



# Dark Photon searches at the B-factories — a mini review —

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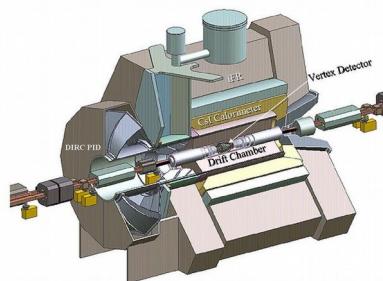
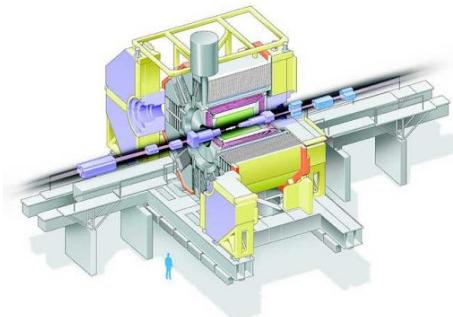
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## The strengths of a B-factory are:

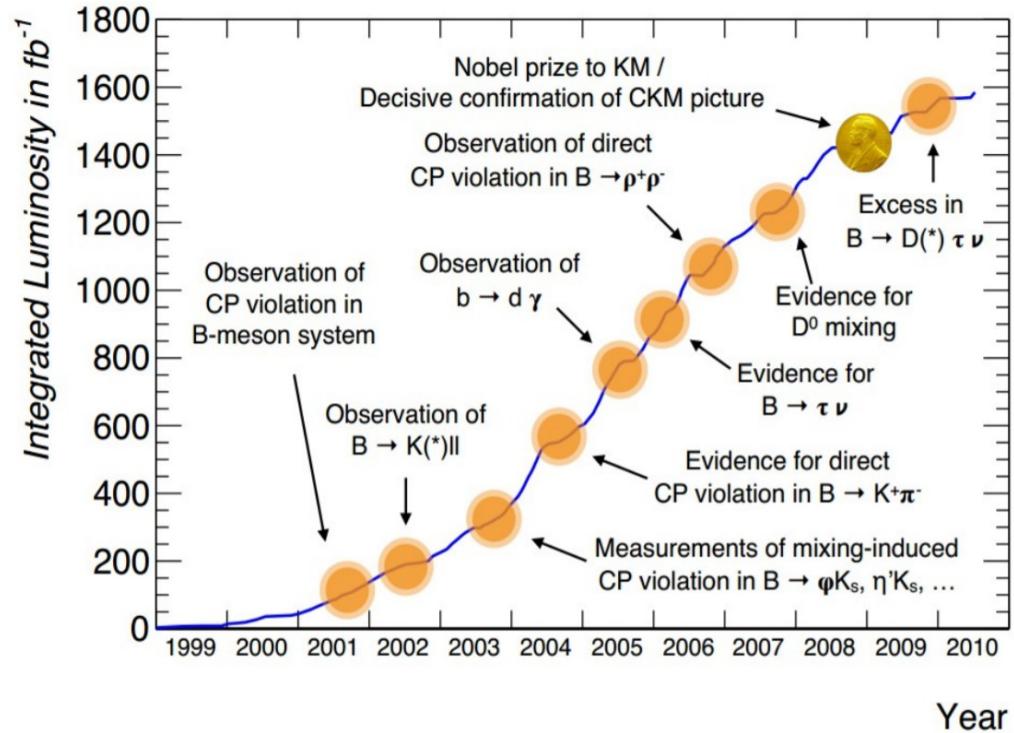
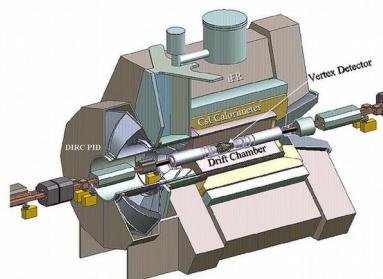
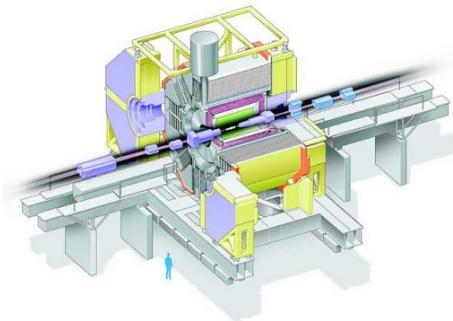
- constrained kinematics;
- clean environment and lower background;
- hermetic detector;
- excellent PID capabilities;
- efficient reconstruction of neutral particles.

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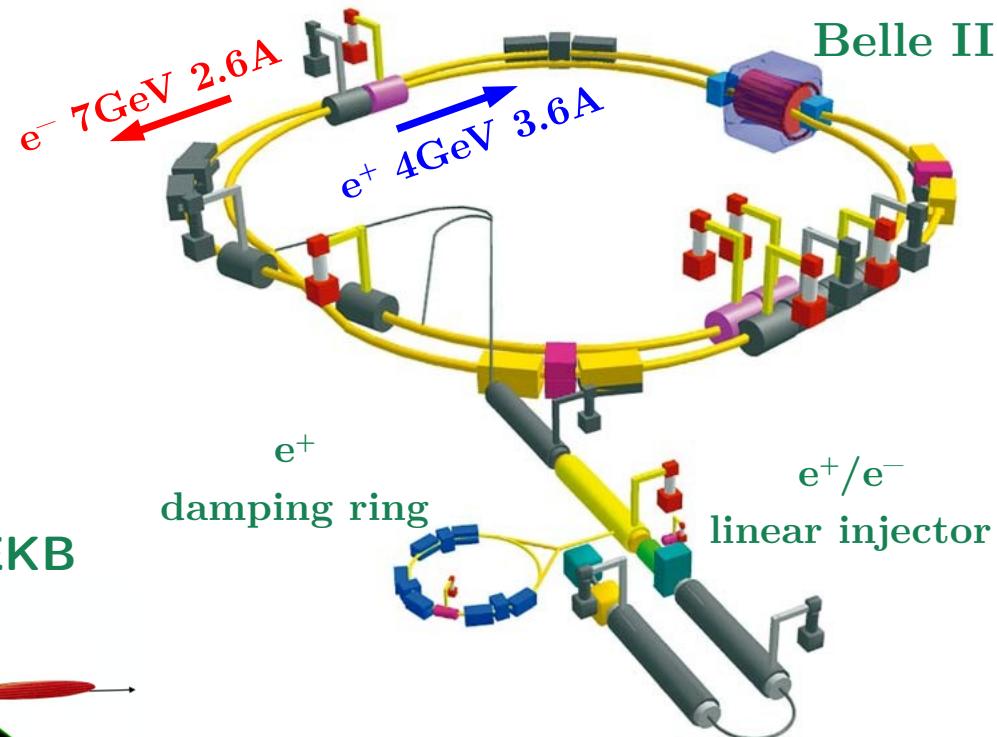
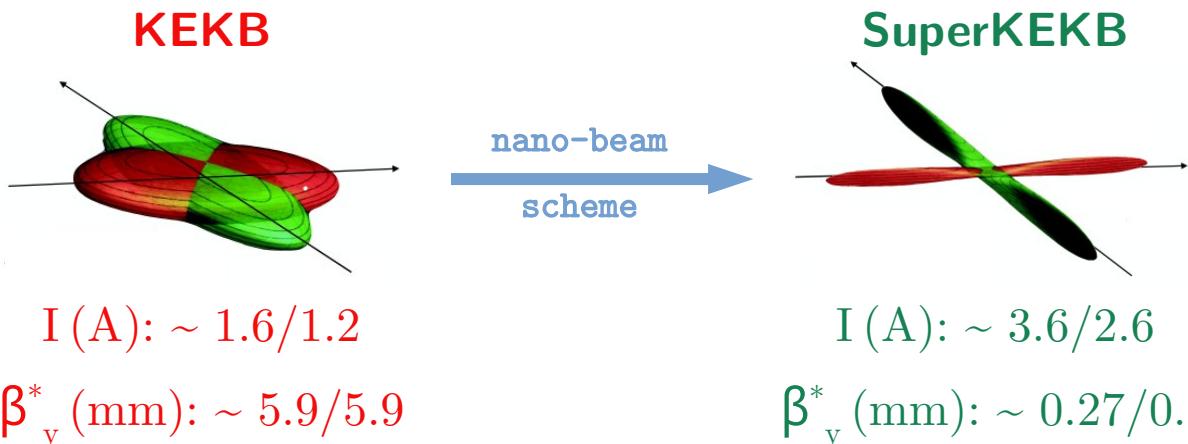


# SuperKEKB: a new Intensity Frontier machine

SuperKEKB is a **super** B-factory located at KEK (Tsukuba, Japan)

It's an asymmetric  $e^+e^-$  collider operating mainly at **10.58 GeV**

(  $\Upsilon(4S)$ , but possible runs from  $\Upsilon(2S)$  to  $\Upsilon(6S)$  )



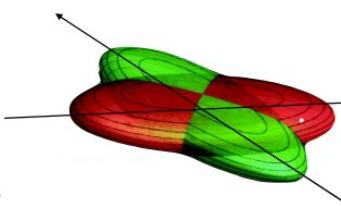
**40x peak luminosity:**  
 $8 \cdot 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

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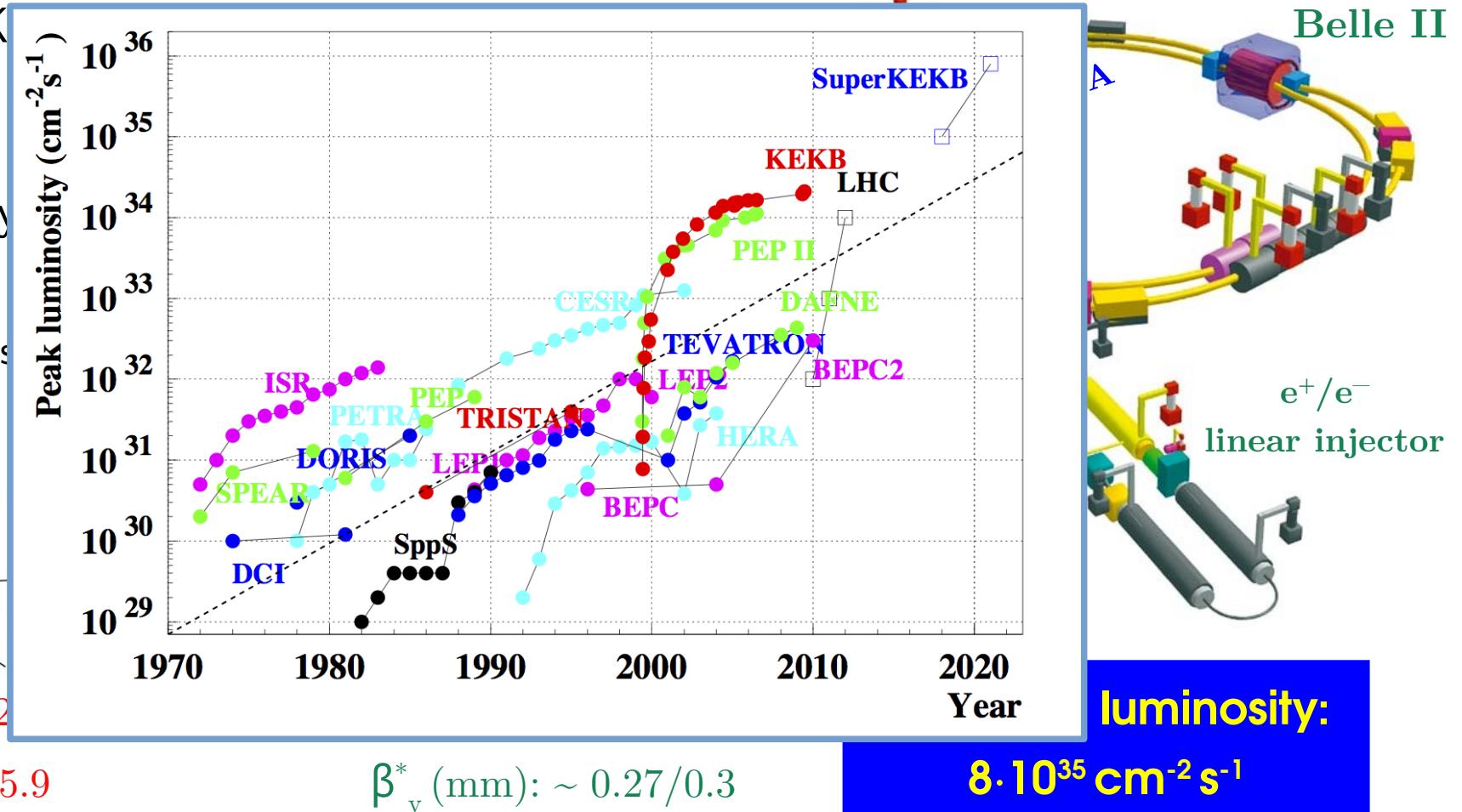
It's an asym.  
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KEKB



$I(A): \sim 1.6/1.2$

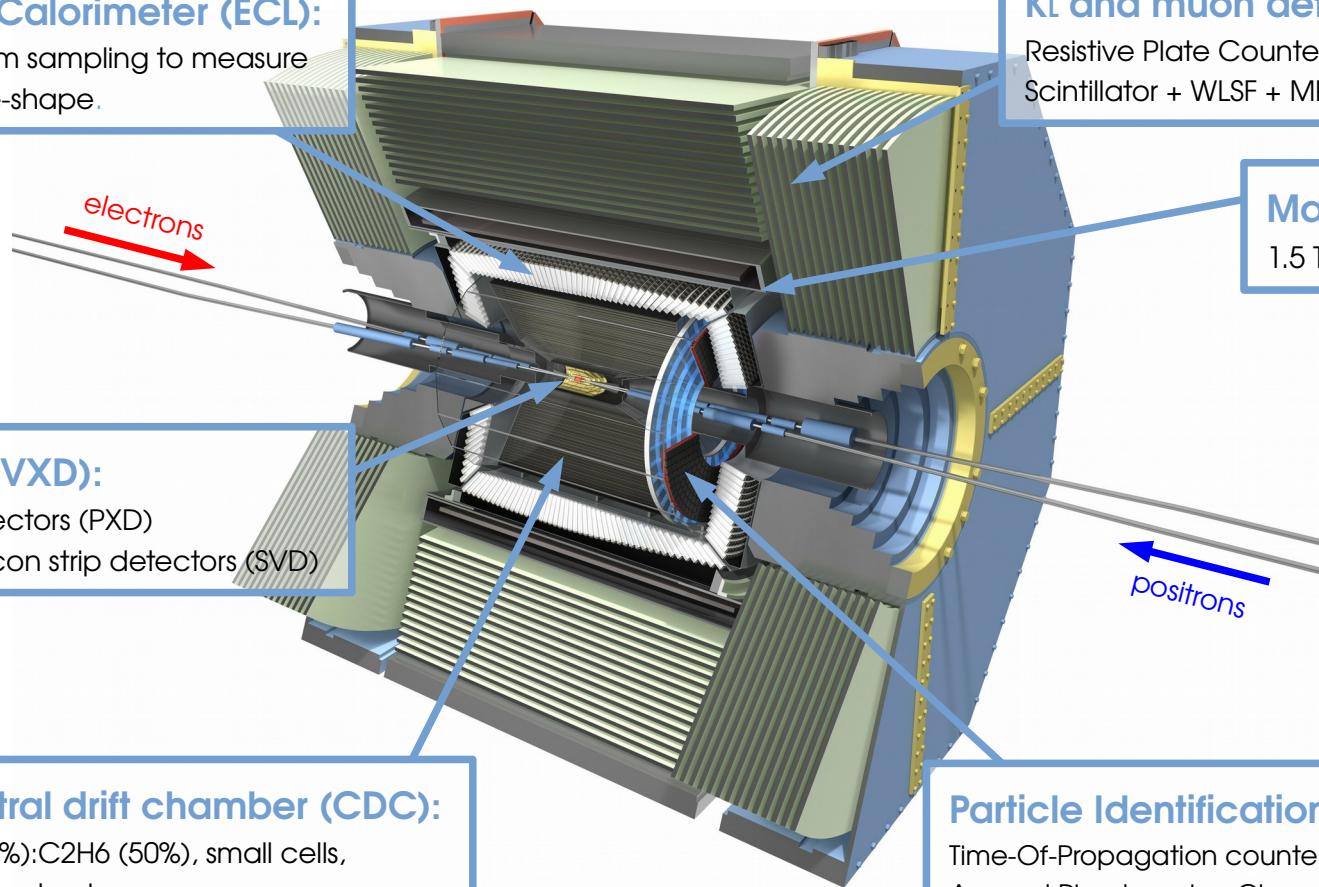
$\beta_y^*(\text{mm}): \sim 5.9/5.9$



# Belle II: a new Intensity Frontier detector

## Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECL):

CsI(Tl) crystals, waveform sampling to measure time, energy, and pulse-shape.



## K<sub>L</sub> and muon detector (KLM):

Resistive Plate Counters (RPC) (outer barrel)  
Scintillator + WLSF + MPPC (endcaps, inner barrel)

## Magnet:

1.5 T superconducting

## Vertex detectors (VXD):

2 layer DEPFET pixel detectors (PXD)

4 layer double-sided silicon strip detectors (SVD)

## Trigger:

Hardware: < 30 kHz

Software: < 10 kHz

## Central drift chamber (CDC):

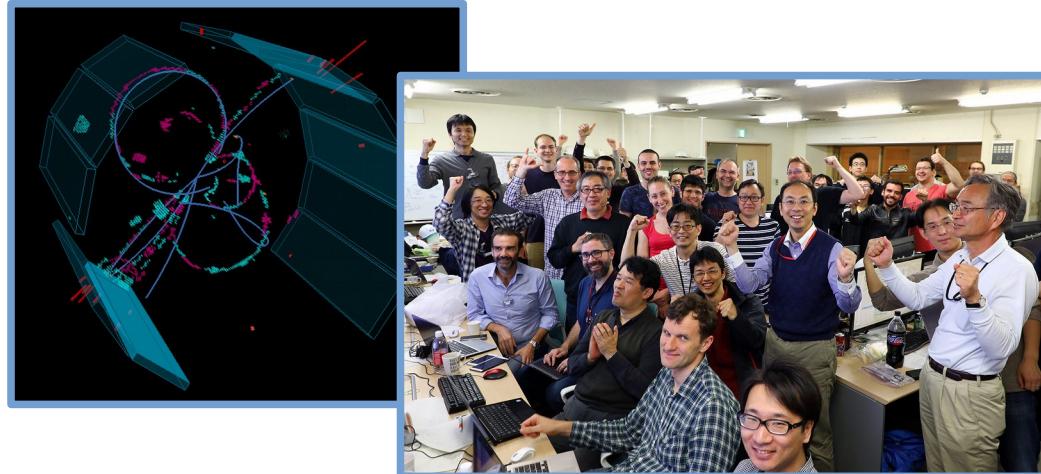
He(50%):C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (50%), small cells,  
fast electronics

## Particle Identification (PID):

Time-Of-Propagation counter (TOP) (barrel)  
Aerogel Ring-Imaging Cherenkov Counter (ARICH) (FWD)

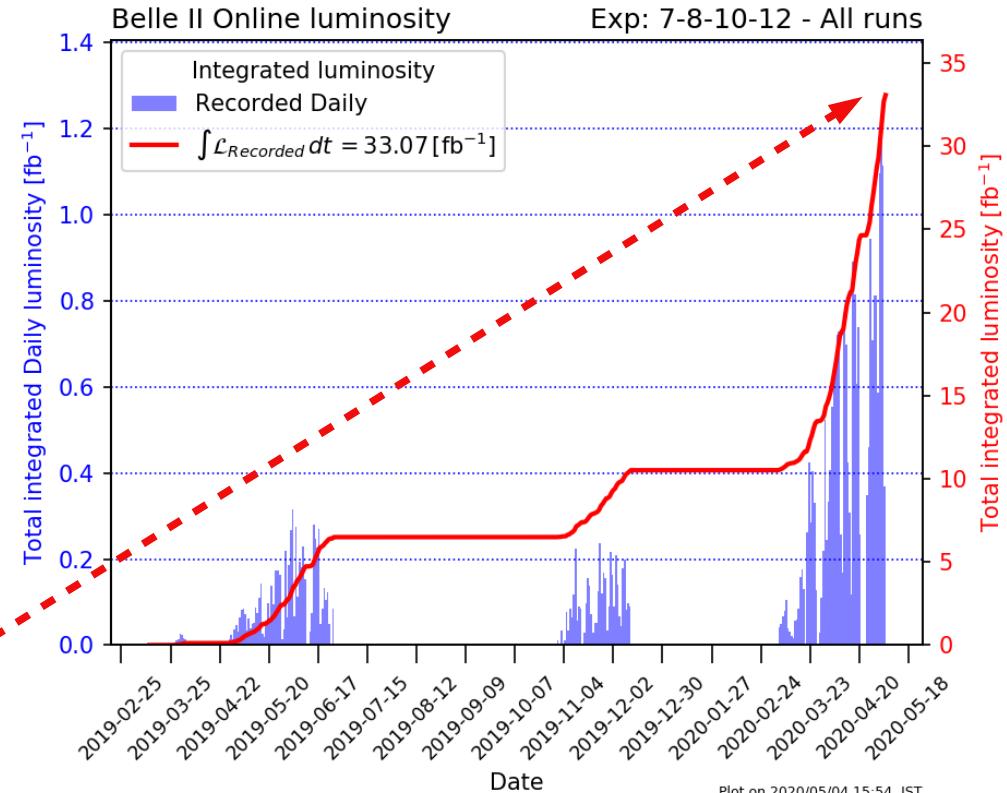
# SuperKEKB and Belle II operations

First collisions: 26th April 2018



Collected  $0.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  in 2018

Collected about  $33 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  since 2019



Goal: integrate up to  $50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ !

