Dark Sector Physics with BABAR and Belle II

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B Factories

B factories are e^+e^- colliders operating in the vicinity of the $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance at ~10.5 GeV centre of mass energy

- Resonant production of $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\overline{B}$ along with continuum production of large samples of $e^+e^- \rightarrow l^+l^ (l = e, \mu, \tau)$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\overline{q}$
- Asymmetric beam energies to create longitudinal boost of resulting ${\rm B}\overline{\rm B}$ mesons



B e ⁺	3.1 GeV
Process	σ (nb)

e

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Process	σ (nb)
bb	1.1
σ	1.3
Light quark qq	~2.1
$ au^+ au^-$	0.9
e⁺e⁻	~40

Detectors optimized for B vertex separation and momentum measurement, K - π particle identification and precision calorimetry

Dark Sector @ B Factories

- Clean e⁺e⁻ environment with hermetic (near 4π) detector coverage; good missing energy reconstruction
- Potential to reconstruct displaced vertices in $\sim 1mm < c\tau < \sim 10cm$ ($\sim 100cm$), with $c\tau > \sim 3m$ being "missing energy"





- Visible dark photon
- Invisible dark photon
- Muonic dark force $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- Z', Z' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ Phys. Re

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Belle II studies:

- Invisible Z' in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- Z'$
- Prospects for dark photon searches
- ALP searches

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Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 201801 (2014)

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JHEP 1712, 094 (2017)





Electrons

High Energy Ring

The BABAR experiment collected data from 1999 until 2008 at the SLAC PEP-II B factory

- 432 fb⁻¹ Υ (4S) "on peak" (~470 x 10⁶ BB pairs) •
- 53 fb⁻¹ non-resonant "off peak" ٠
- Smaller samples collected at the $\Upsilon(2S)$ and $\Upsilon(3S)$ energies ٠
- A total of ~516 fb⁻¹ potentially usable • for dark sector searches

Unique BABAR data set remains of interest hence analysis activities are still ongoing

Luminosity not yet superseded by • Belle II



PEP-II

BABAR Detector

Low Energy Ring

Positrons

B. Holdom, Phys. Lett. B 166, 196 (1986)

 $\Lambda \Lambda \Lambda$

Simplest dark sector scenario: add a new U(1) gauge symmetry, with associated charge carried by dark-sector fermions

 Spin-1 gauge boson "dark photon" A' (or γ_d, or Z_d in non-minimal models) can mix with SM photon, providing a "portal" to the dark sector.

Kinetic mixing:

$$\frac{1}{2} \epsilon F^Y_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu}$$

 $\ensuremath{\varepsilon}$ is the strength of the kinetic mixing

- E could be as large as 10^{-2} for $m_{A'}$ in the GeV range

Lifetime: $\tau_{A'} \sim 1/(\varepsilon^2 m_{A'})$

- Decays can either be "prompt" (relative to experimental resolution) or "displaced" (relative to production vertex)
- Decays to SM particles depend on kinematic accessibility, and details of model

... however, dark sector could be much more extensive, with one or more Abelian or non-Abelian interactions, fermions and Higgs bosons





P. Fayet, Phys. Lett. B 95, 285 (1980)

P. Fayet Nucl. Phys. B 187, 184 (1981)





- BABAR search for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma A'$ with $A' \rightarrow l^+l^ (l = e, \mu)$ using 516 fb⁻¹ of data
 - "Continuum" production, so can use all available CM energy data
 - Dark photon width well below detector resolution hence use simulation templates to model signal



Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 201801 (2014)

arXiv:1406.2980 [hep-ex]



- Resonant backgrounds from J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$ etc but otherwise smoothly varying background, i.e. low reliance on simulation



Scan di-lepton invariant mass in the range $0.02 \text{ GeV} < m_{A'} < 10.2 \text{ GeV}$

Obtain 90% C.L. upper limit on mixing strength *c* ٠ as a function of A' mass at level of $O(10^{-3})$



Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 201801 (2014)

 $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-$

arXiv:1406.2980 [hep-ex]

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B Factories provide an excellent environment for missing energy searches

- Precisely known e⁺e⁻ initial state
- Hermetic detector and good missing energy reconstruction



Phys.Rev.Lett. 119, 131804 (2017) arXiv:1702.03327 [hep-ex]



