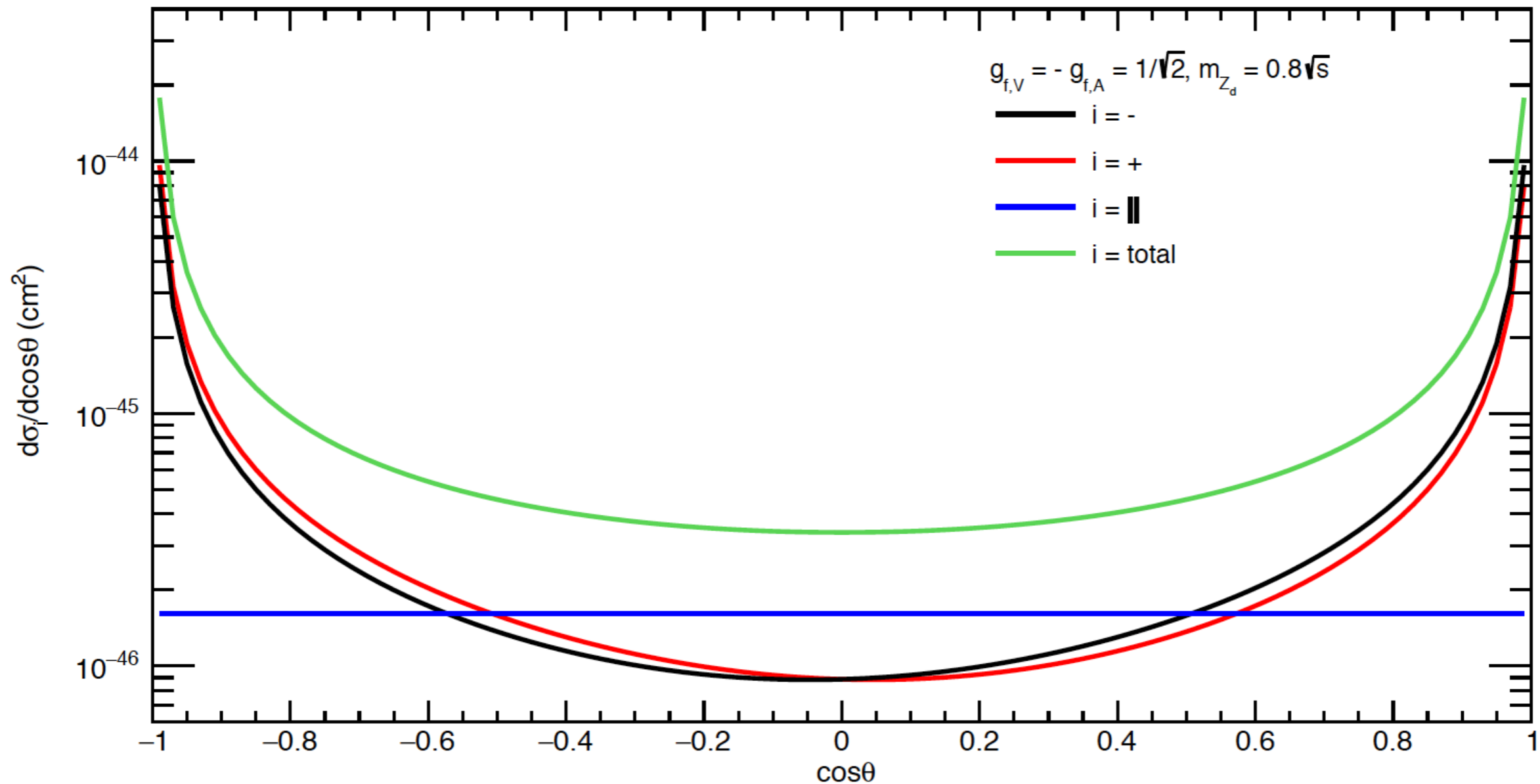
$\varepsilon = 7 \times 10^{-4}$; $\sqrt{s} = 10.58$ GeV CM frame **V-A coupling**



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Longitudinal polarization is now equally important
Helicity +1 and -1 states getting closer to each other

Z_d decay distributions and the parity violation parameter $\rho \equiv 4g_{l,V}g_{l,A}$