# Dark Matter

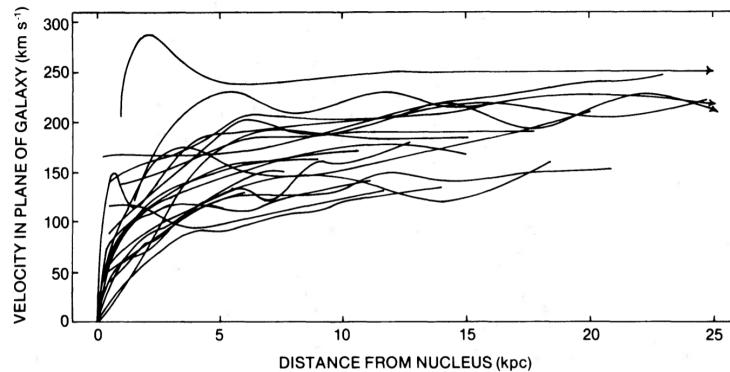
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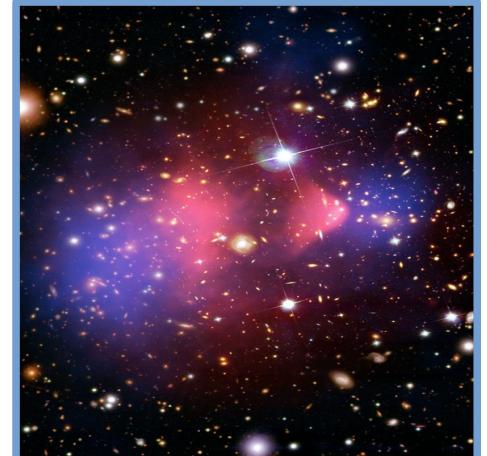
A lot of experimental techniques  
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- production at colliders;
- production at fixed target experiments;
- indirect astronomic searches;
- direct underground searches.

Rotational curves of the galaxies



Bullet clusters



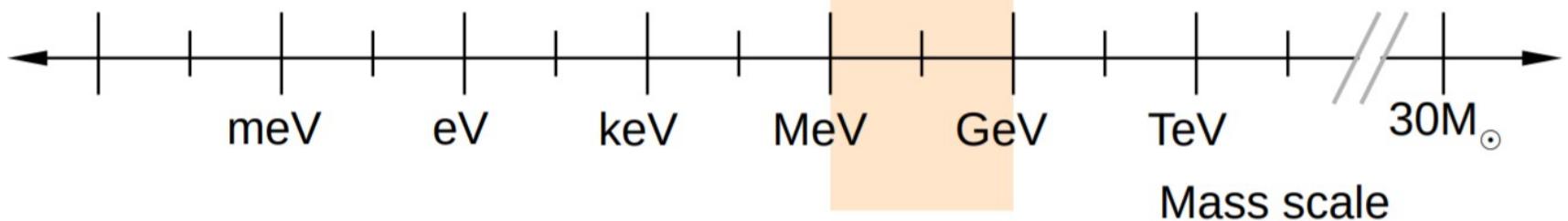
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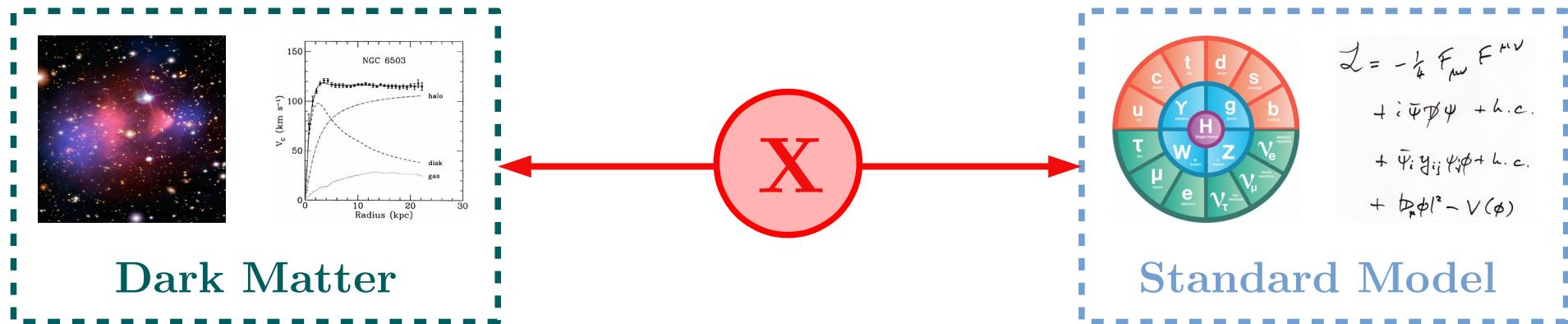
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QCD Axion



Key:  
Observed  
Theories

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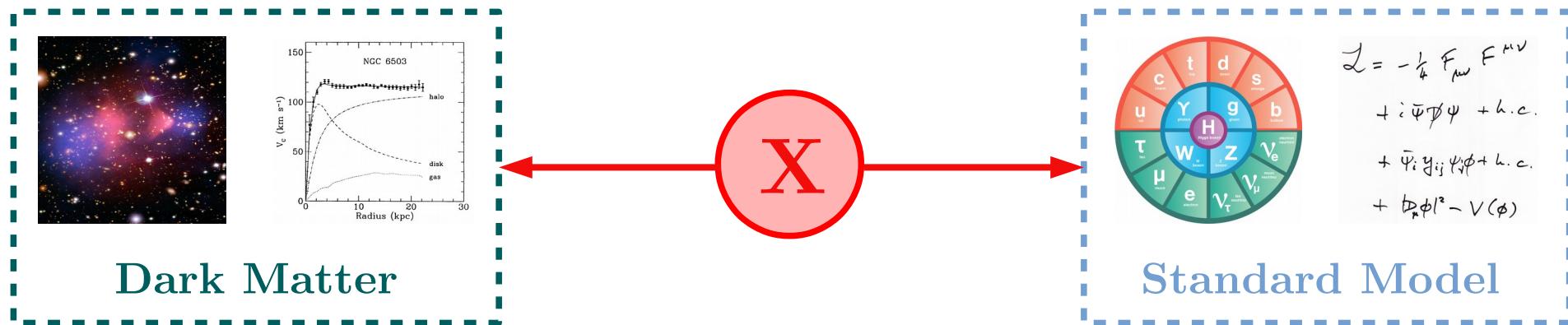
Scalar portal  $\rightarrow$  Dark Higgs / Dark Scalar

Pseudoscalar portal  $\rightarrow$  Axion-Like Particles

Neutrino portal  $\rightarrow$  Sterile Neutrinos

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi + h.c. \\ & + \bar{\psi}_i \gamma_{ij} \psi_j + h.c. \\ & + D_\mu \phi^2 - V(\phi) \end{aligned}$$

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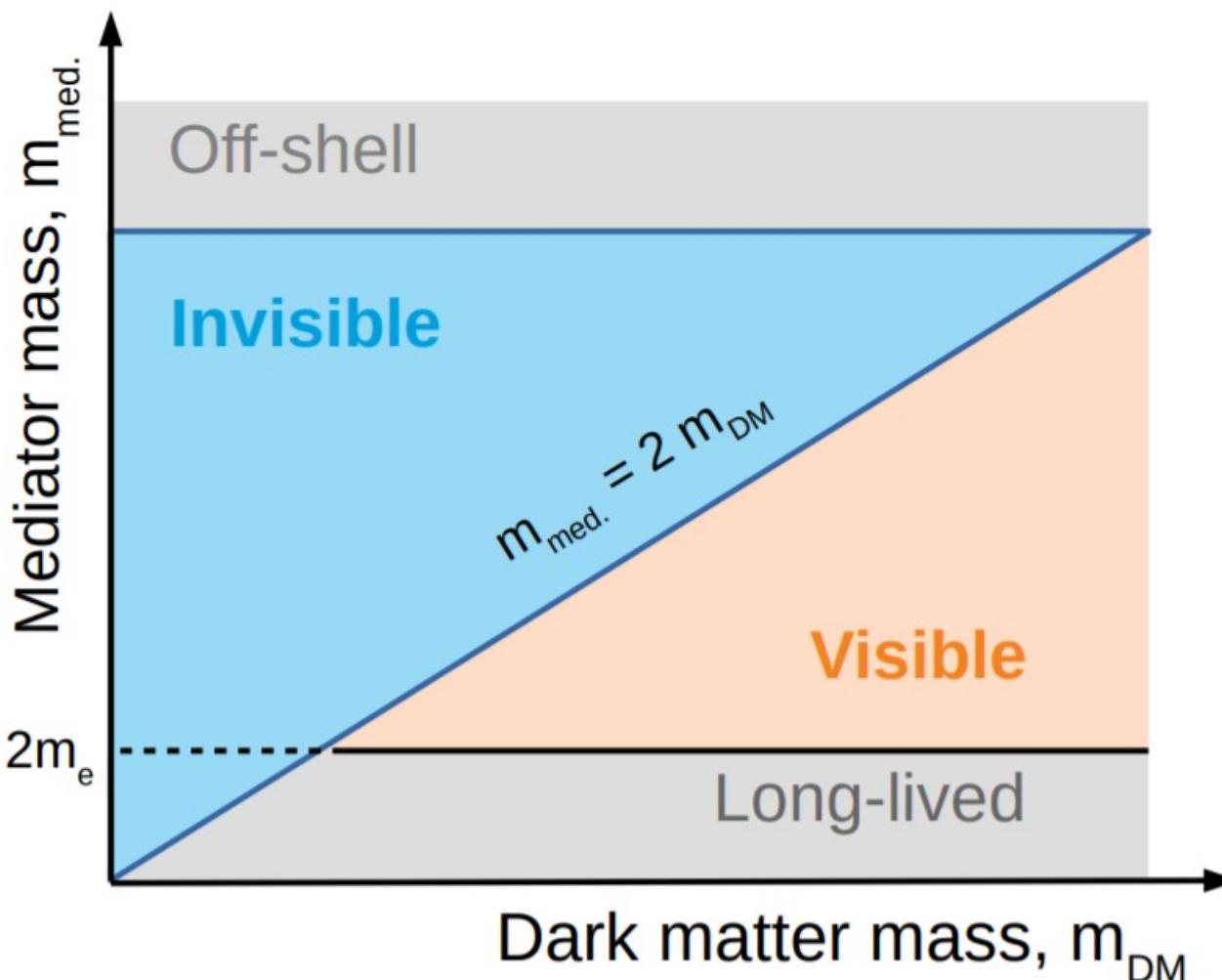
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# A rule of thumb...



The masses of the mediator and of the DM candidates lead to **different type of searches.**

# Dark Photon

A massive Dark Photon  $\mathbf{A}'$  can mix with SM  
with coupling strength  $\epsilon$ :

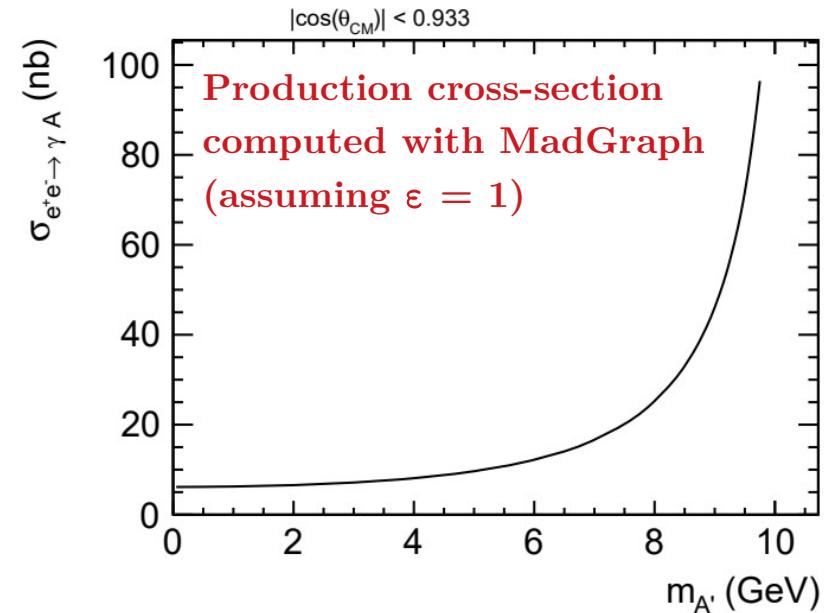
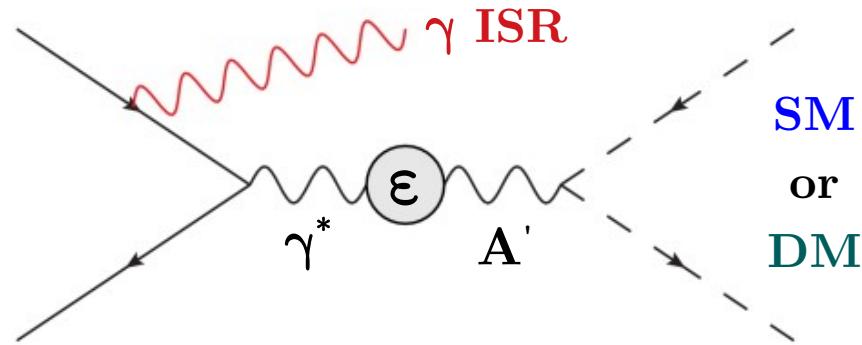
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \epsilon A_\mu J_{SM}^\mu$$

Batell et al. (2009),  
[arXiv:0903.0363](https://arxiv.org/abs/0903.0363)

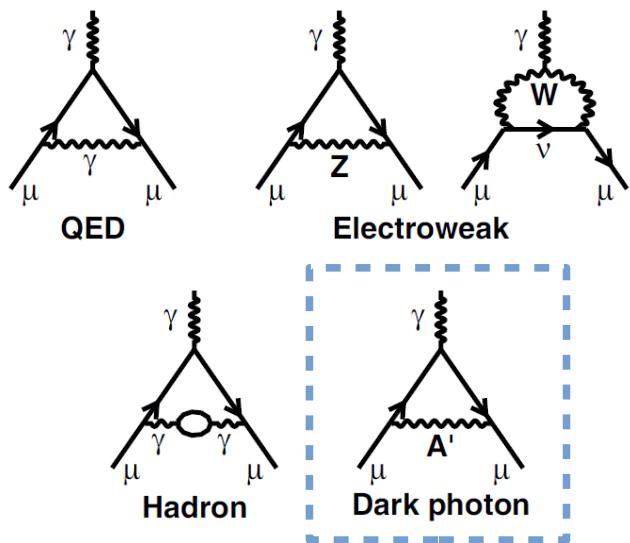
Depending on DM mass,  
a dark photon decays to:

DM (if  $m_{DM} < \frac{1}{2} m_{A'}$ )    SM (if  $m_{DM} > \frac{1}{2} m_{A'}$ )  
→ **invisible decay**                          → **visible decay**

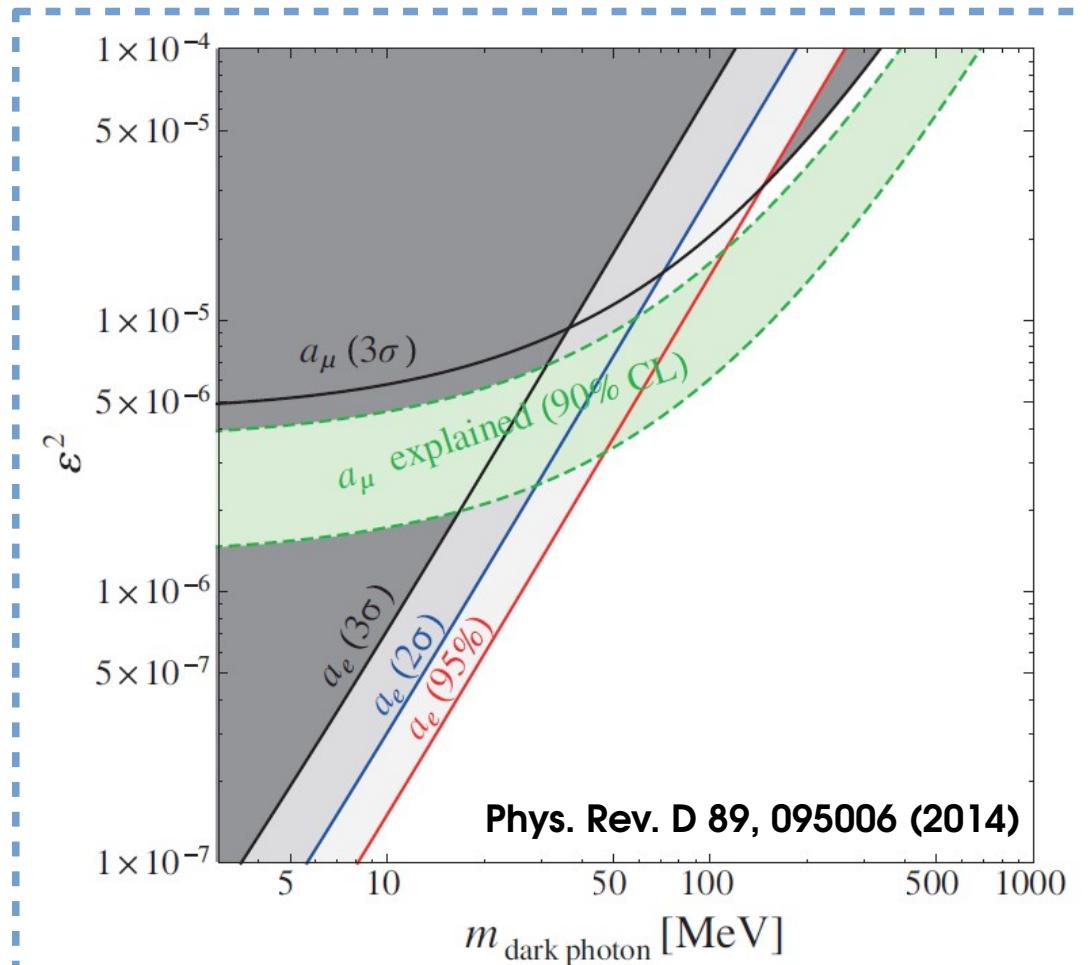
(only prompt decays probed at B-factories)



# Dark Photon as a solution for the $g-2$ anomaly

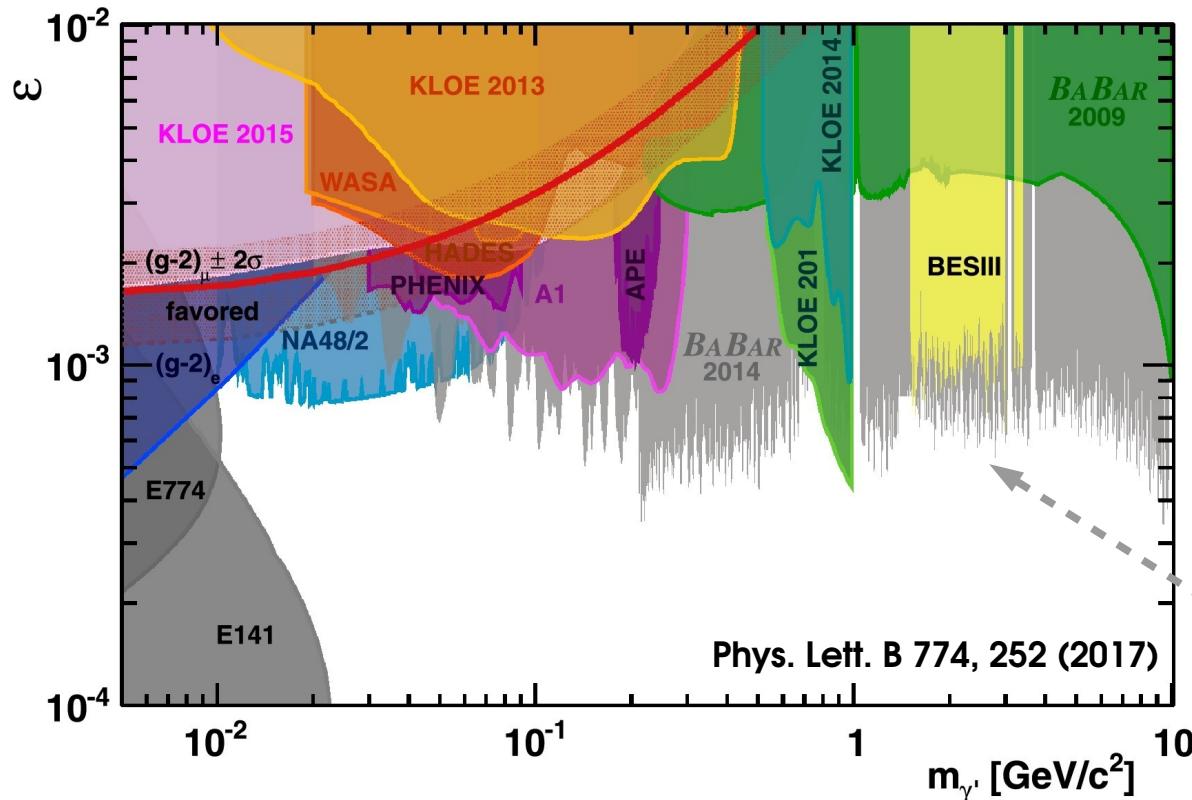


A Dark Photon below 10 GeV can provide  
a **solution** to the  $(g-2)_\mu$  anomaly!



