

New Phenomena Session

Latest results on τ and dark sector physics at Belle II

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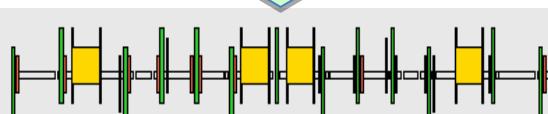
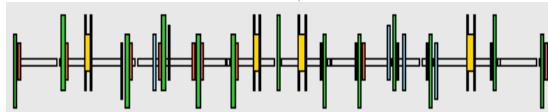
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KEKB to SuperKEKB

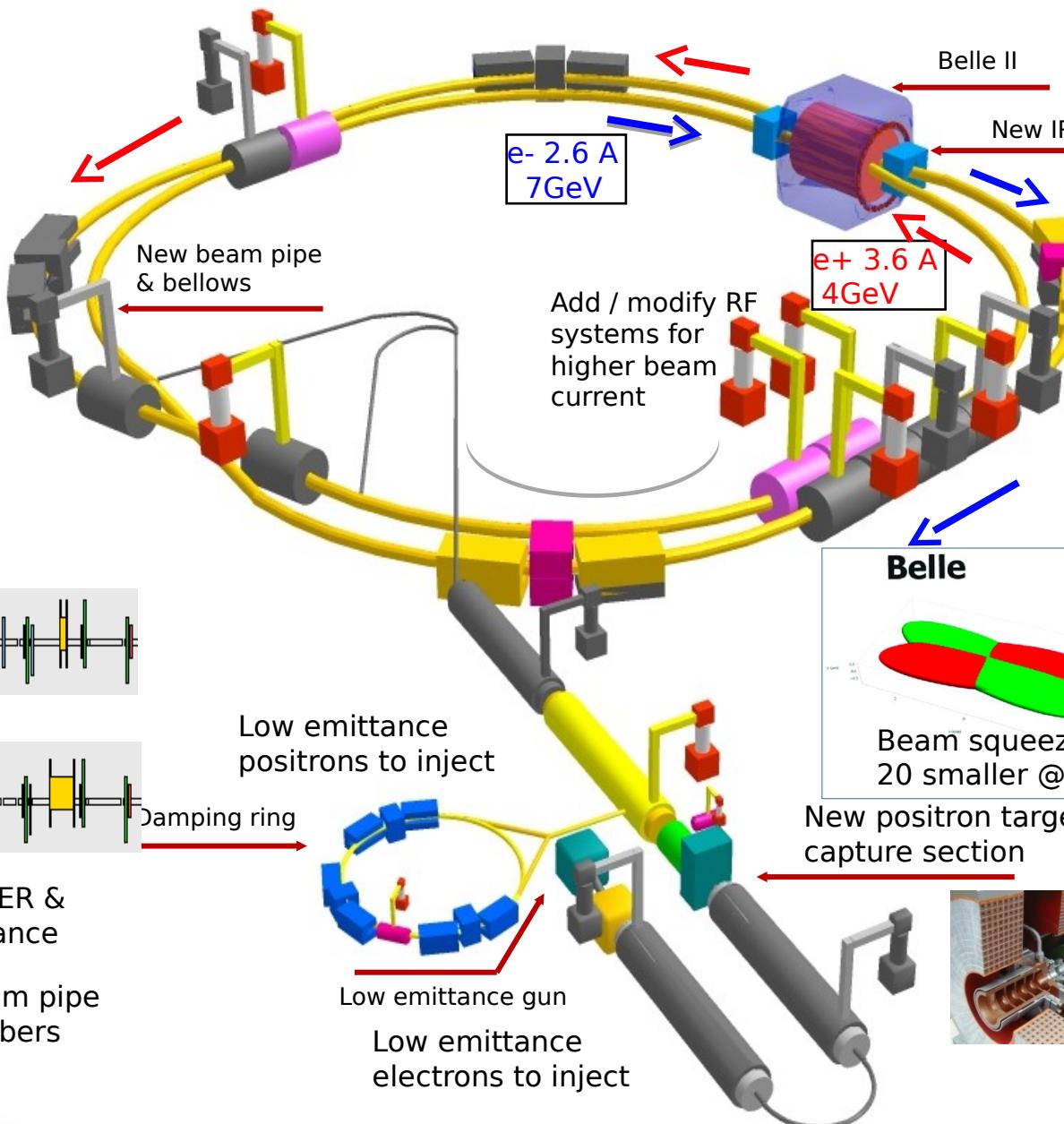
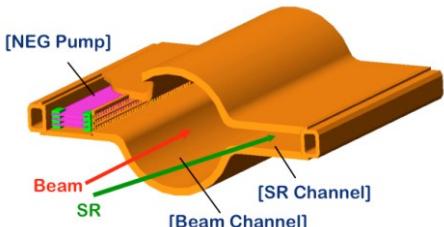


Replace short dipoles
with longer ones (LER)

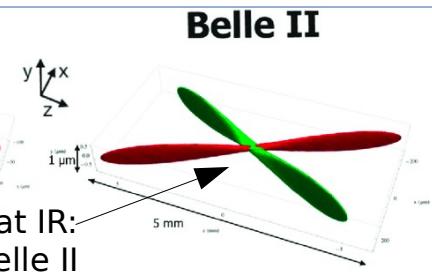


Redesign the lattices of HER &
LER to squeeze the emittance

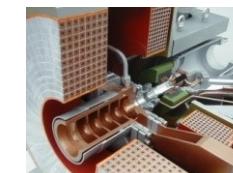
TiN-coated beam pipe
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New superconducting /permanent final focusing quads near the IP

