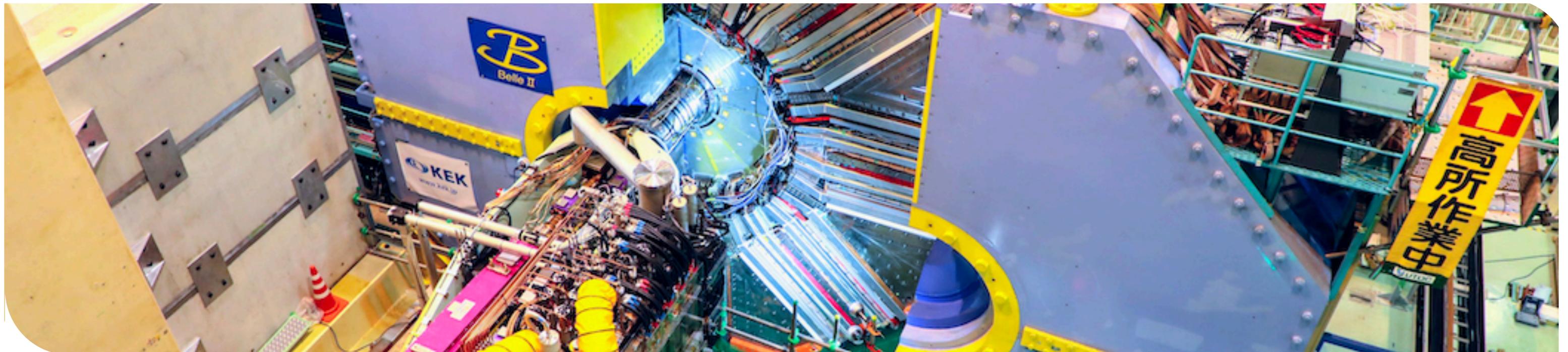


Displaced vertex physics

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- Most BSM collider searches are discussed in so called portal models:
 - $\mathcal{L}_{\text{portal}} = \sum O_{\text{SM}} \times O_{\text{BSM}}$
 - O_{SM} is an operator composed from SM fields and O_{BSM} is an operator composed from new fields
- Only keep lowest dimensional renormalisable portals
 - this makes them rather simple theoretically, which in turn makes them very popular
- Keeps the theoretical structure (and all symmetries) of the SM intact
- Do the portal models appear in UV-complete models? Yes.
- Are the portals sufficient to cover all feebly interacting particle signatures? Probably not.
 - e.g. **emerging jets** (P. Schwaller et al., J. High Energ. Phys. 2015, 59 (2015)), **quirks** (G. D. Kribset al., Phys. Rev. D 81, 095001 (2010)), **softbombs** (S. Knapen et al., J. High Energ. Phys. 2017, 76 (2017)), **dark showers** (E. Bernreuther et al, <https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.08824> , accepted by JHEP)

Portal	Coupling
Vector portal (F is the dark photon field which couples to the hypercharge field B)	$-\frac{\epsilon}{2 \cos(\theta_W)} F'_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$
Higgs portal (s is a scalar singlet that couples to the SM Higgs doublet H with μ (dim. less) and λ (dimensional))	$(\mu S + \lambda S^2) H^\dagger H$
ALP portal (a is a pseudoscalar axion that couples to a dimension-4 di-photon, di-fermion or di-gluon operator)	$\frac{a}{f_a} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \frac{a}{f_a} G_{i,\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_i^{\mu\nu}, \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi$
Neutrino portal (N is a neutral fermion that couples to one of the left-handed doublets L of the SM and the Higgs field H with a Yukawa coupling y_N)	$y_N L H N$

Physics Beyond Collider Benchmark Models

Benchmark	Name	Parameters	Signature
BC1	Dark Photon	$m_{A'}, \epsilon$	$A' \rightarrow f\bar{f}$
BC2	Dark Matter (via A')	$m_{A'}, \epsilon, m_{\chi}, \alpha_D$ ($\alpha_D=0.1$ and $m_{A'}/m_{\chi}=3$)	$A' \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}$
BC3	Millicharged (via A')	$m_{\chi}, Q_{\chi}/e, (m_{A'} \rightarrow 0)$	$A' \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}$
BC4	S (higgs mixing)	$\tan(\theta), m_S$	$S \rightarrow f\bar{f}$
BC5	SS (higgs decay)	$\tan(\theta), m_S, \lambda$	$h \rightarrow SS$
BC6	HNL (electron)	$ U_e ^2, m_N, (U_{\mu} ^2 = U_{\tau} ^2 = 0)$	ν_e or e
BC7	HNL (muon)	$ U_{\mu} ^2, m_N, (U_e ^2 = U_{\tau} ^2 = 0)$	ν_{μ} or μ
BC8	HNL (tau)	$ U_{\tau} ^2, m_N, (U_e ^2 = U_{\mu} ^2 = 0)$	ν_{τ} or τ
BC9	ALP with photon coupling	$m_a, g_{a\gamma\gamma}$	$a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
BC10	ALP with fermion coupling	m_a, g_{aff} ($g_{aff} = g_{aqq}$)	$a \rightarrow f\bar{f}$
BC11	ALP with gluon coupling	m_a, g_{agg}	$a \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$
BCX1	U(1) (B-L)	$m_{A'}, g_{B-L}$	$A' \rightarrow f\bar{f}$
BCX2	Inelastic Dark Matter	$m_{A'}, \epsilon, m_{\chi_1}, m_{\chi_2}, \alpha_D$ ($\alpha_D=0.1, m_{A'}/m_{\chi}=3, \Delta=0.1$ GeV)	$\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 \ell\bar{\ell}$
BCX9	ALP with W coupling	m_a, g_{aWW}	$B \rightarrow Ka, a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
BC678X	HNL	Non-trivial combinations of $ U_e ^2, U_{\mu} ^2, U_{\tau} ^2$	

“The main goal of the Study Group remains to explore the **opportunities offered by CERN’s** unique accelerator complex (...) that complement the goals of the main experiments of the Laboratory’s collider programme. Examples of physics objectives include (...) searches for feebly interacting particles. (...) The study group will primarily investigate, and, where appropriate, provide support to, projects expected to be **sited at CERN.** (...)”

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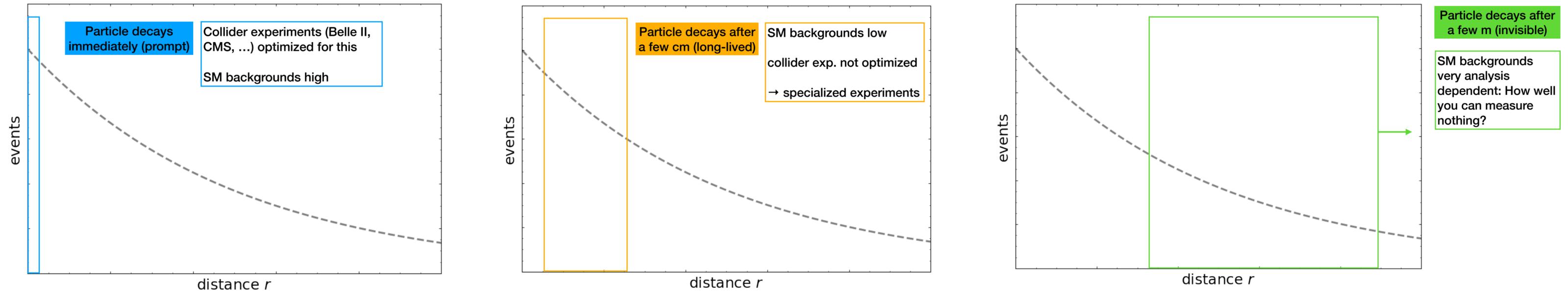
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- New mediators with very small couplings in the range of Belle II sensitivity are naturally long-lived
- Lighter mediators have longer lifetimes in the experiment due to larger boost
- In the PBC/FPC: Only BC2 and BCX2 are actual DM models, many other are possible mediators to dark sectors

- Dark Matter particles χ are invisible in collider experiments
- Light Dark Matter (LDM), typically $m_\chi \lesssim 5$ GeV, requires a new mediator to the Standard Model if (!) there is any interaction beyond gravity
- Freeze-out Dark Matter models are predictive:
“Relic targets” provide search target by using known dark matter density
 - Relic targets are model-dependent (at colliders this effect is often rather mild)
 - Relic target is a function of dark matter mass and coupling to the new mediator

At Belle II, searches for Dark Matter are always final states with missing energy.