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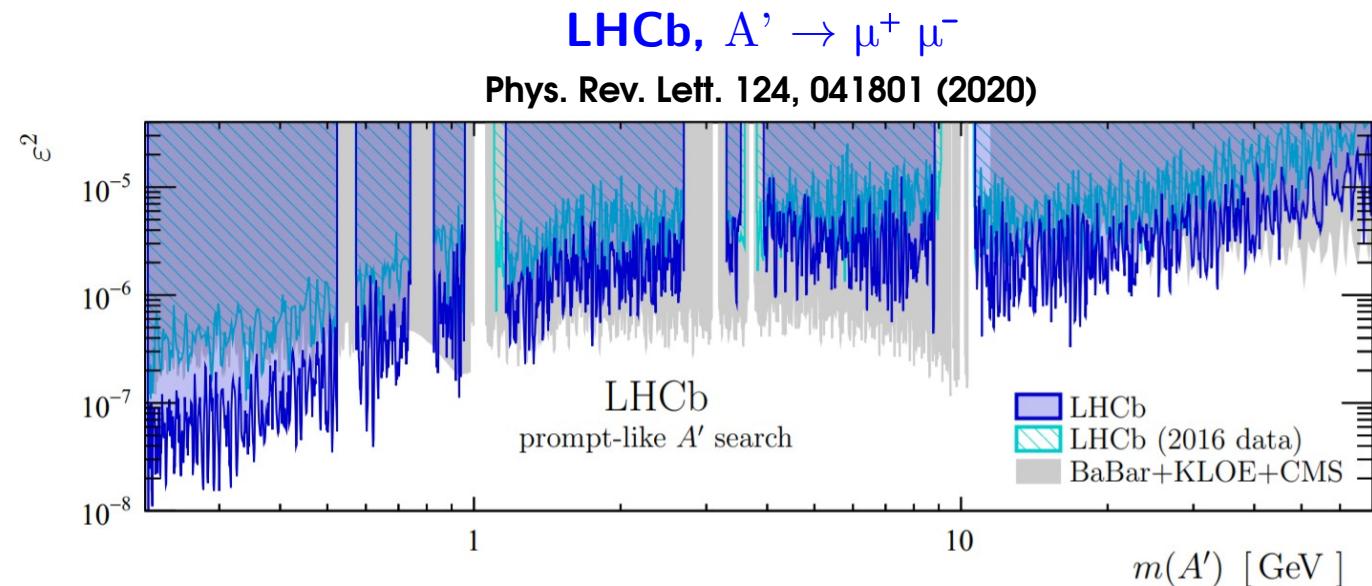
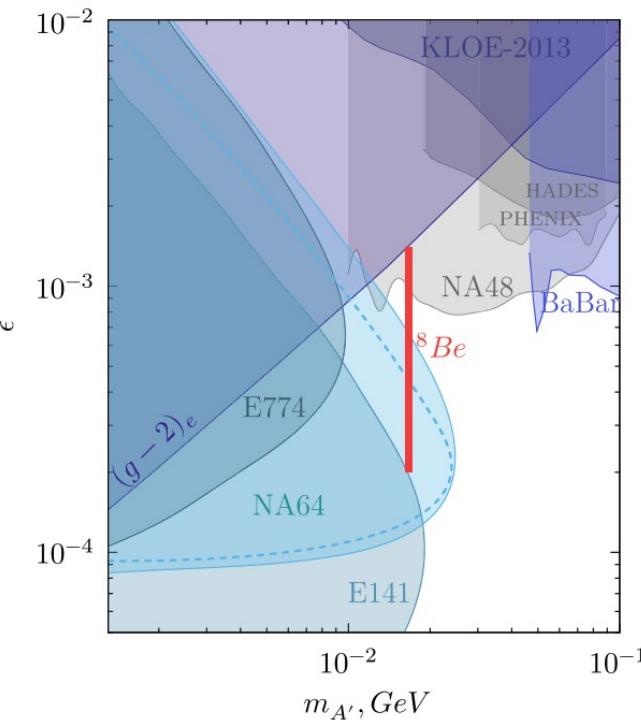
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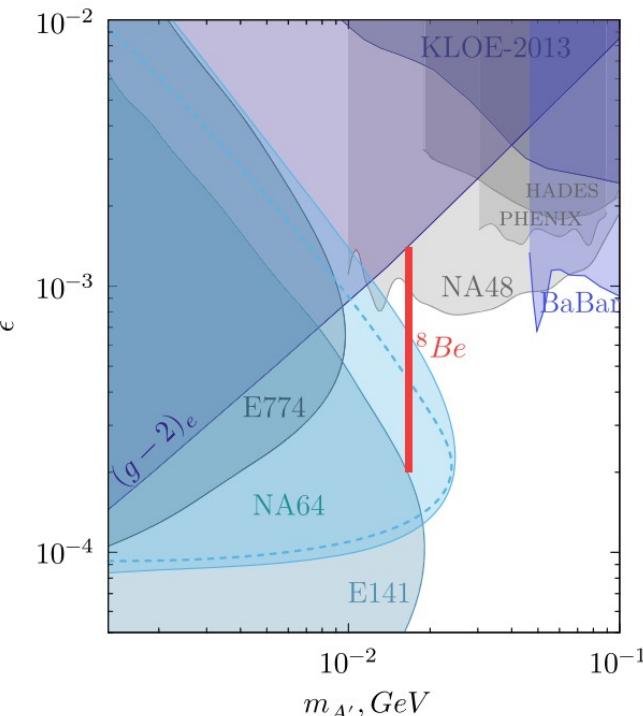


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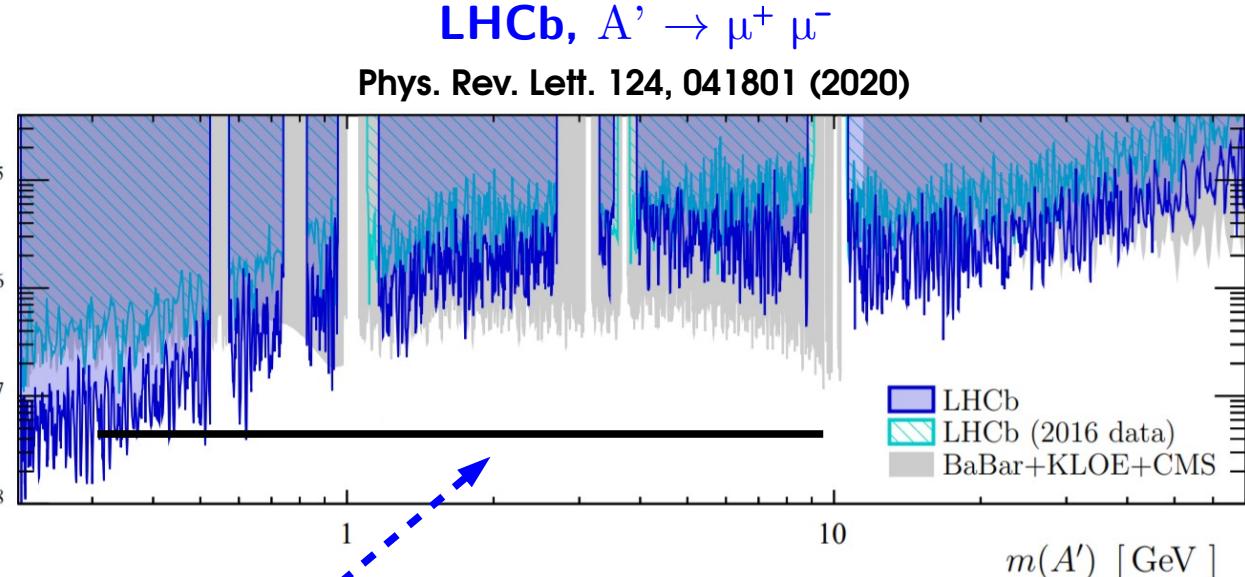
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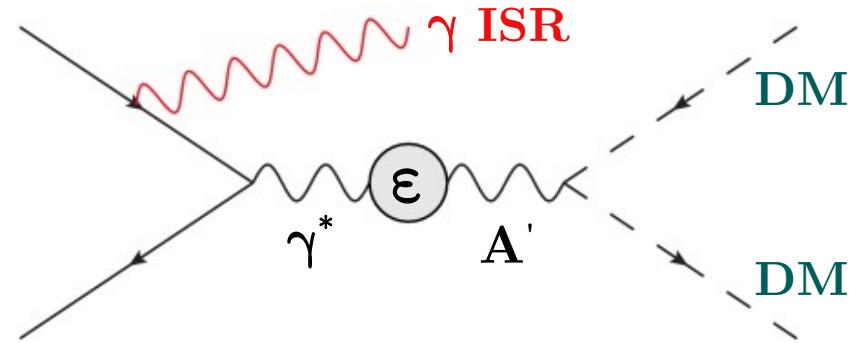
# $A' \rightarrow \text{invisible}$ : strategy

BaBar searched for the invisible decay of a dark photon.

**On-shell** dark photon ( $m_{\text{DM}} < \frac{1}{2} m_{A'}$ )

→ monochromatic **ISR** photon with:

$$E_\gamma = \frac{s - m_{A'}^2}{2\sqrt{s}}$$



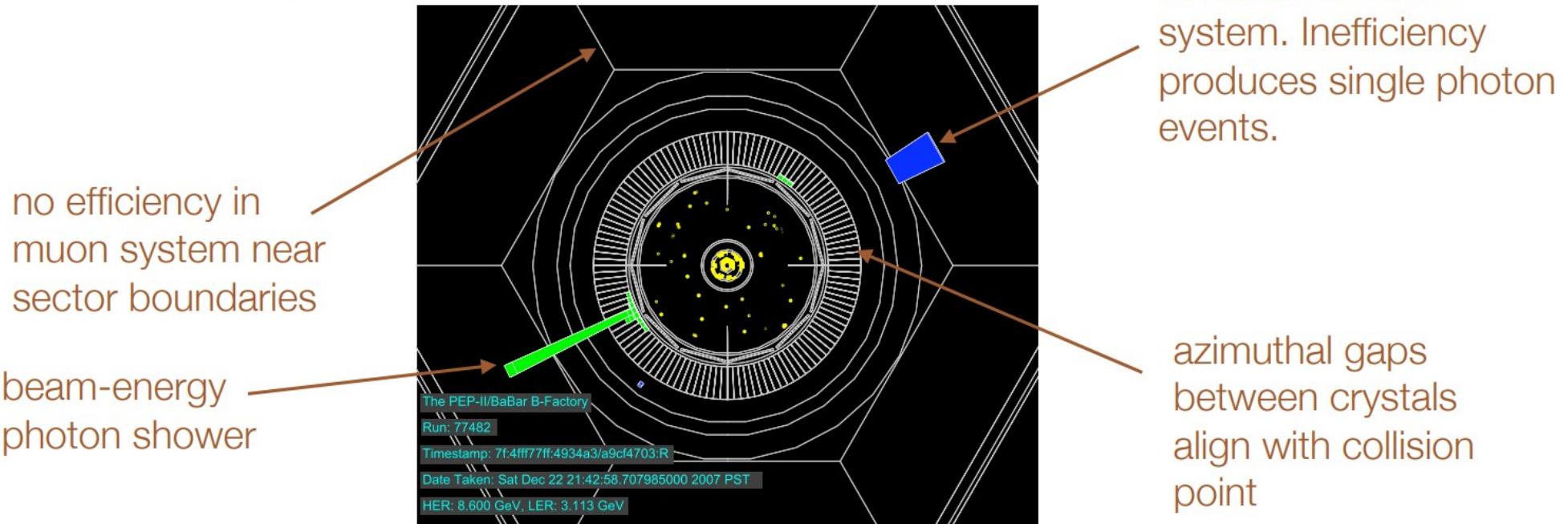
Used about  $50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  recorded with a dedicated single photon trigger in the final BaBar running period:

→ trigger threshold:  $E_\gamma^{\text{CM}} > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$

# $A' \rightarrow$ invisible: background

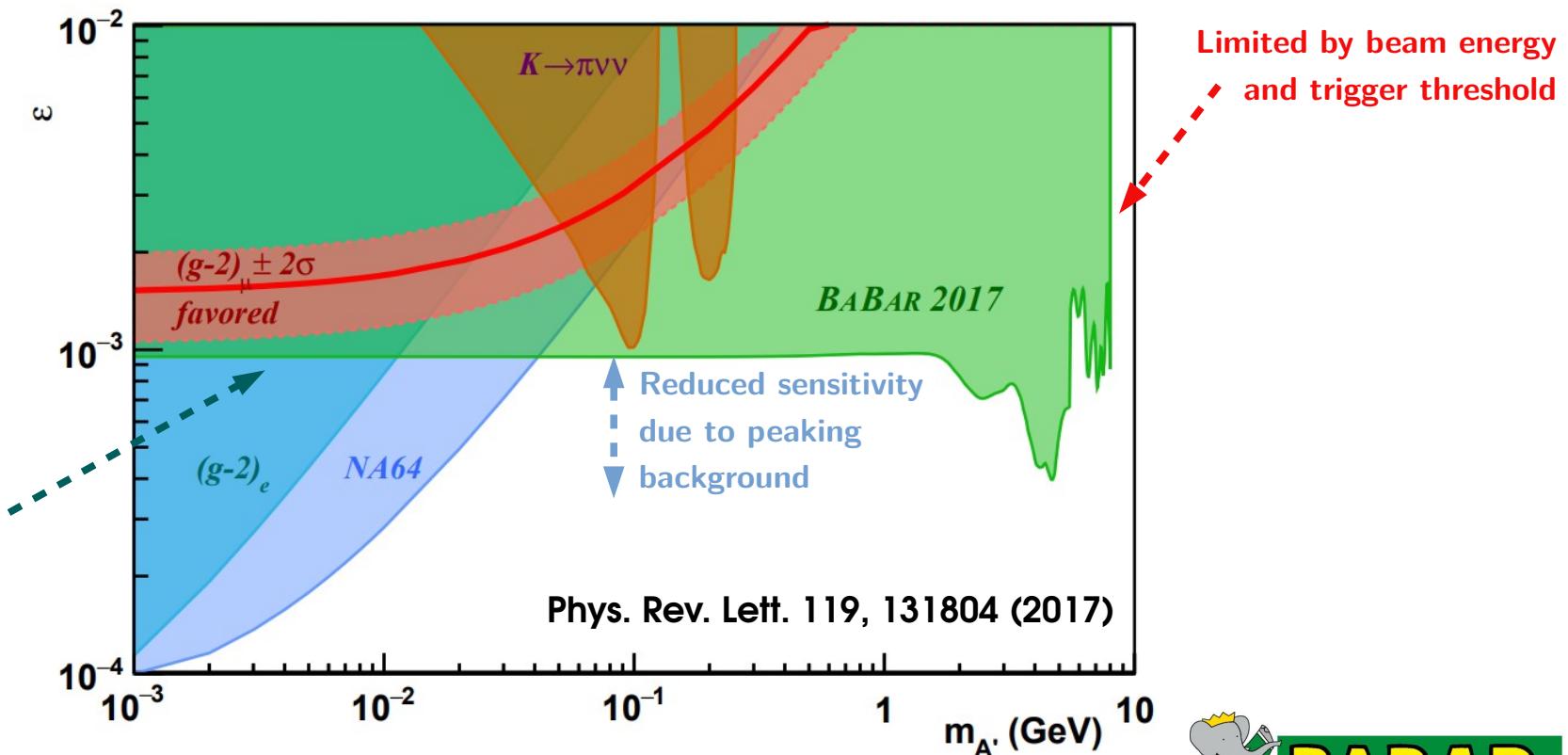
Main background component:

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , with a  $\gamma$  undetected

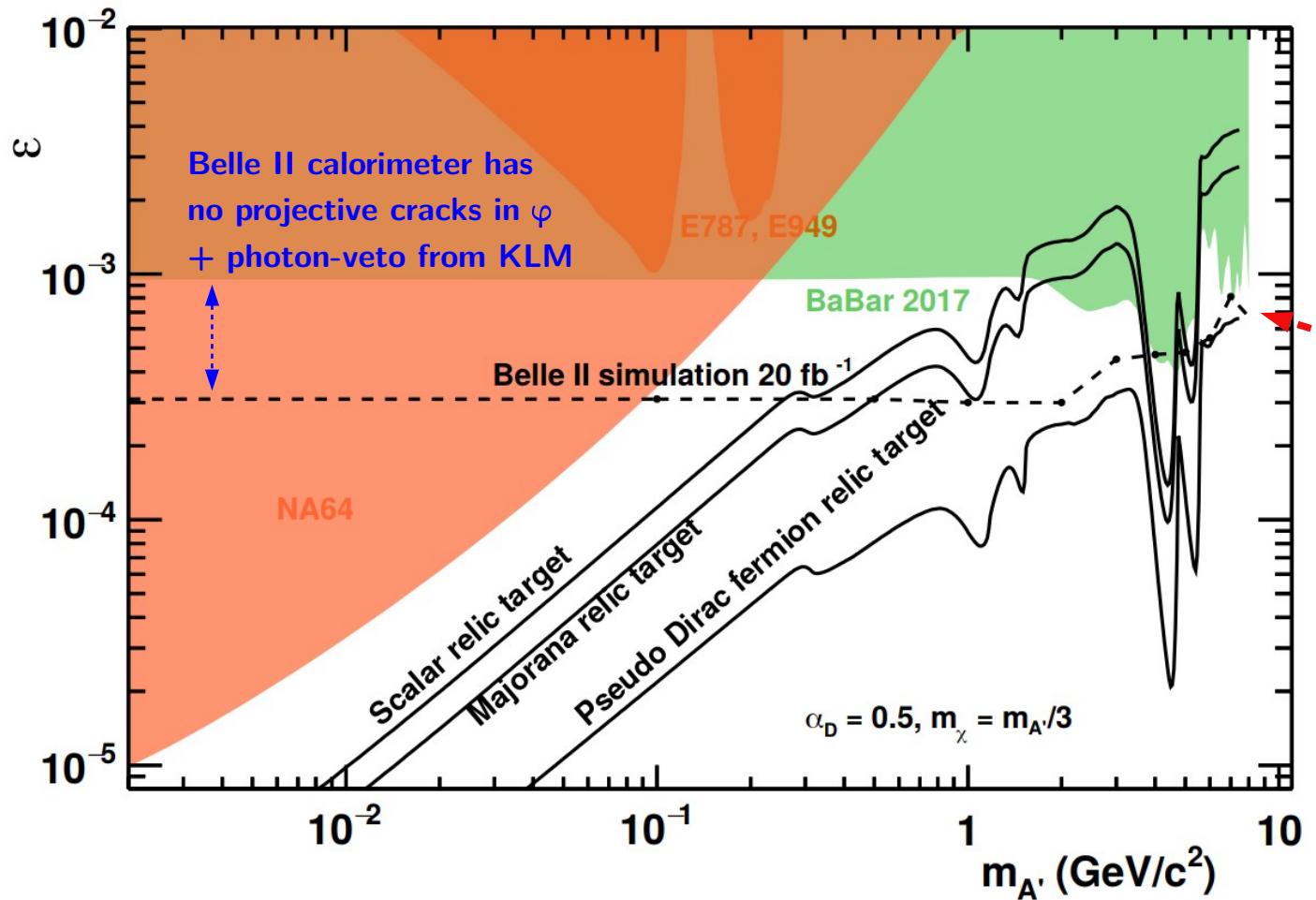


Also  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ , neither  $e^\pm$  in the detector.

# $A' \rightarrow$ invisible: results



# $A' \rightarrow$ invisible: Belle II sensitivity



Trigger threshold  
lower than in BaBar

J. Alexander et al. (2016),  
[arXiv:1608.08632](https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.08632)

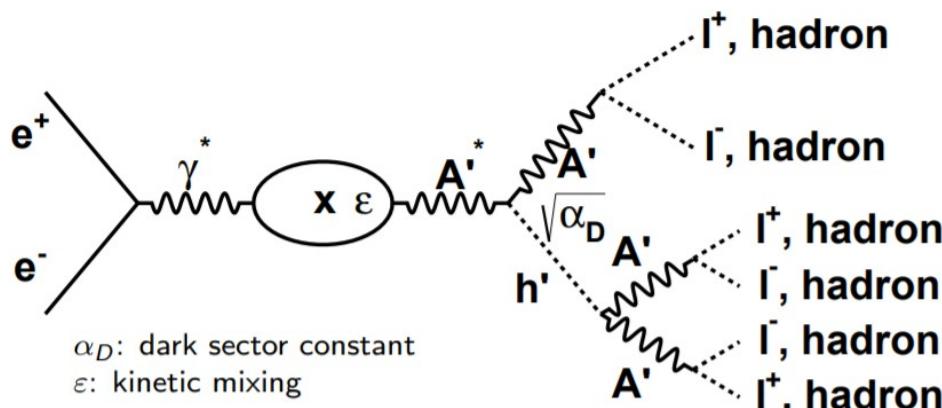
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private communication (2017)

J. P. Lees et al., BaBar (2017),  
[arXiv:1702.0332](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.0332)

The Belle II Physics Book,  
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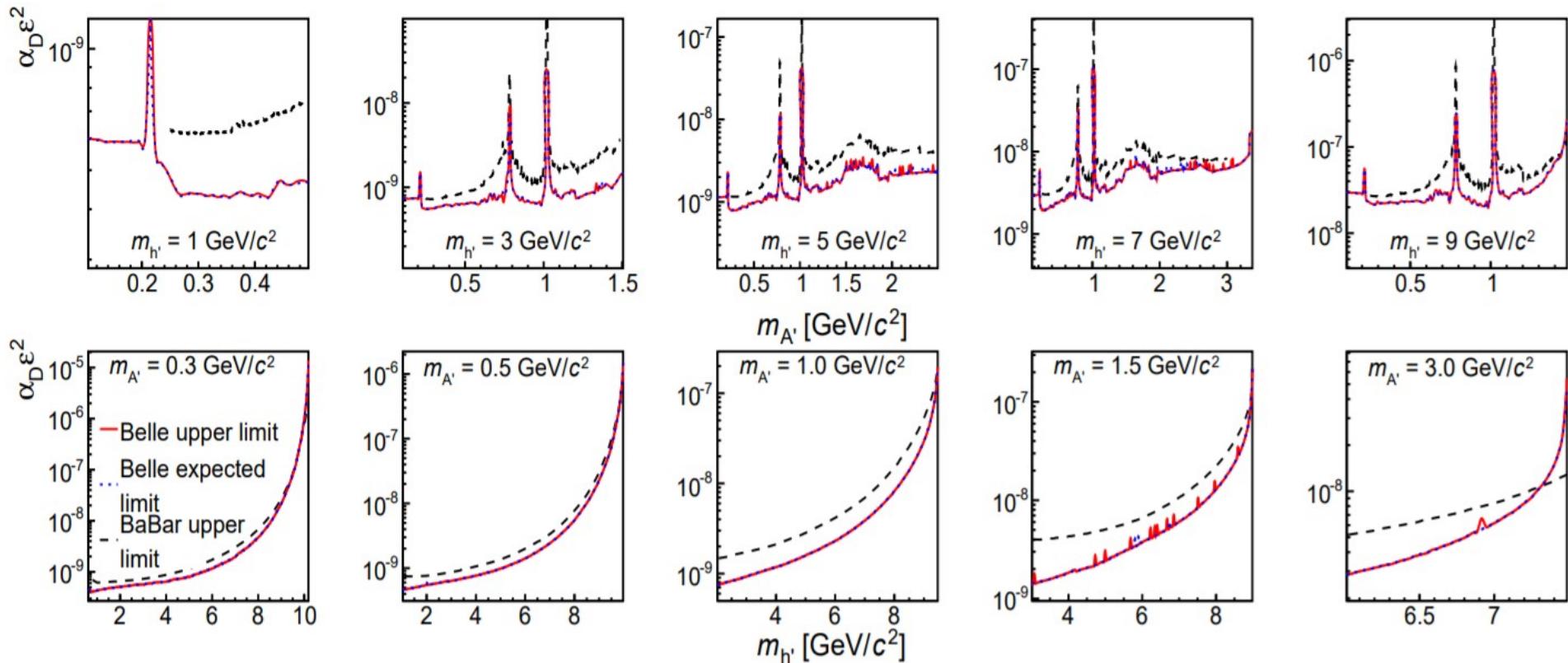
Assuming **prompt decays** for  $A'$  and  $h'$  and also  $m_{h'} > 2m_{A'}$ ,

If  $\alpha_D = 1$ , this is the most sensitive search for a Dark Photon!