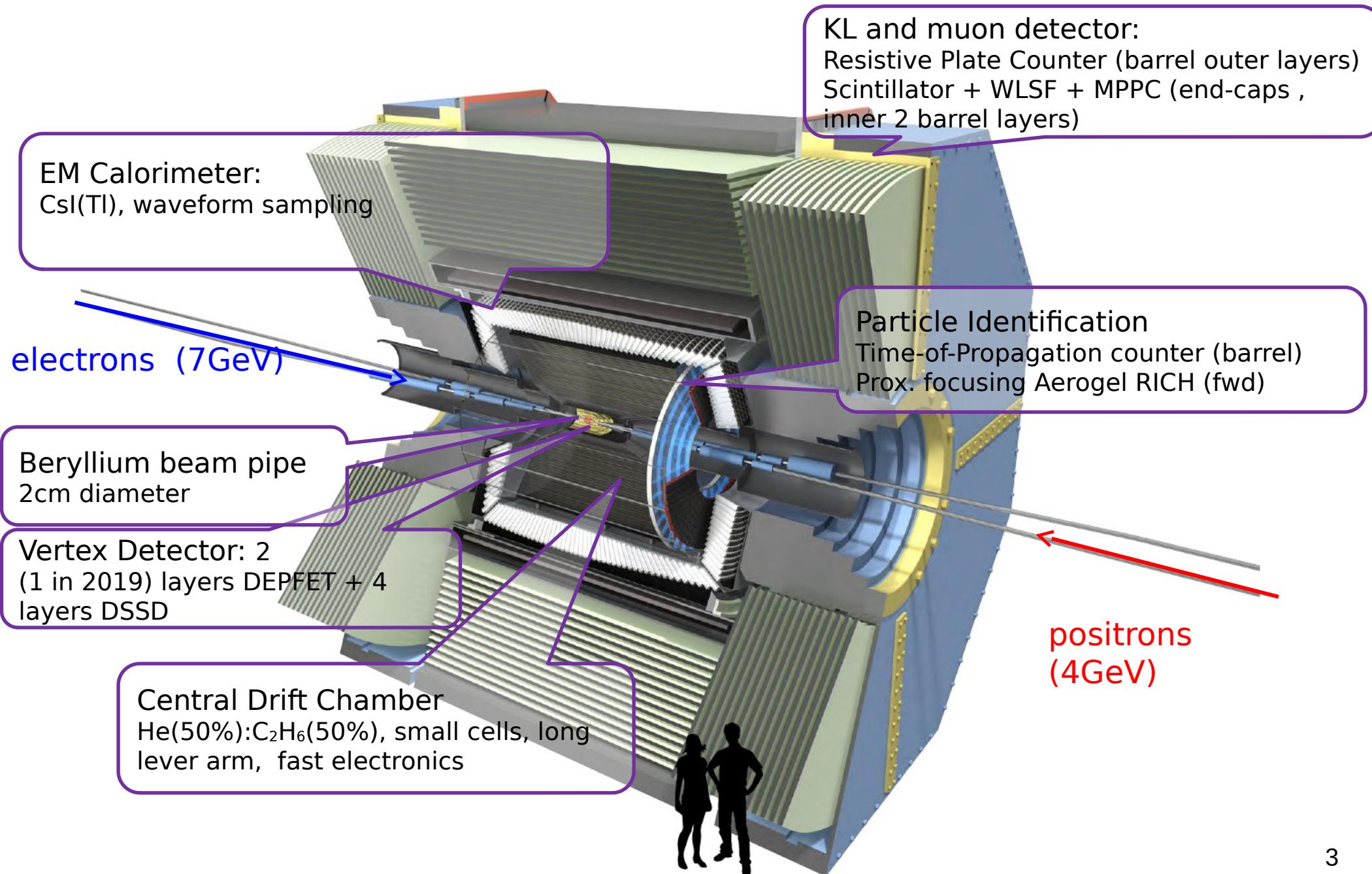


New positron target /
capture section

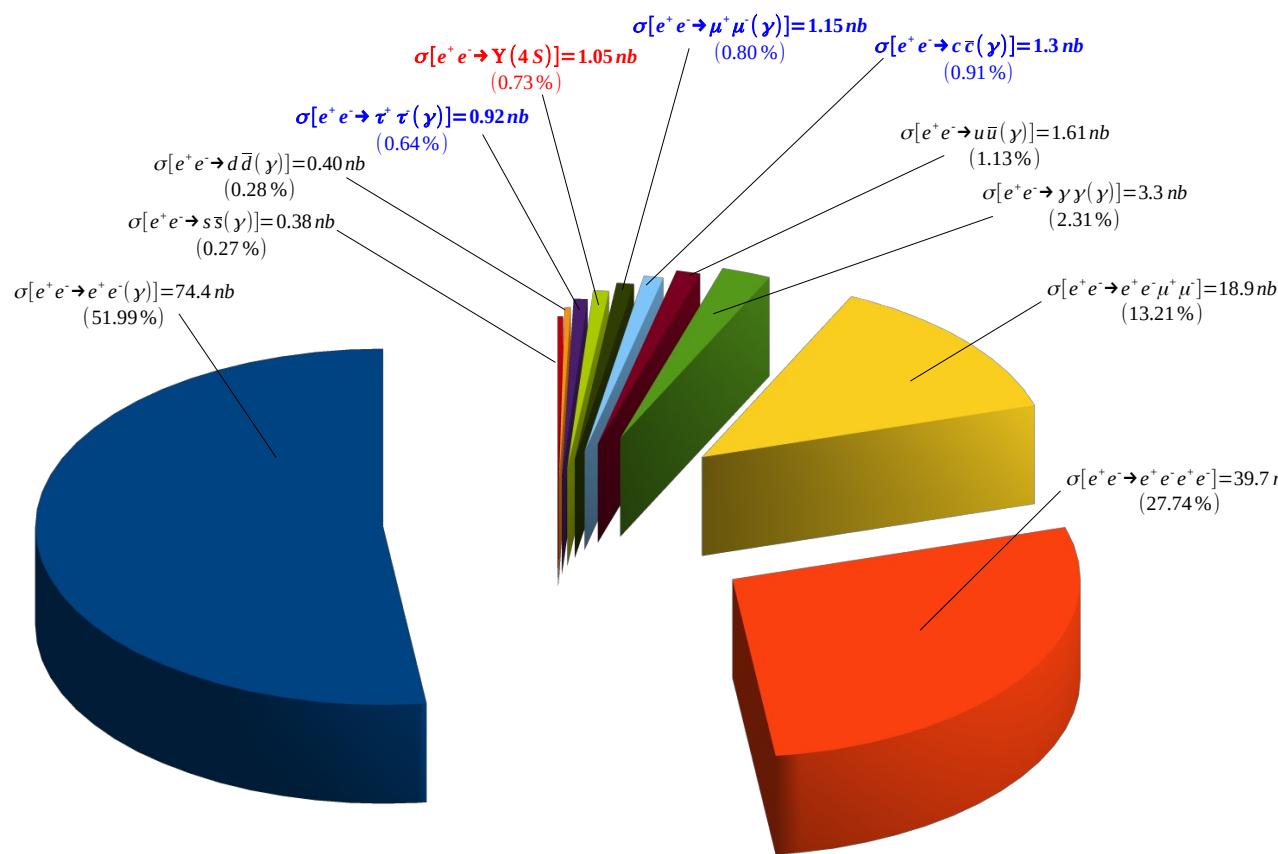


**Expect x30 higher luminosity
from $2 \times 10^{34} \rightarrow 6 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$**

Belle II Detector Elements



What happens in e^+e^- collisions at SuperKEKB?



See *The Belle II Physics Book*

Physics process	Cross section [nb]	Cuts
$\Upsilon(4S)$	1.05 ± 0.10	-
$u\bar{u}(\gamma)$	1.61	-
$d\bar{d}(\gamma)$	0.40	-
$s\bar{s}(\gamma)$	0.38	-
$c\bar{c}(\gamma)$	1.30	-
$e^+e^-(\gamma)$	300 ± 3 (MC stat.)	$10^\circ < \theta_{e's}^* < 170^\circ$, $E_{e's}^* > 0.15$ GeV
$e^+e^-(\gamma)$	74.4	e 's ($p > 0.5$ GeV) in ECL
$\gamma\gamma(\gamma)$	4.99 ± 0.05 (MC stat.)	$10^\circ < \theta_{\gamma's}^* < 170^\circ$, $E_{\gamma's}^* > 0.15$ GeV
$\gamma\gamma(\gamma)$	3.30	γ 's ($p > 0.5$ GeV) in ECL
$\mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$	1.148	-
$\mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$	0.831	μ 's ($p > 0.5$ GeV) in CDC
$\mu^+\mu^-\gamma(\gamma)$	0.242	μ 's ($p > 0.5$ GeV) in CDC, $\geq 1 \gamma (E_\gamma > 0.5$ GeV) in ECL
$\tau^+\tau^-(\gamma)$	0.919	-
$\nu\bar{\nu}(\gamma)$	0.25×10^{-3}	-
$e^+e^-e^+e^-$	39.7 ± 0.1 (MC stat.)	$W_{\ell\ell} > 0.5$ GeV
$e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$	18.9 ± 0.1 (MC stat.)	$W_{\ell\ell} > 0.5$ GeV

Remember (in an ideal world)!!

Number of events
of a process

Luminosity of an
experiment

Cross-section of the process to be
studied in the specific experiment

A SuperB factory is also a Super-charm factory, a Super- τ factory, etc..
This is a great feature of this collision scheme that we can take advantage of.

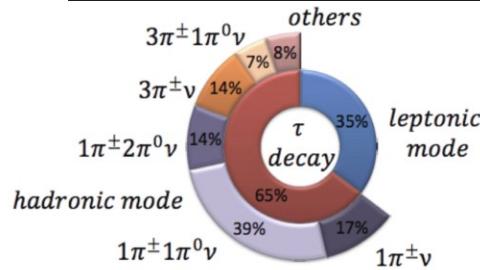
As of today @ Belle II $\int L dt = O(100 fb^{-1})$

Physics with τ at Belle II

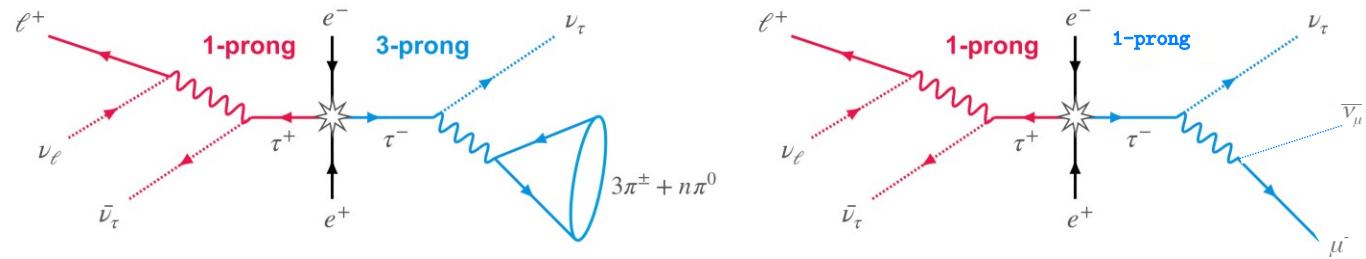
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Large production cross-section

Many final states



Different reconstruction techniques



τ as a probe of new physics and of detector performance

Some ongoing physics analyses

- τ mass/lifetime measurements
- LFV $\tau \rightarrow l\gamma$
- LFV $\tau \rightarrow lll$
- LFV $\tau \rightarrow l\pi^0$
- LFV & LNV $\tau \rightarrow lh$
- LFUV $\tau^+ \rightarrow l^+\nu_l\bar{\nu}_\tau$, $\tau \rightarrow h\nu$
- $|V_{us}|$ from $\tau \rightarrow h\nu$
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- Search for $\tau \rightarrow l\alpha$

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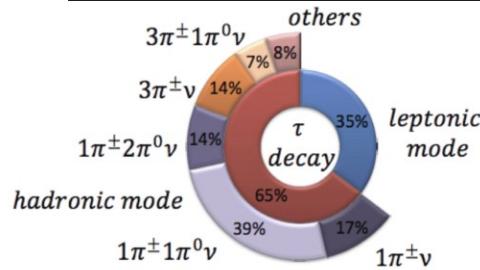
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- Particle (mis-)identification
- π^0 reconstruction
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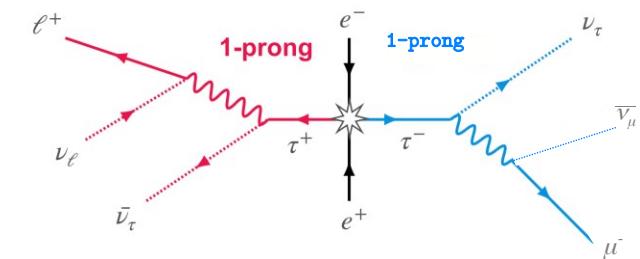
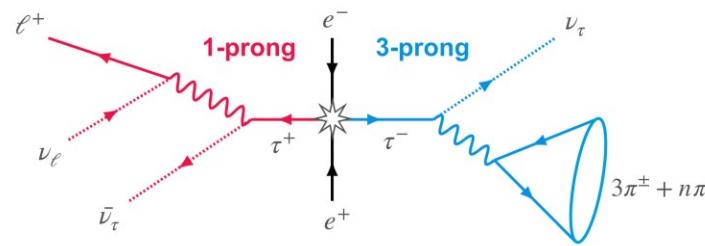
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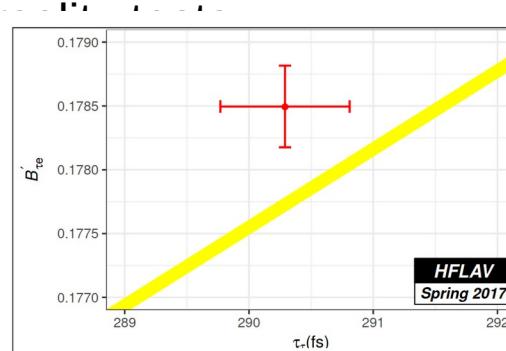
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τ mass measurement at Belle II

- τ mass poorly known compared to e or μ (a few orders of magnitude less precise)
- Important parameter in lepton univer

