

## Dark matter search at Belle



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# $(g - 2)_\mu$ 2021 and 2023 measurements

$(g - 2)_\mu$  2021 measurement [PRL 126, 141801 - 2021](#)

$$\Delta a_\mu \equiv a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = (251 \pm 59) \times 10^{-11} \text{ corresponding to } 4.2\sigma$$

$(g - 2)_\mu$  2023 measurement [2308.06230](#)

$$\Delta a_\mu \equiv a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = (249 \pm 48) \times 10^{-11} \text{ corresponding to } 5.1\sigma$$

## 2 options

1. The gap between SM and the Experimental result can be bridged with an improved calculation of  $a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}}$
2. **New Physics is the reason for the gap**

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$L_{e,\mu,\tau}$  are the lepton numbers

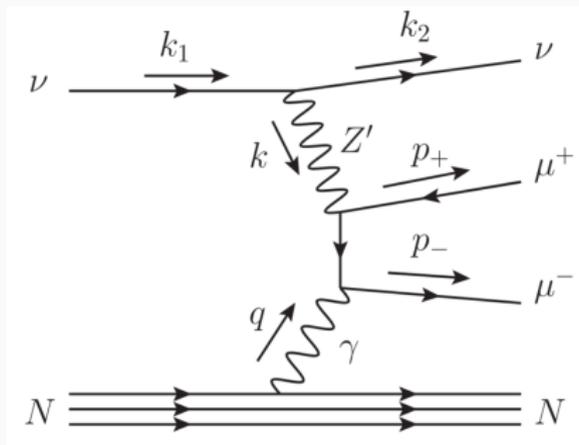
$$L_1 = L_e - L_\mu, L_2 = L_e - L_\tau \text{ and } L_3 = L_\mu - L_\tau$$

Three different new gauge groups

so that  $G_{\text{SM}} \otimes U(1)_{L_{1,2,3}}$

allows for an additional neutral gauge boson ( $Z'_1, Z'_2$ , and  $Z'_3$ )

$Z'_1$  and  $Z'_2$  mediate  $L_1 = L_e - L_\mu$  and  $L_2 = L_e - L_\tau$



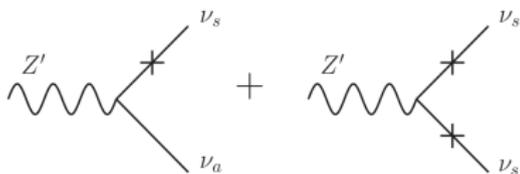
$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} = -\frac{1}{4}(Z')_{\alpha\beta}(Z')^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{2}m_{Z'}^2 Z'_\alpha Z'^\alpha + \underbrace{g' Z'_\alpha(\bar{\ell}_2 \gamma^\alpha \ell_2 - \bar{\ell}_3 \gamma^\alpha \ell_3 + \bar{\mu}_R \gamma^\alpha \mu_R - \bar{\tau}_R \gamma^\alpha \tau_R)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -g' \bar{\mu} \gamma^\mu Z'_\mu \mu + g' \bar{\tau} \gamma^\mu Z'_\mu \tau - g' \bar{\nu}_{\mu,L} \gamma^\mu Z'_\mu \nu_{\mu,L} + g' \bar{\nu}_{\tau,L} \gamma^\mu Z'_\mu \nu_{\tau,L}$$

where the  $g'$  is the  $U(1)$  gauge coupling,  $(Z')_{\alpha\beta} = \partial_\alpha Z'_\beta - \partial_\beta Z'_\alpha$  is the field strength,  $\ell_2 = (\nu_\mu, \mu_L)$  and  $\ell_3 = (\nu_\tau, \tau_L)$  are the electroweak doublets. The  $g'$  coupling the new gauge boson  $Z'$  to the electroweak doublets and the that enhances the rate of neutrino trident production in the  $\nu_\mu N \rightarrow N \nu \mu^+ \mu^-$  process.

**Neutrino trident production has not been observed so far!**

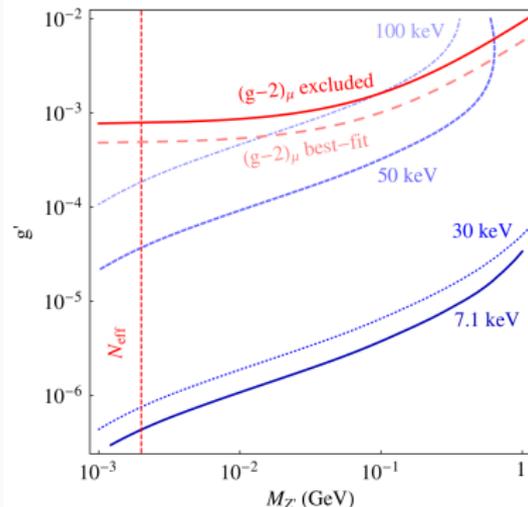
Assuming that a sterile neutrino  $\nu_s$ , that mixes weakly with the active  $\nu_{a(\mu,\tau)}$  states, is added to the SM.



$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_a \\ \nu_s \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_0 & \sin \theta_0 \\ -\sin \theta_0 & \cos \theta_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Gamma_{Z' \rightarrow \nu_S} = \frac{g'^2 M_{Z'}}{12\pi} \frac{\sin^2 2\theta_m}{4} (1 + \tan^2 \theta_m)$$

A massive  $Z'$  with  $\text{MeV} < m_{Z'} < \text{GeV}$  with coupling  $10^{-2} < g' < 10^{-6}$  results in the correct relic abundance of sterile neutrinos DM



- $M_{Z'} - g'$  plane
- Magnetic moment of the muon anomaly favored region
- $N_{\text{eff}} \rightarrow M_{Z'} \gtrsim 2.0$  MeV from Planck measurement constraint 1303.5076
- Sterile neutrino candidates

- $m_s = 7.1 \text{ keV} \sin 2\theta_0 = 8 \times 10^{-6}$
- $m_s = 30 \text{ keV} \sin 2\theta_0 = 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$
- $m_s = 50 \text{ keV} \sin 2\theta_0 = 3.5 \times 10^{-8}$
- $m_s = 100 \text{ keV} \sin 2\theta_0 = 5 \times 10^{-9}$
- $(Y_{\text{DM}} = 4.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ keV}/m_s)$