Note: the Dark Photon mass could be generated via a spontaneous symmetry mechanism adding a Dark Higgs to the theory.

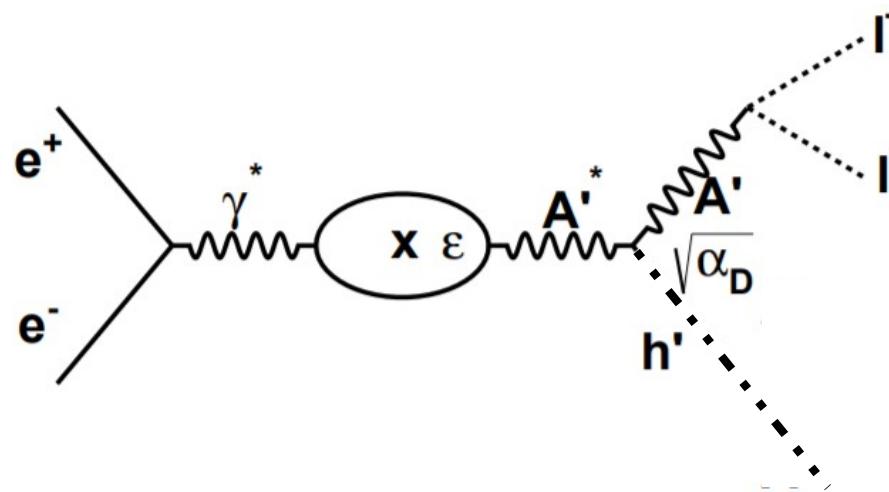
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If  $A' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  we have 2 charged particles in the final state and missing energy:

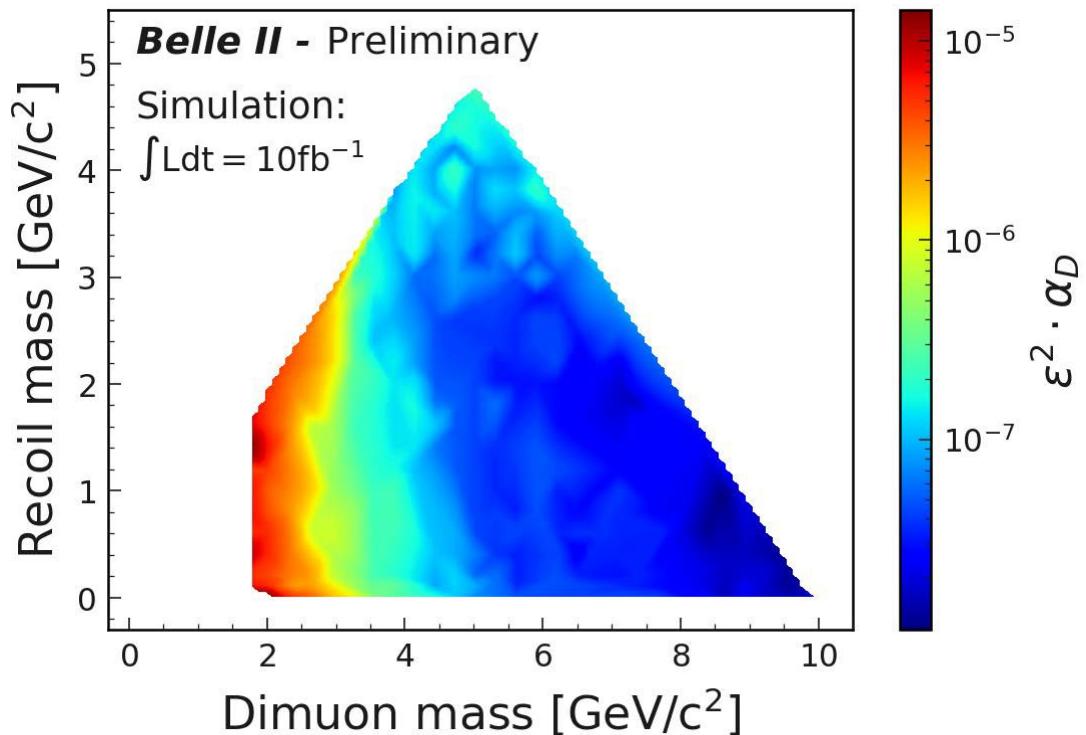
- looking for a peak in both **direct mass** ( $A'$ ) and **recoil mass** ( $h'$ );
- only investigated by KLOE.

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No systematics into account.



Belle II can be competitive using the 2019 data set ( $\sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ).

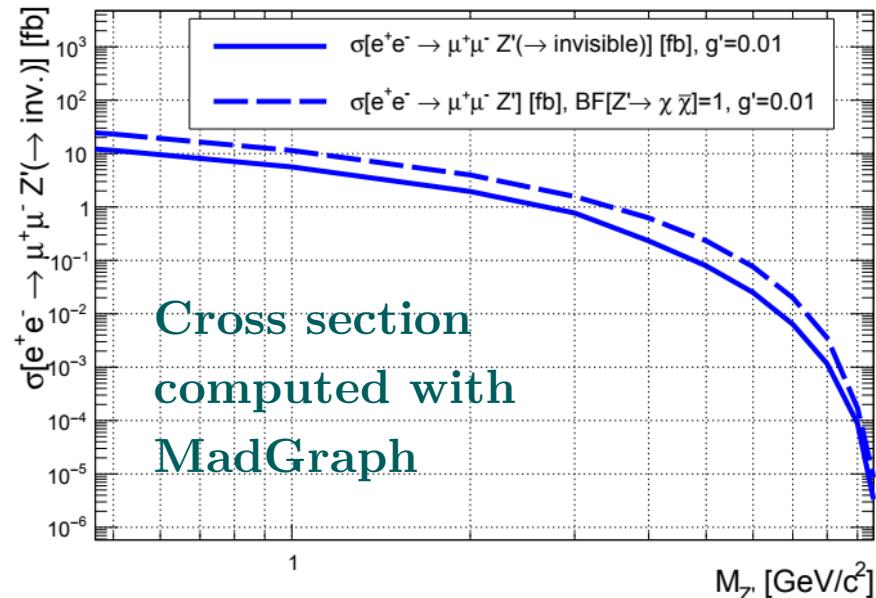
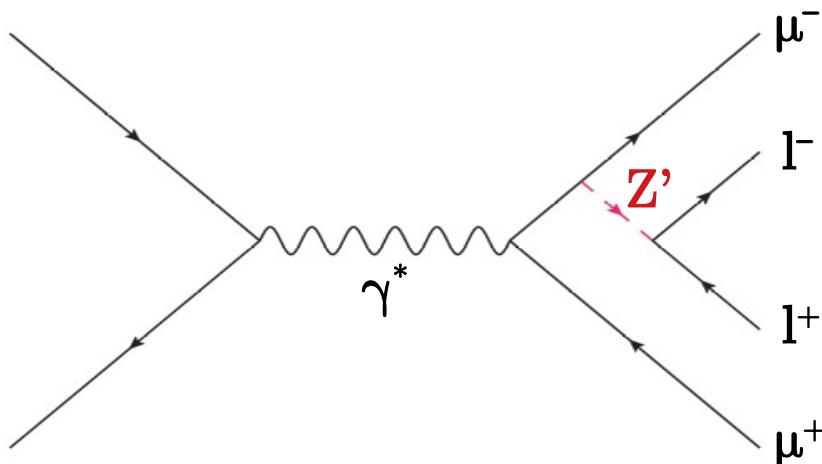
Still unconstrained region beyond the KLOE coverage.

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Shuve et al. (2014), arXiv:1403.2727



Interesting because the existence of such a boson could explain some of the current anomalies:

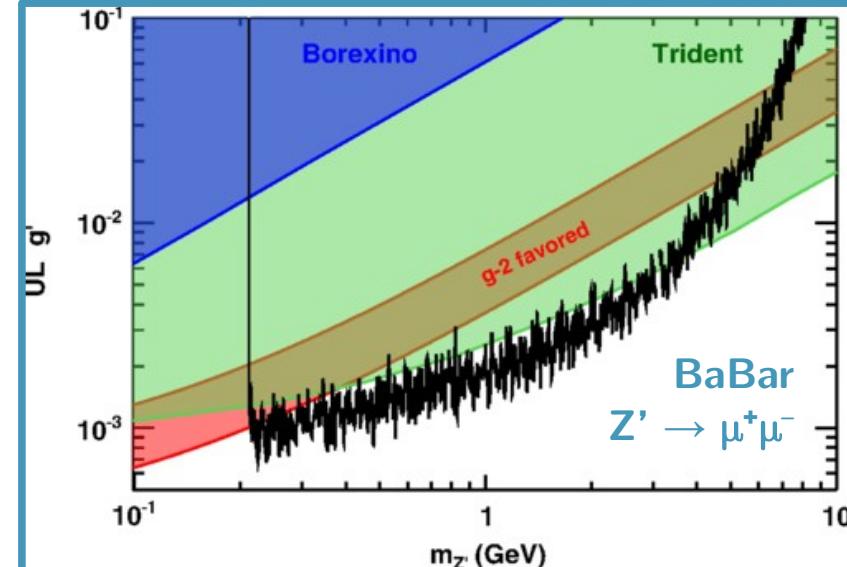
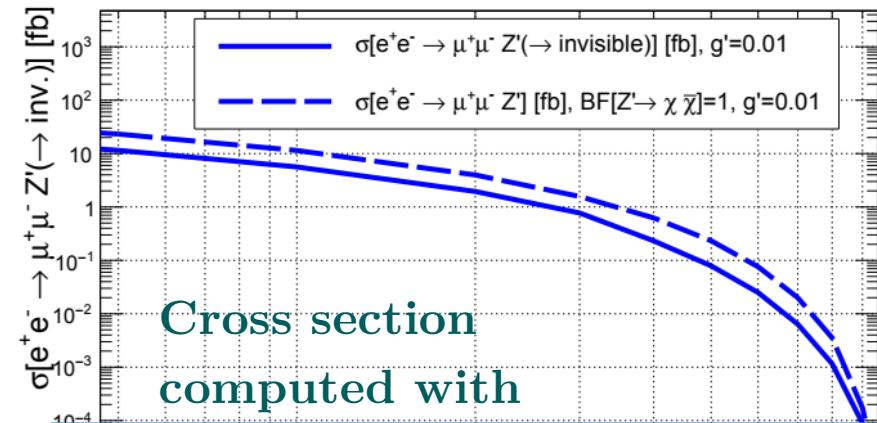
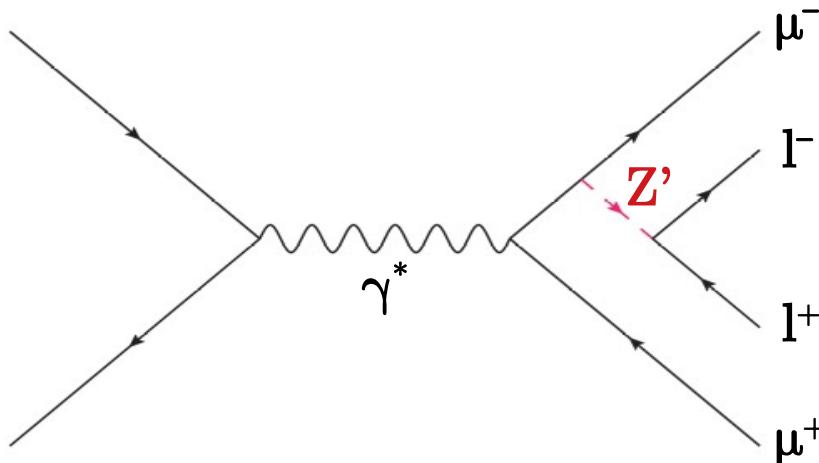
$(g-2)_\mu$   $R(D^{(*)})$   $R(K^{(*)})$

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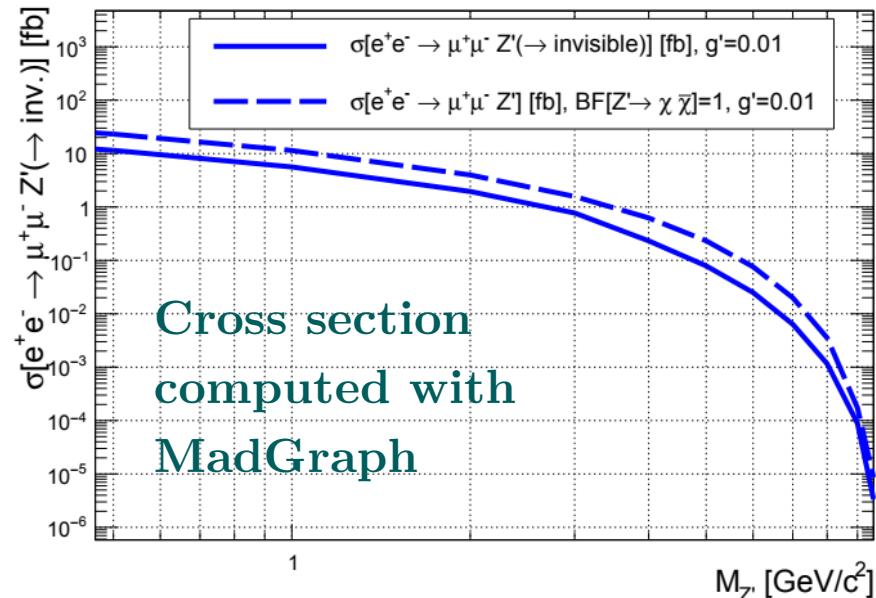
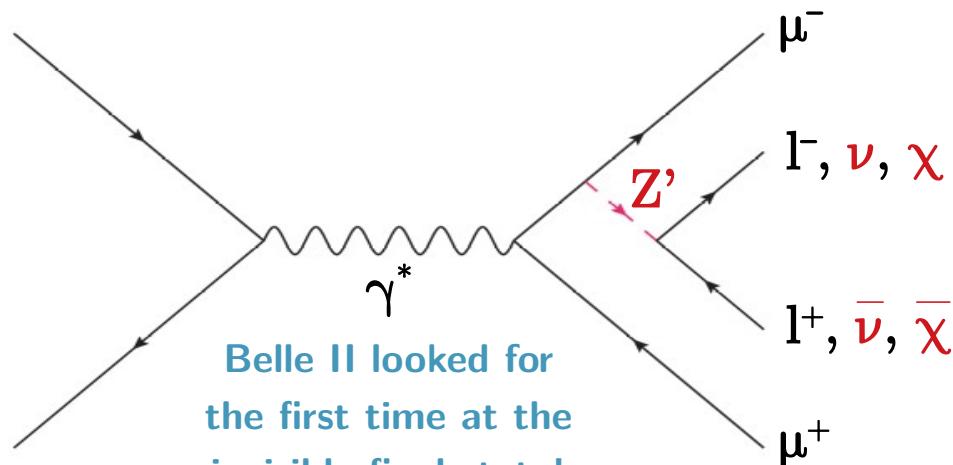


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Branching ratios to invisible:

$$M_{Z'} < 2M_\mu \rightarrow \Gamma(Z' \rightarrow \text{inv.}) = 1$$

$$2M_\mu < M_{Z'} < 2M_\tau \rightarrow \Gamma(Z' \rightarrow \text{inv.}) \sim 1/2$$

$$M_{Z'} > 2M_\tau \rightarrow \Gamma(Z' \rightarrow \text{inv.}) \sim 1/3$$

# $Z' \rightarrow \text{invisible}$ : strategy

**Invisible decay:** reconstruct the recoil mass

w.r.t. a muon pair and look for a peak  
in the recoil mass spectrum.

Also required  $\sim$  nothing in the rest of the event.

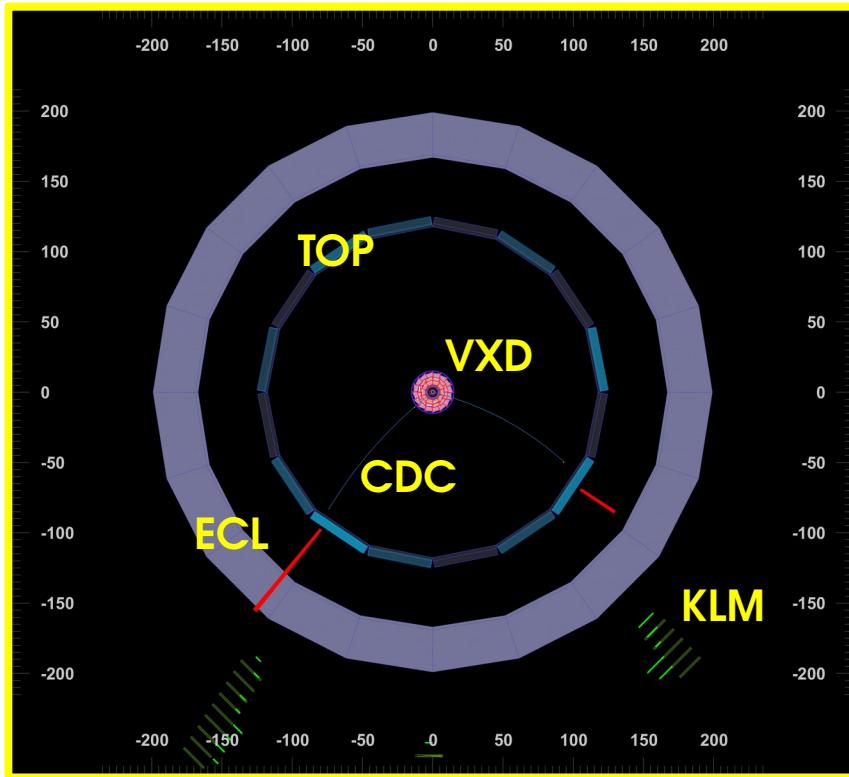
Expected background events:

- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- (\gamma)$
- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- (\gamma)$
- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- \mu^+ \mu^-$

Used 2018 data set ( $276 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ):

**first Belle II physics result!**

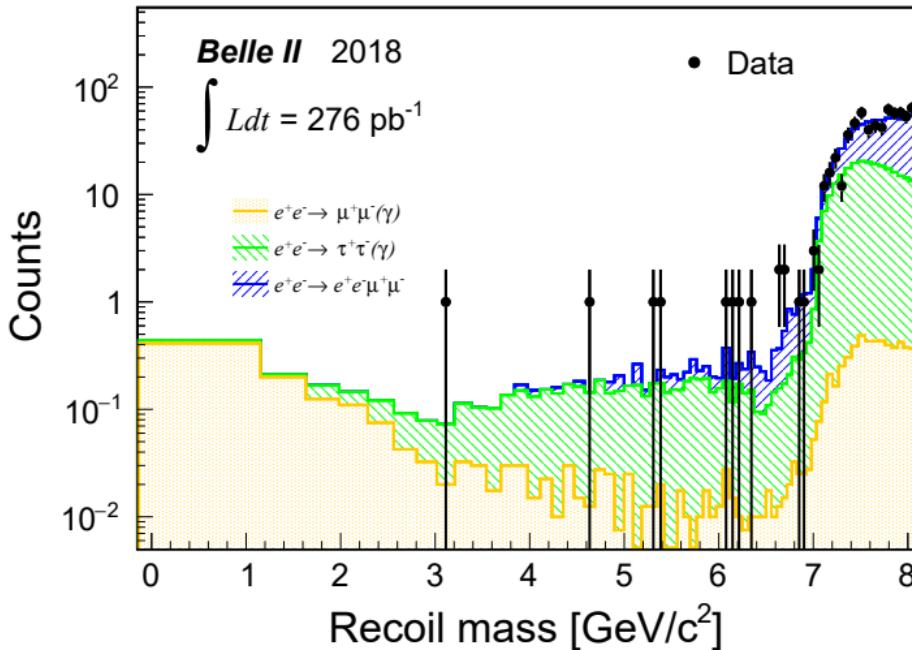
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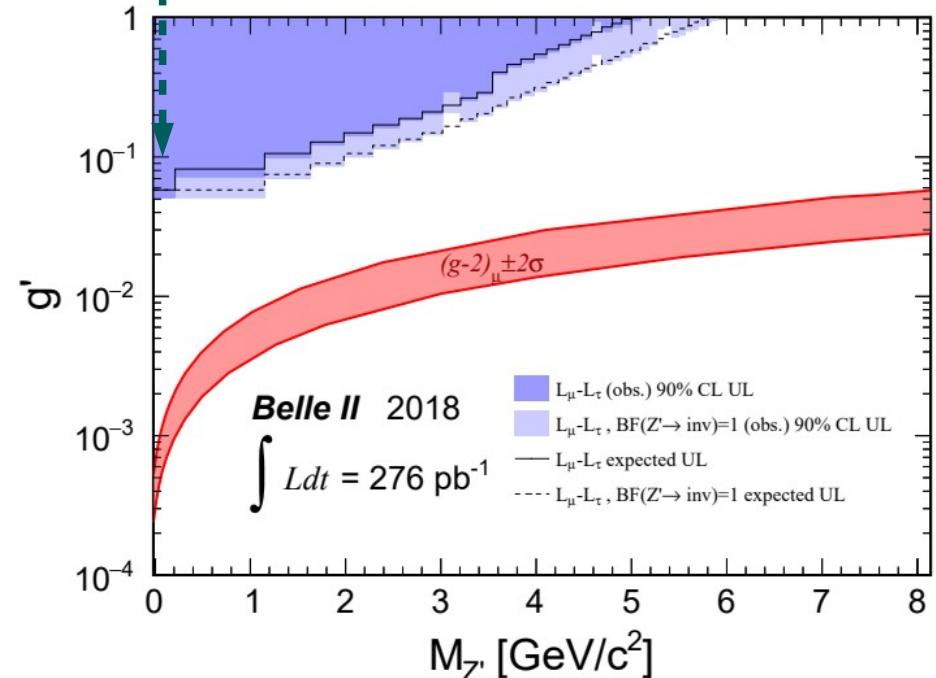
Belle II transverse plane: event display of  
a reconstructed event from **2018 data**

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Probed for the first time the region below the dimuon threshold!