Angular distributions of Z_d decays

θ_d the angle between l^- direction in the Z_d rest frame and the Z_d boost direction

Helicity +1 state

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{l^+l^-}^+}{d\cos\theta_d} = \frac{\alpha\varepsilon^2 y}{2m_{Z_d}} [2g_{l,V}^2 m_l^2 + (1 + \cos^2\theta_d)p_l^2 + \rho \cos\theta_d E_l p_l]$$

Helicity -1 state

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{l^+l^-}^-}{d\cos\theta_d} = \frac{\alpha\varepsilon^2 y}{2m_{Z_d}} [2g_{l,V}^2 m_l^2 + (1 + \cos^2\theta_d)p_l^2 - \rho \cos\theta_d E_l p_l]$$

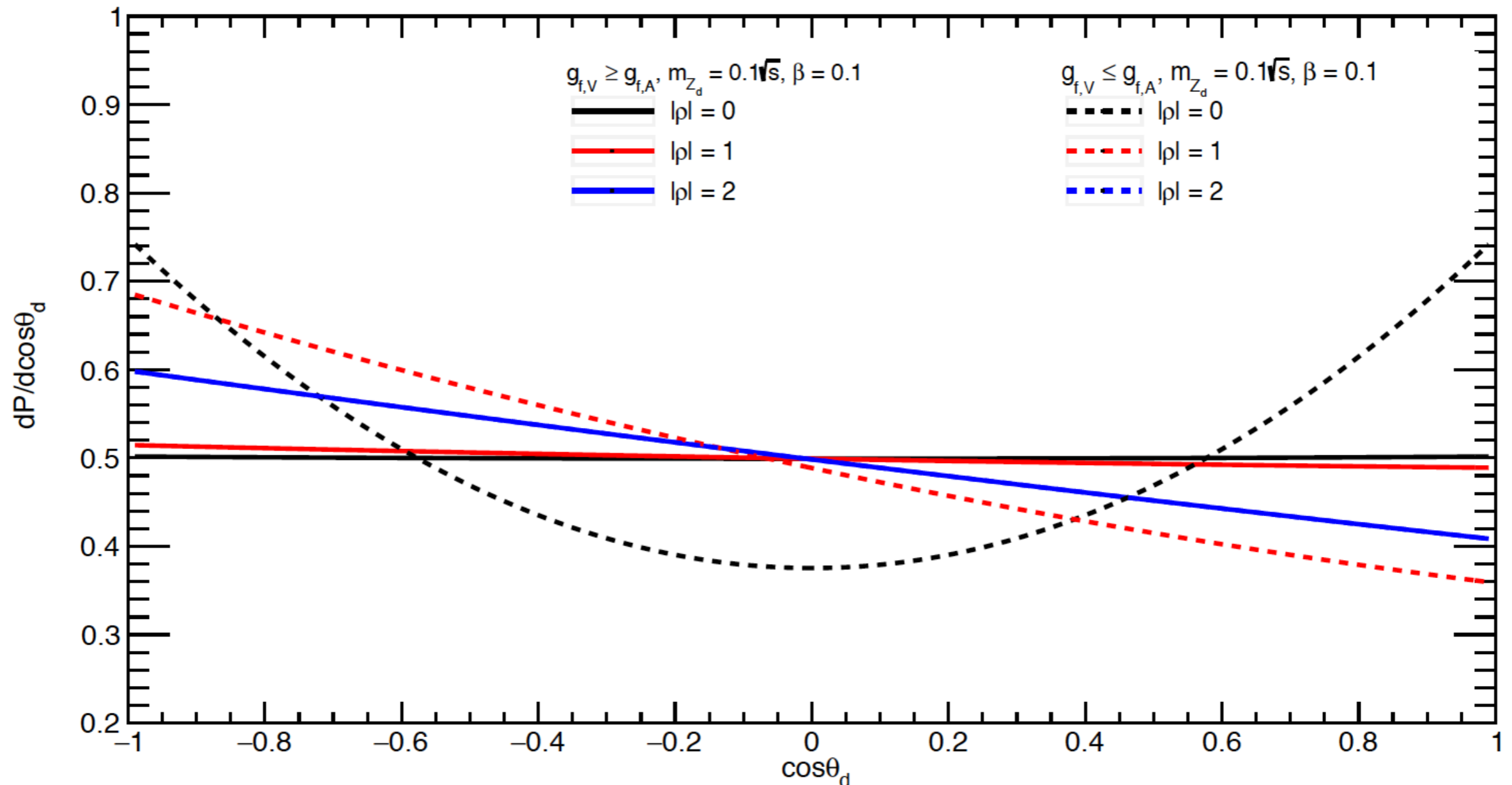
Longitudinal state

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{l^+l^-}^{\parallel}}{d\cos\theta_d} = \frac{\alpha\varepsilon^2 y}{m_{Z_d}} [g_{l,V}^2 m_l^2 + \sin^2\theta_d p_l^2]$$