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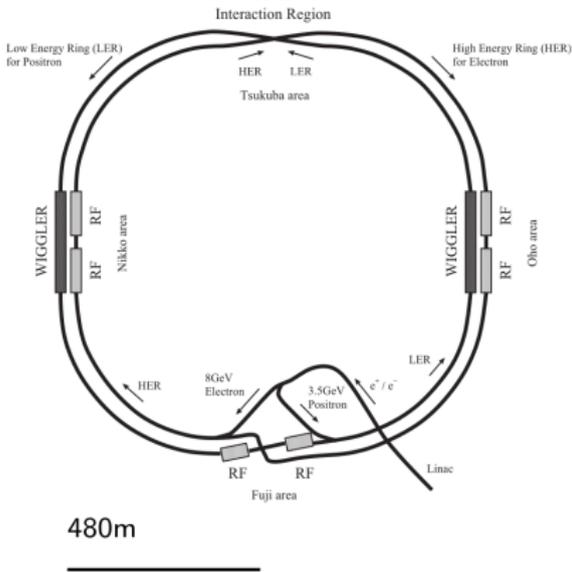
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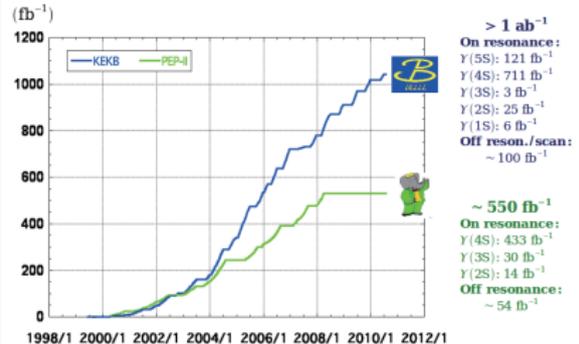
# The KEKB Accelerator

KEKB is an  $e^+e^-$  collider made up of two rings, a High Energy Ring, HER and a Low Energy Ring, LER.

Located in Tsukuba and has achieved a record Luminosity of  $1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

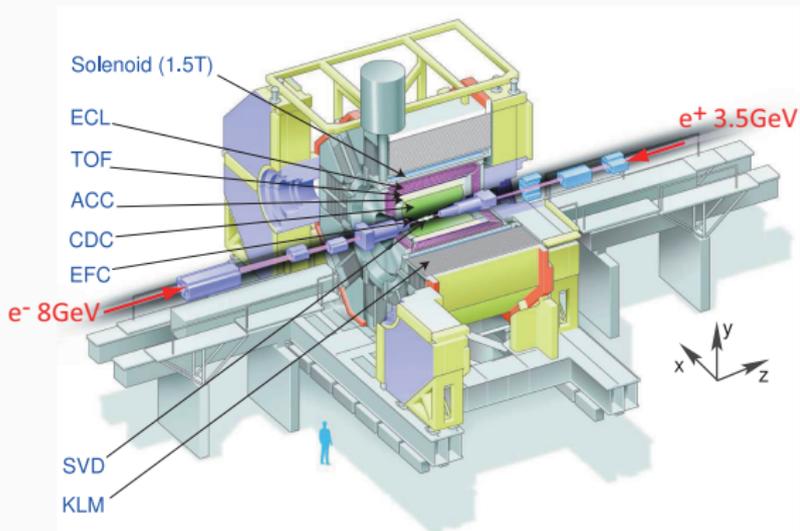


## Integrated luminosity of B factories



KEKB together with the Belle detector were responsible for confirming the CPV formalism in the quark sector, the 2008 Nobel Prize of Physics.

# The Belle Detector



- SVD (Silicon Vertex Detector)
- EFC (Extreme Forward Calorimeter)
- ACC (Aerogel Cherenkov Counter)
- TOF (Time Of Flight)
- CDC (Central Drift Chamber)
- ECL (Electromagnetic Calorimeter)
- KLM ( $K_L^0 - \mu$ )

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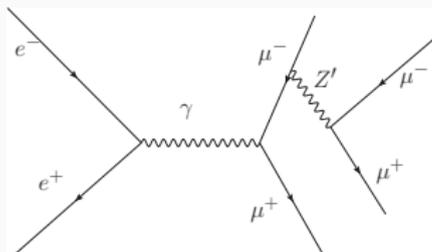
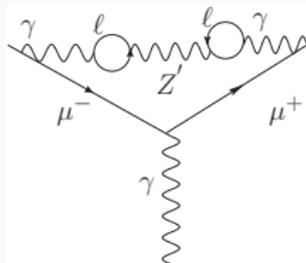
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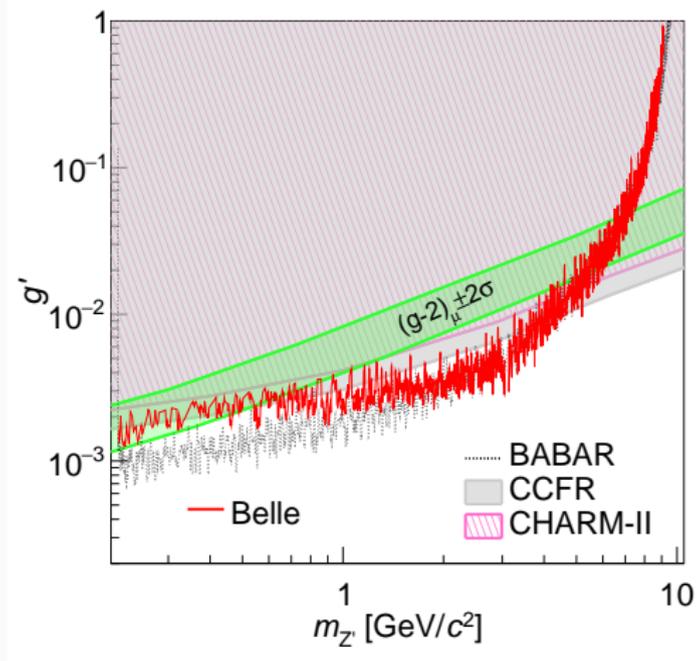
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# $Z'$ search modes in B-factories