Large improvement expected  
with 2019 data set: stay tuned!

# Summary

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- ✓ Most stringent limits on the Dark Photon mass and coupling in the GeV-range comes from the B-factories
- ✓ Belle II started the operations in 2018 and collected  $> 33 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  so far
  - The first physics result has been published: search for the invisible decay of a  $Z'$  boson, [Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 141801 \(2020\)](#)



Thank you  
for your  
attention



# Backup slides

# SuperKEKB machine parameters

Parameter	KEKB Design	KEKB Achieved	SuperKEKB Design
Energy (GeV) (LER/HER)	3.5/8.0	3.5/8.0	4.0/7.0
$\beta_y^*$ (mm)	10/10	5.9/5.9	0.27/0.30
$\beta_x^*$ (mm)	330/330	1200/1200	32/25
$\epsilon_x$ (nm)	18/18	18/24	3.2/5.3
$\frac{\epsilon_y}{\epsilon_x}$ (%)	1	0.85/0.64	0.27/0.24
$\sigma_y$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	1.9	0.94 $\xrightarrow{1/20}$ 0.048/0.062	
$\xi_y$	0.052	0.129/0.090	0.09/0.081
$\sigma_z$ (mm)	4	6/7	6/5
$I_{beam}$ (A)	2.6/1.1	1.64/1.19 $\xrightarrow{x2}$ 3.6/2.6	
$N_{bunches}$	5000	1584	2500
Luminosity ( $10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )	1.0	2.11 $\xrightarrow{x40}$ 80	

$$L = \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2er_e} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_y^*}{\sigma_x^*}\right) \left(\frac{I_{\pm}\xi_{y\pm}}{\beta_y^*}\right) \left(\frac{R_L}{R_{\xi_{y\pm}}}\right)$$

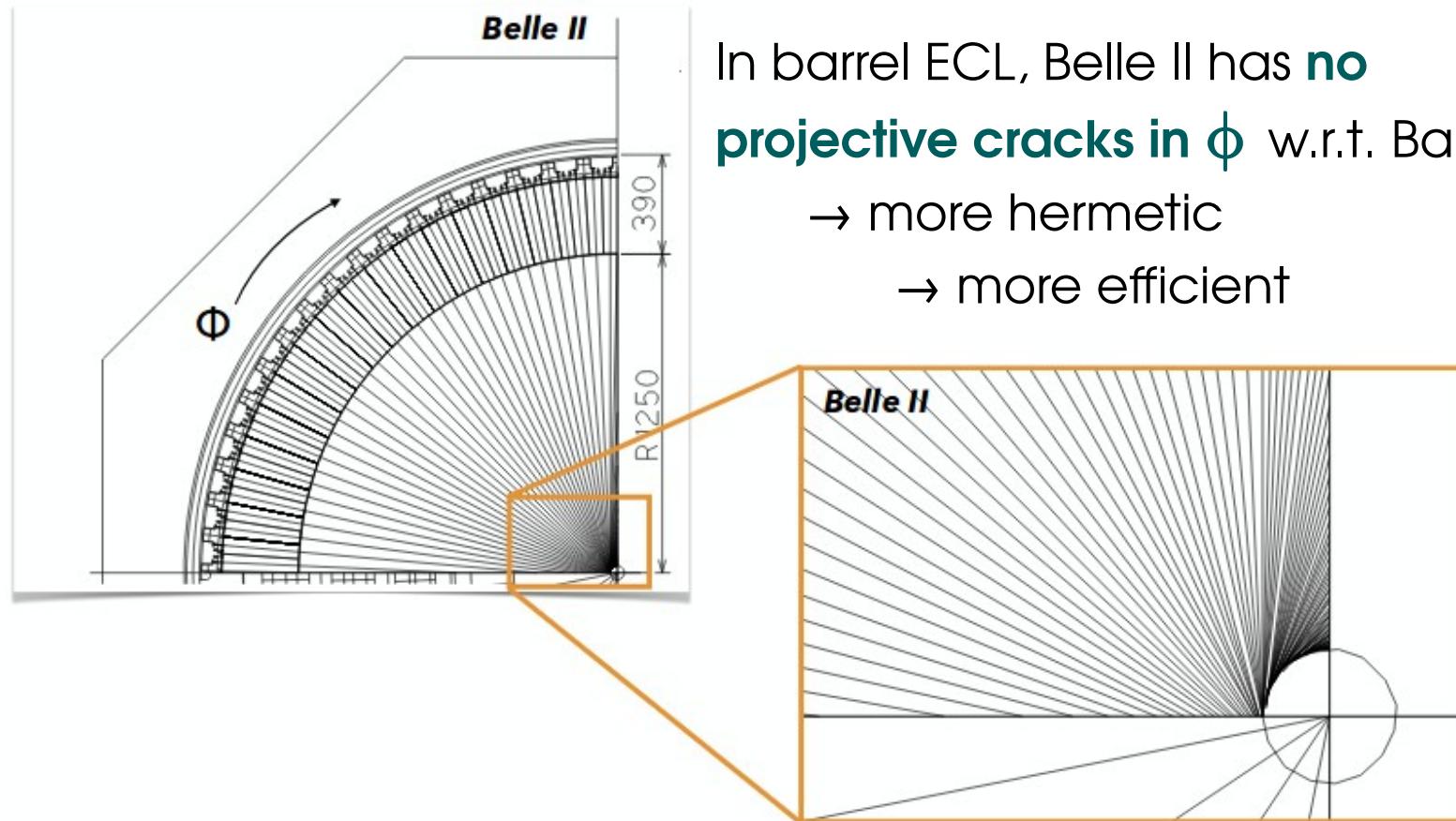
# Cross sections at a B-factory

Physics process	Cross section [nb]	Selection Criteria	Reference
$\gamma(4S)$	$1.110 \pm 0.008$	-	[2]
$u\bar{u}(\gamma)$	1.61	-	KKMC
$d\bar{d}(\gamma)$	0.40	-	KKMC
$s\bar{s}(\gamma)$	0.38	-	KKMC
$c\bar{c}(\gamma)$	1.30	-	KKMC
$e^+e^-(\gamma)$	$300 \pm 3$ (MC stat.)	$10^\circ < \theta_e^* < 170^\circ$ , $E_e^* > 0.15$ GeV	BABAYAGA.NLO
$e^+e^-(\gamma)$	74.4	$p_e > 0.5$ GeV/c and e in ECL	-
$\gamma\gamma(\gamma)$	$4.99 \pm 0.05$ (MC stat.)	$10^\circ < \theta_\gamma^* < 170^\circ$ , $E_\gamma^* > 0.15$ GeV	BABAYAGA.NLO
$\gamma\gamma(\gamma)$	3.30	$E_\gamma > 0.5$ GeV in ECL	-
$\mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$	1.148	-	KKMC
$\mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$	0.831	$p_\mu > 0.5$ GeV/c in CDC	-
$\mu^+\mu^-\gamma(\gamma)$	0.242	$p_\mu > 0.5$ GeV in CDC, $\geq 1$ $\gamma$ ( $E_\gamma > 0.5$ GeV) in ECL	-
$\tau^+\tau^-(\gamma)$	0.919	-	KKMC
$\nu\bar{\nu}(\gamma)$	$0.25 \times 10^{-3}$	-	KKMC
$e^+e^-e^+e^-$	$39.7 \pm 0.1$ (MC stat.)	$W_{\ell\ell} > 0.5$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	AAFH
$e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$	$18.9 \pm 0.1$ (MC stat.)	$W_{\ell\ell} > 0.5$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	AAFH

E. Kou, P. Urquijo et al.,

arXiv:1808.10567

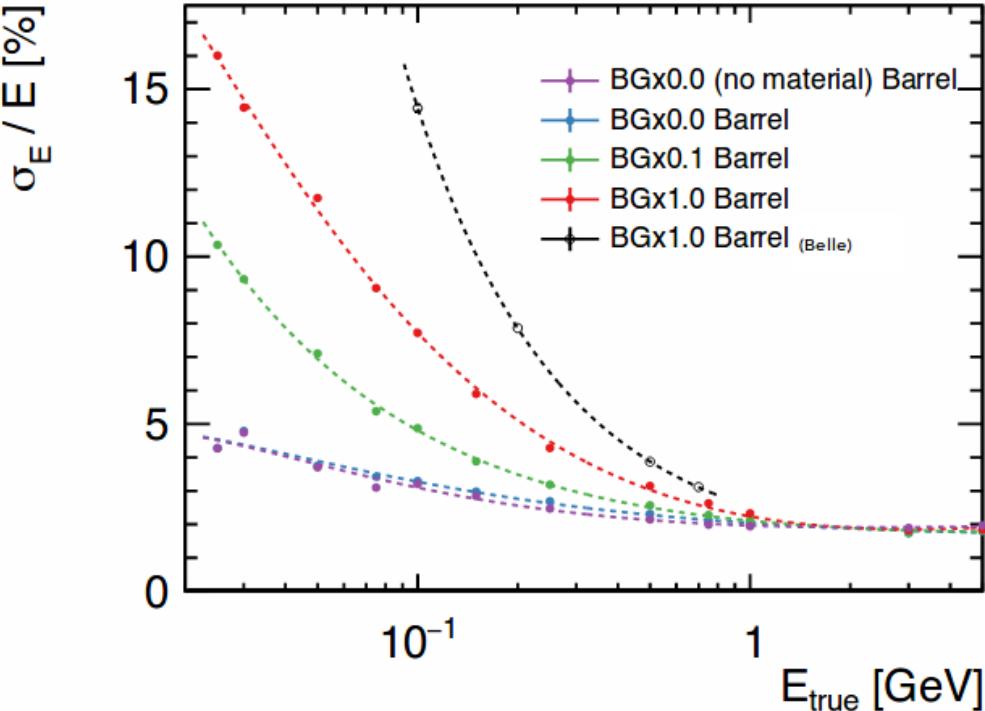
# Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECL)



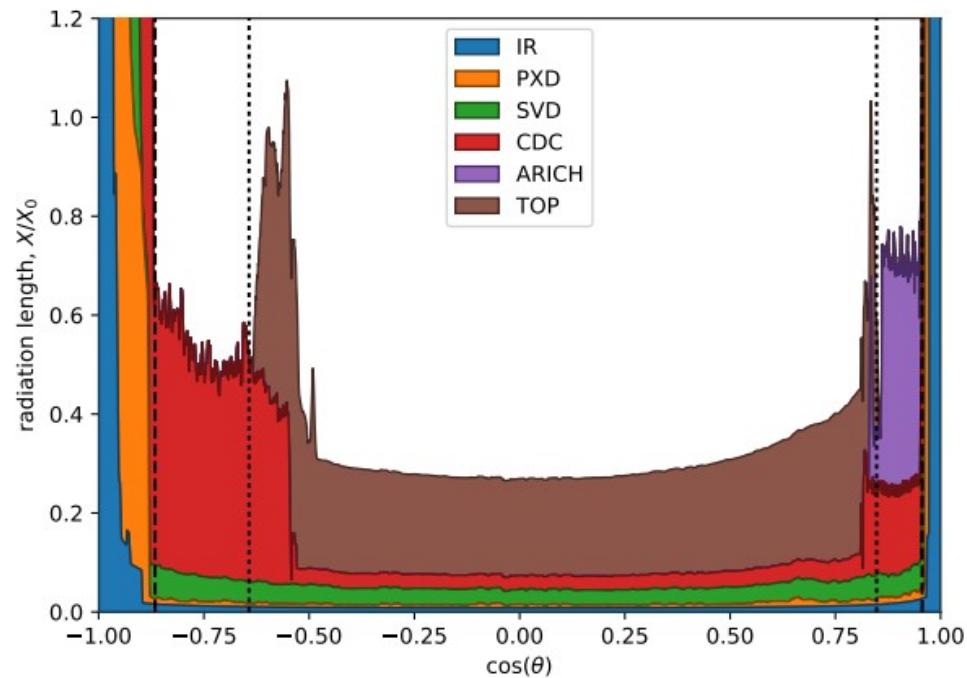
In barrel ECL, Belle II has **no projective cracks in  $\phi$**  w.r.t. BaBar:  
→ more hermetic  
→ more efficient

# Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECL)

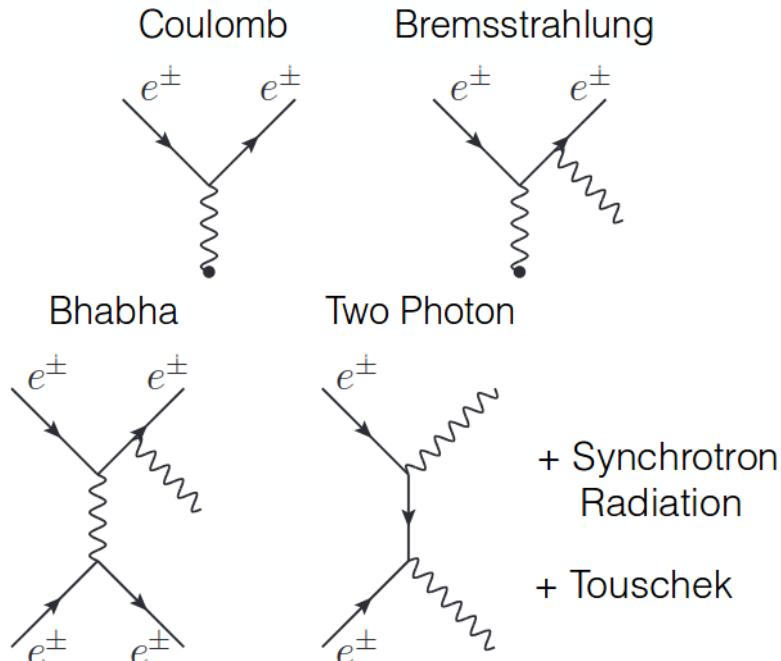
**Energy resolution in Belle II barrel:**



**Material budget in front of ECL:**



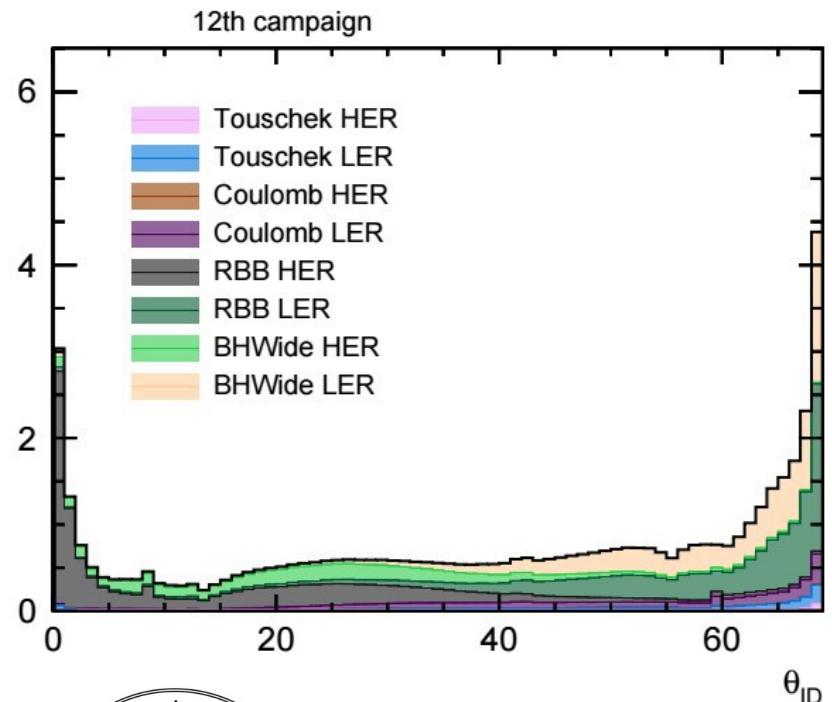
# Beam background



## Effects from beam background:

- degrades calorimeter resolution.
- radiation damage.
- pile-up and event size.
- physics background

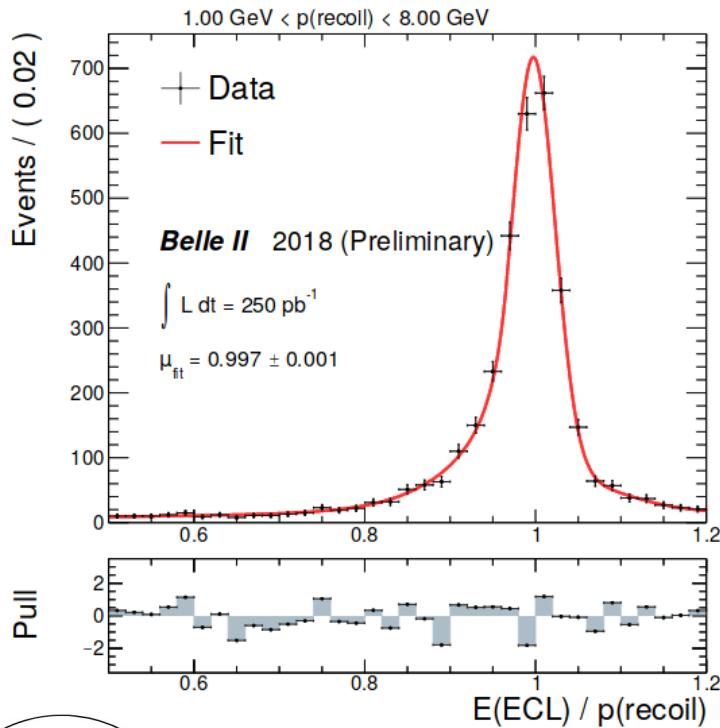
Average dose per crystal [Gy / year]



**BEAST**: dedicated systems  
for continuous beam  
background measurement  
and monitoring!

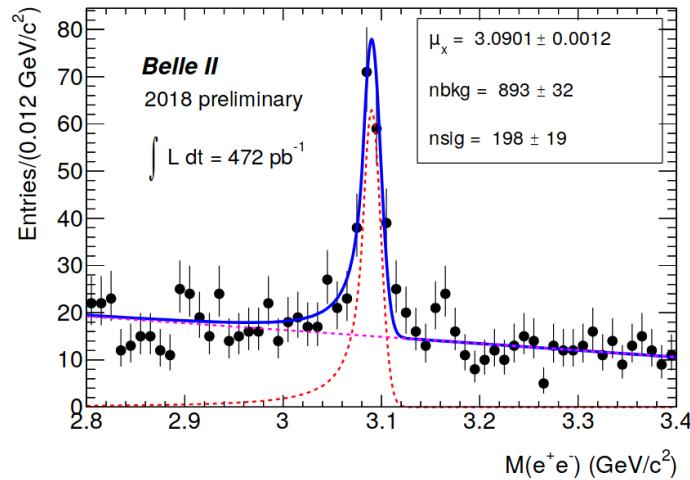
See P. Lewis et al.: 10.1016/j.nima.2018.05.071

# Highlights from 2018



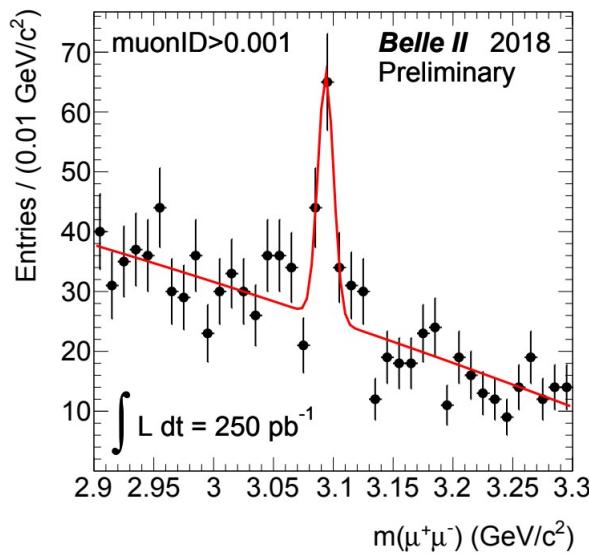
Excellent photon  
resolution

G. De Pietro



$J/\Psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

$J/\Psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$



# Dark Photon: invisible decay (signal)

## Signal signature:

- a single, mono-chromatic, high-E photon  
**(ISR photon)**

- a bump in the recoil mass:

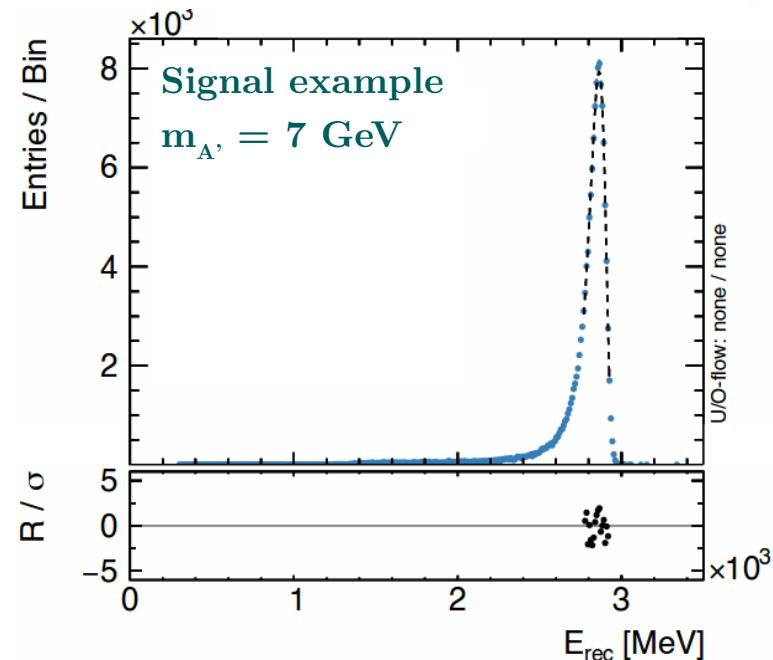
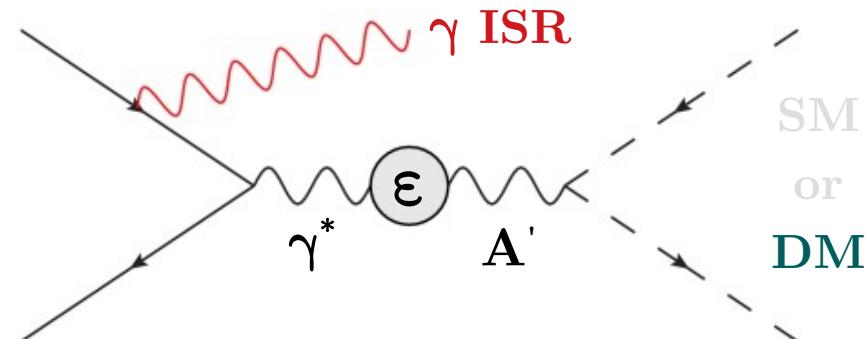
$$E_\gamma = \frac{s - m_{A'}^2}{2\sqrt{s}}$$

Needed a special **single photon trigger**

*(not available in Belle, only  $\sim 10\%$  of all data in BaBar)*

Trigger logic	L1 rate at full luminosity
$E > 1 \text{ GeV}$	4 kHz (barrel)
+ 2 <sup>nd</sup> cluster $E < 300 \text{ MeV}$	7 kHz (endcaps)
$E > 2 \text{ GeV}$ + Bhabba & $\gamma\gamma$ vetoes	5 kHz (barrel)

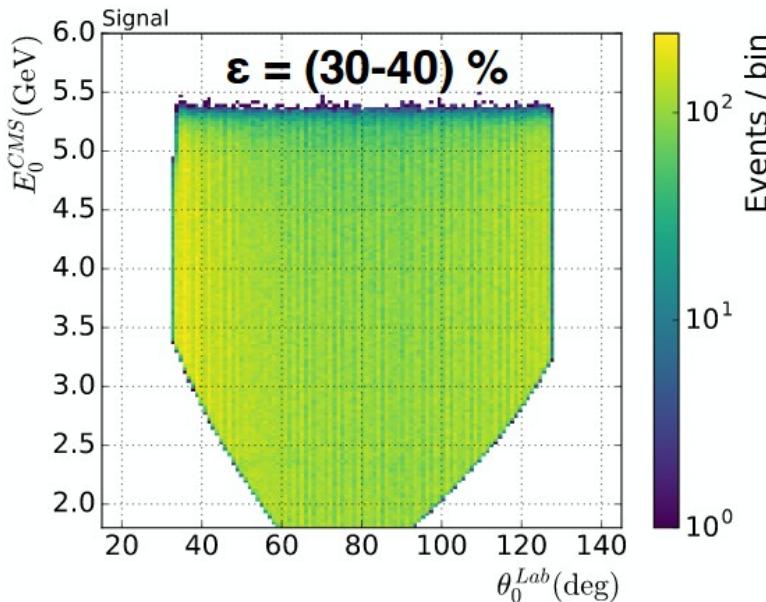
Max. L1 rate:  
 $< 30 \text{ kHz}$   
**Sustainable**  
for entire  
Phase 3?