$$y = \sqrt{1 - 4m_l^2/m_{Z_d}^2}$$

Forward-backward asymmetry of leptons from Z_d decays;
 Z_d produced in the backward direction $-1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 0$

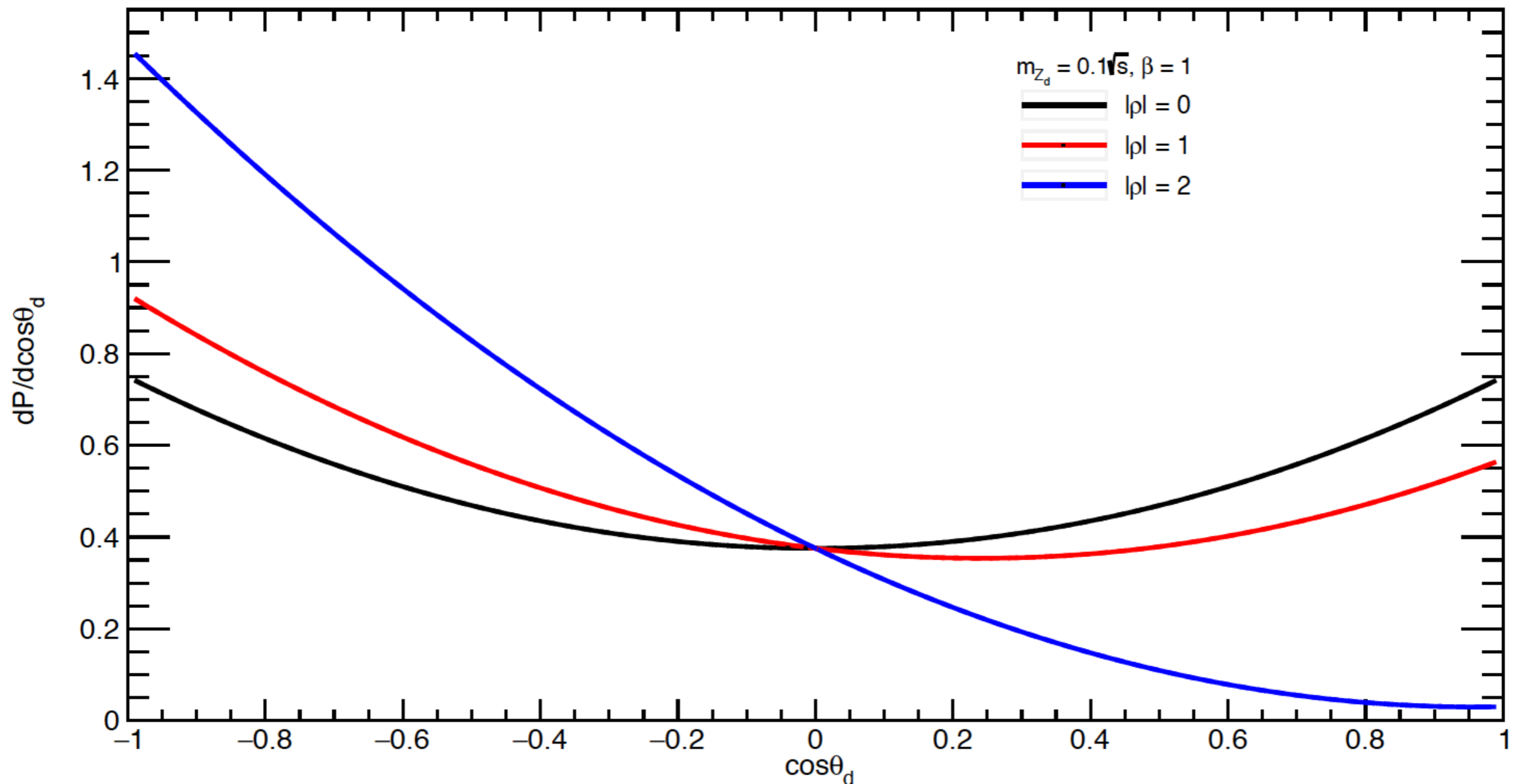
$$m_{Z_d} = 0.1\sqrt{s}, \beta \equiv p_l/E_l = 0.1$$