Reminder: Exponential Decay Times



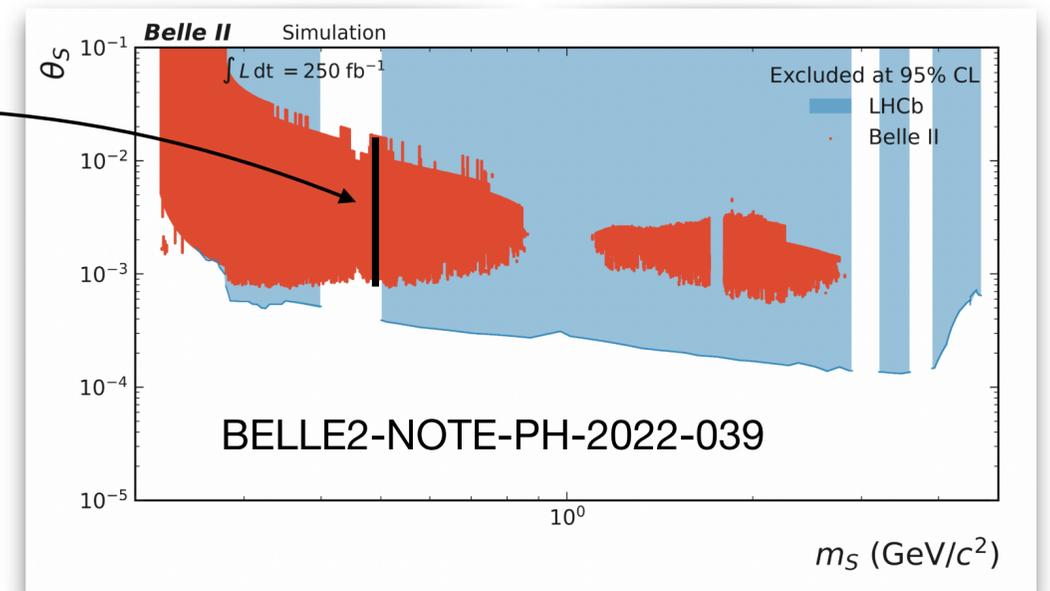
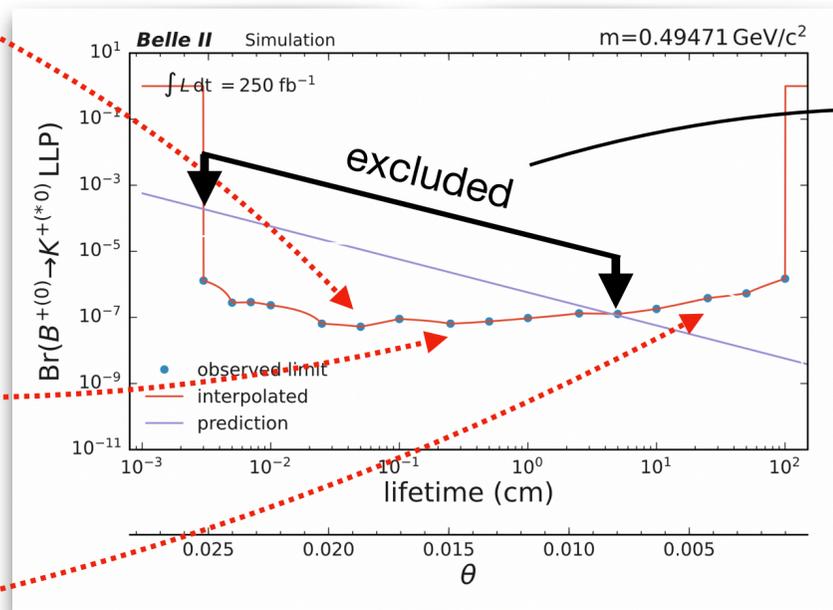
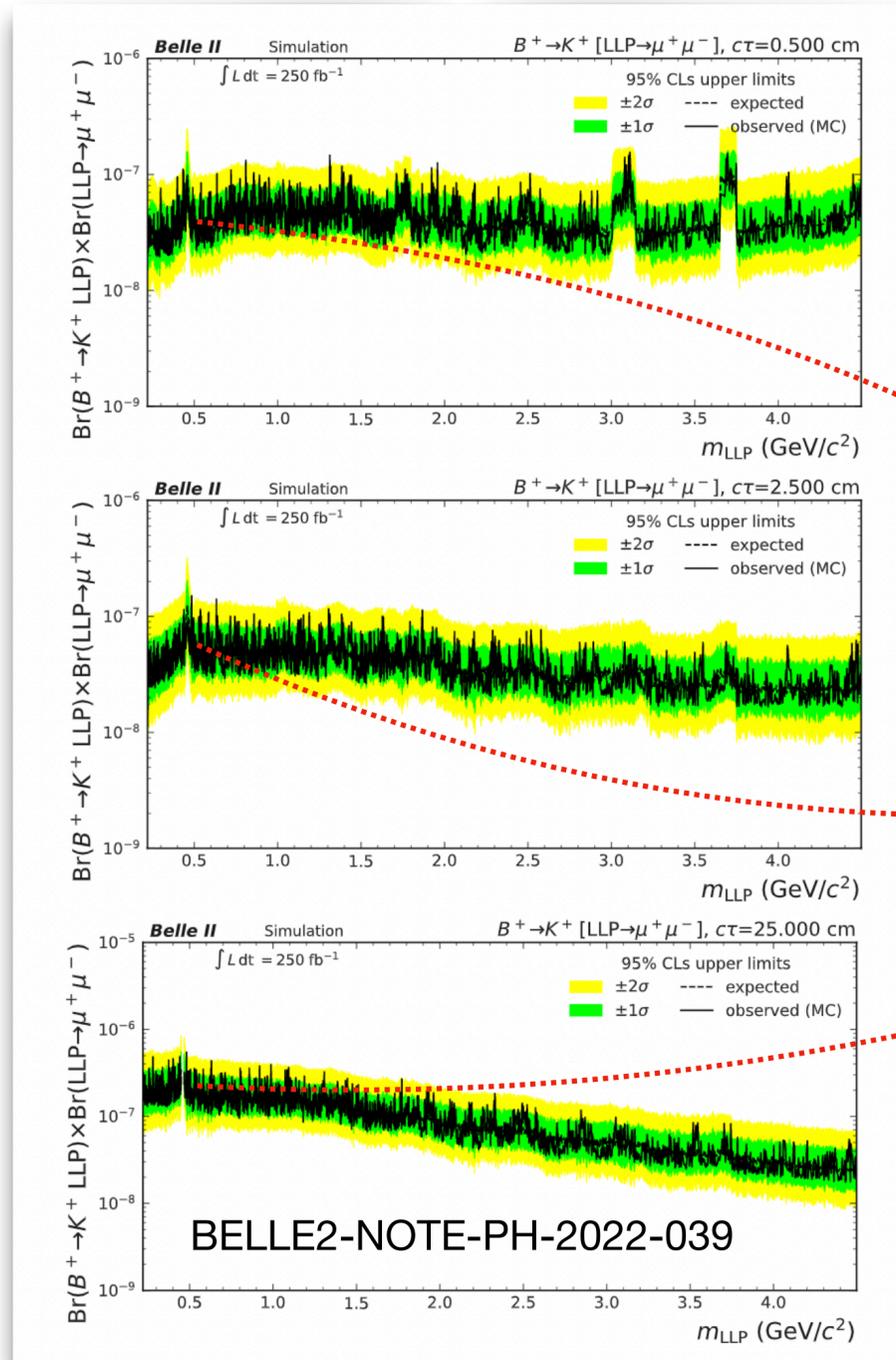
- Particles with lifetimes $\mathcal{O}(\text{cm})$ typically feature prompt, displaced, and invisible (==too long lived) signatures! (generally three different analyses)
- Generally: **Prompt** has good efficiency but high SM backgrounds, **invisible** has good efficiency and often small backgrounds but little information the final state, **displaced** has low efficiency and low backgrounds

Signatures with long-lived particles

Example: $B \rightarrow KS, S \rightarrow \ell\ell/hh$

General search strategy:

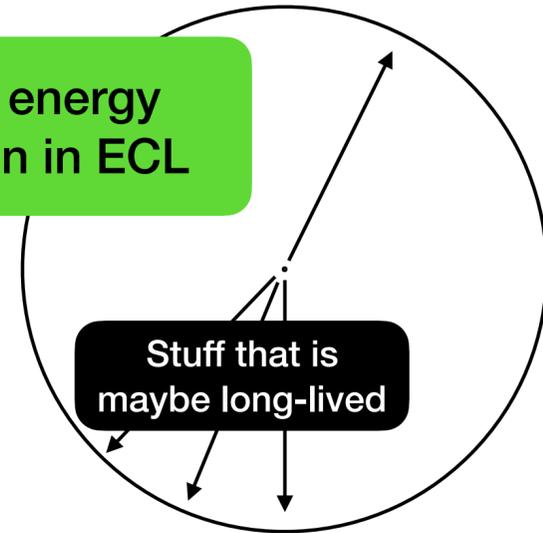
- Resonant search for a fixed lifetime $c\tau \rightarrow$ cross section limit $\sigma(m)$ for fixed lifetime
- Scan for multiple different lifetimes \rightarrow find model-dep. limit by interpolation



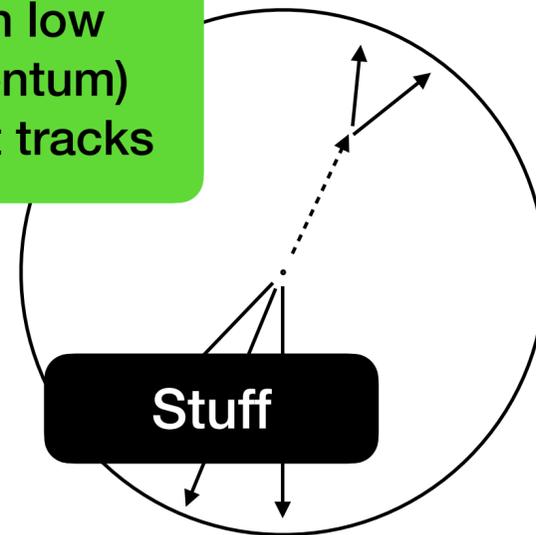
Triggers for long-lived particles

ECL based triggers

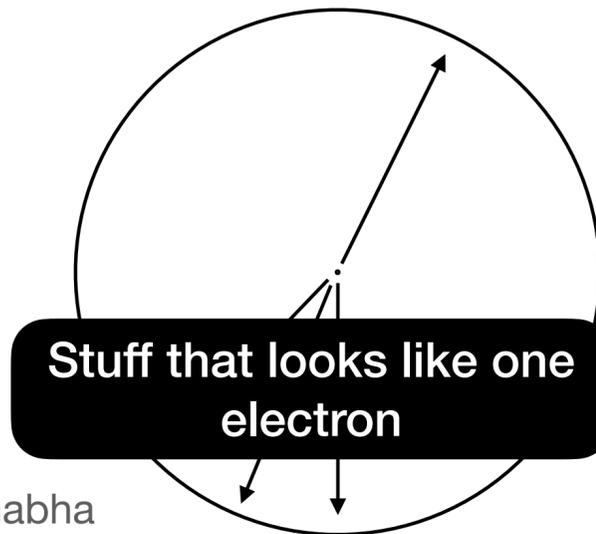
high energy photon in ECL



electrons in ECL (often low momentum) without tracks



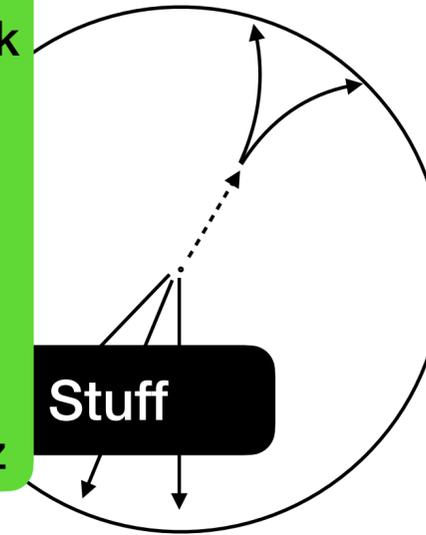
Stuff that looks like one electron



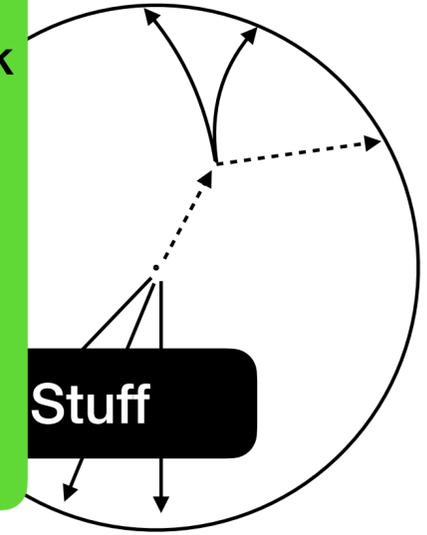
Are Bhabha vetoes specific enough to not veto those?

Track based triggers

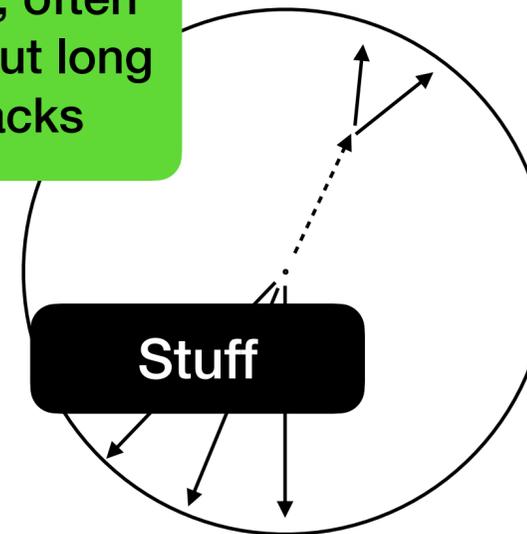
tracks pointing back to IP, individual tracks can have large impact parameters and large Δz



tracks not pointing back to IP, individual tracks can have large impact parameters and large Δz



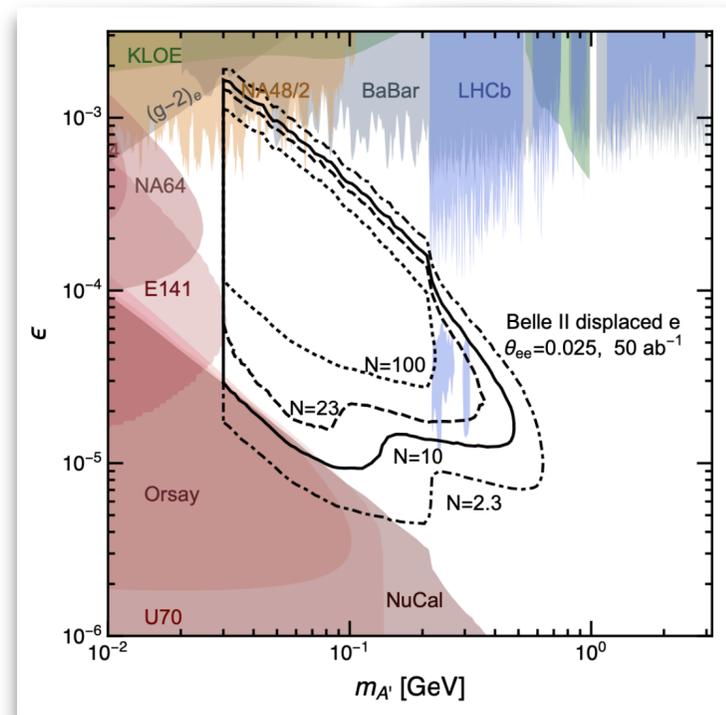
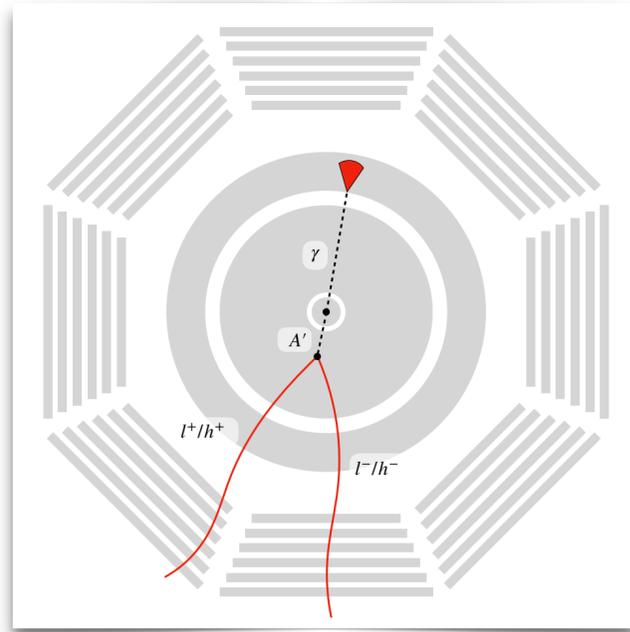
muons in KLM, often without long tracks



Signatures may have short tracks (with low efficiency)

These triggers keep displaced tracks “by chance”, not by design. But parameter space is huge (see next slides).