# Dark Photon: invisible decay (signal)

Discriminant variables:

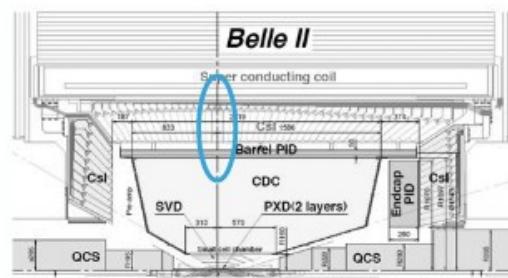
$E_{\text{CMS}}$  vs. polar angle of “single photon”



Signal signature:

**peak in  $E_{\text{CMS}}$  (horizontal band)**

# Dark Photon: invisible decay (background)



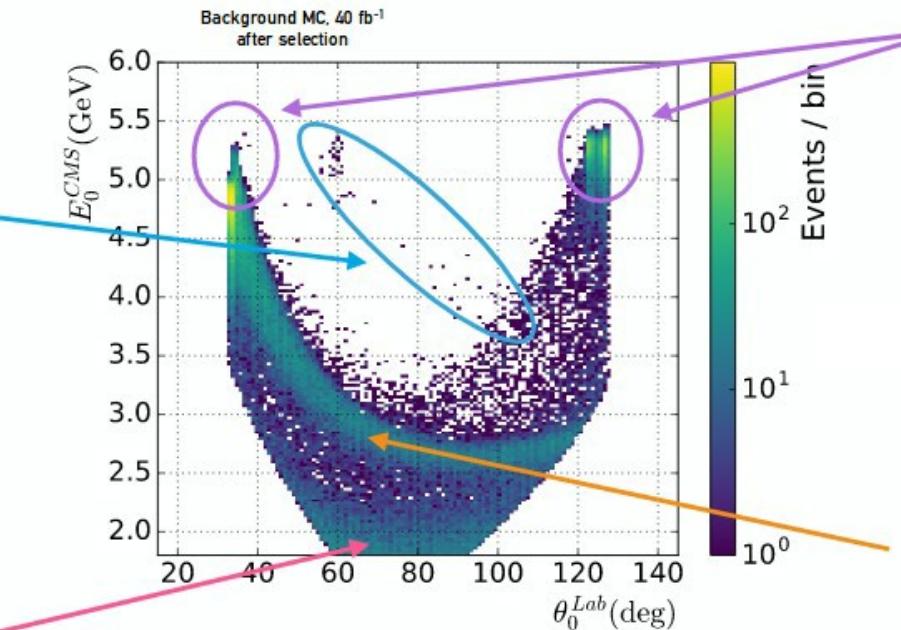
$ee \rightarrow 2\gamma$  and  $3\gamma$   
1 $\gamma$  in ECL 90° gap  
1 $\gamma$  out of ECL acceptance

$ee \rightarrow eey$

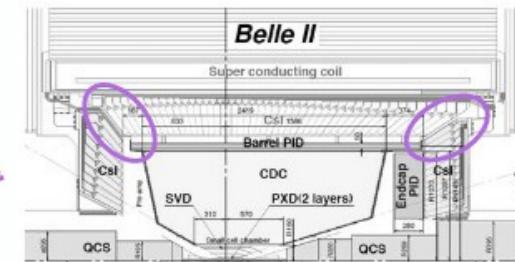
both electrons  
out of tracking acceptance

Discriminant variables:

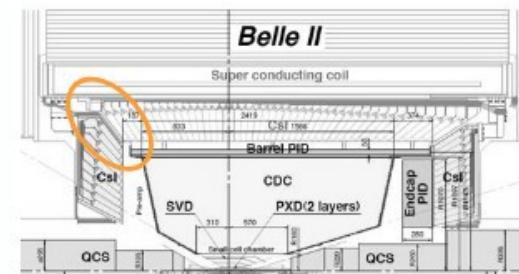
$E_{CMS}$  vs. polar angle of “single photon”



Signal signature:  
**peak in  $E_{CMS}$  (horizontal band)**



$ee \rightarrow 2\gamma$   
1 $\gamma$  in ECL BWD or FWD gap

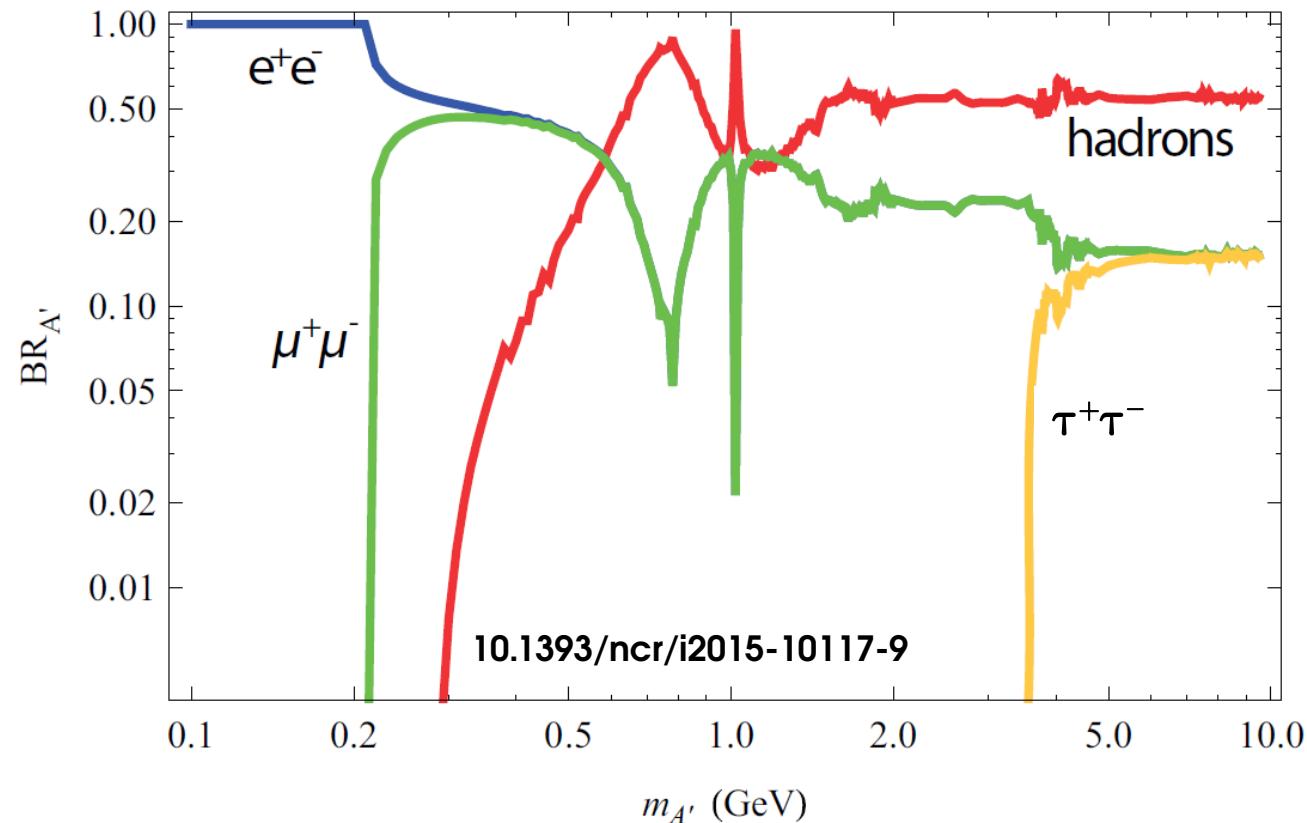


$ee \rightarrow 3\gamma$

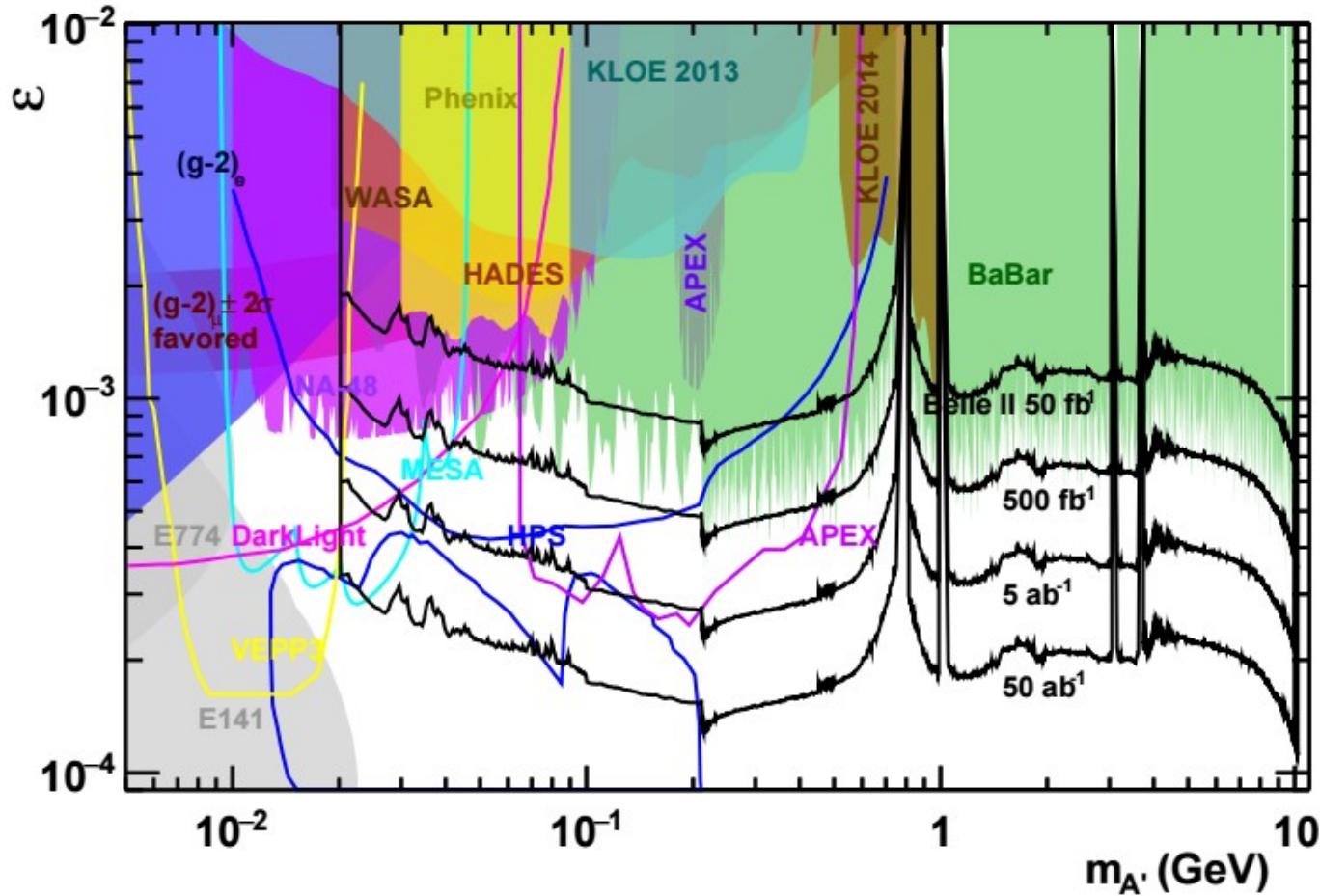
1 $\gamma$  in ECL BWD gap  
1 $\gamma$  out of ECL acceptance

# $A' \rightarrow$ visible

Branching Fraction of a Dark Photon into visible final states.



# Dark Photon: leptonic decay



Look for a bump in the  $e^+e^-$  or  $\mu^+\mu^-$  invariant mass over a (large) QED background

Belle II sensitivity is obtained by scaling the BaBar measurement:

- **expected better invariant mass resolution**
- **expected better triggers**

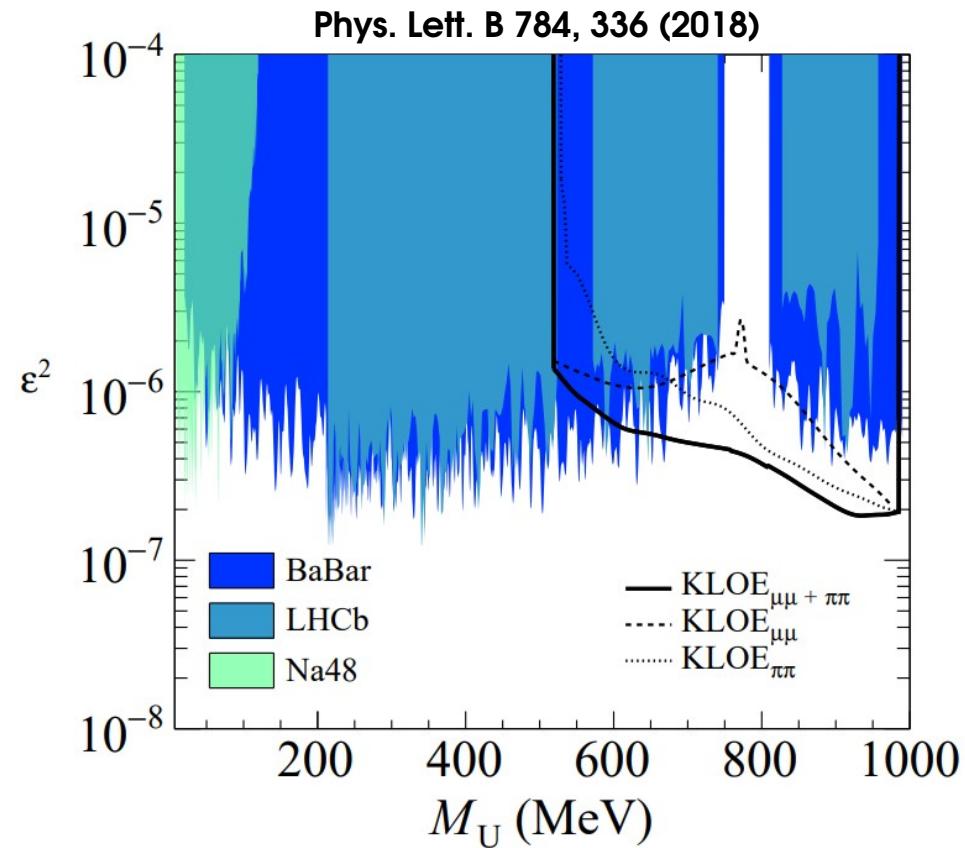
# $A' \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ : current status

Very interesting final state...

- searched only by KLOE ( $A' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ )
- covered only the region  $m_{A'} < 1 \text{ GeV}$

... but quite challenging!

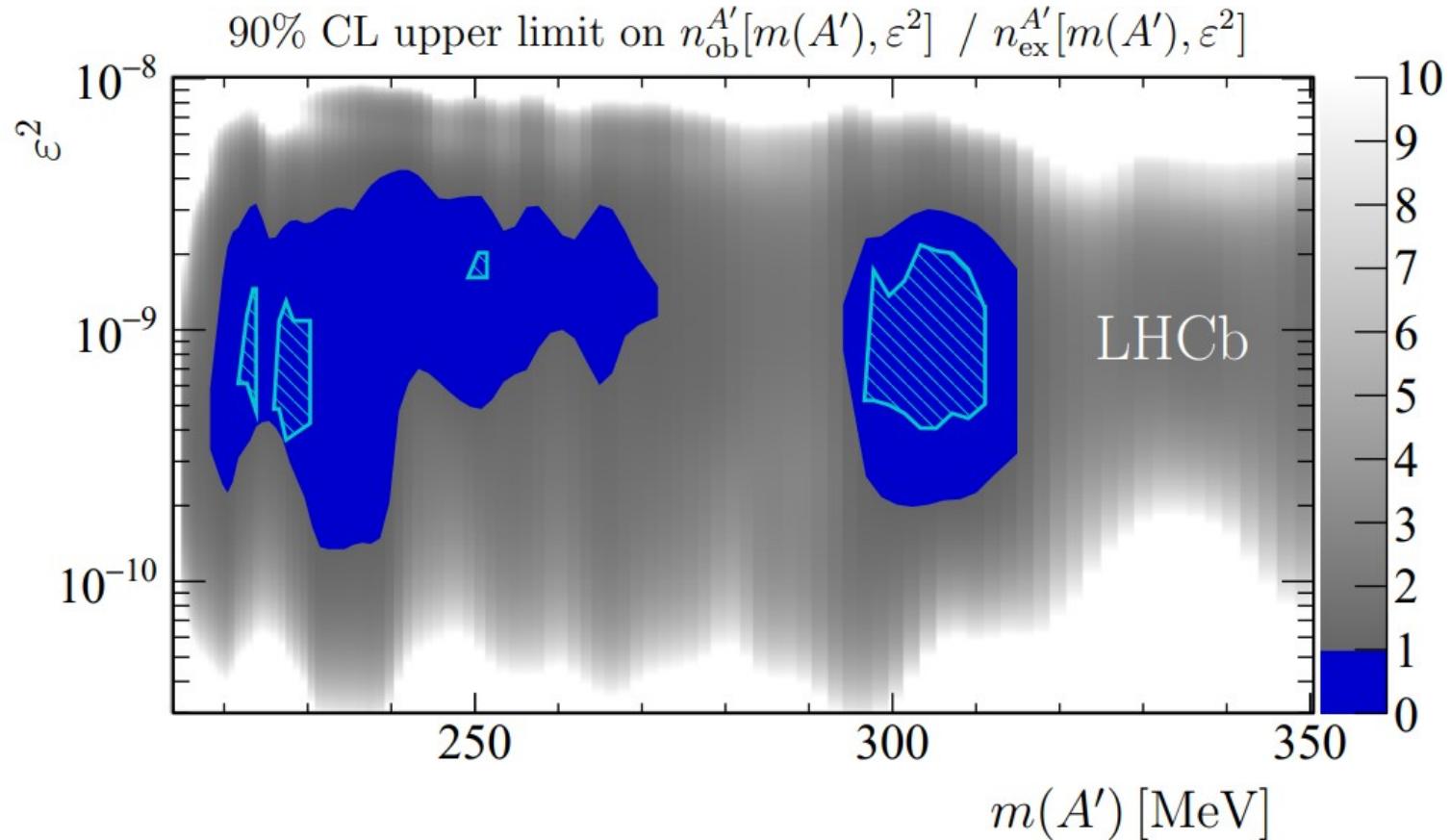
- due to large available phase space + hadronization, many final states must be considered
- background from hadronic events



Belle II aims to cover  
 $m_{A'} > 1 \text{ GeV}$

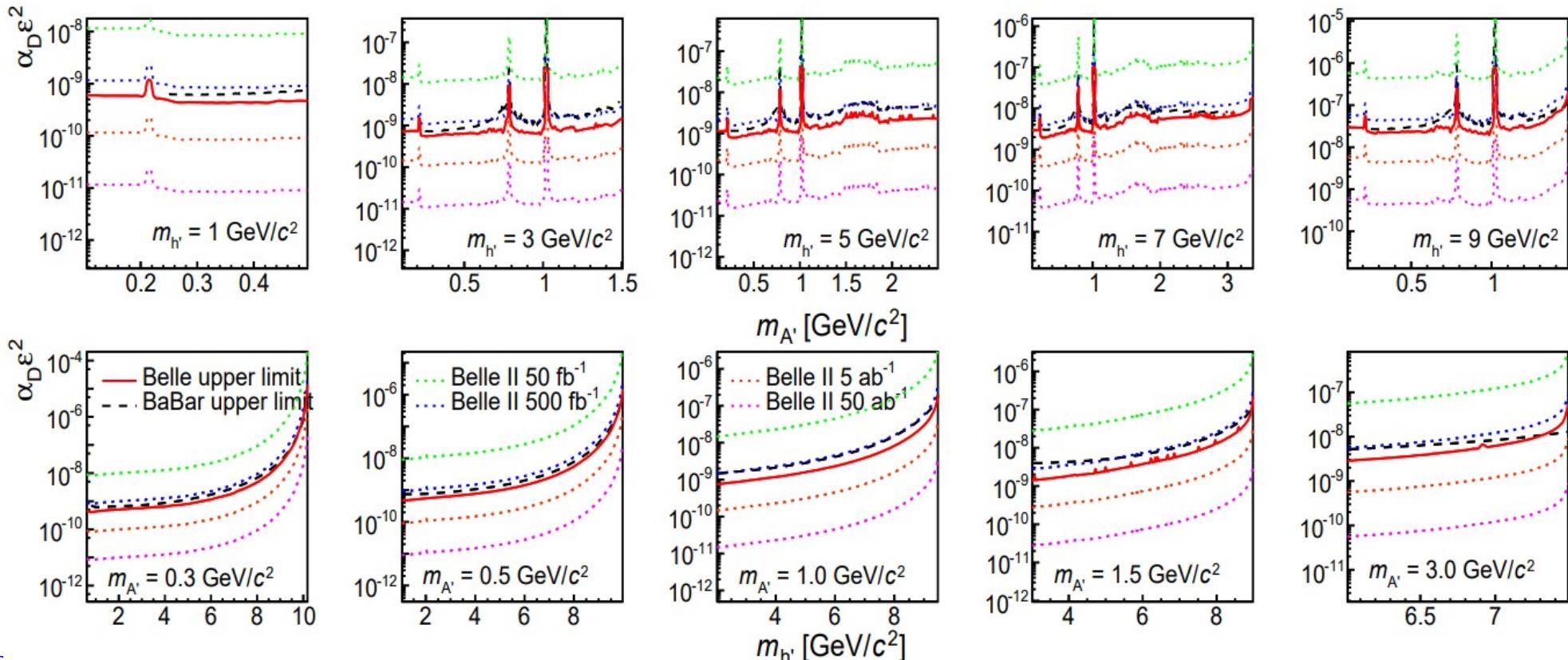
# Long-living Dark Photon

LHCb searched a long living Dark Photon decaying into a pair of muons.