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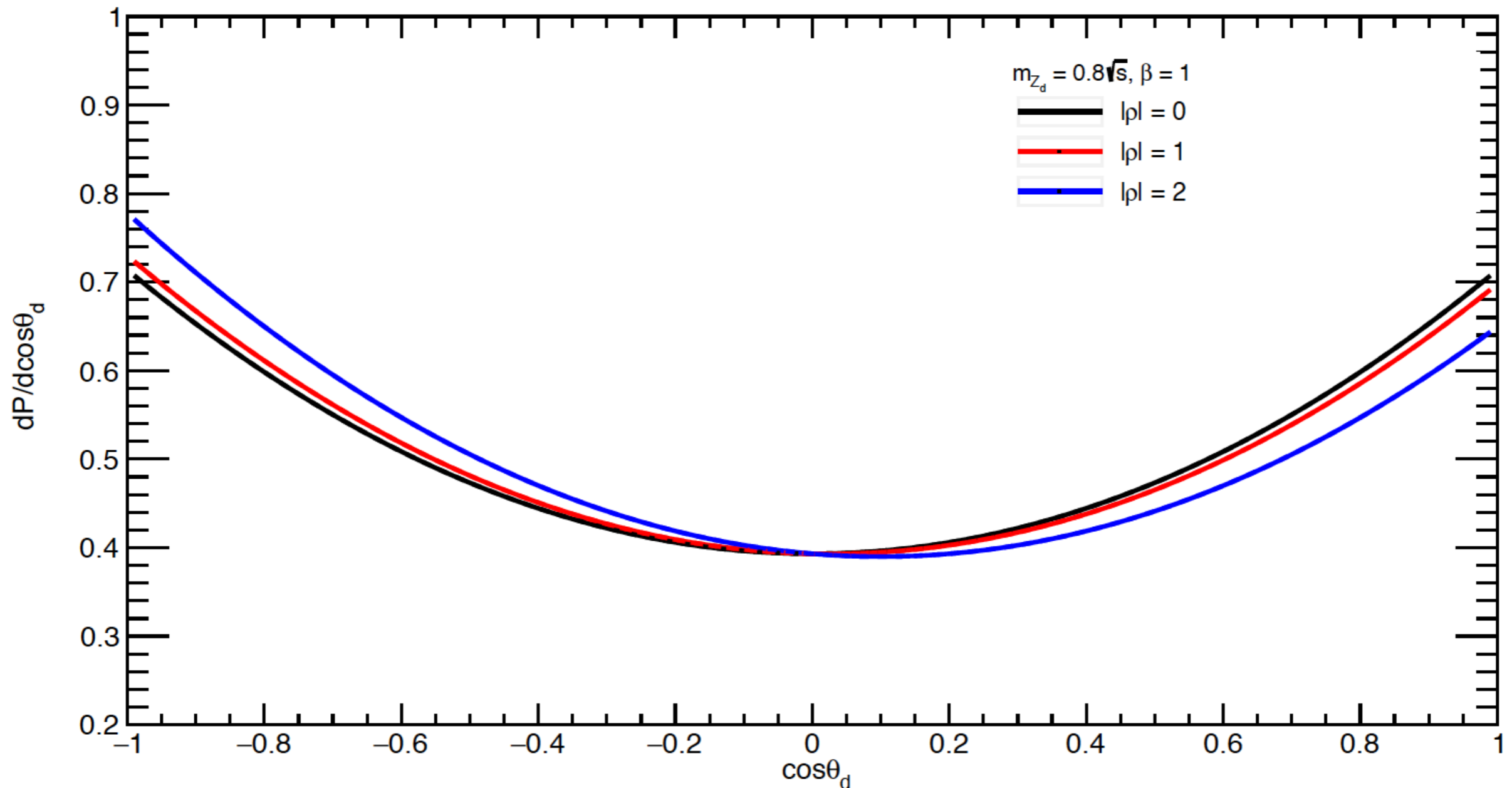
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$$m_{Z_d} = 0.1\sqrt{s}, \beta \equiv p_l/E_l = 1$$