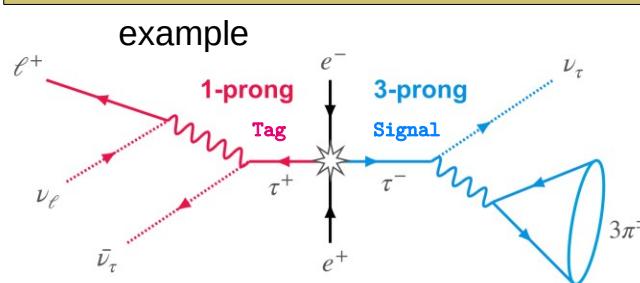
$$B_{\tau \rightarrow l}^{SM} = B_{\mu \rightarrow e} \frac{\tau_\tau}{\tau_\mu} \frac{m_\tau^5}{m_\mu^5} \frac{f_{\tau l}}{f_{\mu e}} \frac{r_W^\tau r_\gamma^\tau}{r_W^\mu r_\gamma^\mu}$$

$$f(x) = -8x + 8x^3 - x^4 - 12x^2 \log x$$



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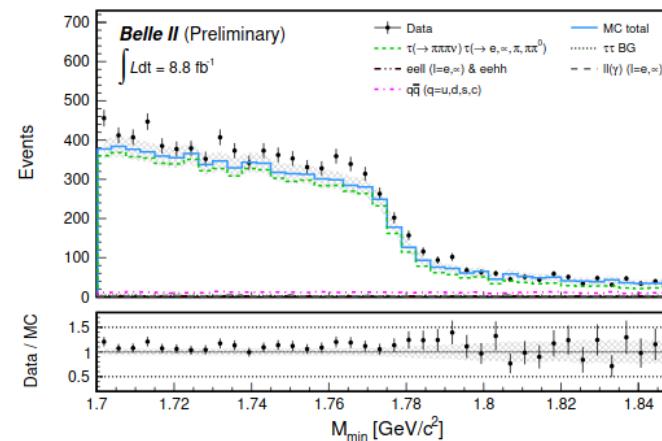
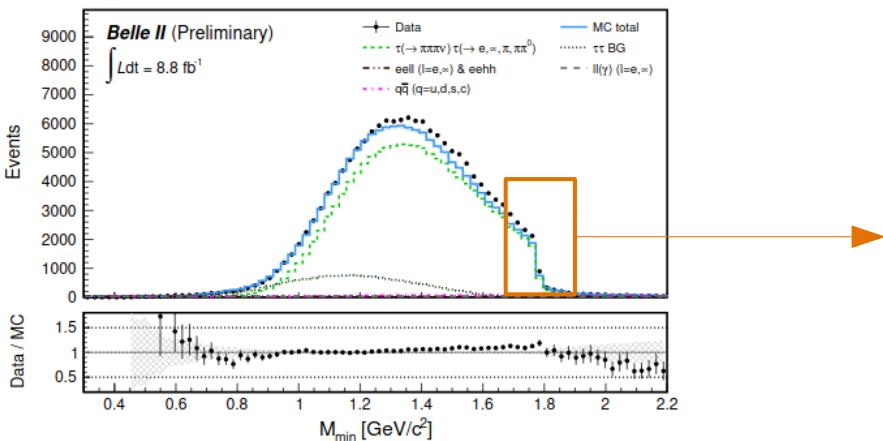
"Pseudomass" calculated from the 4-momentum of the 3-pion system



Signal: $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$ ($BF \sim 9.3\%$)

Tag: $\tau^- \rightarrow l^- \bar{\nu}_l \nu_\tau, \pi^- \nu_\tau, \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$
 $(\sum BF \sim 71.52\%)$

$$M_{\min} = \sqrt{M_{3\pi}^2 + 2(E_{\text{beam}} - E_{3\pi})(E_{3\pi} - P_{3\pi})} \leq m_\tau$$



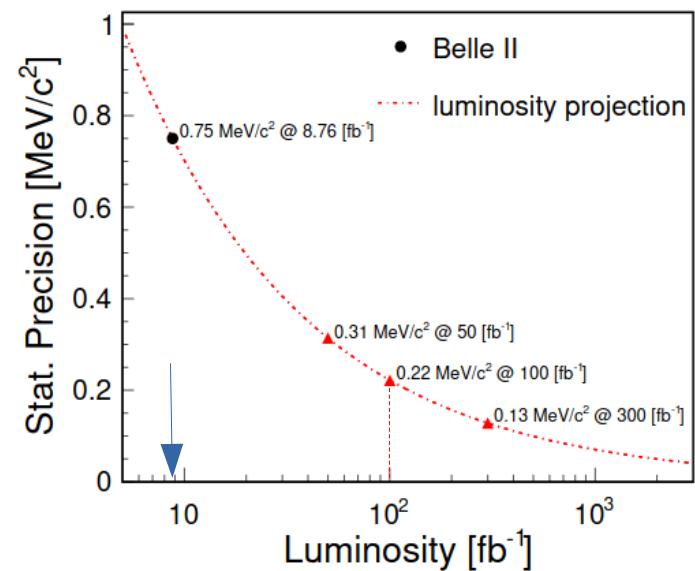
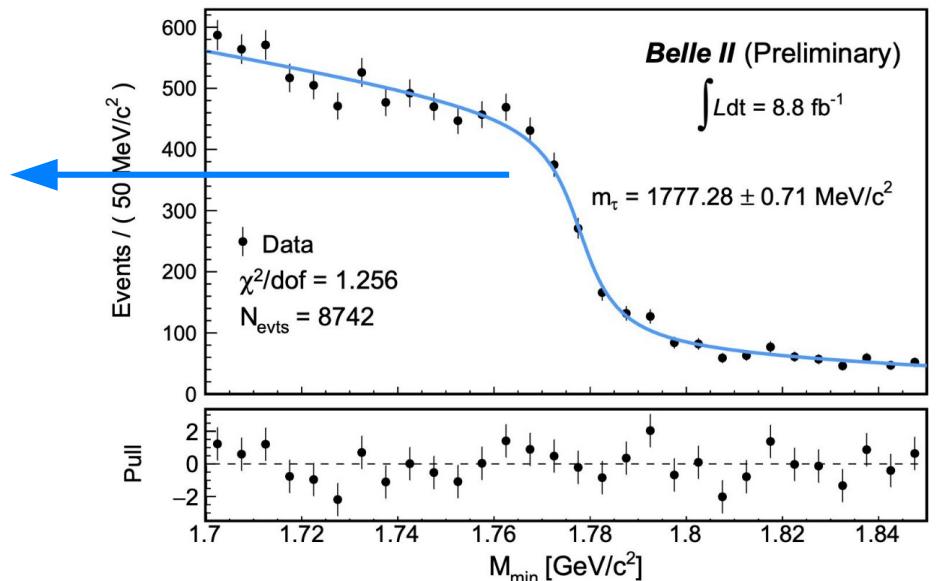
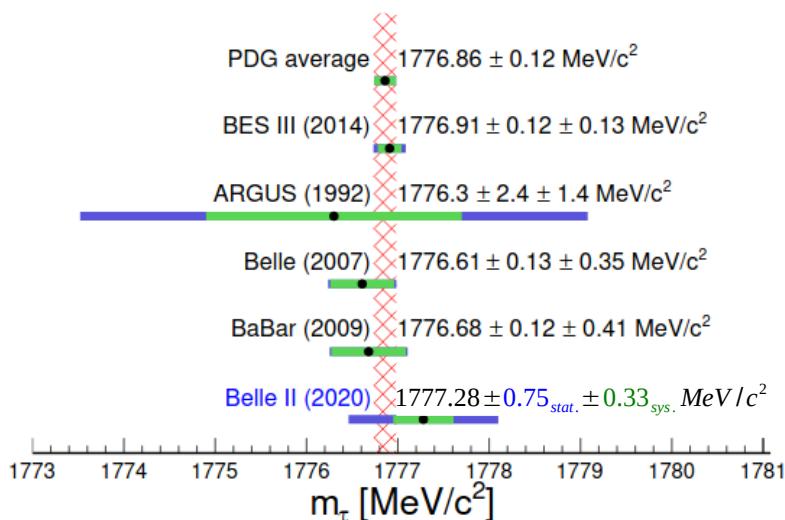
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Perform an unbinned maximum likelihood fit to the data using an empirical fit function

$$F(M_{min}|\bar{P}) = (P_3 + P_4 M_{min}) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{M_{min} - P_1}{P_2}\right) + P_5 M_{min} + 1$$

$$m_\tau = 1777.28 \pm 0.75_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.33_{\text{sys.}} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Main source of systematic uncertainties due to tracking corrections → expected to improve as we understand our detector better



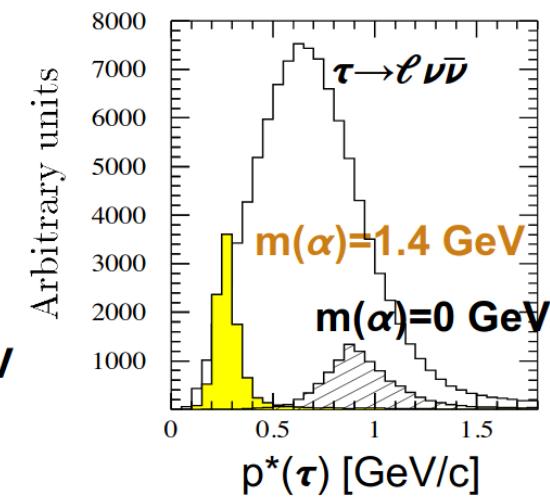
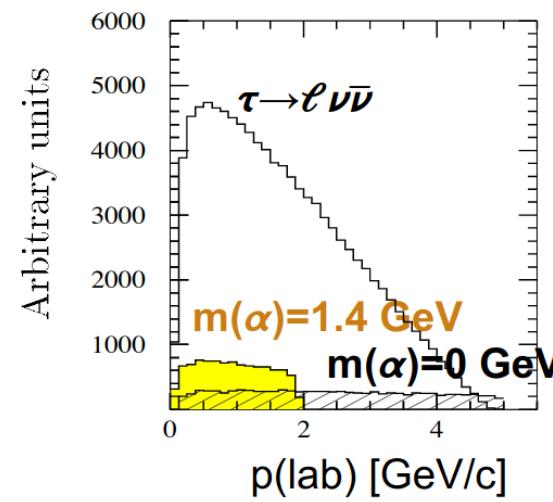
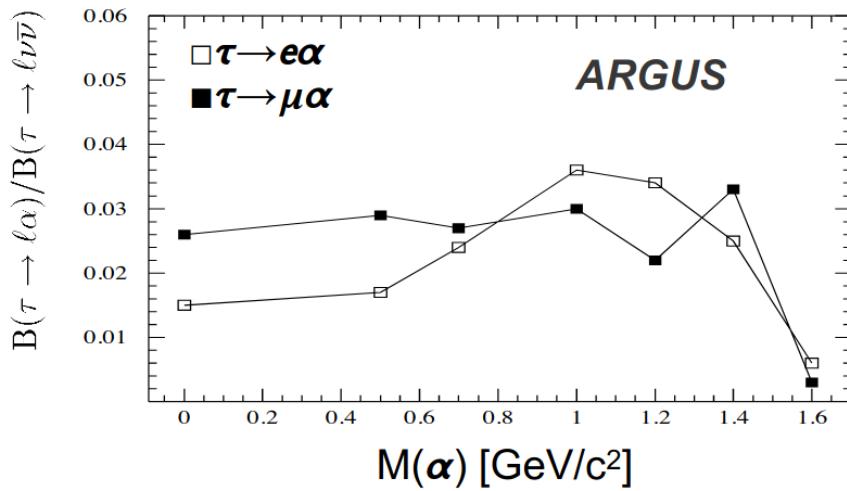
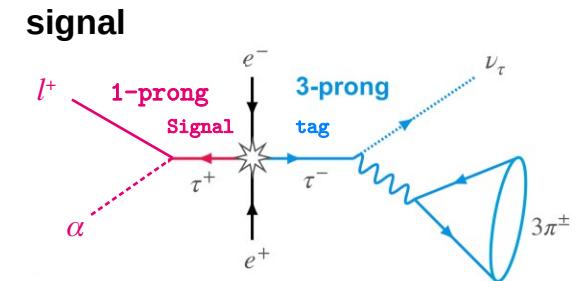
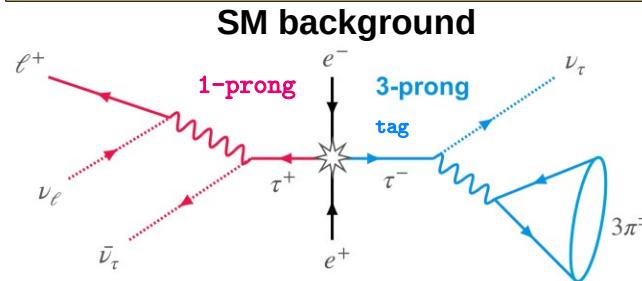
Already collected luminosity