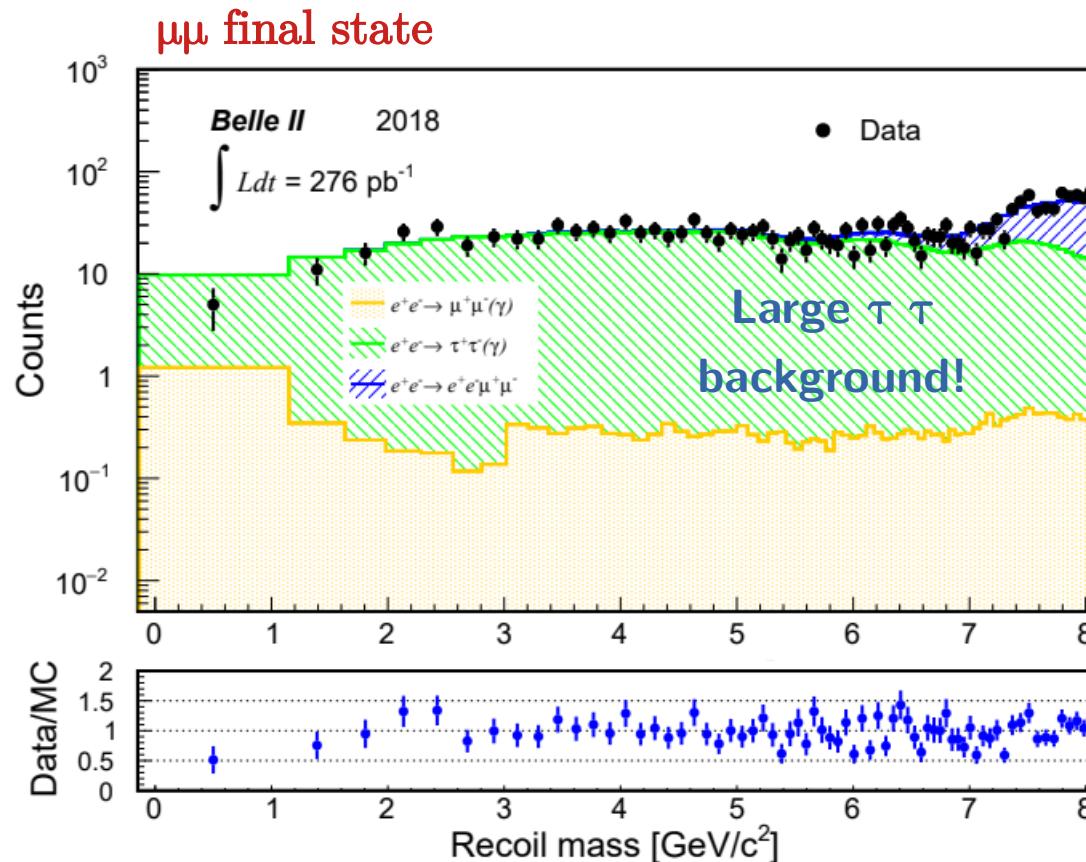


# Dark Higgs-strahlung at Belle II

Belle II computed the expected sensitivity for the fully visible final state (prompt decay and  $m_{h'} > 2m_{A'}$ ) by scaling the Belle upper limits.



# Recoil mass spectrum (after basic selections)



We found a deficit of data w.r.t. to MC (-35%)...

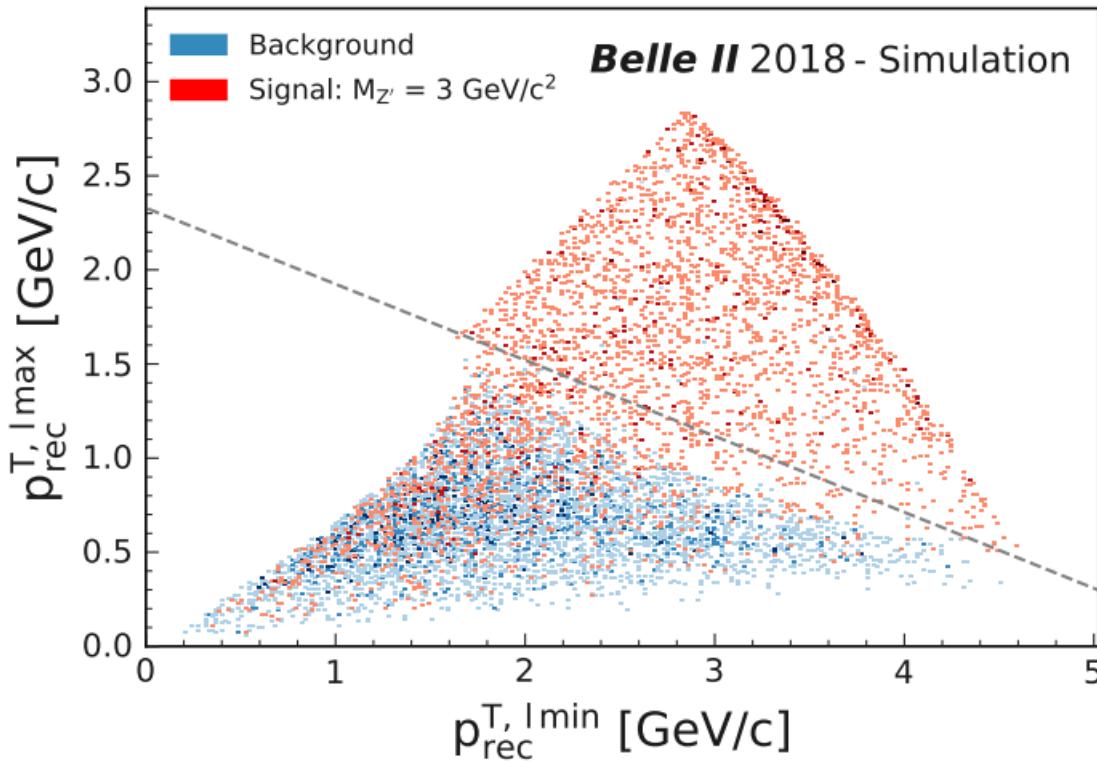
After having applied trigger and tracking corrections, in addition to a 65% correction, we obtain a very good agreement between data and MC.

NB: all the corrections are evaluated on independent control samples!

# Suppression of the $\tau\tau$ background

The largest background component is due to  $\tau\tau$  events: needed a special technique to suppress it!

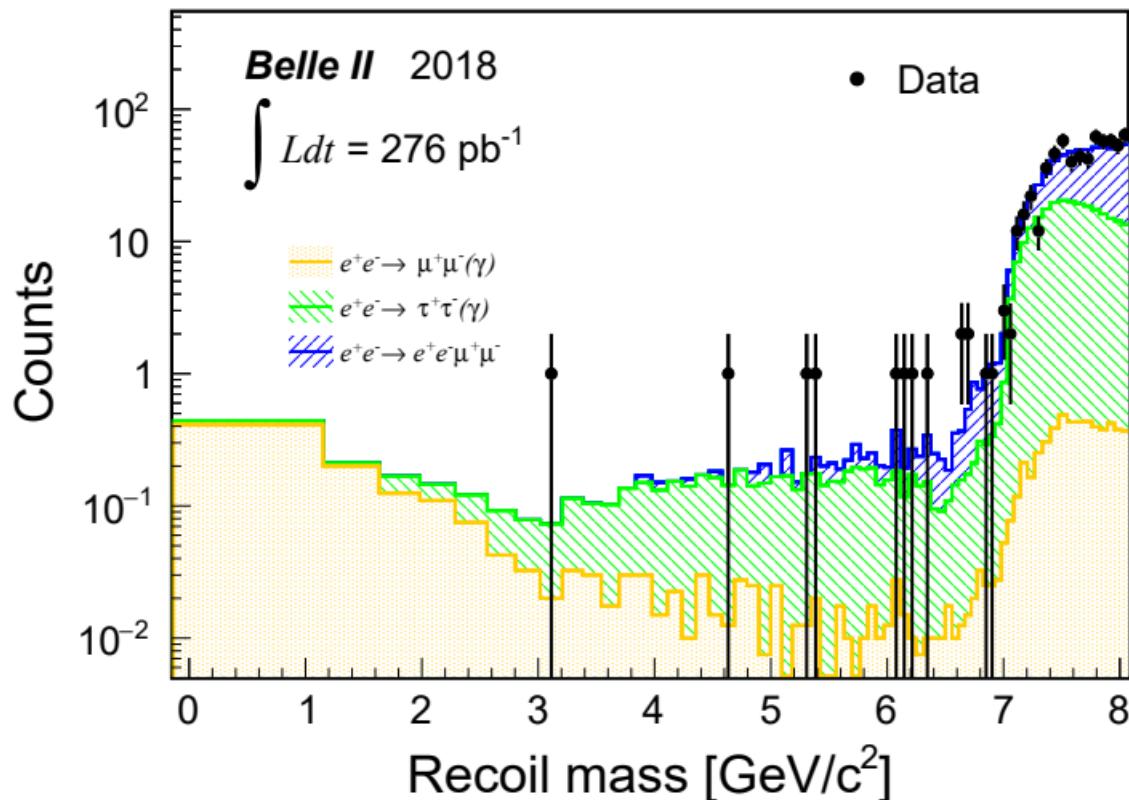
→ Studied several variables, isolated the most discriminating ones between generated signal and background samples.



We optimized the selection in each recoil mass bin by choosing the best cuts that maximizes a given figure of merit  
**(hand-made multivariate approach).**

# $\tau\tau$ background suppressed

$\mu\mu$  final state



Suppression of the  $\tau\tau$  background very effective up to 7 GeV (then,  $e\bar{e}\mu\bar{\mu}$  events start to be dominant).

Signal efficiency between 3% and 5%.

No (local) anomalies observed... :(

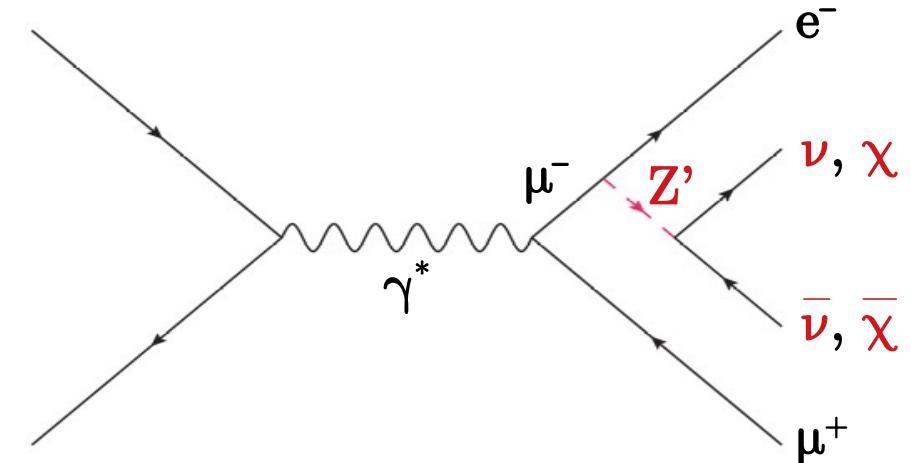
# And why not considering a LFV Z'?

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We considered only the  $e-\mu$  coupling.

We considered only the invisible decay.

I. Galon et al., arXiv:1610.08060

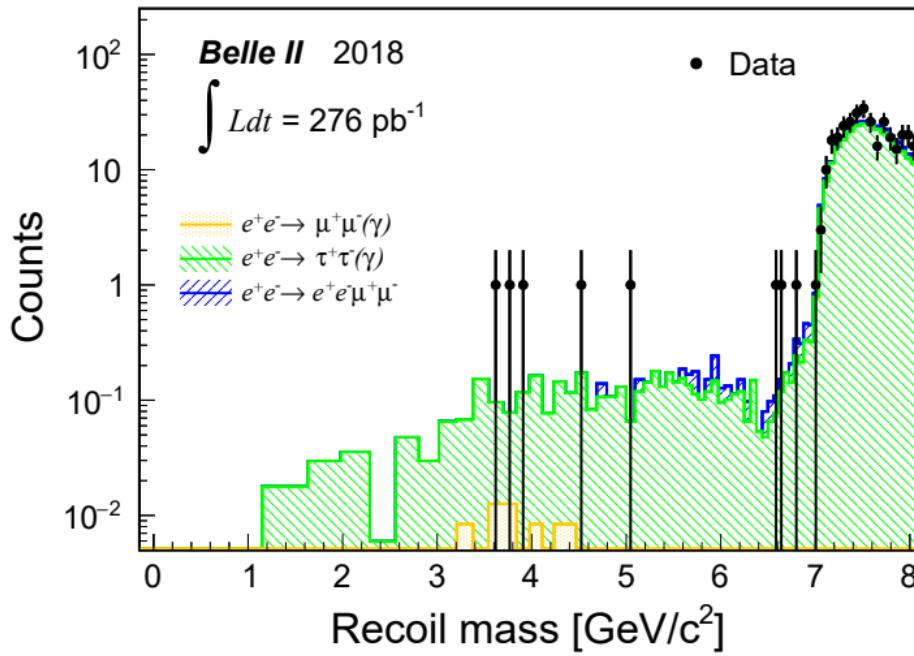


Unfortunately, the model we were using showed some issues (too large width for the  $Z'$ , etc.).

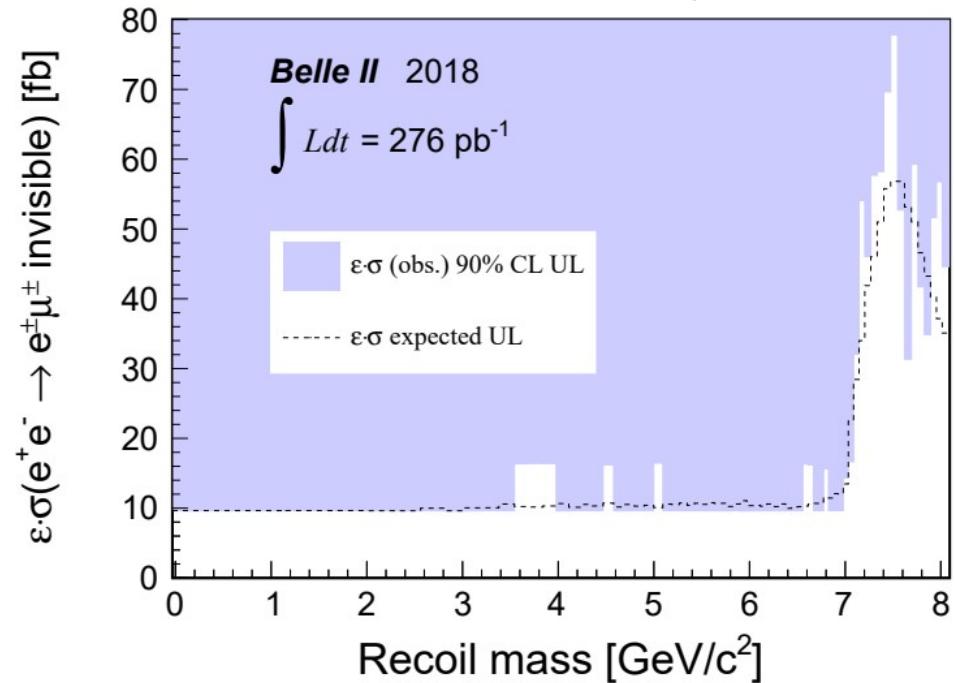
**We decided to drop the signal model  
and we opted for a model-independent search!**

# LFV Z'

$\epsilon\mu$  final state



We can set limits on a coupling constant if a theoretical model is provided!



# Axion-Like Particles

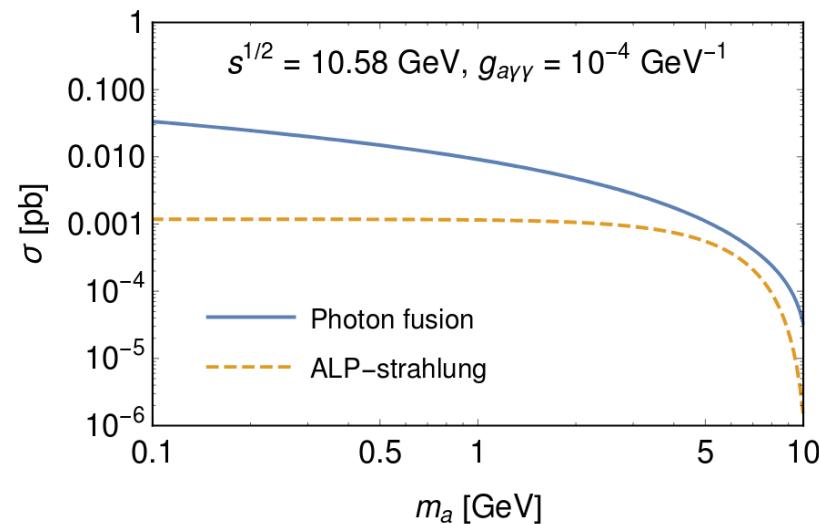
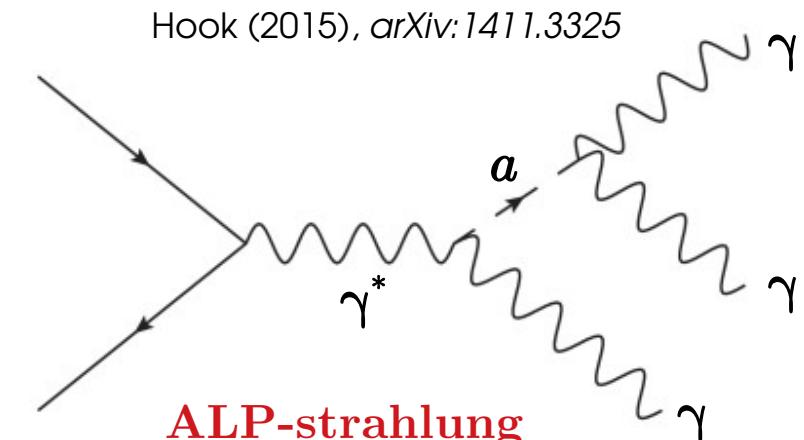
Axion-Like Particles (ALPs) are pseudo-scalars and couple to bosons.

Unlike QCD Axions, ALPs have no relation between mass and coupling.