Forward-backward asymmetry of leptons from Z_d decays

$$m_{Z_d} = 0.8\sqrt{s}, \beta \equiv p_l/E_l = 1$$



Double angular distributions; correlation between Z_d and lepton directions

$$\frac{d^2 P}{d\kappa d\xi} = \frac{1}{\sigma_T \cdot \Gamma_{l+l^-}} \sum_i \left(\frac{d\sigma^i}{d\cos\theta} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{d\Gamma_{l+l^-}^i}{d\cos\theta_d} \right) \quad \text{i: polarization index}$$
$$= Q_0(\kappa, \xi) + Q_2(\kappa, \xi)\rho^2 \quad \kappa = \cos\theta, \quad \xi = \cos\theta_d$$

Q_0 : even in both κ and ξ

Q_2 : odd in both κ and ξ

$$Q_2\rho^2 \sim (p_l/E_l)\rho^2(1 - m_{Z_d}^2/s)^2 \kappa\xi/(1 - \kappa^2)$$

Changes sign when $\kappa \cdot \xi$ changes sign;
Reaching to maximum for ultra-relativistic

lepton and the limit $s \gg m_{Z_d}^2$

Signal event asymmetry

$$\kappa = \cos \theta, \quad \xi = \cos \theta_d$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} \equiv \frac{S(\kappa \cdot \xi > 0) - S(\kappa \cdot \xi < 0)}{S(\kappa \cdot \xi < 0) + S(\kappa \cdot \xi > 0)} = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{\rho^2}{4} \right) \frac{-\ln(1 - \kappa_m^2)}{\ln\left(\frac{1+\kappa_m}{1-\kappa_m}\right) - \kappa_m}$$

κ_m : maximum of κ $-\kappa_m$: minimum of κ

ξ : fully integrated

$$\kappa_m = 0.95 \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = 0.64 \times (\rho^2/4)$$

$$\kappa_m = 0.80 \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = 0.55 \times (\rho^2/4)$$

- (1) This parameter has to be calculated with actual detector acceptance
- (2) The asymmetry will be diluted by the QED background $\rho = 0$
- (3) How significant is this asymmetry statistically?

Prospect of probing parity violation parameter ρ at Belle II

Belle II calorimeter angular coverage* $12.4^\circ \leq \theta_\gamma^{\text{lab}} \leq 155.1^\circ$
Corresponding photon rapidity range $-1.51 \leq \eta_\gamma^{\text{lab}} \leq 2.22$

Boost velocity from LAB to CM

$$\beta_{\text{CM}} = (E_{e^-} - E_{e^+}) / (E_{e^-} + E_{e^+}) = 3/11$$

7GeV 4GeV

$$\eta_\gamma^{\text{CM}} = \eta_\gamma^{\text{lab}} + \ln((1 - \beta_{\text{CM}}) / (1 + \beta_{\text{CM}})) / 2 \Rightarrow -1.79 \leq \eta_\gamma^{\text{CM}} \leq 1.94$$