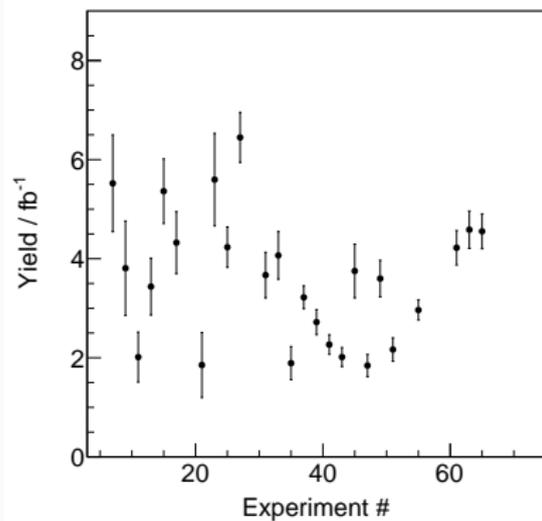
- Motivated by:
  - the  $(g - 2)_\mu$
  - connection to **sterile neutrinos** as a dark matter candidate
- $Z' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ 
  - [Martina's talk on Belle II results](#)
- $Z' \rightarrow$  invisible
  - $Z' \rightarrow \nu\nu$
  - $Z' \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}$
  - $Z' \rightarrow e^- \mu^+$  (LFV)
- $\phi_L \rightarrow l^+ l^-$
- $A' \rightarrow l^+ l^-$



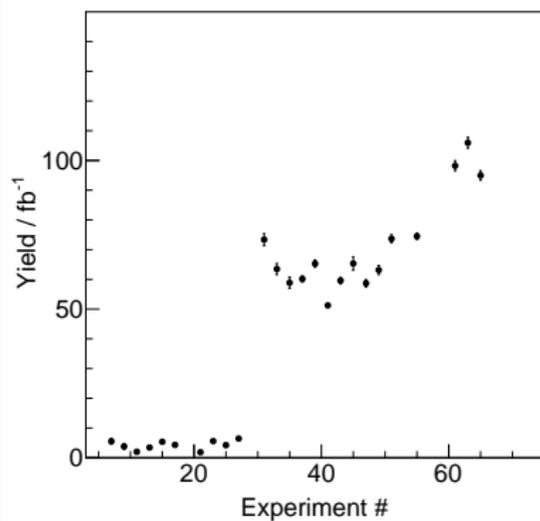
- No  $Z'$  signal was found
- Limit set for  $0.212(\text{dimuon mass}) \sim 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- $Z'$  contribution for the  $(g-2)_\mu$  almost excluded

# What did we learn in the $Z'$ visible search?

## HadronB skim



## tauskimA



## Definitions of **tauskimA(B)**

### tauskimA

1.  $2 \leq \# \text{ q tracks} \leq 8$
2.  $|\text{charge sum}| \leq 2$
3.  $\sum P^{\text{CM}} < 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
4.  $\sum E(\text{ECL}) < 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
5.  $P_{t\text{max}} > 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
6. Evt vtx  $|r| < 0.5 \text{ cm}$ ,  $|z| < 3 \text{ cm}$
7. for 2 tracks events
  - 7.1 Sum of  $P^{\text{CM}} < 9 \text{ GeV}/c$
  - 7.2 Sum of  $E(\text{ECL}) < 9 \text{ GeV}$
  - 7.3  $5 < \theta_{\text{missing momentum}} < 175^\circ$
8.  $E_{\text{rec}} > 3 \text{ GeV}$  or  $P_{t\text{max}} > 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
9. for 2 ~ 4 charged tracks
  - 9.1  $E_{\text{tot}} < 9 \text{ GeV}$  or max opening angle  $< 175^\circ$
  - 9.2  $N_{\text{barrel}} \geq 2$  or  $E(\text{ECL})_{\text{trk}} < 5.3 \text{ GeV}$

**Too tight for the visible  $Z'$**

### tauskimB

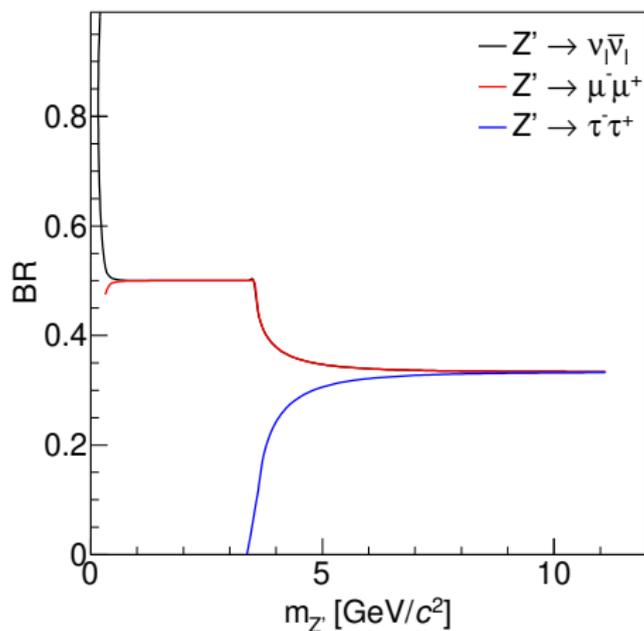
1.  $2 \leq \# \text{ q tracks} \leq 8$
2.  $|\text{charge sum}| \leq 2$
3.  ~~$\sum P^{\text{CM}} < 10 \text{ GeV}/e$~~
4.  ~~$\sum E(\text{ECL}) < 10 \text{ GeV}/e$~~
5.  $P_{t\text{max}} > 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
6. Evt vtx  $|r| < 1.0 \text{ cm}$ ,  $|z| < 3 \text{ cm}$
7. for 2 tracks events
  - 7.1 ~~Sum of  $P^{\text{CM}} < 9 \text{ GeV}/e$~~
  - 7.2 Sum of  $E(\text{ECL}) < 11 \text{ GeV}$
  - 7.3  $5 < \theta_{\text{missing momentum}} < 175^\circ$
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**Too loose for the invisible  $Z'$**

## $Z'$ decay width and Branching Ratio (BR)

$$\bullet \Gamma(Z' \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) = \frac{(g')^2 m_{Z'}}{12\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2m_\ell^2}{m_{Z'}^2} \right) \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\ell^2}{m_{Z'}^2}} \theta(m_{Z'} - 2m_\ell)$$

$$\bullet \Gamma(Z' \rightarrow \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) = \frac{(g')^2 m_{Z'}}{24\pi}$$