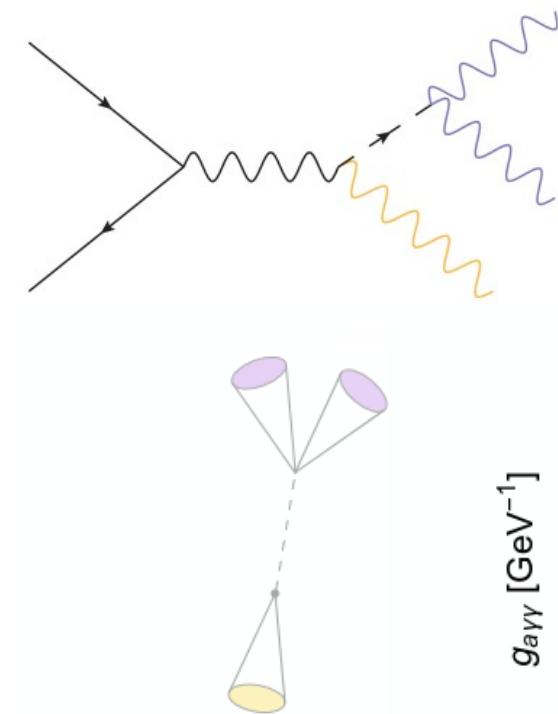
I will focus on the **coupling to photons**:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \quad \tau_a \sim 1/g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 m_a^3$$

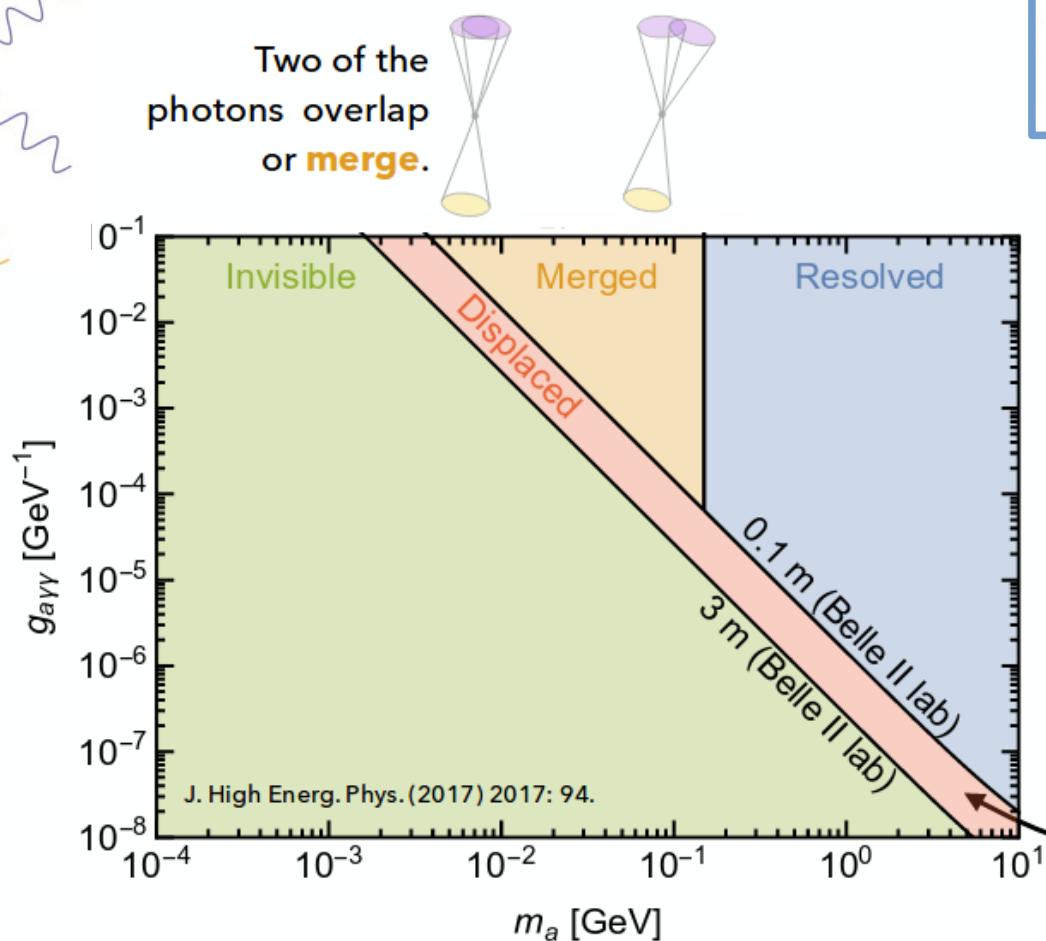
Belle II will study the **ALP-strahlung** case  
(low sensitivity to photon fusion production)



# Axion-Like Particles (signal)



ALP decays outside of the detector or decays into **invisible** particles:  
Single photon final state.



$$\tau_a \sim 1/g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 m_a^3$$

For **resolved** case:  
3 clusters with  $E_{CM} > 0.25 \text{ GeV}$   
Peak in  $\gamma\gamma$  mass spectrum



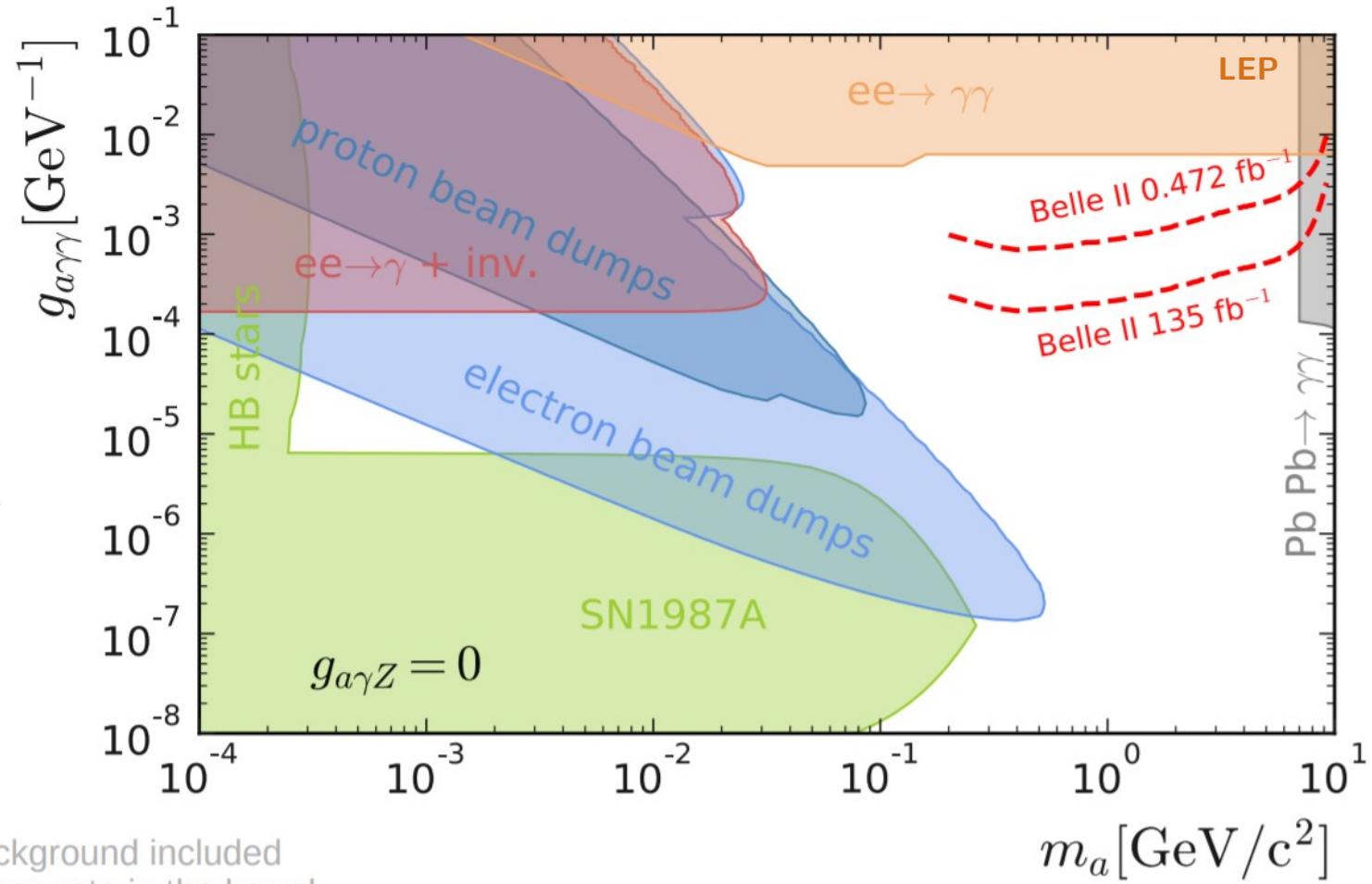
Three **resolved**,  
high energetic  
photons.

The searches for  
invisible and visible  
ALP decays veto this  
region.

# Axion-Like Particles (sensitivity)

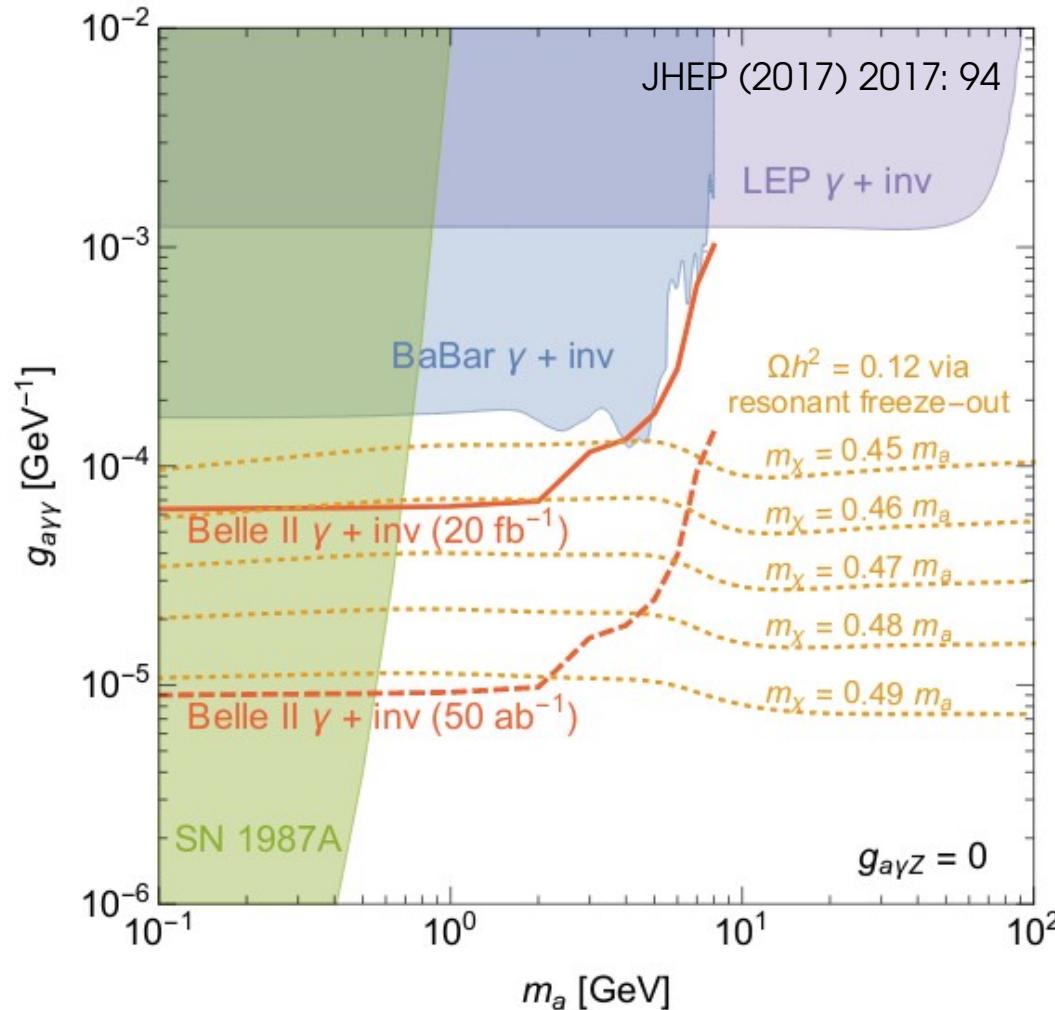


Belle II expects to improve  
the current limits for  
 $m_a > 100$  MeV



No systematics.  
Only (dominant) ee → γγ background included  
135 fb<sup>-1</sup> assumes no γγ trigger veto in the barrel

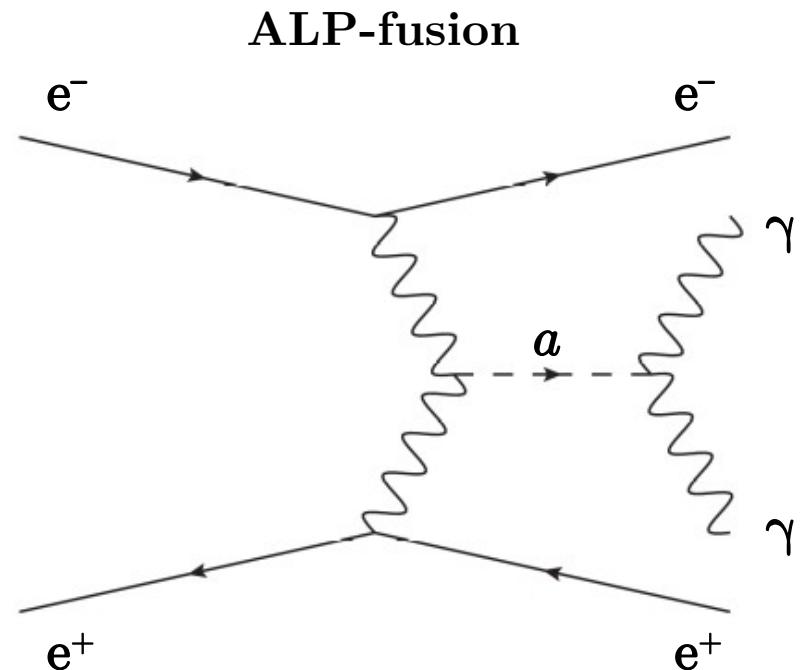
# Axion-like Particles: invisible decay



# ALPs: low-mass region

## Belle II: ALPs below 200 MeV?

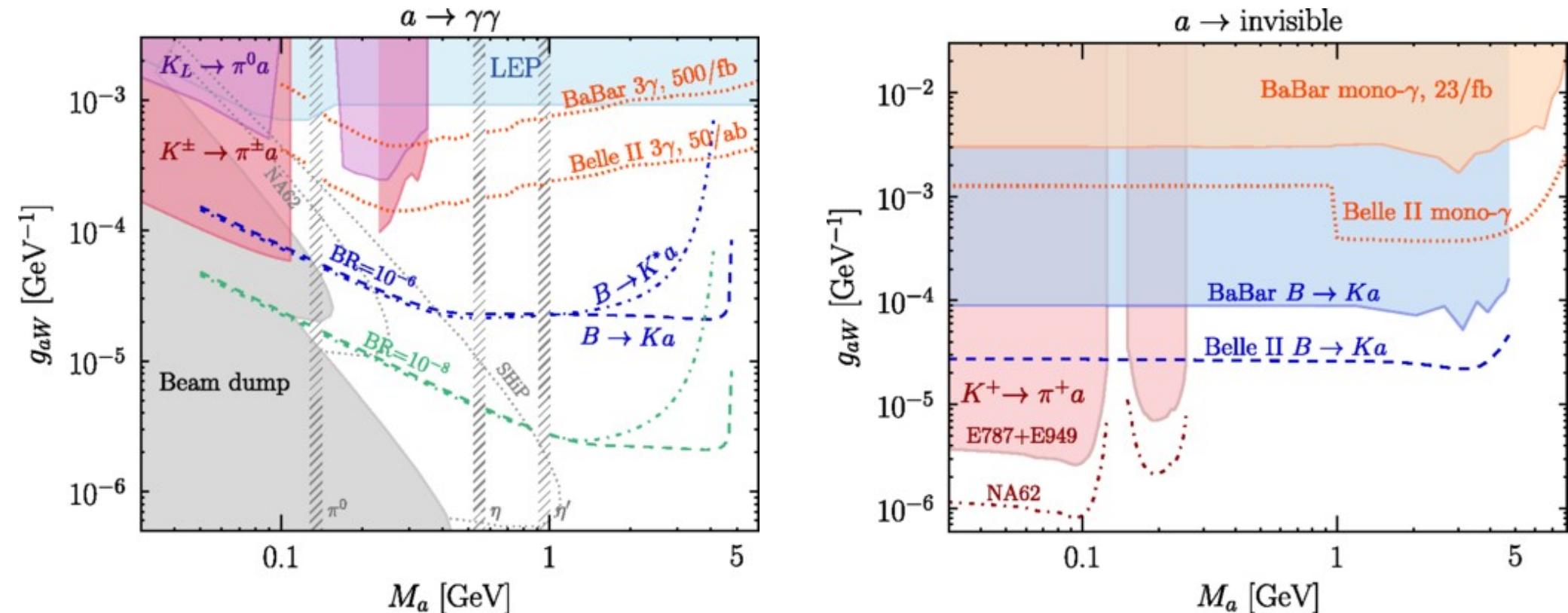
- ▶ For ALP masses below  $\sim 200$  MeV, the decay photons are reconstructed as one ECL cluster even in offline analysis. Currently under study:
  - ▶ Untagged (electrons not seen) ALP fusion production has a much higher cross section and produces ALPs with less boost (difficult to trigger).
  - ▶ Shower shapes for merged cluster are different, MVA based reconstruction has better separation power (but events have to pass L1 trigger).
  - ▶ Pair conversion of one decay photon costs statistics, but yields a distinctive four particle final state.



**Pro:** resolved clusters

**Con:** very low energetic photons

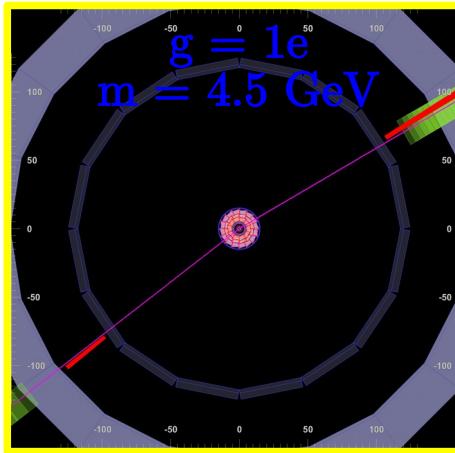
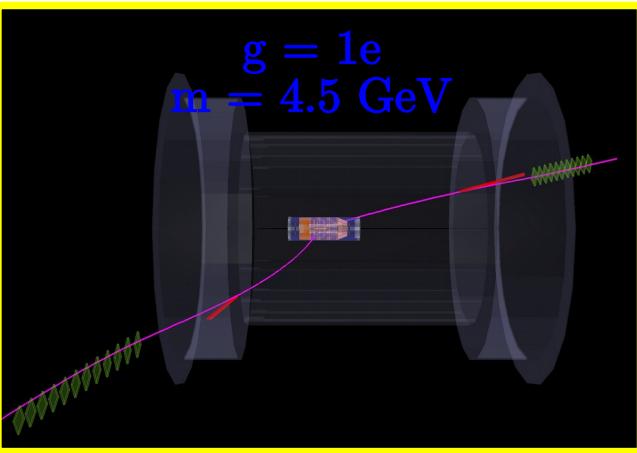
# Axion-like Particles from B decays



Izaguirre et al. (2017), arXiv:1611.09355

# Magnetic monopoles

$$g = 1e \\ m = 4.5 \text{ GeV}$$



Interesting predictions ([arXiv:1707.05295](#)) for monopoles with  $g \sim 1e$  and  $m = 4.5 \text{ GeV}$ ...

... but not-relativistic at Belle II:

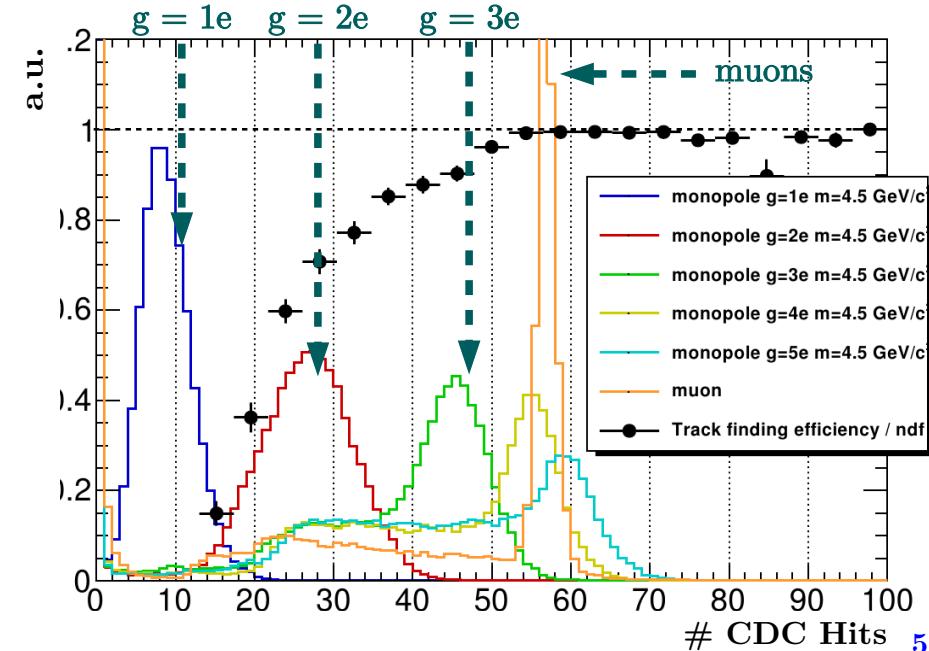
- no  $1/\beta^2$  term in  $dE/dx$  for magnetic charges
- few hits in the CDC
- **needed a dedicated tracking**

Complementary search using our PXD: K. Dort et al., [arXiv:1906.04942](#)

Minimal magnetic charge

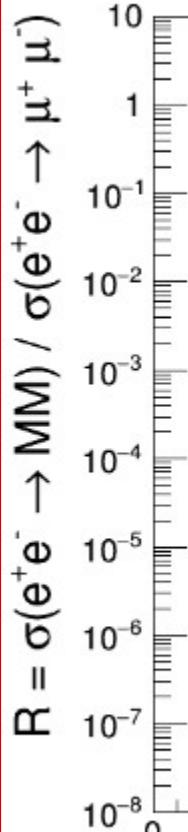
from Dirac quantization:  $g_D = 68.5e$

**Lower magnetic charge not ruled out**  
(and not covered at  $\sim\text{GeV}$  scale)



# Magnetic monopoles

$m =$



Projected sensitivity

TASSO  $g = 10e$

TASSO  $g = 20e$

CLEO  $g = 8e$

CLEO  $g = 5e$

CLEO  $g = 2e$

20fb<sup>-1</sup> Belle II  $g = 1e$

20fb<sup>-1</sup> Belle II  $g = 3e$

Interest  
monopole

... but no

→ no 1

→ few

→ n

Complementa-

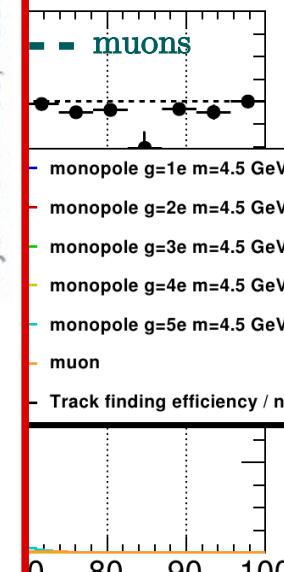
charge  
 $Q_D = 68.5e$

not ruled out

(GeV scale)

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# Other Belle II dark sector and exotic searches

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Dark Photon decays

invisible decay

leptonic decays

hadronic decays?

Long-living neutral particle decays

Dark Scalar:

$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- S ; S \rightarrow l^+ l^-$

Invisible  $\Upsilon(1S)$  decays via:

$$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S) \pi^+ \pi^-$$

Other  $Z'$  decays:

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- Z' ; Z' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- Z' ; Z' \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$$

... and many others!

More details in The Belle II Physics Book

*arXiv: 1808.10567*