Long-lived Dark Photon A'



- Generic dark photon model BC1 predicts long lifetimes only for light, very weakly coupled dark photons
- Sensitivity dominated by $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- **Trigger:**
 - L1 high energy photon. ‘dpee’ introduced in exp26 to keep $e(e)\gamma$ signatures.
 - HLT: high energy photon
- **Background:** Mis-reconstructed pair conversions (note that it is “easy” to reject correctly reconstructed pair conversions)

Inelastic Dark Matter (iDM)

*Recently an extended variant of this model (i2DM) is discussed where $\chi_1\chi_1, \chi_1\chi_2, \chi_2\chi_2$ final states are possible, see e.g. https://indico.cern.ch/event/1119695/contributions/5033899/attachments/2530332/4354339/talk_FIPs_SJ.pdf

- 5* free parameters

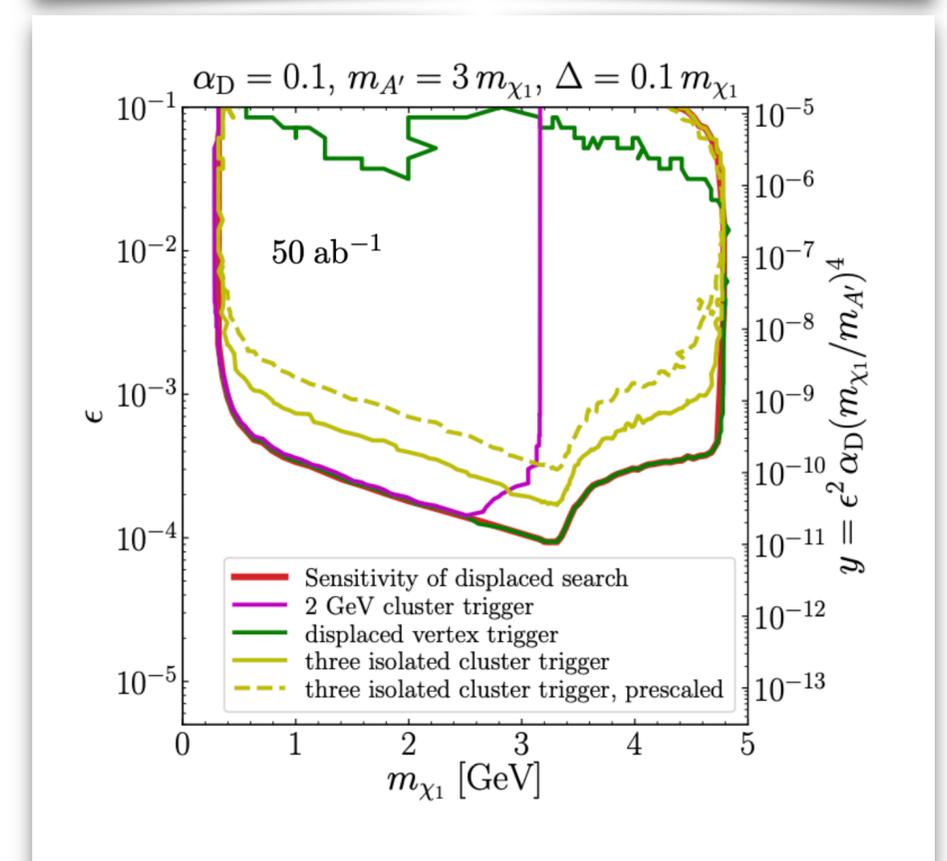
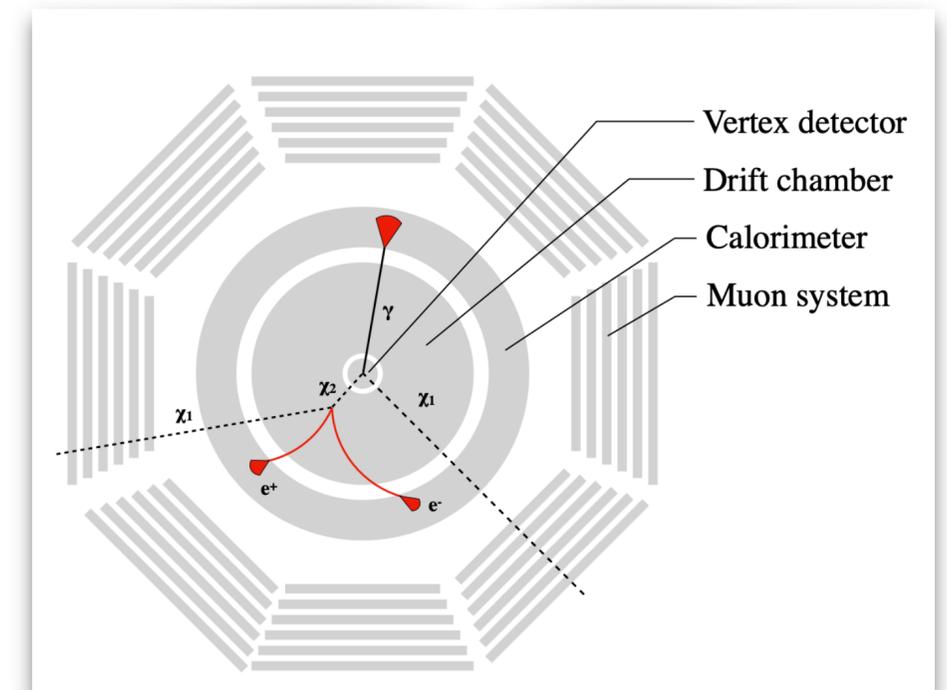
$$m_{A'}, m_{\chi_1}, \Delta m = m_{\chi_2} - m_{\chi_1}, \epsilon, \alpha_D$$

- χ_1 is a dark matter candidate
- χ_2 is an unstable dark sector particle decaying into $\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 \rightarrow \chi_1 e^+ e^-$