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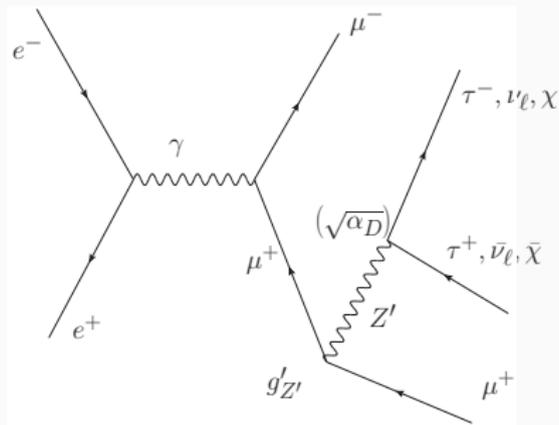
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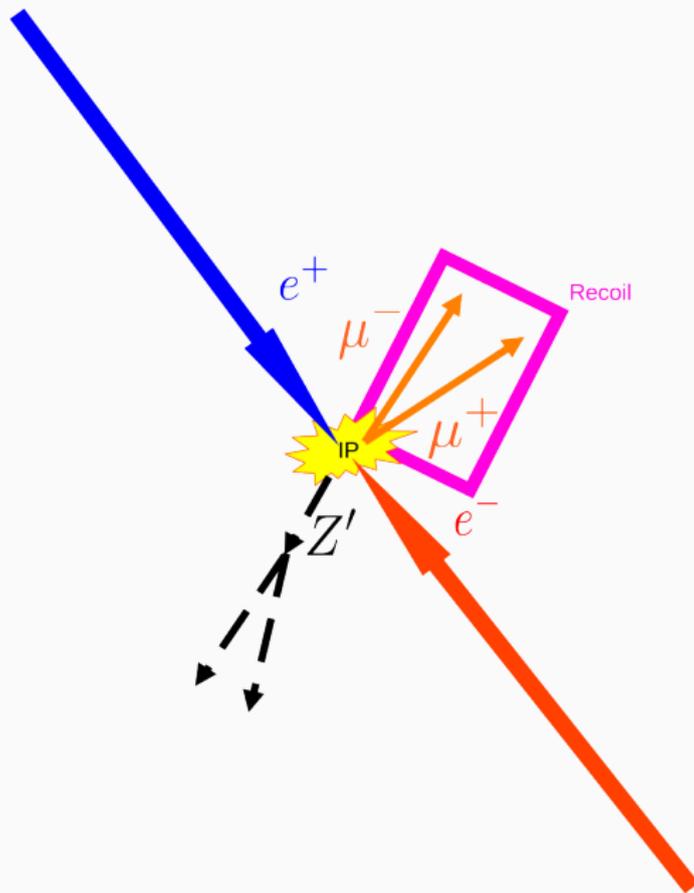
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# $Z'$ → invisible or not fully visible

- ~~$Z' \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$~~ 
  - Recent [Belle II publication](#) renders Belle analysis not competitive
- $Z' \rightarrow \chi \bar{\chi}$
- $Z' \rightarrow \nu_e \nu_e$



# What does it look like?



## How were the cuts elaborated?

- 2D histogram  $x : M_{Z'}$ <sup>2</sup>
- Signal resolution  $\sigma$  is obtained under the studied cut
- $\varepsilon$  detection efficiency at fixed  $Z'$  mass under cuts
- $B$  is the integration of backgrounds around  $(\pm 3\sigma)$   $Z'$  mass
- $\frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{B}}$  maximized

# Background sources

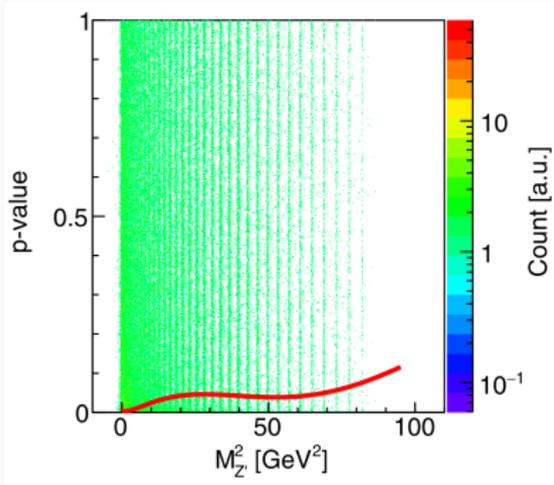
gen	channel	survives
KKMC	$e^+e^- \rightarrow e\bar{e}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow d\bar{d}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow s\bar{s}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	YES
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	YES
BBBREM	$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$	no
AAFH(Diag36)	$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+e^-$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\tau^+\tau^-$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$	YES
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$	YES
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\tau^+\tau^-$	YES
PHOKHARA	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow n\bar{n}\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-\gamma_{ISR}$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow K^0\bar{K}^0\gamma_{ISR}$	no
BABA	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	no
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$	no

## $Z'$ invisible selection criteria list

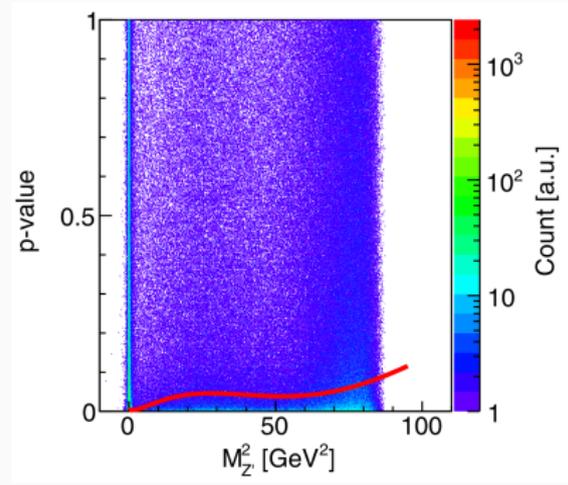
1. 2 tracks of opposite charge only, 2  $\mu$  ID
2. Vertex fit of the the 2 tracks, CL cut
3. Energy conservation dependent on  $M_{Z'}^2 = s + m_{\mu\mu}^2 - 2E_{\mu\mu}^* \sqrt{s}$
4. Energy sum of neutral cluster, ECL
5.  $p_t$  of the two tracks sum dependent on  $M_{Z'}$
6. 6.1 Mass conservation on  $M_{Z'}$   
6.2 Opening angle between tracks
7. Recoil muon pair polar angle
8. Azimuthal angle difference between final state 4-vector and neutral clusters
9.  $Z'$  missing angle cut
10. **tauskimB replaced by tauskimA**
11.  $p_t^{*Z'}$  projection on  $p_{\max}^{*\mu}$  and  $p_{\min}^{*\mu}$

# Cut example: p-value

Track quality, **p-value**, based on Vertex Fitter

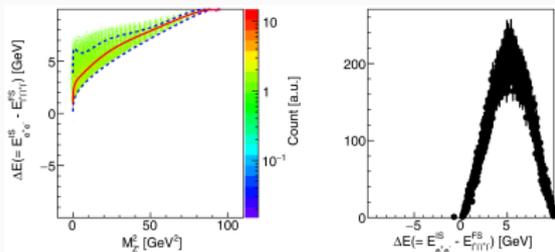


Selection curve for all  $Z'$  mass hypotheses signal MC.