Search for $\tau \rightarrow l\alpha$ at Belle II

- Possible new light boson α in tau decays
- Previous search from ARGUS (1995, 476/pb) and MARK III (1985, 9.4/pb)

Compare SM rates for leptonic decays of τ to possible signal of new physics by studying the kinematics in the τ rest-frame

3x1 topology to search for α



We also test an alternative method in tau pseudo rest-frame using the thrust vector:

$$\vec{T} = \max \left(\frac{\sum_i \vec{p}_i \hat{T}}{|\vec{p}_i|} \right)$$

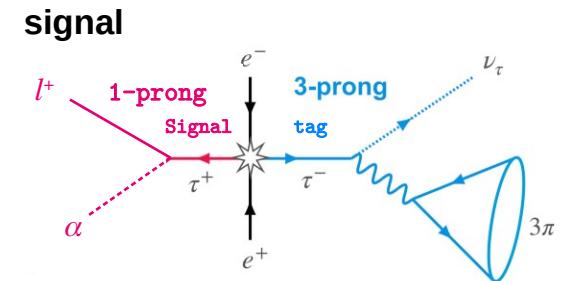
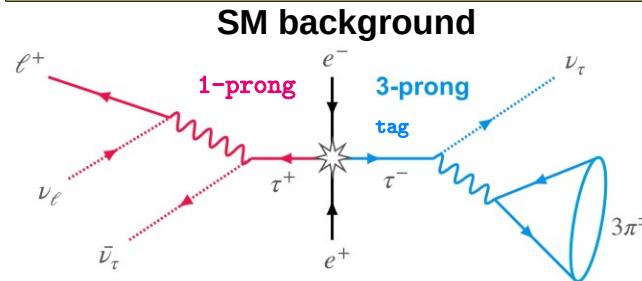
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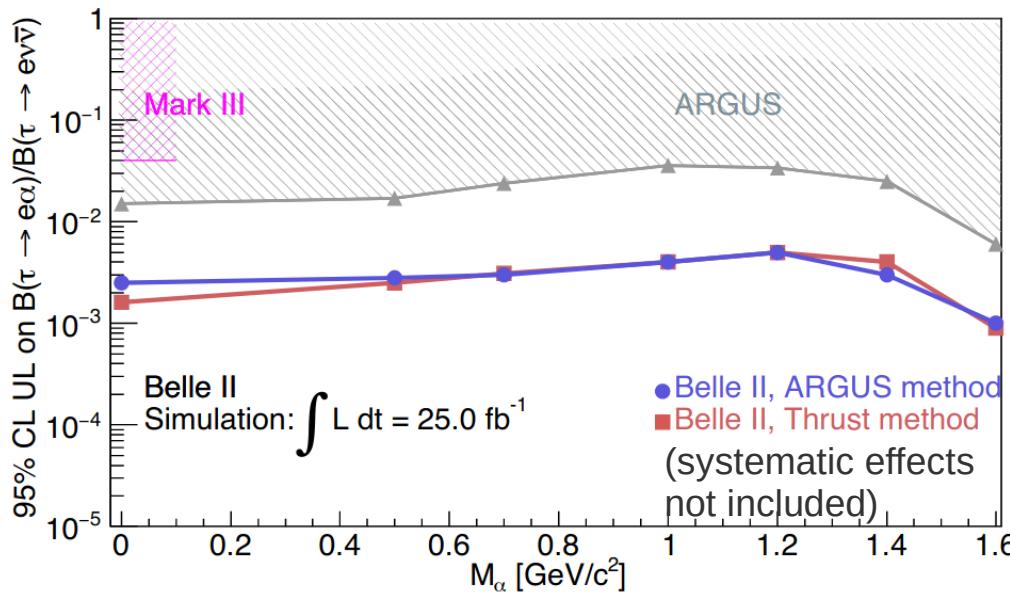
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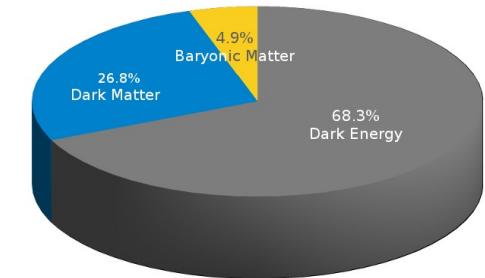
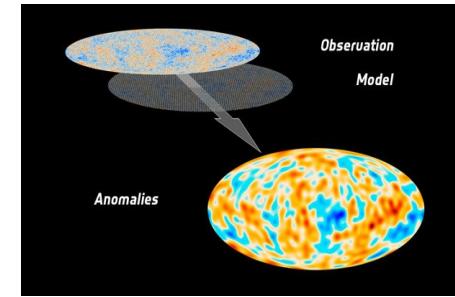
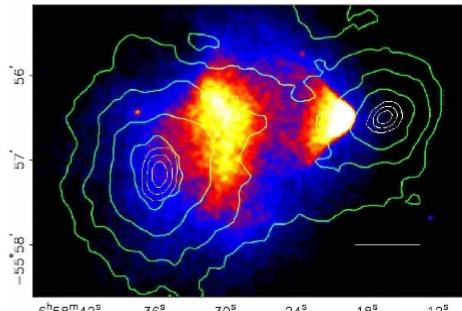
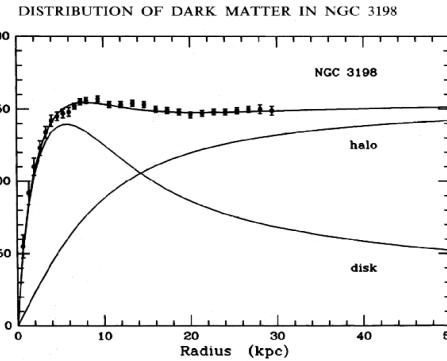
- UL is provided for the ratio $Br(\tau \rightarrow e\alpha)/Br(\tau \rightarrow e\nu\nu)$



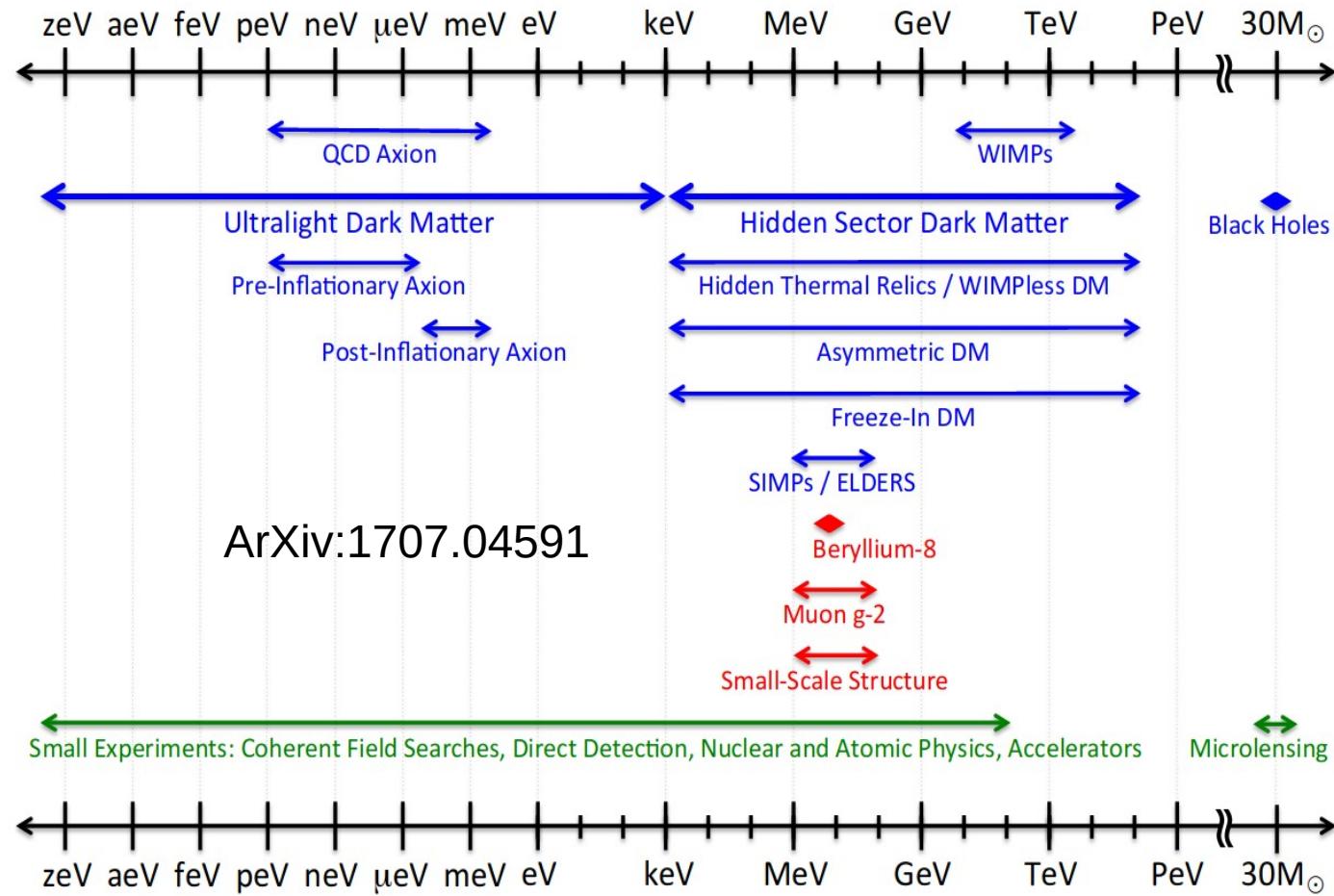
$M(\alpha)$ [GeV/c 2]	UL(95% c.l.)		
	ARGUS (1995)	Argus method	Thrust method
0	0.015	0.0025	0.0016
0.5	0.017	0.0028	0.0025
0.7	0.024	0.003	0.0031
1.0	0.036	0.004	0.004
1.2	0.034	0.005	0.005
1.4	0.025	0.003	0.004
1.6	0.006	0.001	0.0009

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Dark matter?