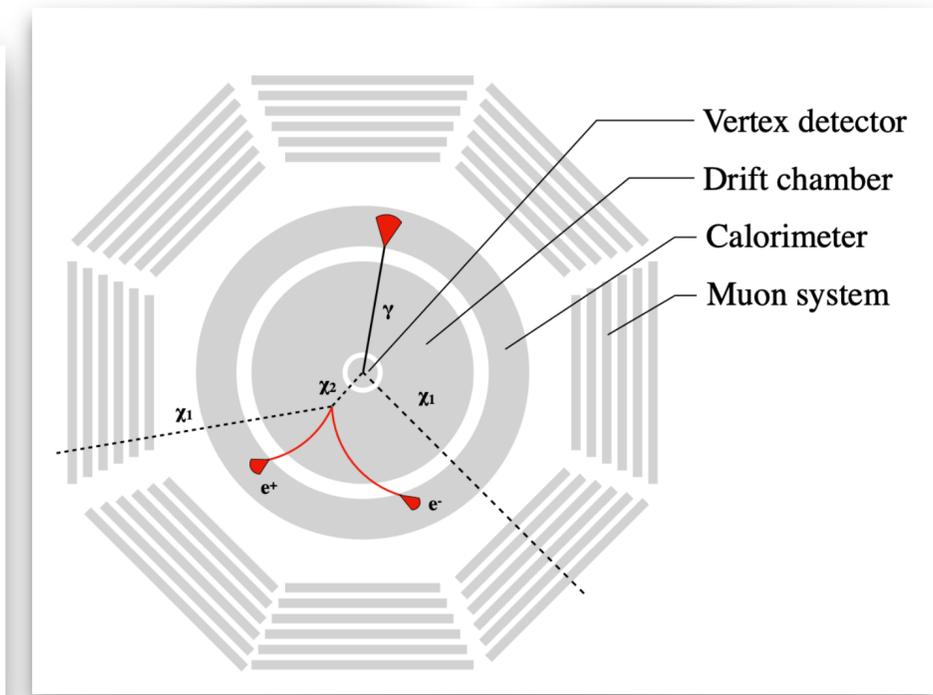
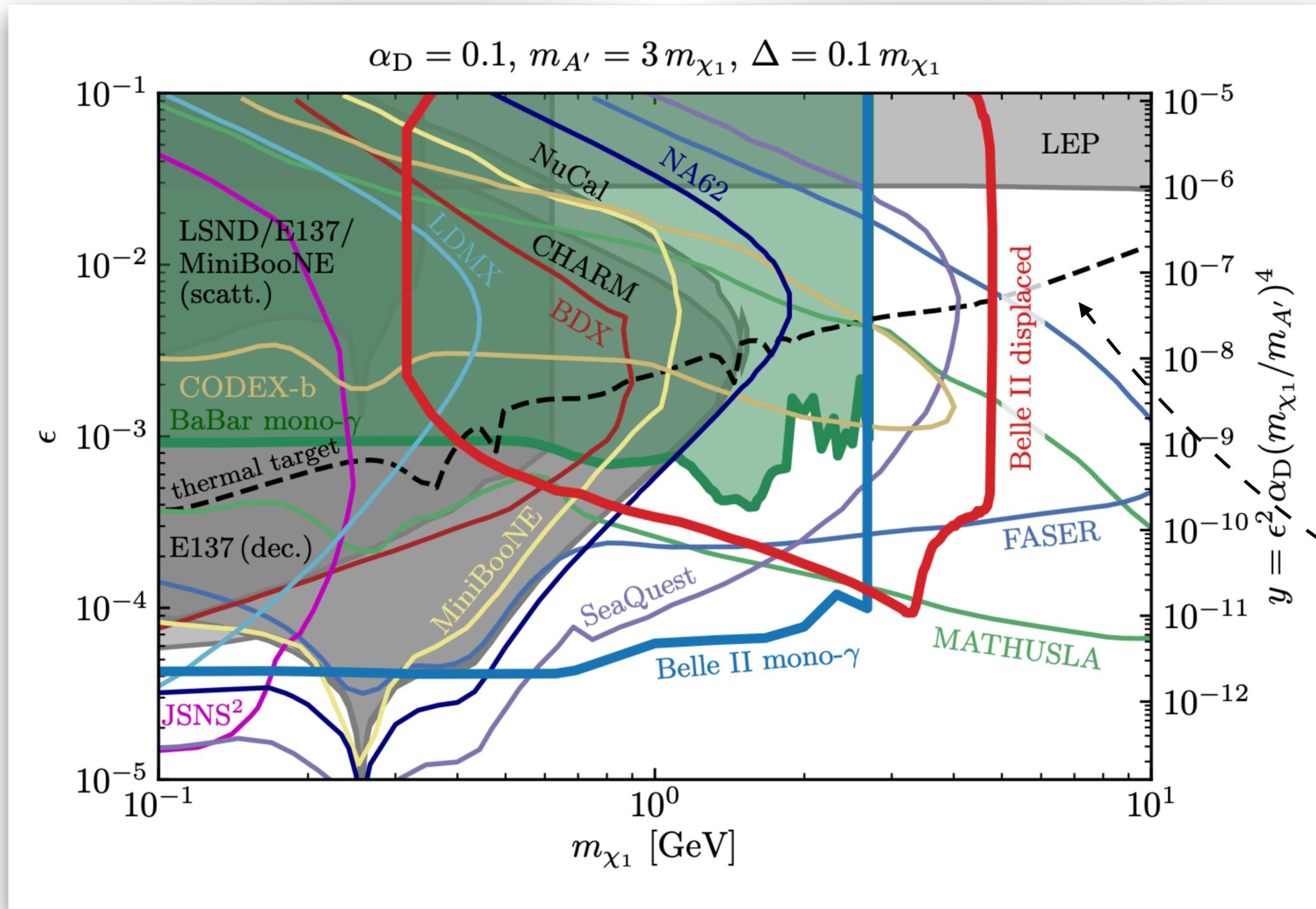
- Trigger:**

- L1: high energy photon, but removing endcap hie or lml2 will reduce efficiency. **Needs displaced vertex trigger for high masses and small couplings (for very large datasets)**
- HLT: high energy photon

- Background:** Rare hadronic interactions in τ events (based on full MC study, pheno paper assumes zero bkgd)



Inelastic Dark Matter (iDM)



Thermal (relic) target (Freeze-out DM)

Inelastic Dark Matter with a Dark Higgs (iDMDH)

- 7 free parameters

$$m_{h'}, m_{A'}, m_{\chi_1}, \Delta m = m_{\chi_2} - m_{\chi_1}, \epsilon, \alpha_D, \theta$$

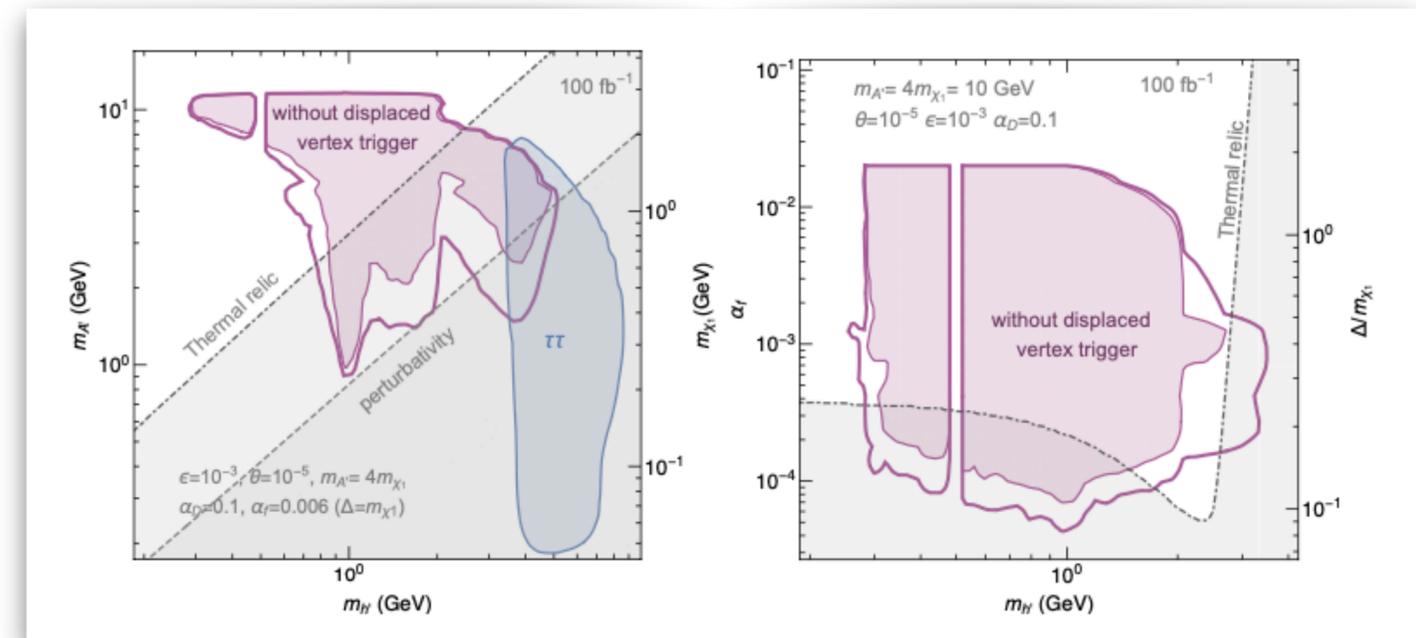
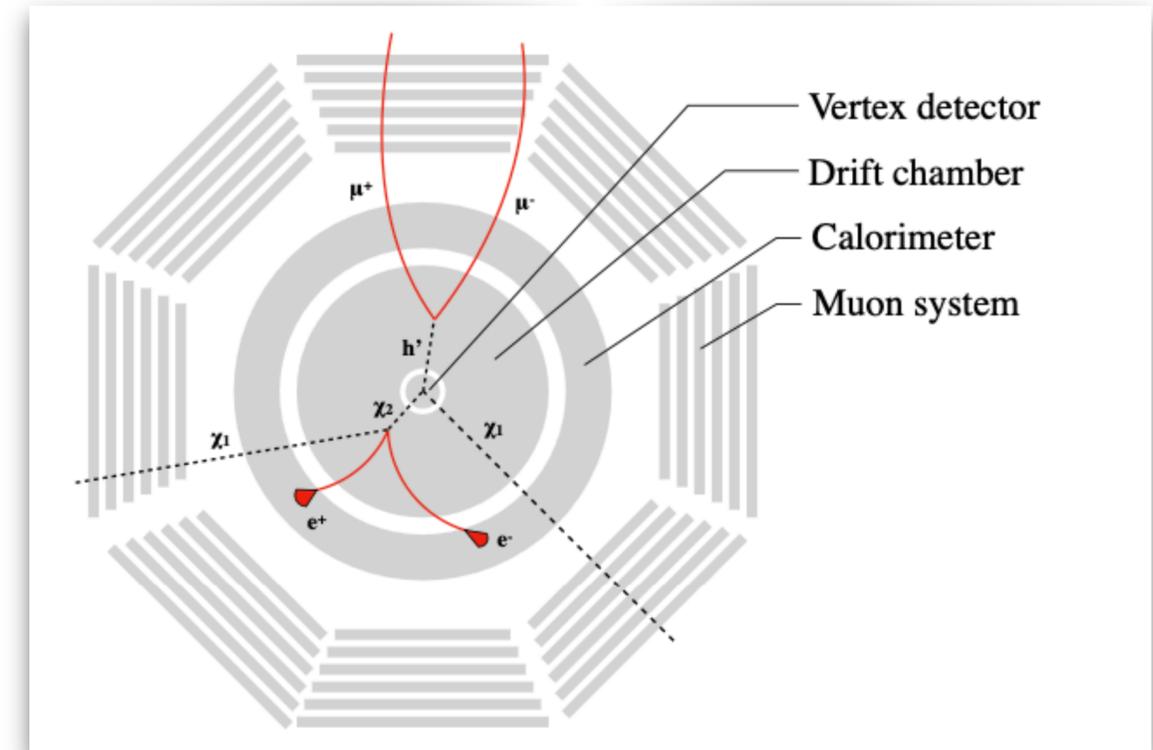
- χ_1 is a dark matter candidate