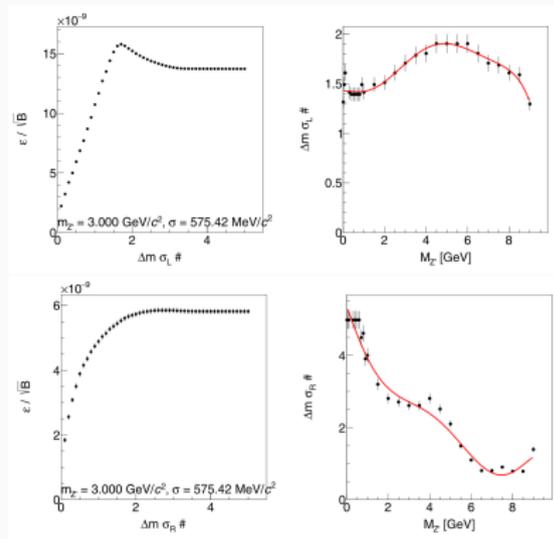


Selection curve for **exp65** data.

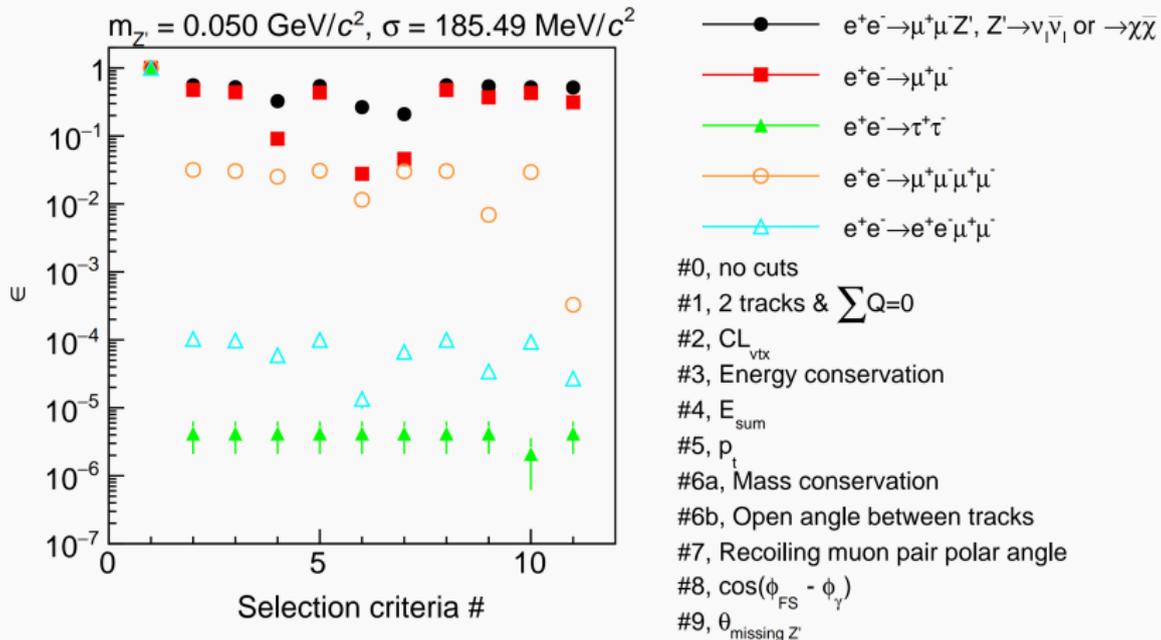
# Cut example: $\Delta E$



- How many  $\sigma$  should be taken to maximize FOM?
- On the left
- and on the right



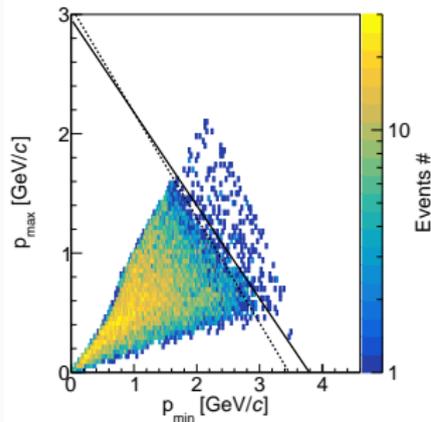
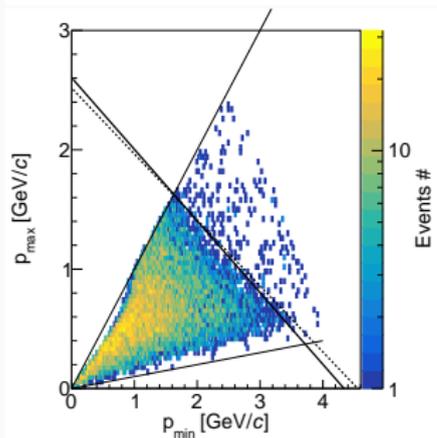
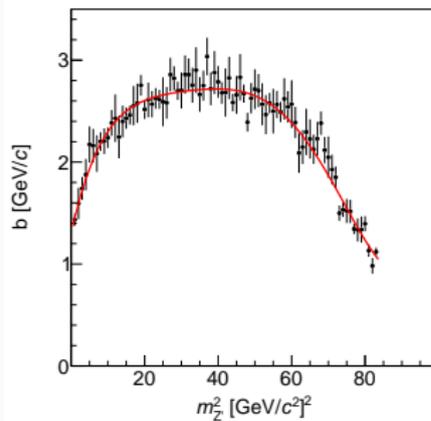
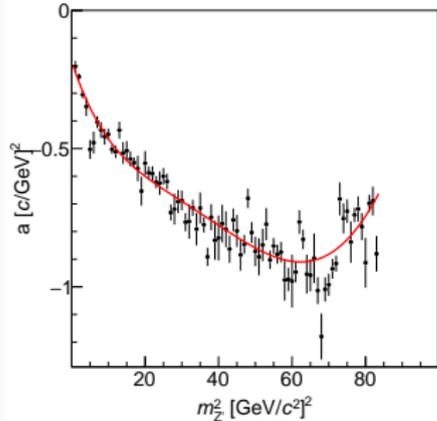
# Cut effects on $m_{Z'} = 50 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ $\sigma = 185.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