Search for invisible decay of $A' \rightarrow \chi \overline{\chi}$ via $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma A'$

- Final state contains only a single isolated photon in the detector
- A' mass determined from photon energy and CM energy:

$$E_{\gamma}^* = E_{beam}^* - \frac{m_{A'}^2}{4E_{beam}^*}$$



B factories generally rely on "open trigger" targeting higher-multiplicity BB hadronic decay events

- Dedicated single photon trigger implemented during final running period (53 fb⁻¹)
 - L1 (hardware): 1 or more clusters with E_{lab} > 0.8 GeV
 - L3 (software): Two trigger lines: $E\gamma^* > 2 \text{ GeV}$ or

 $E\gamma^* > 1$ GeV and track veto

Backgrounds are from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ events with undetected particles

- Offline selection aims to suppress events containing additional detector activity
- BDT: Signal cluster shape parameters
 - Additional calorimeter energy
 - Properties of the second most energetic cluster: E^* , θ^* , $\Delta \Phi^*$
 - Properties of muon system cluster $(E^*, \theta^*, \Delta \Phi^*)$ closest to the missing momentum direction

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 Dark boson Z' which couples only to second and third generation leptons (SM fields are directly charged under dark force)

Muonic dark force

Motivated by various anomalies in the muon sector

- g-2 discrepancy
- could also account for dark matter as sterile neutrinos by increasing their cosmological abundance via new interactions with SM neutrinos.

He, Joshi, Lew, Volkas, Phys. Rev. D 43, R22 (1991). B. Batell, D. McKeen and M. Pospelov, Phys. Rev. Lett. B.107, 011803 (2011).



However, no model assumptions in analysis; results are more generally applicable

"Z'-strahlung" production of Z' in
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$

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



Phys. Rev. D94 011102 (2016) arXiv:1606.03501 [hep-ex]

Muonic dark force

Entries / 0.1 (GeV)

5000

4000

3000

2000

1000



Search for a di-muon mass peak in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$

- QED combinatorial backgrounds, as well as peaking backgrounds from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$ and ρ , but very little reliance on MC
- No signal observed; cross section limits obtained at 90% C.L. at level of ~0.2 fb below m_Z of 10 GeV



Phys. Rev. D94 011102 (2016) arXiv:1606.03501 [hep-ex]

→qq q=u,d,s,c

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$

Data

e⁺e⁻ → u⁺u⁻u⁺u⁻

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BABAR prospects

BABAR (still) has a unique and competitive data set available for for dark sector studies

• A number of analyses are still in progress, and new ideas are still being considered

Stay tuned...





Belle II



Belle II is the successor of the Belle experiment at the KEK laboratory in Tsukuba, Japan

- Intensity frontier "Super B Factory" flavour physics experiment
- Target data set of ~30x the combined integrated luminosity of BABAR + Belle
- ~800 collaborators from 26 countries, including over 260 graduate students









Experiment commissioning in three phases:

- First colliding beam data recorded (without vertex detectors) in spring 2018 "Phase 2"; 0.5 fb⁻¹ recorded
- Vertex detectors installed for Phase 3 during 2019; more than 10 fb⁻¹ of data recorded to date
- Run continuing until summer 2020; anticipating ~ 50 100 fb⁻¹

Focus is on commissioning of the SuperKEKB accelerator and Belle II detector rather than integration of luminosity

Benchmark Belle II performance based on detector simulation

- In some cases, competitive sensitivity even with very early data...
- Focus on low-hanging-fruit, accessible with modest luminosity
- Developments of dedicated low multiplicity triggers

Publications:

The Belle II Physics Book, Belle-II Collaboration (E. Kou et al.), arXiv:1808.10567 [hep-ex]

Measurement of the integrated luminosity of the Phase 2 data of the Belle II experiment, Belle-II Collaboration (F. Abudinén et al.). arXiv:1910.05365 [hep-ex]

Search for an invisibly decaying Z' boson at Belle II in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- (\mu^+e^-)$ plus missing energy final states, Belle-II Collaboration (I. Adachi et al.), arXiv:1912.11276 [hep-ex]

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Search for invisibly decaying Z' in $e^+e^- \to \mu^+\mu^- \ Z'$

- Z' arises from gauging of difference of leptonic μ and τ number $L_{\mu}-L_{\tau}$
- Z' couples to SM only through μ and τ and their associated neutrinos with coupling constant g'



B. Shuve and I. Yavin, Phys. Rev. D 89, 113004 (2014). W. Altmannshofer, S. Gori, S. Profumo, and F. S. Queiroz, JHEP 12, 106 (2016).