Trigger:

- L1L: Complex: Calorimeter for large Δm , STT for short livetimes. **Needs displaced vertex trigger for large lifetimes and small mass splittings (see next slide)**

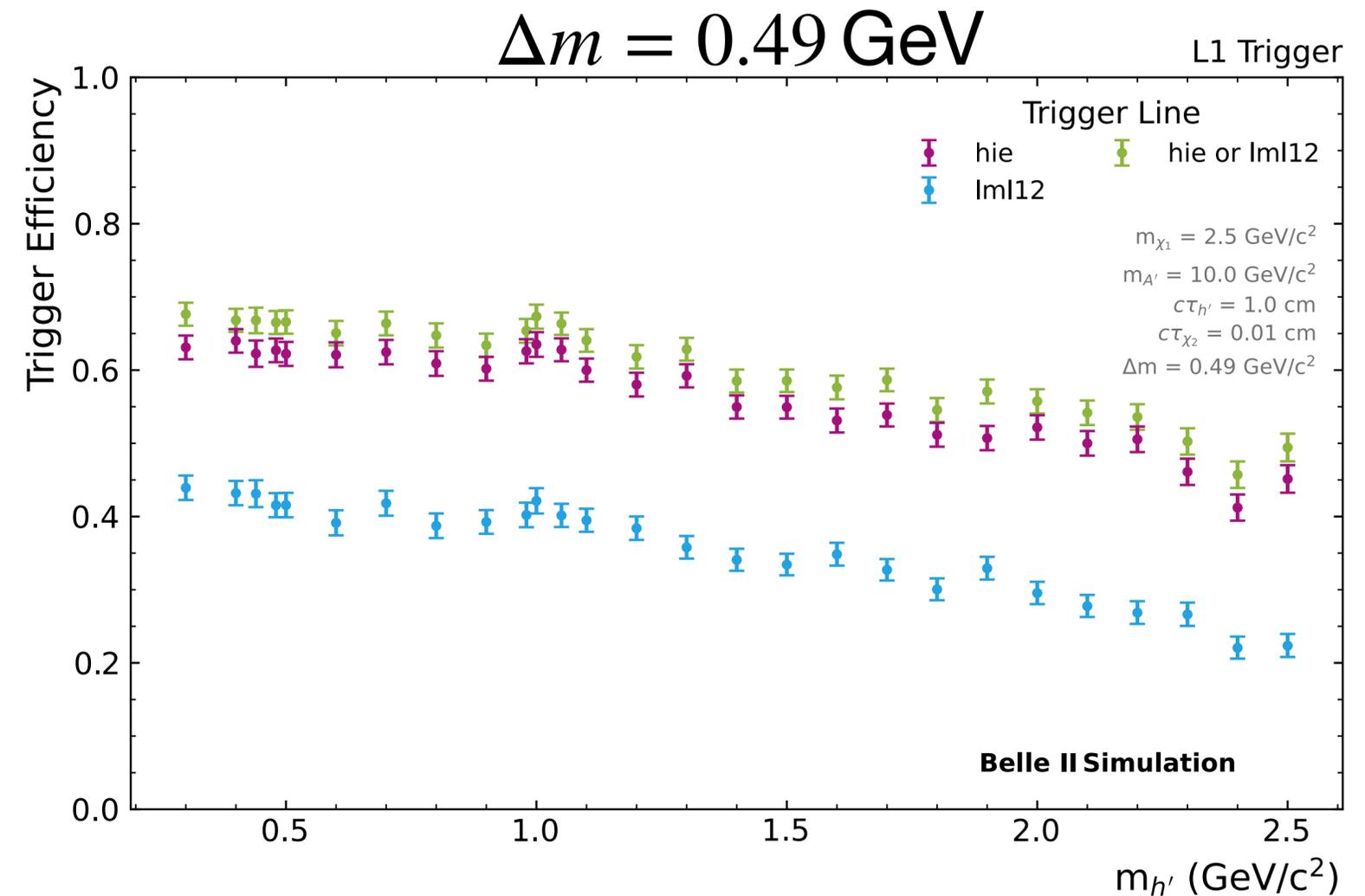
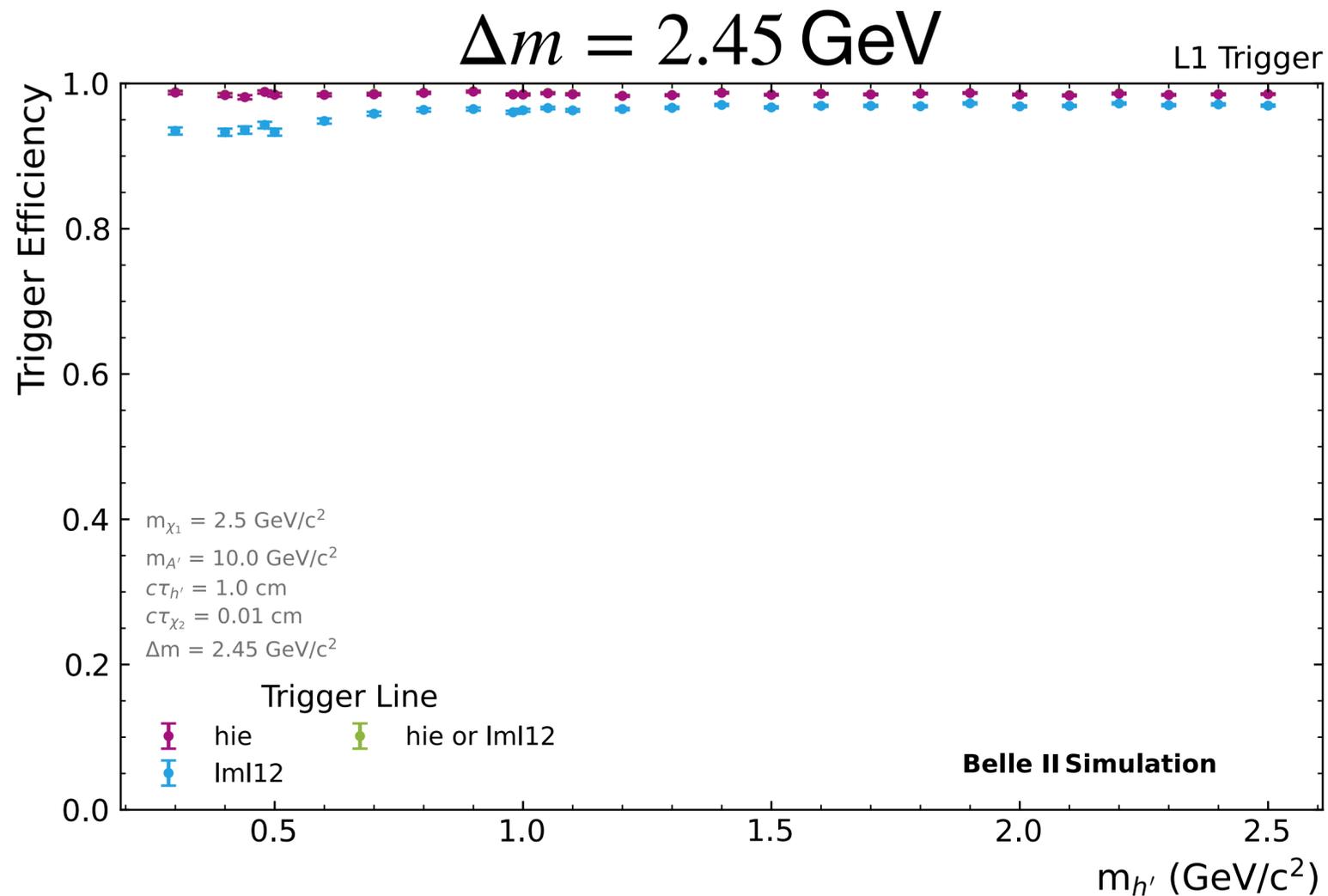
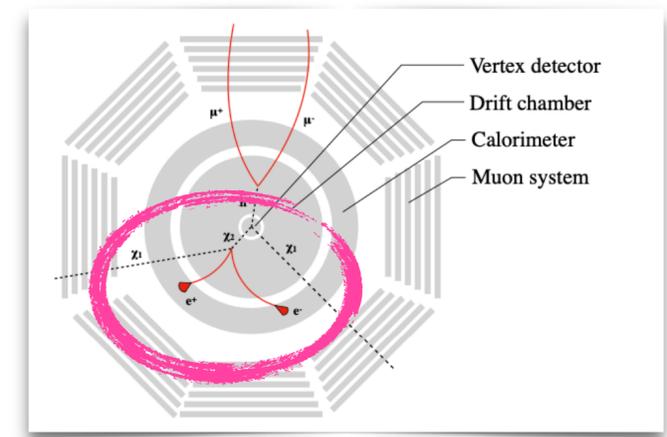
- HLT: under study, potential issue from non-IP tracks.