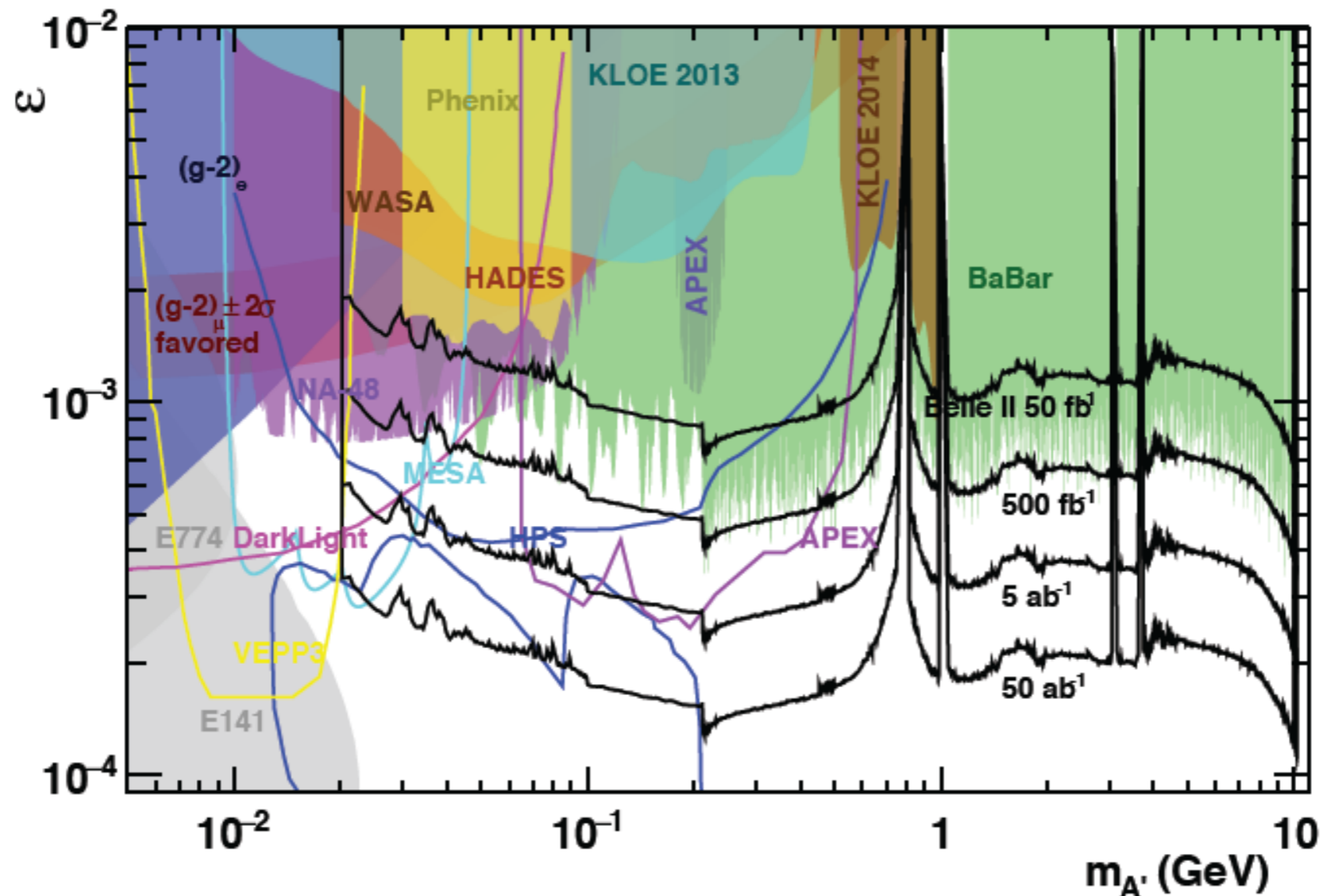
K_L-muon detector angular coverage $25^\circ \leq \theta_{\mu^\pm}^{\text{lab}} \leq 150^\circ \Rightarrow -1.60 \leq \eta_{\mu^\pm}^{\text{CM}} \leq 1.23$

*I. Adachi *et al.* [Belle II], Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 907, 46-59 (2018)

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Belle II sensitivity is comparable to BaBar results for the same integrated luminosity

Calculating \mathcal{A}_{PN} in Belle II for two benchmark Z_d masses*

$$m_{Z_d} = 0.5\text{GeV}$$

$$m_{Z_d} = 2.0\text{GeV}$$

$$\varepsilon_\gamma = \varepsilon_Z (\rho = 1.74) \quad \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = 0.38$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = 0.36$$

$$\varepsilon_\gamma = \varepsilon_Z \tan \theta_W \quad \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = 0.49$$

$$(\rho = -2) \text{ V-A}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = 0.49$$

$$e\varepsilon \bar{f} (g_{f,V} \gamma_\mu + g_{f,A} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5) f Z_d^\mu$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \left(\varepsilon_\gamma e J_{\text{em}}^\mu + \varepsilon_Z \frac{g}{\cos \theta_w} J_{\text{NC}}^\mu \right) Z_{d\mu},$$

$$\rho = 4g_{f,V} g_{f,A} \quad (g_{f,V}^2 + g_{f,A}^2 = 1)$$

*CalcHEP version 3.7.5, A. Pukhov, A. Belyaev, and N. Christensen, 2019

Detection significance and asymmetry parameter

$$\chi^2 = 2 \left(n \ln\left(\frac{n}{w}\right) + w - n \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} n: \text{observed event number} \\ w: \text{expected event number} \end{array}$$

$$n=S+B, w=B \quad \text{Detection significance} \quad \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}} \cdot \sigma$$