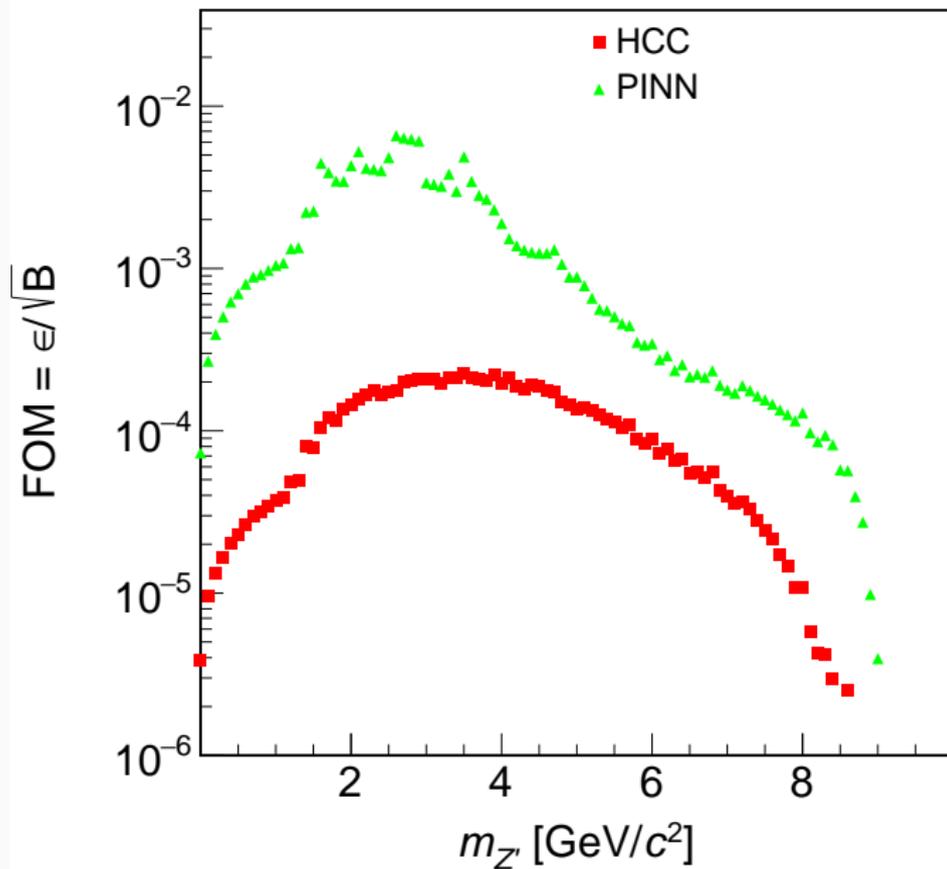
- Missing transverse momentum in cms:  $p_t^{*Z'}$
- Maximum momentum muon in cms:  $p_{\max}^{*\mu}$
- Minimum momentum muon in cms:  $p_{\min}^{*\mu}$
- $\angle \mathbf{p}_t^{*Z'} \mathbf{p}_{\max}^{*\mu} \equiv \alpha_M$
- $\angle \mathbf{p}_t^{*Z'} \mathbf{p}_{\min}^{*\mu} \equiv \alpha_m$
- Projection:  $p_t^{*Z'} \sin \alpha_M \equiv p_{\max}$
- Projection:  $p_t^{*Z'} \sin \alpha_m \equiv p_{\min}$

# Diagonal cut

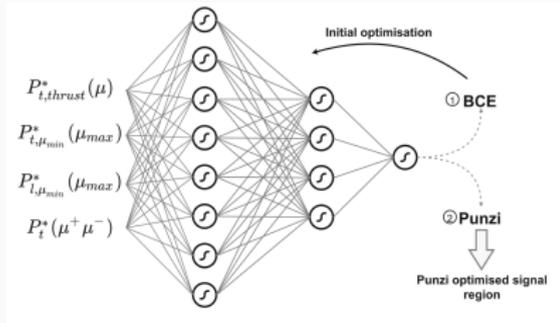
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$$



# FOM comparison



# The Punzi Loss Neural Net selection

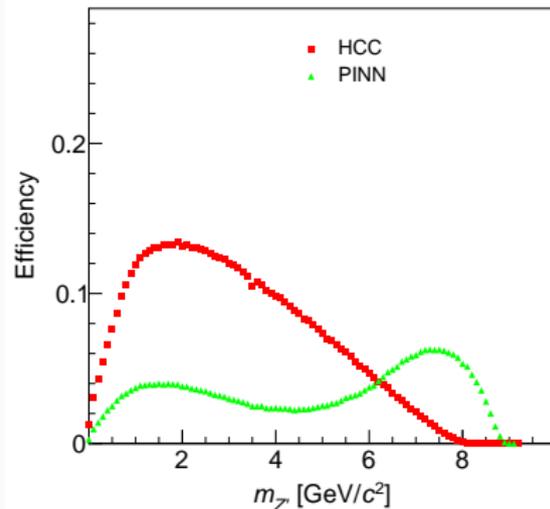
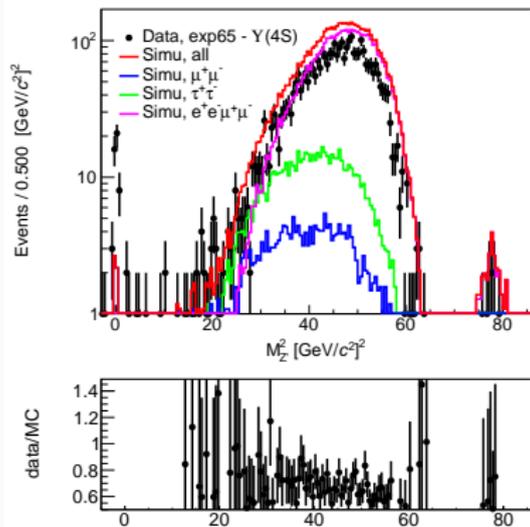


- Layers:

1. input (32 nodes)
2. hidden (64 nodes)
3. hidden (64 nodes)
4. hidden (32 nodes)
5. hidden (16 nodes)
6. hidden (8 nodes)
7. output (1 node)

- $E_{\mu\mu}^*$
- $\cos \theta_{rec}^*$
- $E_{sum}$
- $p - value$
- $\Delta M$
- $\Delta M_g$
- $p_l \min^\mu$
- $p_l \max^\mu$
- $p_{thrust}$
- $p_l \min^\mu$
- $p_l \max^\mu$
- $p_t^{*Z'} \sin \alpha_M$
- $p_t^{*Z'} \sin \alpha_m$
- $p_t^{\mu\mu}$
- $\angle p_t^{\mu-} p_{thrust}$
- $\angle p_t^{\mu+} p_{thrust}$