- Background:** Very small, dominated by random track combinations (pheno paper assumes zero bkgd)

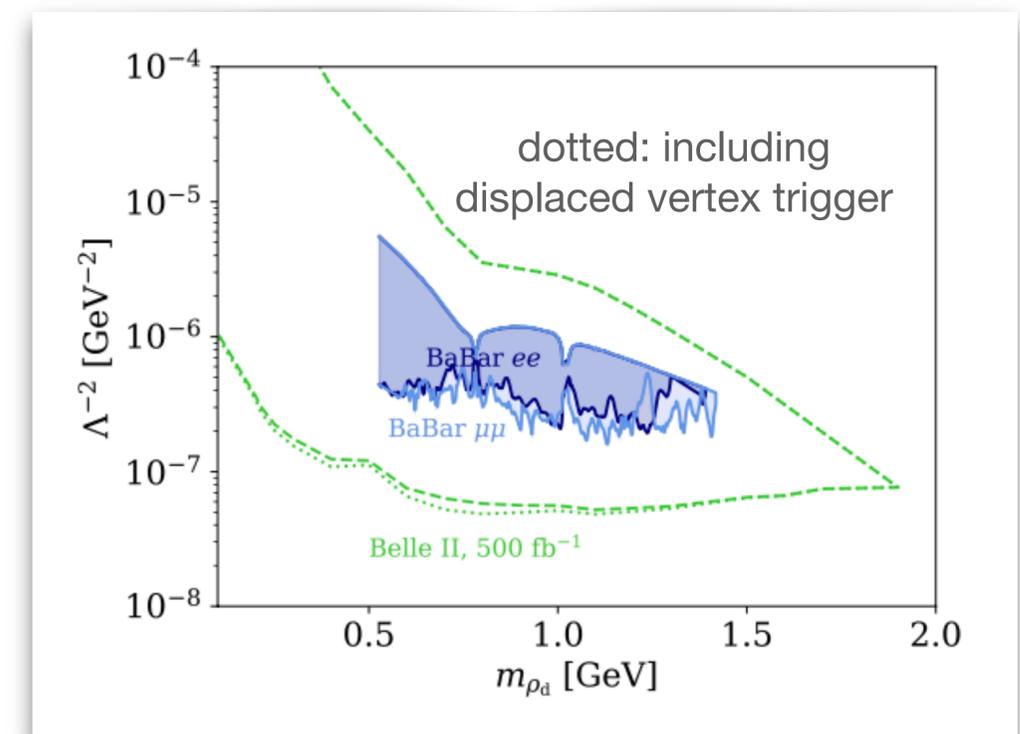
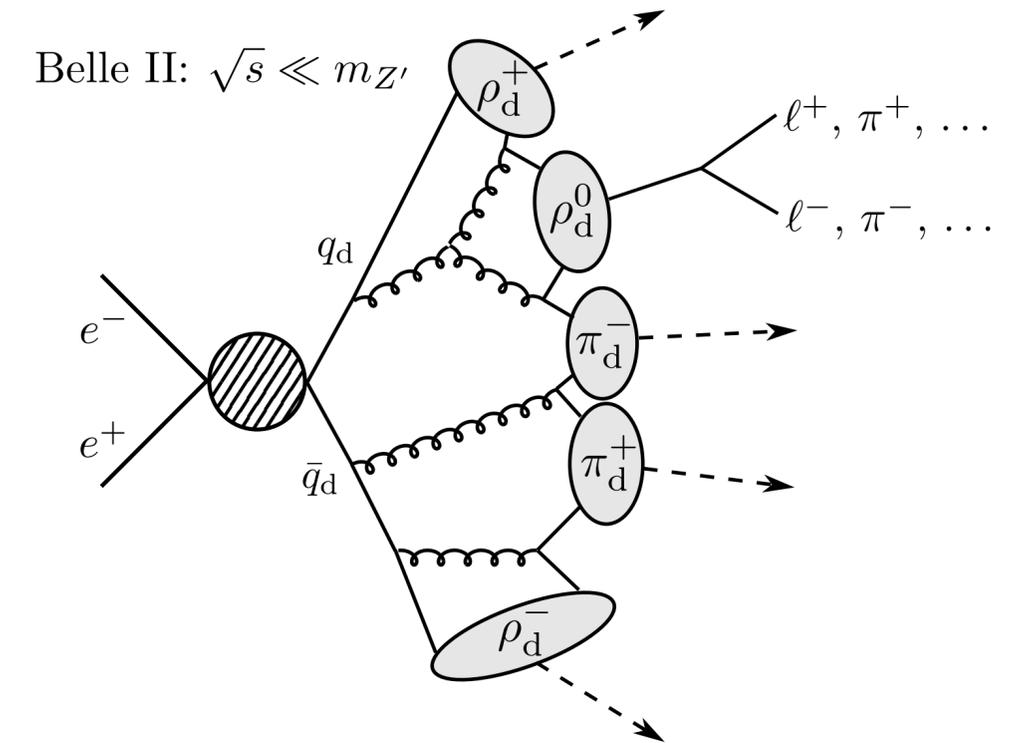