Simultaneous fittings to $\kappa \cdot \xi > 0$ and $\kappa \cdot \xi < 0$ event bins

$$\chi^2 = 2 \left(n_a \ln\left(\frac{n_a}{w_a}\right) + w_a - n_a \right) + 2 \left(n_b \ln\left(\frac{n_b}{w_b}\right) + w_b - n_b \right)$$

$$n_{a,b} = S_{a,b} + B_{a,b} \quad (S_a + S_b = S, B_a + B_b = B)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} = (S_a - S_b) / (S_a + S_b)$$

$$\text{Detection significance} \quad \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}} \sqrt{1 + \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}}^2} \cdot \sigma$$

General dark boson scenario versus dark photon case

Fit the observed events by dark photon plus background

$$\chi^2 = 2 \left(n_a \ln\left(\frac{n_a}{w_a}\right) + w_a - n_a \right) + 2 \left(n_b \ln\left(\frac{n_b}{w_b}\right) + w_b - n_b \right)$$

The minimum of the χ^2 happens at $w_a = w_b = (n_a + n_b)/2$

$$\chi_{\text{dp,min}}^2 = \frac{S^2}{B} \cdot \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}}^2$$

$\chi^2 = 0$ for setting $w_{a,b} = n_{a,b}$ (input true model)

Dark photon less favored by $\sqrt{\chi_{\text{dp,min}}^2} \cdot \sigma \equiv \frac{S \mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}}}{\sqrt{B}} \cdot \sigma$

compared to input true model

Numerical results with Belle II detector angular coverage

Cross section* for QED background $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\mu^+\mu^-$ with photon and muon rapidity ranges and ~ 5 MeV energy resolution for the invariant mass $M_{\mu^+\mu^-}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sim 7.76 \times 10^{-2} \text{ pb} && \text{for } m_{Z_d} = 0.5 \text{ GeV} && \text{1.5 MeV to 8 MeV} \\ & && && \text{energy resolution taken} \\ &\sim 2.48 \times 10^{-2} \text{ pb} && \text{for } m_{Z_d} = 2.0 \text{ GeV} && \text{in BaBar analysis} \end{aligned}$$

Assume a 5σ detection of dark boson signature at 50 ab^{-1}

$$S = 9850, \quad B = 3.88 \cdot 10^6 \quad m_{Z_d} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$S = 5700, \quad B = 1.30 \cdot 10^6 \quad m_{Z_d} = 2.0 \text{ GeV}$$

*CalcHEP version 3.7.5, A. Pukhov, A. Belyaev, and N. Christensen, 2019

Summary on event numbers and detection significance

Model Parameter (ρ)	0.00		1.74		2.00	
(m_{Z_d}/GeV)	0.5	2.0	0.5	2.0	0.5	2.0
$S(\kappa \cdot \xi > 0)$	4925	2850	6800	3875	7338	4233
$S(\kappa \cdot \xi < 0)$	4925	2850	3050	1825	2512	1467
Det. Sig.	5.0σ	5.0σ	5.3σ	5.3σ	5.6σ	5.6σ
$\sqrt{\chi_{\text{dp,min}}^2} \sigma$	0.0	0.0	1.9σ	1.8σ	2.5σ	2.5σ

Conclusions

- We have discussed the search for dark boson with the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_d + \text{gamma}$ in the e^+e^- collider
- The dark boson is shown to be transversely polarized when the dark boson mass is much less than the CM energy
- We analyze the muon angular distributions from polarized Z_d decays and define the asymmetry parameter \mathcal{A}_{PN} which is proportional to the square of parity violation parameter
$$\rho \equiv 4g_{l,V}g_{l,A}.$$
- We calculate the asymmetry parameter with Belle II detector angular coverage and discuss its consequences on the dark boson search.