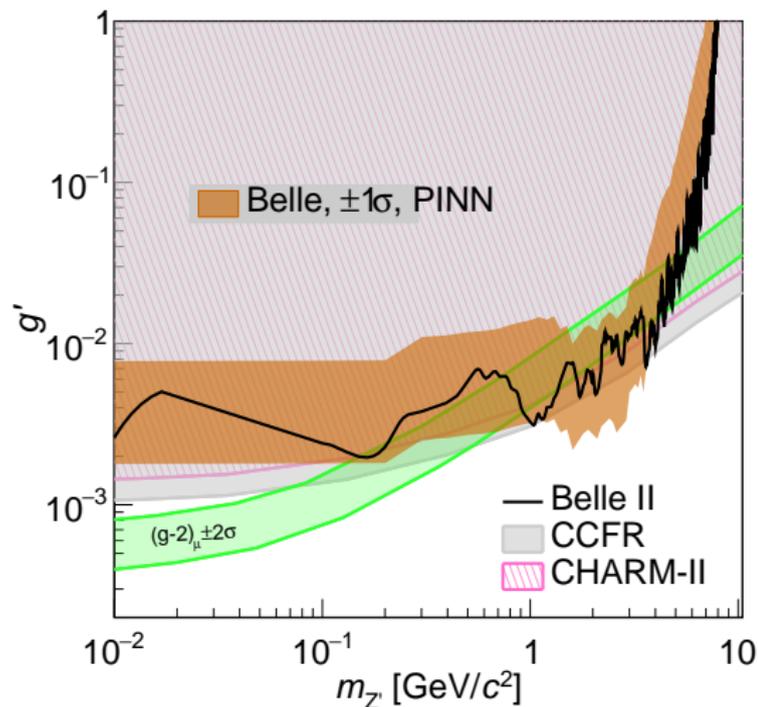
# Background sources and detection efficiency



Hand Crafted Cuts (HCC)

Physical Informed Neural Network (PINN)

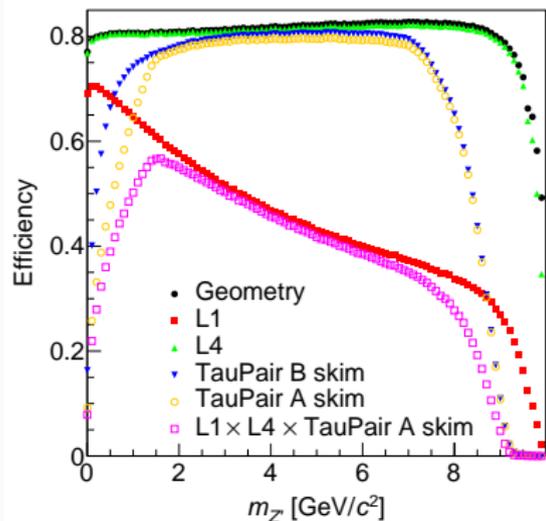
# Preliminary Limit in Comparison with Belle II $79.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



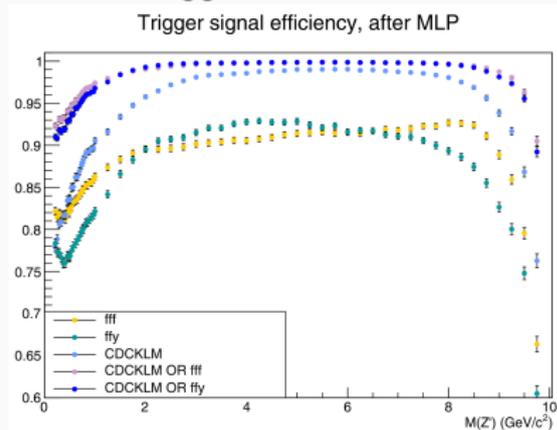
- PINN trained with  $60 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  MC samples
- Extrapolation on 3% of the total Belle data (exp 65)

# Trigger Efficiency (Signal)

## Belle Trigger



## Belle II Trigger



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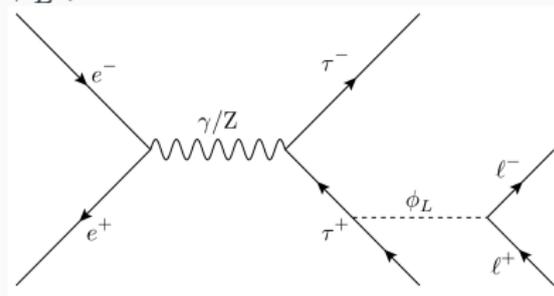
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Summary

What if instead of the vector boson mediator ( $Z'$ ,  $A'$ ) a leptophilic dark Higgs ( $\phi_L$ ) is responsible for  $(g - 2)_\mu$  ?

$$\mathcal{L} = -\xi \sum_\ell \frac{m_\ell}{v} \bar{\ell} \phi_L \ell$$

$\phi_L$  production



- $l$  are all leptons, and  $m_l$  their masses
- $\xi$  is the coupling strength
- $v = 246$  GeV is the vacuum expectation value of the Higgs Field

## Signal decay modes (MadGraph 5)

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-\phi_L$
- 1.  $\phi_L \rightarrow e^+e^-$  for  $m_{\phi_L} \leq 2m_\mu$
- 2.  $\phi_L \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  for  $m_{\phi_L} > 2m_\mu(\tau)$

## Data sample and backgrounds

- $626 \text{ fb}^{-1} = 562(\Upsilon(4S)) + 64(\Upsilon(4S) - 60 \text{ MeV})$
- 1.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}, q = u, d, s, c$
- 2.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-, \ell = e, \mu, \tau$
- 3. unsimulated  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-e(\mu)^+e(\mu)^-$

1. events with 4 tracks
2. transverse distance from IP  $< 1$  cm
3. longitudinal distance from IP  $< 5$  cm
4. net charge of the event is zero
5. at least one track ID is  $\mu$  or  $e$

### Reconstruction

1.  $\phi_L$  from  $ee$  or  $\mu\mu$  common vertex
2. remaining 2 tracks are daughters from  $\tau$

### Major background

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- to remove radiative Bhabha ( $\mu\mu$ ) a rectangular cut
  1.  $M_{\text{miss}} \in [2, 6] \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  2.  $\theta_{\text{miss}}^{\text{CM}} \in [30^\circ, 150^\circ]$