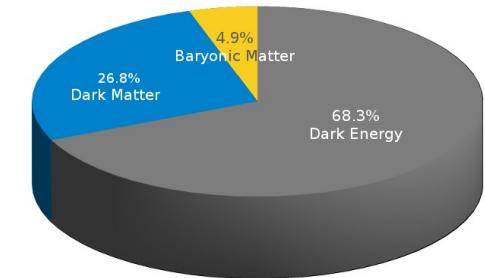
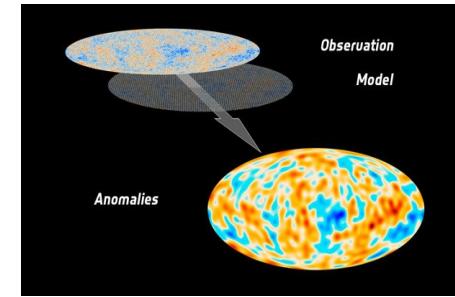
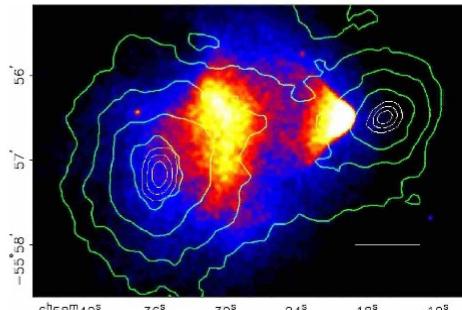
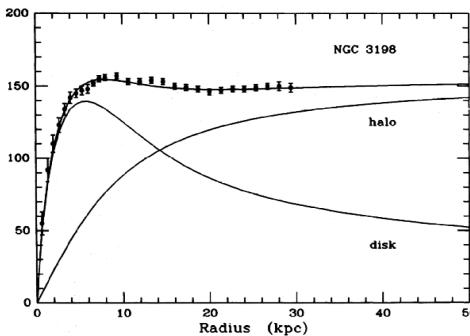


Dark Sector Candidates, Anomalies, and Search Techniques

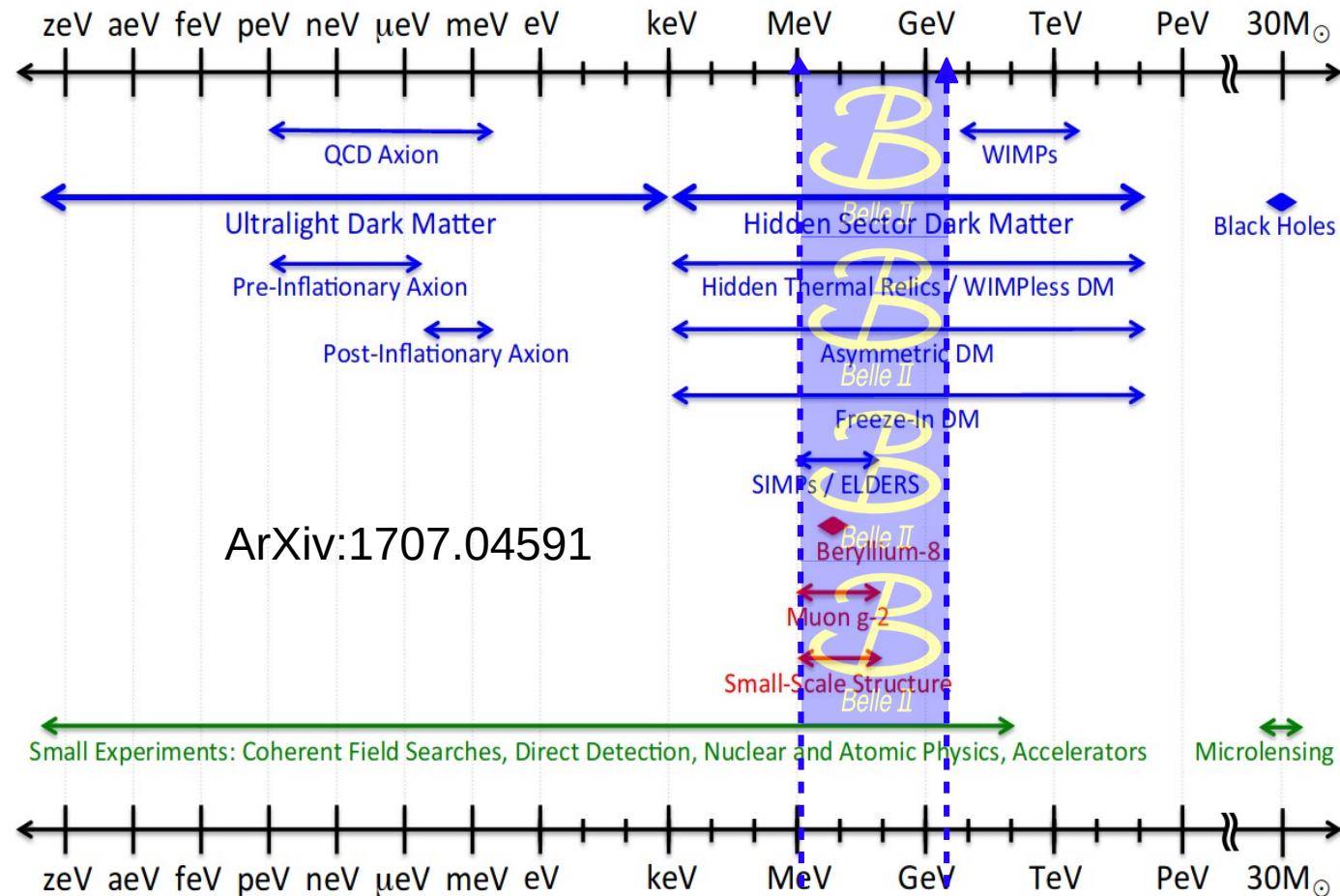


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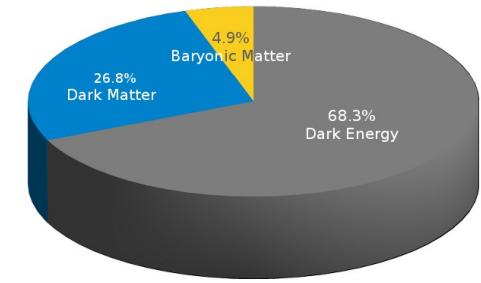
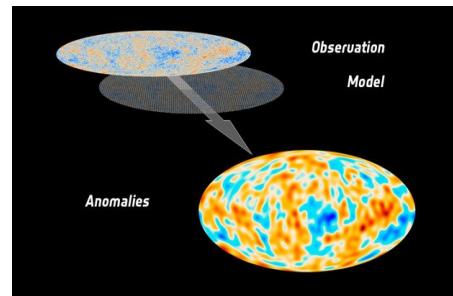
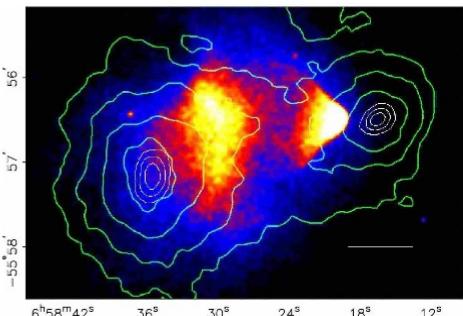
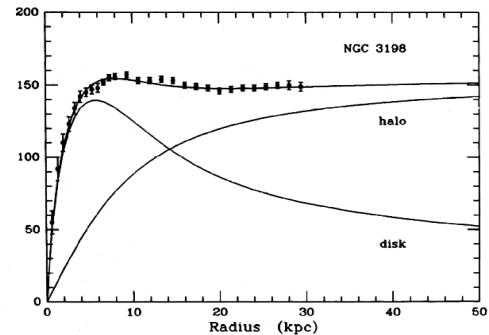
DISTRIBUTION OF DARK MATTER IN NGC 3198



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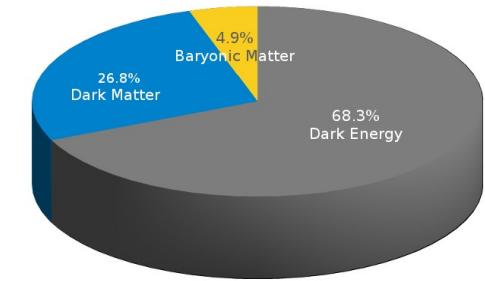
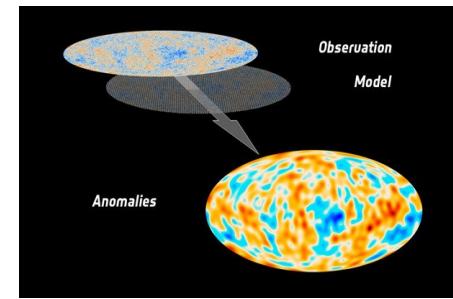
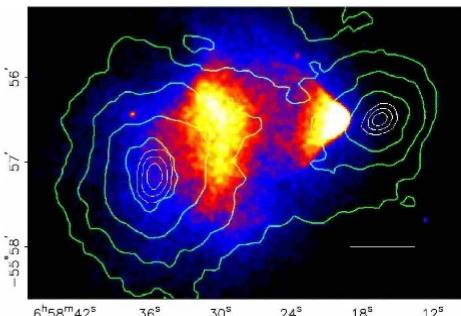
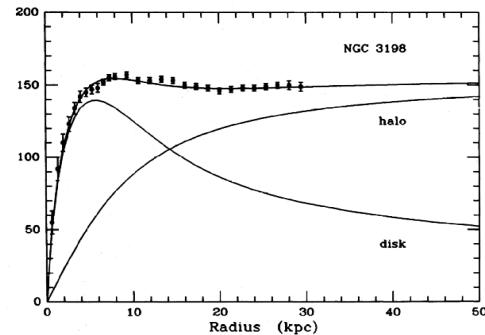