- Z' is produced via radiation off of a final state μ
 - If $m_{Z'} < 2m_{\mu}$ then Z' decays to neutrinos
 - Alternatively, expect $B(Z' \rightarrow \chi \chi) \sim 100\%$ if direct decays are possible

Consider also the LFV scenario of $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+\mu^- Z'$

 Identical search methodology, but with PID criteria changed for one of the two leptons

I. Galon and J. Zupan, JHEP 05, 083 (2017). I. Galon, A. Kwa, and P. Tanedo, JHEP 03, 064 (2017).



Invisible Z'



Experimental signature is a $\mu^+\mu^-$ pair (or $e^+\mu^-$ pair in LFV scenario) with a peak in the missing mass

 Backgrounds originate from QED processes which mimic the μ⁺μ⁻ + missing energy final state, typically due to detector acceptance

> $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- \gamma(\gamma)$ undetected photon(s) $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- (\gamma)$ muonic τ decays and mis-ID

Background sources:

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- e^+e^-$ missing e^+e^-

276 pb⁻¹ of good-quality data from 2018 "Phase 2" commissioning running

- Require p_{miss} to point into calorimeter barrel region
- Calorimeter-based particle identification (E/p)
- Reject events with additional energy E >0.4 GeV or any π^0 candidates
- Exploit kinematics to reduce $\tau^+\tau^-$ backgrounds







Signal extracted in 69 mass windows spanning the range $m_{Z'} = 0.5 - 8 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

• Each window defined to be $\pm 2\sigma$ of the expected signal width at that mass



No yield exceeds 3σ local significance in either nominal or LFV search







Systematics evaluated by comparison of data control samples to simulation

Dominated by MC modelling of µ⁺µ⁻ yield in data

Cross section limits on $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- Z'$ and $e^+\mu^- Z'$ for invisible Z' decays

- Interpreted as limit on coupling g' in context of $Z' \to \chi \bar{\chi}$

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Source	$\mu^+\mu^-$	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$
Trigger efficiency	6%	1%
Tracking efficiency	4%	4%
PID	4%	4%
Luminosity	0.7%	0.7%
τ suppression (background)	22%	22%
Background before τ suppression	2%	2%
Discrepancy in $\mu\mu$ yield (signal)	12.5%	-



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BABAR limits on VISIBLE dark photon based on 514 fb⁻¹

• Beyond reach of Belle II in 2020

However, INVISIBLE dark photon result only used 53 fb⁻¹

 Signal signature is a single photon; look for a peak in the recoil mass distribution:

$$E\gamma = (s - m^2_{A'})/2\sqrt{s}$$



Backgrounds arise from QED sources with undetected particles; calorimeter hermeticity is the limiting factor:



Belle II has several advantages relative to BABAR analysis:

- Non-pointing cracks between crystals
- Greater solid-angle coverage (end caps and lower boost)
- Muon system can be used to detect particles missed by the calorimeter





• Dedicated L1 trigger lines for more efficient candidate selection

Single photon trigger: $E_{\gamma} > 1$ GeV (veto events with additional clusters above 300 MeV) $E_{\gamma} > 2$ GeV (Bhabha and $\gamma\gamma$ vetos)

Invisible dark photon search anticipated to be competitive with relatively little data

 Studies still in progress; systematics still to be determined

> Belle II projection (20 fb⁻¹) KEK-2018-27, arXiv:1808.10567 [hep-ex]



Astronomical dark matter predictions

Derived from E. Izaguirre, G. Krnjaic, P. Schuster, N. Toro, Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 251301 (2015)

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Visible Dark Photon



BABAR limits based on > 500 fb⁻¹; Belle II will require comparable data set to be competitive

- Final state is a photon, plus a lepton (or hadron) pair •
- A' mass determined directly from decay daughters (not photon) •
- Large SM backgrounds (particularly in electron mode); µµy is most • sensitive mode above kinematic threshold