To suppress the surviving background a boosted decision tree (BDT), **GradientBoostingClassifier** from **scikit-learn** assigns 5 BDT scores

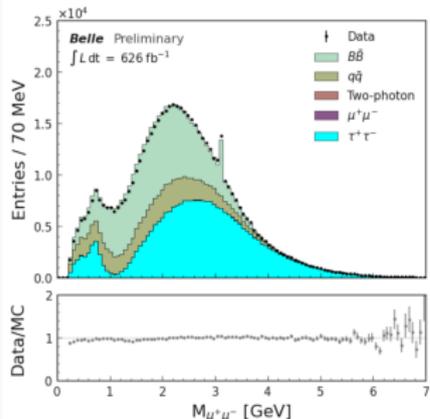
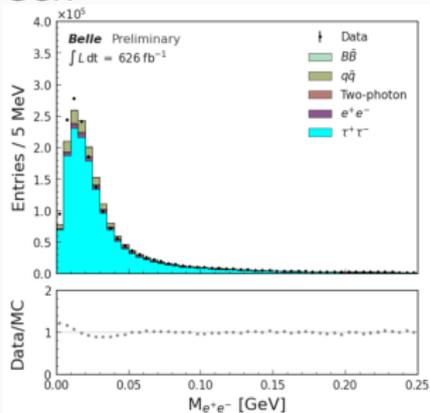
**SR (Signal Region) Signal Score  $> 0.5$**

1.  $\phi_L \rightarrow e^+e^-(\mu^+\mu^-)$

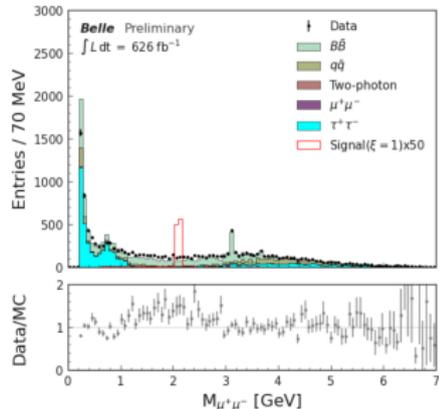
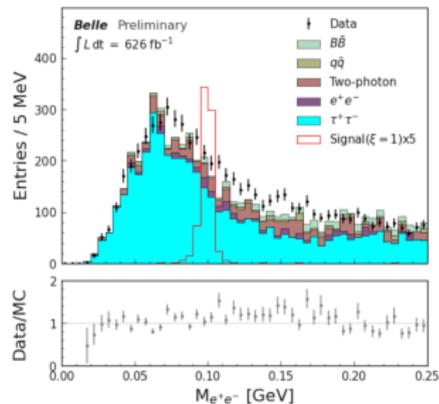
**GCR (General Control Region)**

2.  $\tau^+\tau^-$
3.  $e^+e^-(\mu^+\mu^-)$
4.  $q\bar{q}$
5.  $B\bar{B}$

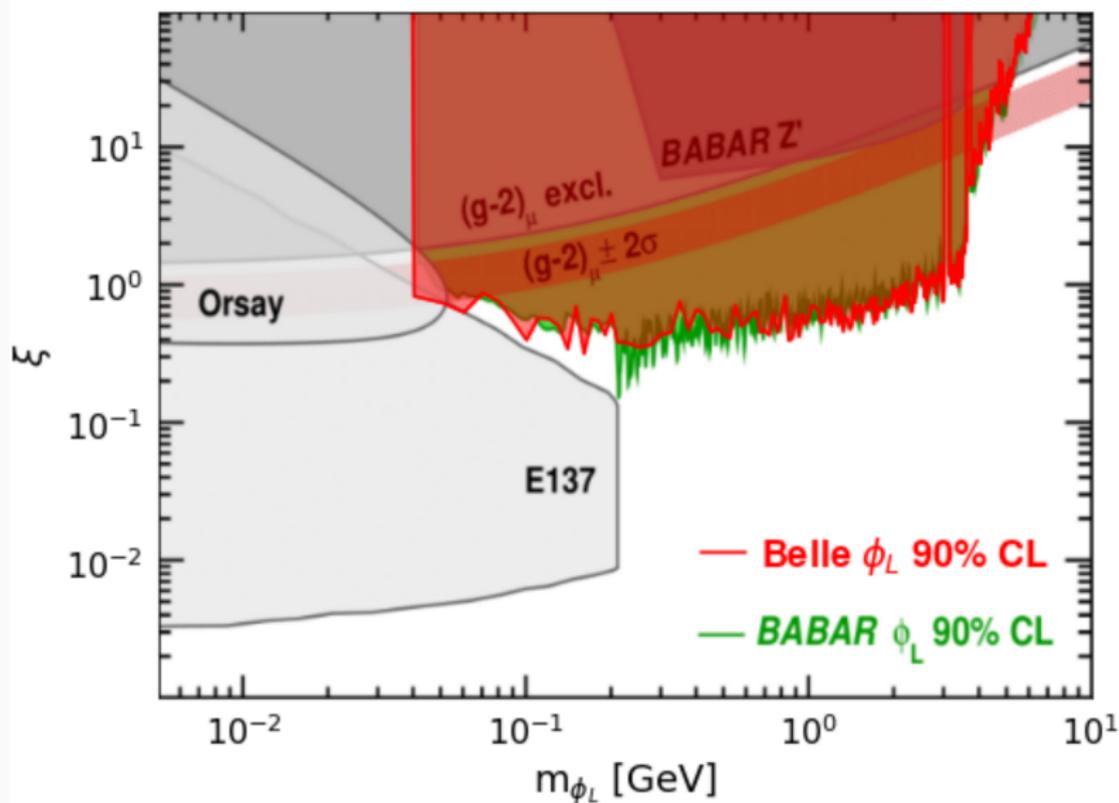
## GCR



## SR



# Results: $\xi$ coupling limit 2207.07476



Experiment and Theory Tension

Extra Leptophilic  $U(1)$  gauge boson,  $Z'$

KEKB and Belle

$Z'$  searches in Belle

The invisible  $Z'$  search

Punzi Loss Neural Net

The leptophilic scalar search @ Belle

Summary

## Leptophilic $Z'$ and $\phi_L$ outlook

- Finally touching very low mass parameter spaces in Belle
- Belle full data ( $\sim 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ ) analysis of the  $Z'$  invisible hopefully before winter
  - Currently using Belle II machinery tuned to the Belle background and efficiency