Searching for Dark Matter and Forces @ Belle/Belle II



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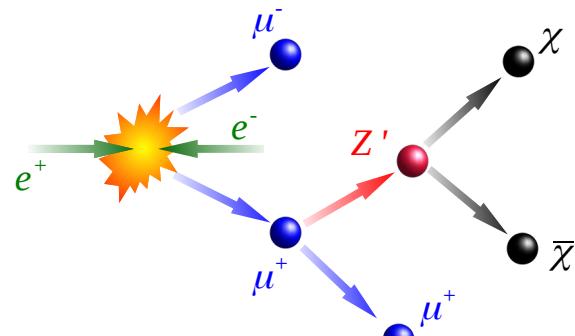
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The equations for the partial widths are,



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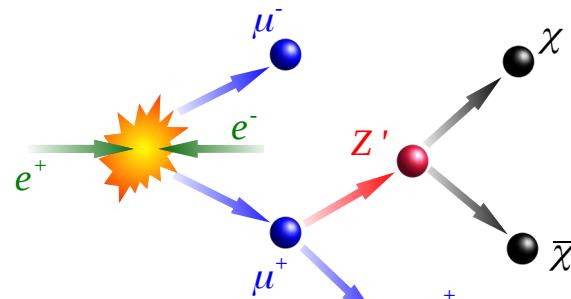
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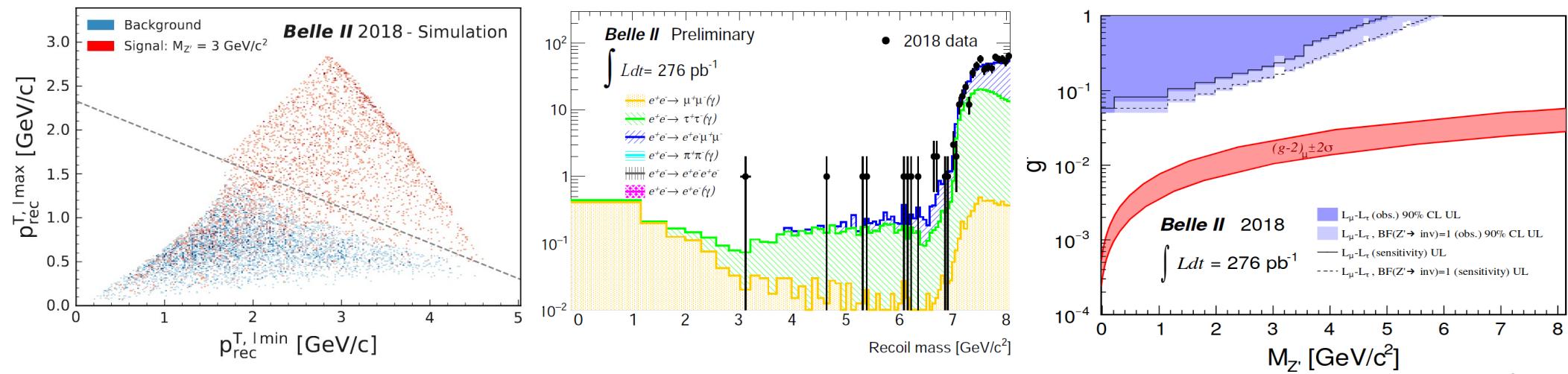


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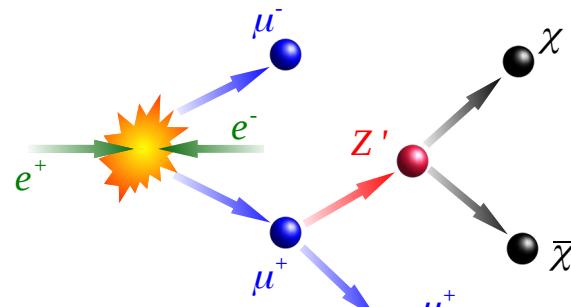


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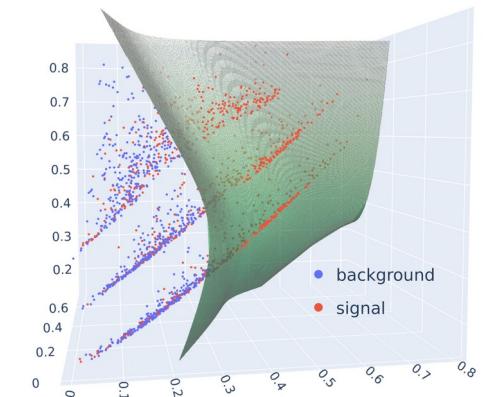
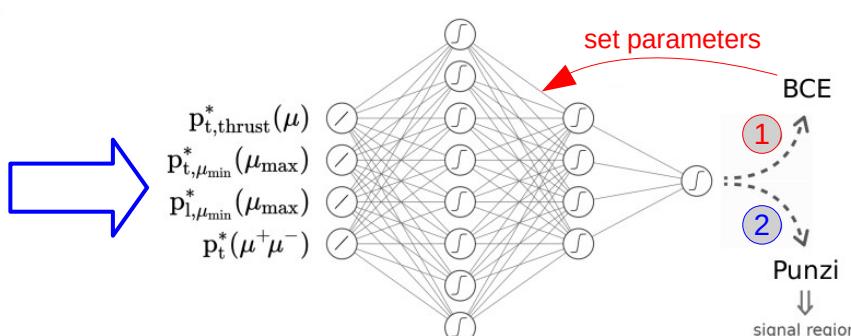
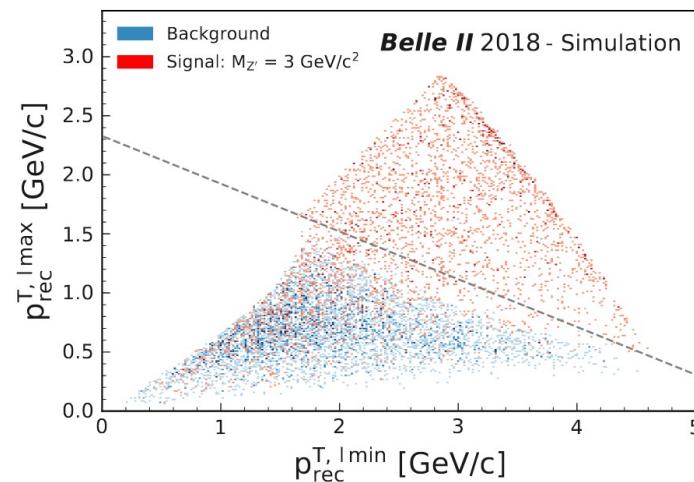


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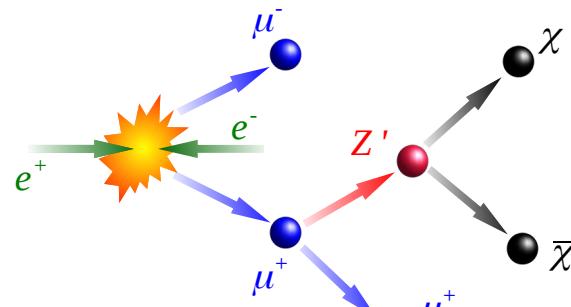


Lepton non-universal coupling: the L_μ - L_τ model and a dark Z'

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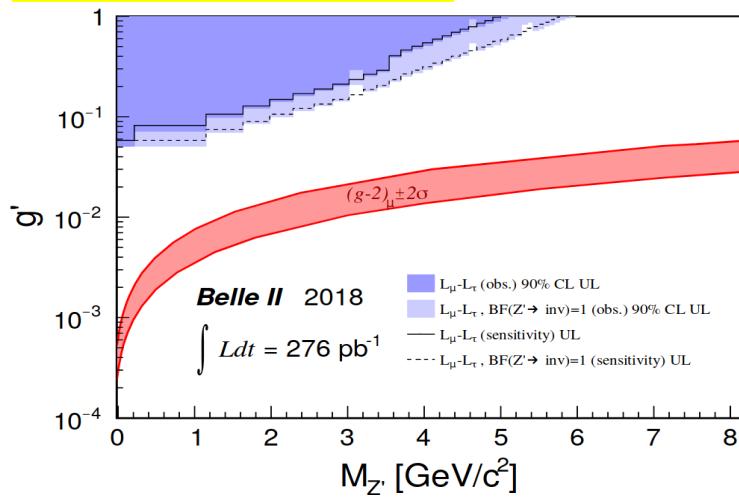
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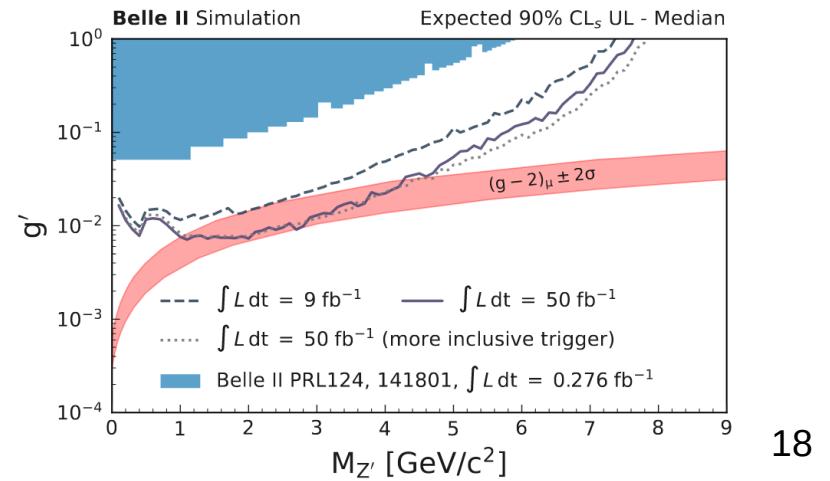
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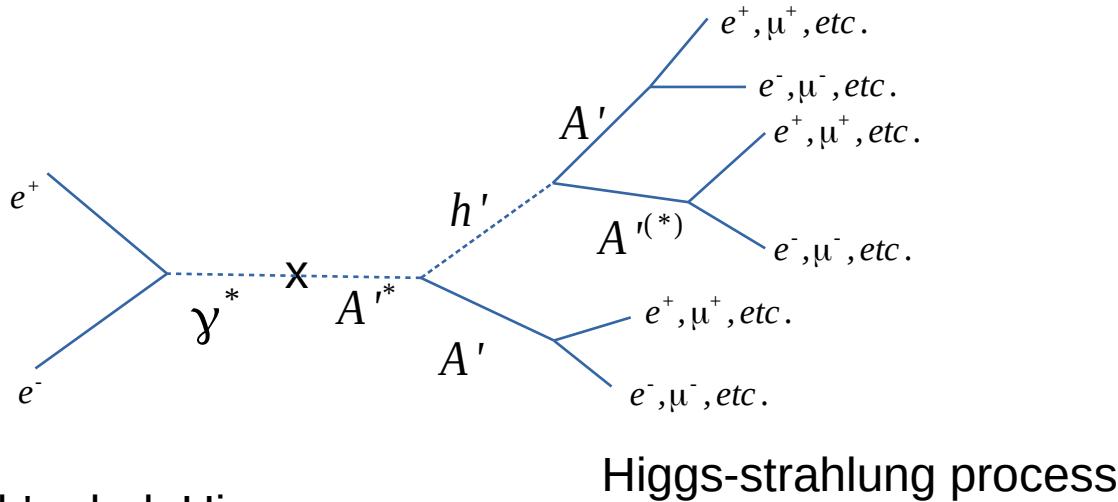