Some modest improvements

- Trigger efficiency
- Improved mass resolution • (better tracking/vertexing resolution of detector

possible relative to BABAR analysis:

Projections based on scaling from BABAR limits







Axion-Like Particles

ALPs are pseudo-scalar particles that couple to bosons

• Unlike QCD axions, there is no specific relationship between coupling and mass







In 3 γ analysis, signature is a bump in $m_{\gamma\gamma}$

- Non-peaking backgrounds from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma(\gamma)$ and photon conversions $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ outside of tracking volume
- Peaking backgrounds from SM hadrons:



If ALP decays to dark matter, then single photon signature is relevant:



- ALP mediation of SM / dark matter interaction could explain observed abundance if $m_a\,{\sim}2m_\chi$

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Conclusion

BABAR data set remains competitive and analyses are still in progress

• New results are anticipated in the near future.

First physics results are beginning to appear from Belle II

- Visible dark photon search submitted to PRL
- Low multiplicity triggers have been implemented for phase 3 data taking; physics studies ongoing
- ~10 fb⁻¹ of data integrated during 2018; phase 3 data taking resumed last week
- ALPs and invisible dark photon analyses expected to be competitive with very modest data samples;





Backup slides



Dark sectors

Maybe dark matter is not specifically related to solution to problems of the SM and is, in effect, a distinct "sector"

- Dark sector fermions which carry charges for non-SM gauge interactions, possibly acquiring mass via dark sector Higgs etc.
- EFT provides a number of "portals" to access this dark sector



Dark sector can be probed via mixing of the portal mediators with SM bosons



Dark Forces

- Search for decay of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma A'$ via $A' \rightarrow \chi \overline{\chi}$ or into SM particles
 - "visible" $A' \rightarrow l^+ l^-$, or
 - "Invisible" A' decays, with A' mass determined from photon energy:



.... however, dark sector could be much more extensive, with one or more Abelian or non-Abelian interactions, fermions and Higgs bosons

Can not ontially be detected via one	Vector Portal \rightarrow	Dark Photon
of a number of "nortals" coupling the	Scalar Portal \rightarrow	Higgs/Dark Scalars
Dark Sector to the SM	Pseudoscalar Portal $ ightarrow$	Axion-like Particles
	Neutrino Portal \rightarrow	Sterile Neutrinos

- Sensitivity studies performed in the context of "Belle II physics book" (B2TiP), to be published in near future
- ALP sensitivity studies: arxiv: 1709.00009

Typically, these are narrow resonance ("bump hunt") searches in low multiplicity data samples

Dark photon



Experimentally, the important feature is a reconstructable narrow A' resonance in a clearly defined topology, i.e a "bump hunt"

- E.g. search for decay of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma A'$ via $A' \rightarrow \chi \overline{\chi}$ or into SM particles
 - "visible" $A' \rightarrow l^+ l^-$, decaying promptly or with a displaced vertex
 - "Invisible" A' decays, with A' mass determined from missing energy constraints

Visible dark photon prospects



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Belle II Detector



Anticipate ~40x increased instantaneous luminosity, and greatly increased beam background rates

Very substantial "upgrades" to the original Belle detector:

- Replacement of beam pipe and redesign of entire inner detector (including vertex detectors and drift chamber)
- New quartz-bar Time-of-Propagation PID in barrel region
- Retain existing CsI(TI) calorimeter crystals, but front-end electronics, feature extraction and reconstruction software entirely new
- Entirely new software framework and distributed computing environment



Particle Identification





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Entries / (0.001 GeV/c²) $L dt = ~5 pb^{-1}$ 2018 (Preliminary) calorimeter clusters E, > 0.15 GeV 1.0 + Data 0.5 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ 1.00 GeV < p(recoil) < 8.00 GeV 0.0 Events / (0.02) 0.08 0.10 0.12 0.14 0.16 0.18 700 - Data m_{yy} (GeV/c²) 600 - Fit nhoto 500 $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ Belle II 2018 (Preliminary) 400 Events / (0.001 GeV/c² **Belle II Preliminary - Data** + Data $L dt = 250 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ 3000 - Fit 300 Ld=0.49 fb⁻¹ - Signal $\mu_{m} = 0.997 \pm 0.001$ - Background 2500 200 200 100 1500 0 Yield = $(37.7 \pm 0.7) \cdot 10^3$ cands 0.6 0.8 E(ECL)/p(recoil) μ =(541.1 ± 0.2) MeV/c² 1000 $\sigma = (11.7 \pm 0.3) \text{ MeV/c}^2$ E.>0.40 GeV 500 Single photon energy resolution based on $\mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ events 0.45 ^{0.6}m_{YY} (GeV/c²) 0.5 0.55