Inelastic Dark Matter with a Dark Higgs (iDMDH)

- e^+e^- decay products from χ_2 decay have low energies for small values $\Delta m = m_{\chi_2} - m_{\chi_1}$
 \rightarrow L1 calorimeter trigger loses efficiency



- Only two effective parameters m_{ρ_D}, Λ^{-2} (or lifetime)
- **Trigger:**
 - L1: Complex: Calorimeter for electrons, STT and two track triggers for muons and hadrons. Benefits slightly from displaced vertex L1 trigger for small couplings.
 - HLT: issue from non-IP tracks (see next slide)
- **Background:** random combinations and material interactions in $\tau\tau$ events (pheno paper assumes zero bkgd)



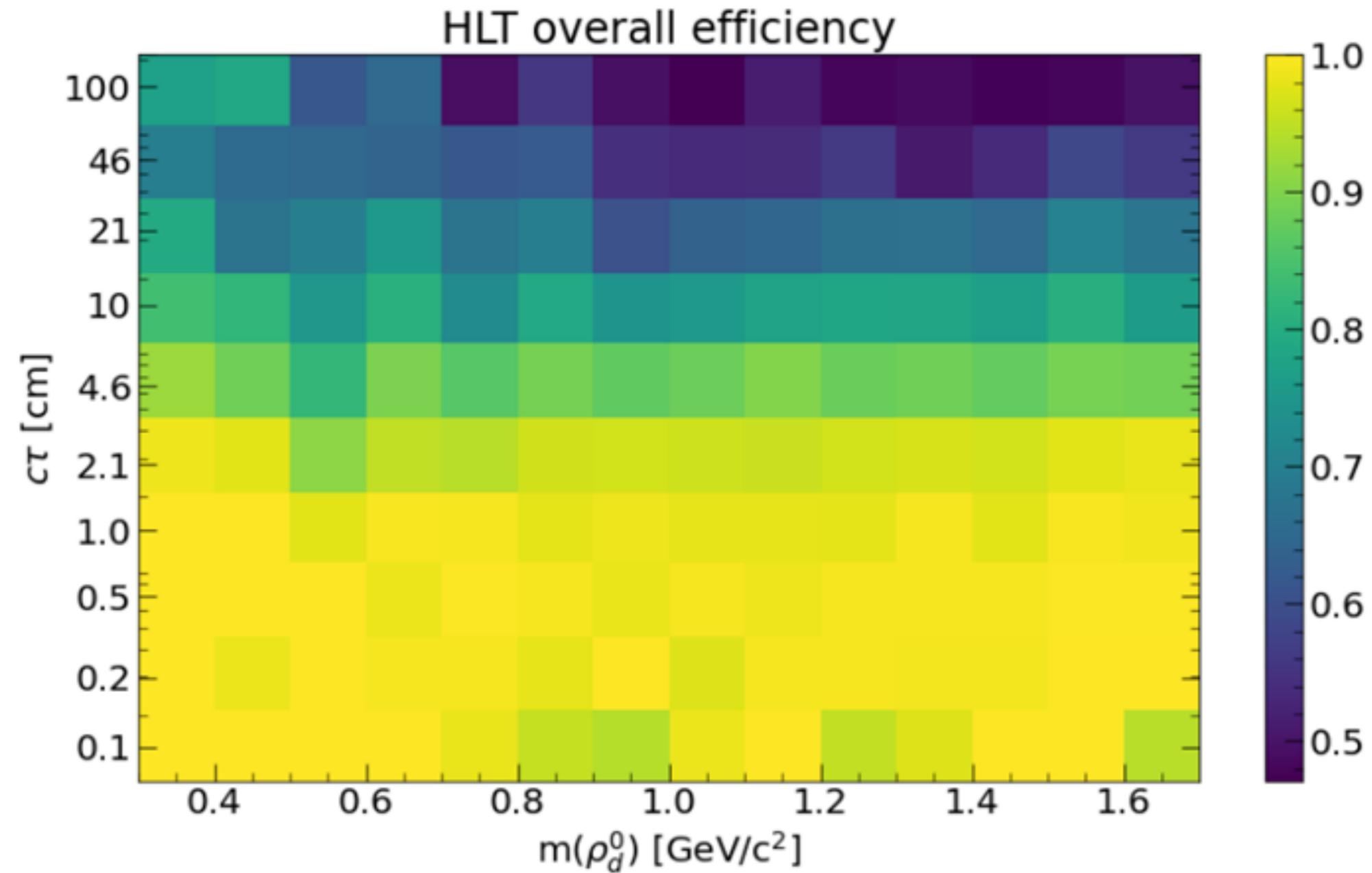


Figure 4.14: HLT efficiency after L1 Triggers have been applied.

- For completeness:
 - LLP signatures in B decays are kept by L1 and HLT
 - ALP (3γ) is very boosted and looks like $\gamma\gamma$ on trigger level (“hie OR gg sel” is efficient)
- Parameter space for some searches is huge and event selection optimization is subtle → quick checks if trigger modifications are problematic are a serious effort for LLP searches!
- HLT needs modification for low multiplicity final state with tracks not coming from the IP
- **Displaced vertex trigger is needed** for:
 - (Very) long lived region of parameter space in non-electron or low momentum electron final states
 - redundancy: STT and hie provide generally rather high efficiencies, but we are using them for signatures that they were not designed to trigger

Backup

Invisible

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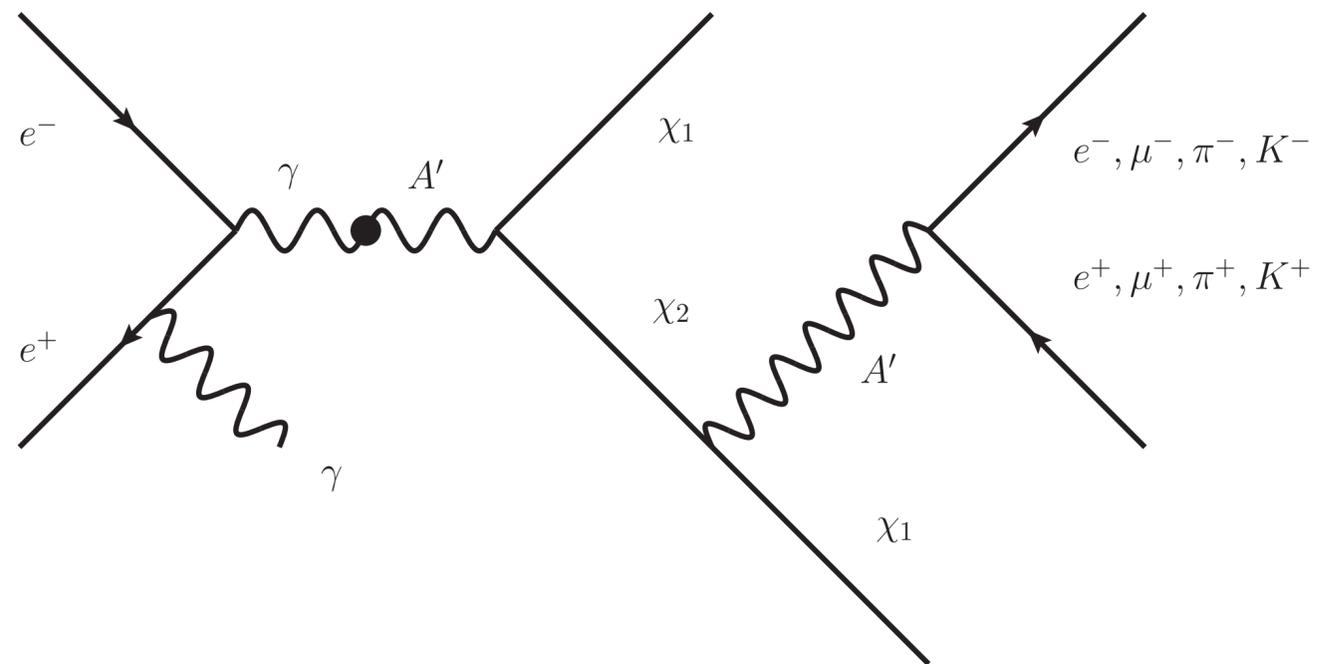
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New experiment

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Feynman diagrams

iDM



iDM+DH