In the near term



Dark Higgs-strahlung @ Belle II

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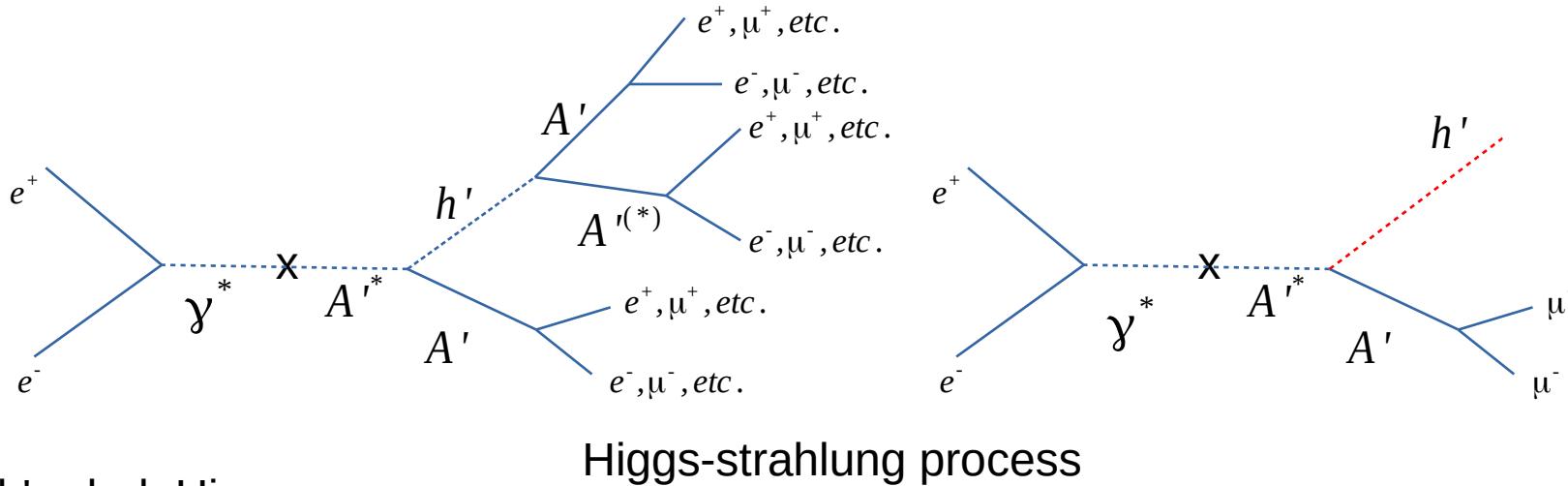
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Thanks to (small) kinetic mixing with the standard model photon, the dark photon A' can decay to standard model final states

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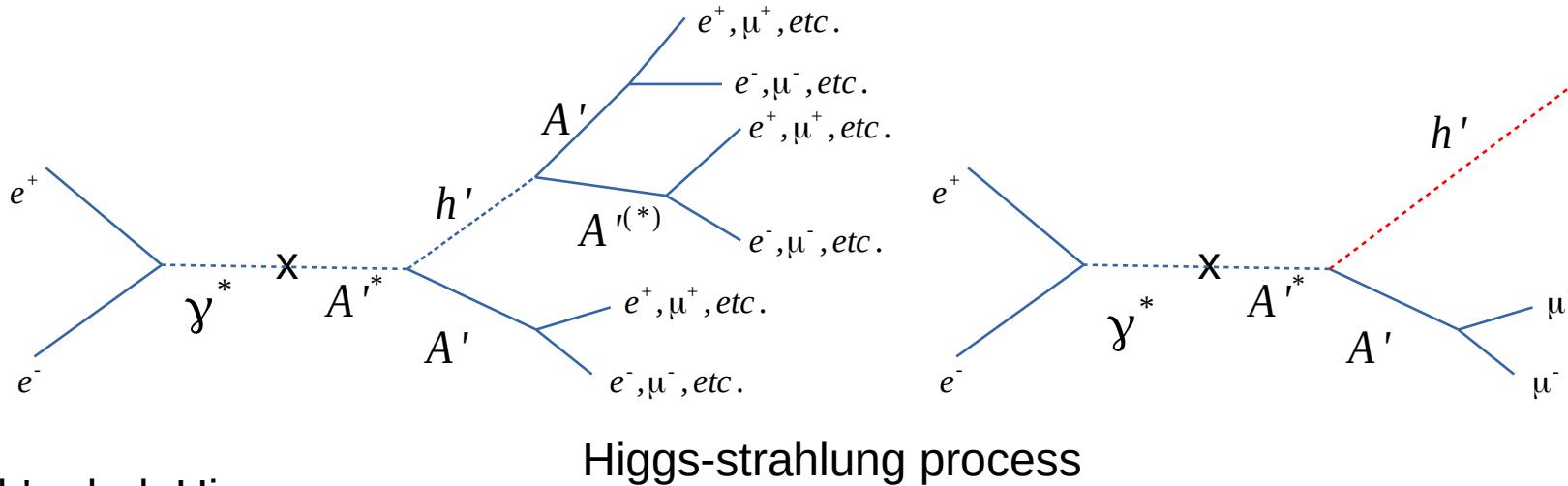
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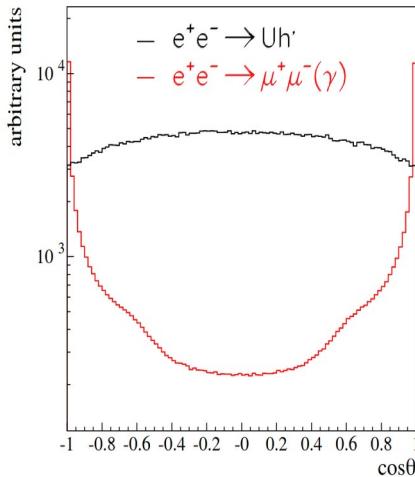
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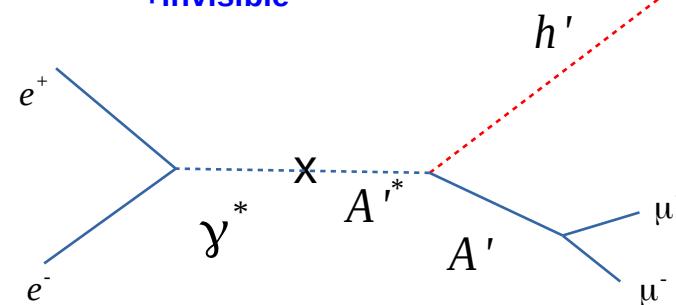
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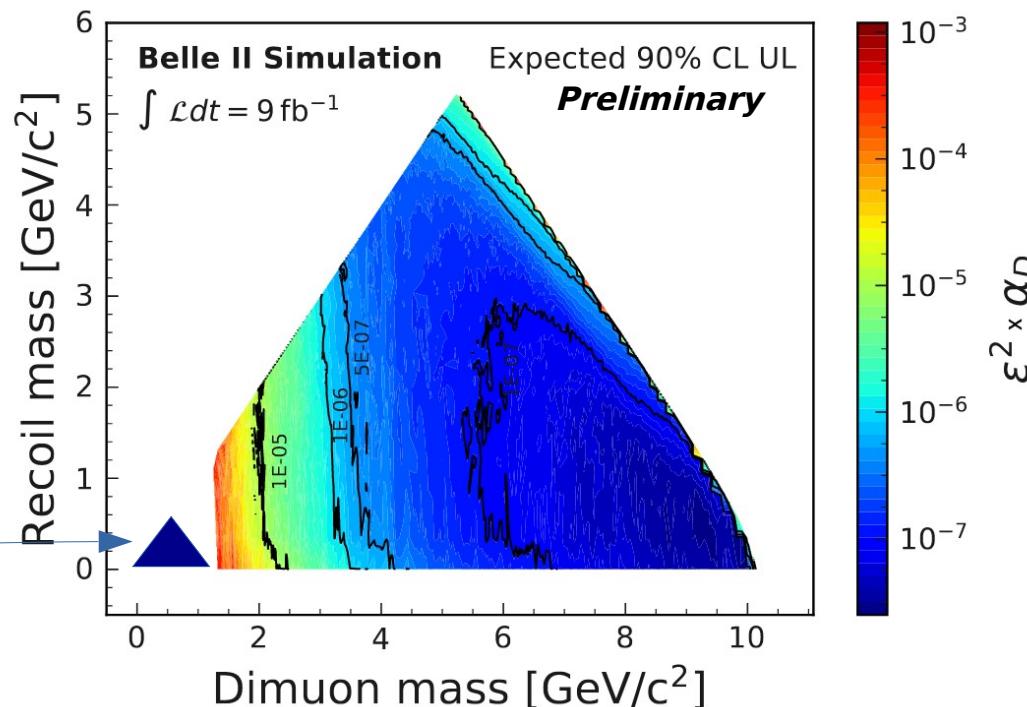


- Identical final state as for the invisible Z' search
- Low SM background
- Allows simultaneous search of a dark Higgs boson and of dark photon
- Existing limits only from KLOE

Current focus on $\mu^+\mu^-$ +invisible final state, plans to extend to e^+e^- +invisible