Neutrals reconstruction using





 $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

×10³

1.5

Belle II



2018 SuperKEKB commissioning run provided opportunity to validate detector

Belle II commissioning

Entries/(0.6 MeV/c²)

- Recorded 472 pb⁻¹ integrated luminosity (~1 million B mesons)
- Only one sector of vertex detector installed



- Track reconstruction (using CDC and partial vertex detector)
- Alignment and solenoid B field are well understood







Topological event shapes:



What's so "Super"?

How to get to $8x10^{35}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹:

- Very high charge density bunches
- Bunch crossings every 6ns (~1.2m spacing)

2.1 x 10³⁴

CESE

1990

PFP-II

BEPCII

2020

DAONE

2010

FP 2

BEPC

2000

- Low emittance beams
- Tiny beam spot at IP

Target integrated luminosity is 50 ab⁻¹.

(~10 year operation)

PFT

1980

SPFA

1970

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 10^{35}

 10^{34}

 10^{33}

 10^{32}

10³¹

 10^{30}



Short beam lifetime requires continuous ("trickle") injection during live data taking



beam current x2 beam-beam param. x1

vertical beta function x20



What's so "Super"?

 $e^{\scriptscriptstyle +}e^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$ collisions provide a very rich data set and a clean analysis environment

"Inclusive" hadronic and low multiplicity datasets are key features:

Target data sample has a cross section of ~ 5 – 10 nb

8 x10³⁵ cm⁻²s⁻¹ luminosity yields ~5 kHz of "interesting" physics events

- O(1 kHz) of $B\overline{B}$ events
- ~30 kHz Bhabhas within detector acceptance
 - Level 1 trigger rejection essential!
 - Probability of multiple collisions per bunch crossing (aka "pileup"): <0.02%

50 ab⁻¹ integrated luminosity implies ~55 billion BB pairs in target data sample

• Analysis sensitivity in B, τ and charm to O(10⁻⁹) branching fractions



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<u>S</u>	1.3
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SuperKEKB







SuperKEKB



	KEKB Achieved	SuperKEKB
RF frequency f [MHz]	508.9	
# of Bunches N	1584	2500
Horizontal emittance ɛx [nr	m] 18 24	3.2 4.6
Beta at IP $\beta x^* / \beta y^*$ [mm]	1200/5.9	32/ 0.27 25/ 0.30
beam-beam param. ξy	0.129 0.090	0.088 0.081
Bunch Length Sz [mm]	6.0 6.0	6.0 5.0
Horizontal Beam Size sx^*	[µm] 150 150	10 11
Vertical Beam Size sy* [[nm] 0.94	48 62
Half crossing angle φ [mr	ad] 11	41.5
Beam energy Eb [GeV]	3.5 8	4 7.007
Beam currents Ib [A]	1.64 1.19	3.6 2.6
Lifetime t [min]	133 200	6 6
Luminosity L [cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]	2.1 x 10 ³⁴	8 x 10 ³⁵

Substantial upgrade of KEKB collider to provide e⁺e⁻ collisions at 8x10³⁵cm⁻²s⁻¹ luminosity for Belle II

- Low-emittance "nanobeam" scheme exploiting ILC and light-source technologies
- 4 GeV (e⁺) on 7 GeV (e⁻)
- New positron damping ring and positron beam vacuum chamber





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Selection optimized for best upper limit on A' production cross section

- Use BDT to define "Background" (*R_B*), "Loose" (*R_L*) and "Tight" (*R_T*) * selection criteria
- Background shape taken from "background" data
 - Parametrized as 2nd order polynomial (sum of exponentiated polynomials) in low (high) M region, plus Crystal Ball peaking function for peaking backgrounds
- Signal parametrized using Crystal Ball function with mass-dependent width (determined from simulation); validated with $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ control samples