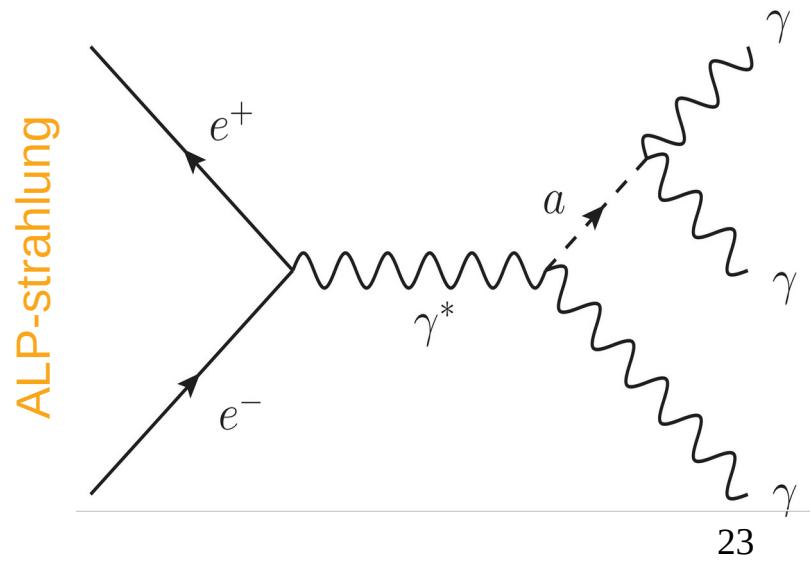
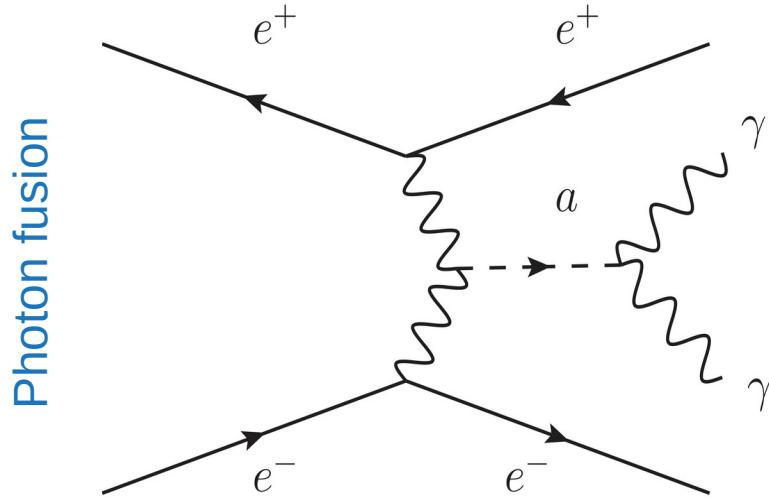
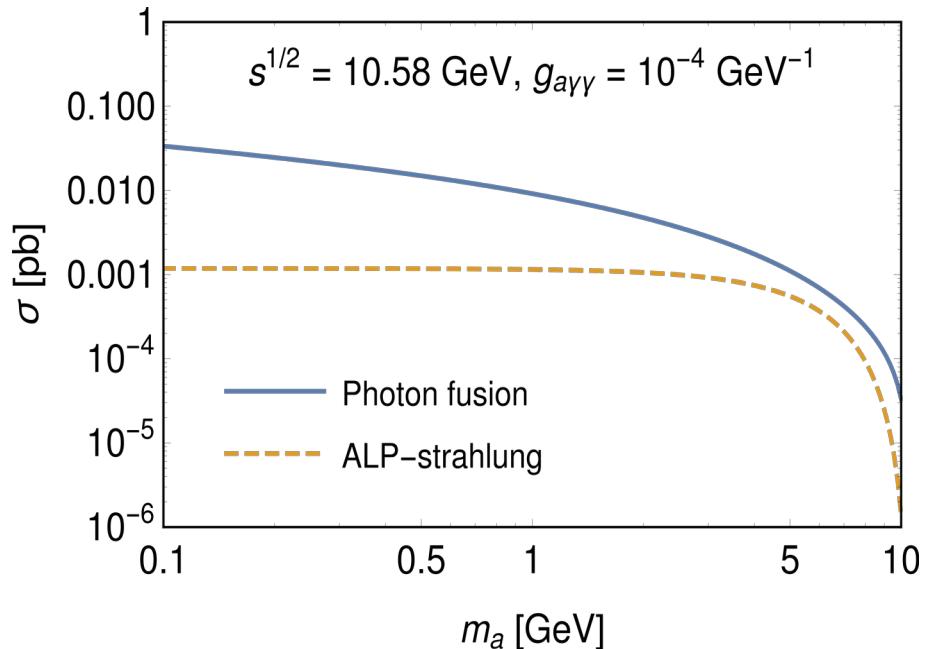
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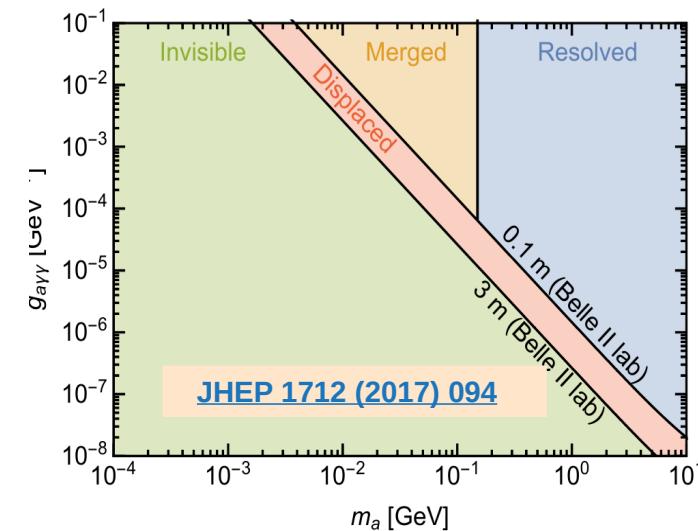
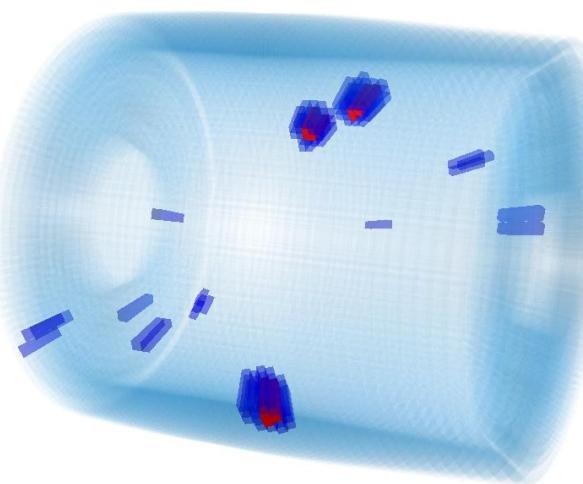
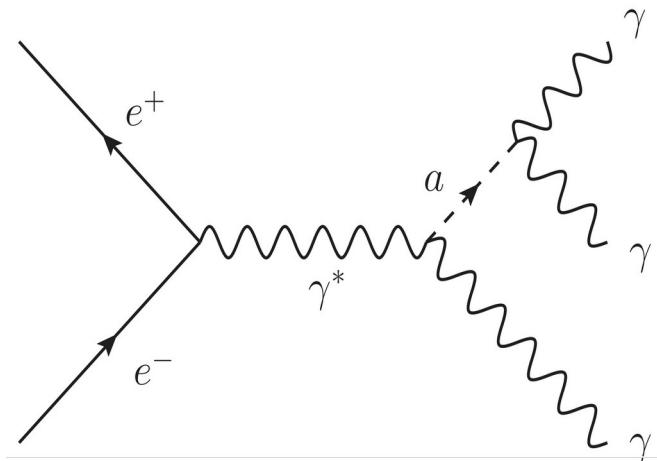
Approaching data unblinding!

Axion Like Particles (ALPs) at Belle II

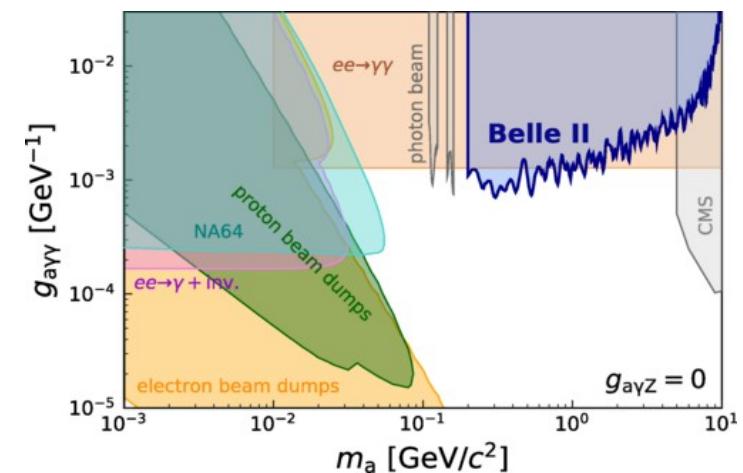
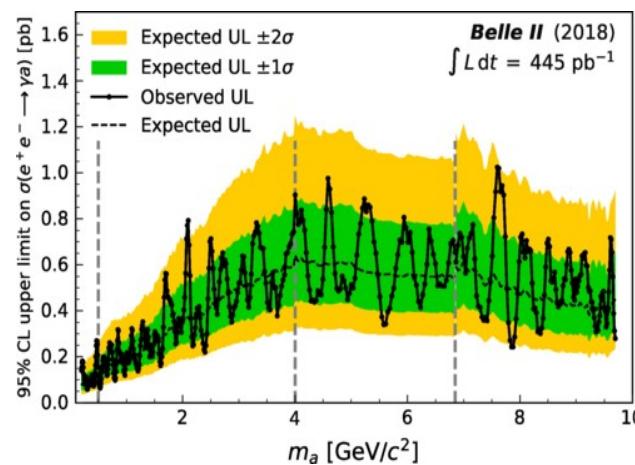
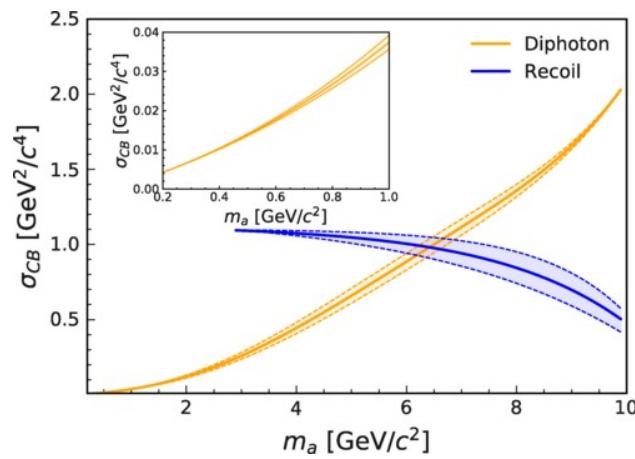
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Axion Like Particles (ALPs) at Belle II



- Three photons that add up to the beam energy + bump on diphoton mass.
- SM background: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma(\gamma)$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-(\gamma)$, and $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{scalar}+\gamma(\gamma)$



→ ArXiv: 2007.13071

→ Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 161806

New Phenomena Session

Latest results on τ and dark sector physics at Belle II

Summary

- Presented a selection of recent results and ongoing analyses
- We are accumulating data at unprecedented luminosity
- Many results to be expected in the future

Thank you for your attention!

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