Different backgrounds contribute to the low and high mass regions

 $4 \; GeV^2 < \; M_{\chi}{}^2 < \; 36 \; GeV^2$

$24 \ \text{GeV}^2 < \ M_X{}^2 < \begin{cases} 69.0 \ \text{GeV}^2 & (\Upsilon(3\text{S})) \\ 63.5 \ \text{GeV}^2 & (\Upsilon(2\text{S})) \end{cases}$

Low M_X

• $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ in which a photon escapes detection

Require:

- E_{γ}^* > 3 GeV in range $|\cos \theta_{\gamma} T| < 0.6$
- No drift chamber tracks with p* > 1 GeV
- Multivariate discriminator

High M_x

• $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \gamma$ in which the electron and positron escape detection

Require:

- E_{γ} * > 1.5 GeV in range $|\cos \theta_{\gamma}$ T | < 0.6
- Transverse shower shape consistent with EM shower
- No drift chamber tracks with p* > 0.1 GeV
- Multivariate discriminator

Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) selector to discriminate signal candidates

- Trained separately for low and high mass samples
- Training samples:
 - Simulated signal events with uniform A' mass distribution
 - Background data events from $\Upsilon(3S)$ sample (~3 fb⁻¹)

12 discriminating variables:

- Cluster shape parameters for signal candidate cluster
- Total calorimeter energy, excluding signal candidate cluster
- Properties of the second most energetic cluster: E^* , θ^* , $\Delta \Phi^*$
- Properties of the IFR cluster (E*, θ *, $\Delta \Phi$ *) closest to the missing momentum direction









Cross section of A' determined from unbinned extended maximum likelihood fits to M_X distribution in range 0 – 8.0 GeV

- Simultaneous fits to $\Upsilon(2S),\,\Upsilon(3S)\,$ and (for low- $M_X)\,\Upsilon(4S)$ samples
- Step size equal to half the mass resolution





Muonic dark force



- Background is primarily from QED processes, in particular $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$
- Select events with 4 tracks, including two same-sign identified muons; veto events with additional calorimeter energy exceeding 200 MeV
- $\Upsilon(3S), \Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- \Upsilon(1S)$ backgrounds rejected by vetoing events with a di-track mass combination within 100 MeV of the $\Upsilon(1S)$



- ISR not modelled in simulation; corrected at analysis level
- Retain events with m(4µ) within 500 MeV of nominal CM energy
- Kinematic fit of 4µ mass to CM energy and interaction point imposed
 - no rejection applied; improves di-muon resolution

Entries 350





10 m_{z'} (GeV)

0.7_F

0.6

0.5F

0.4

0.3

0.2

0.1

2

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Limit on $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- Z', Z' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$

UL $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- Z', Z' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu)$ (fb)



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- Final state has only a single isolated photon in the detector
- A' mass determined from photon energy and CM energy:



- Assume A' width negligible compared to experimental resolution
- Either there is a single A' in the region 0< mA' < 8 GeV, or if more than one, then they do not interfere

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Initial State Radiation



Invisible Z'





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Invisible Z'











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Dark U(1) spontaneously broken by Higgs mechanism, resulting in one or more dark Higgs bosons h'

- Three possible scenarios:
 - mh' < mA' leads to long-lived h' (decays to SM fermions)
 - MA'<mh' < 2mA' ; h' \rightarrow A'A'*, with A'* \rightarrow II
 - Mh' > 2mA' ; h' \rightarrow A'A'

Belle considers the third case

- Production via "Higgs-strahlung" in e⁺e⁻ → A'h' with h'→ A'A'
- A' decaying to SM or invisible particles

Previous BABAR study ArXiv:1202.1313[hep-ex]

Dark Higgs



Experimentally, higher multiplicity final states and additional mass constraints results in very low QED backgrounds

- Vertex constraints enforce "prompt" production
- Require multiple pairs of oppositely charged particles
- Use event kinematics to determine missing mass in "invisible X" channels

Final-state	Events	Final-state	Events
$3(e^-e^+)$	1	$2(\mu^+\mu^-)(e^+e^-)$	1
$3(\mu^+\mu^-)$	2	$2(\mu^+\mu^-)(\pi^+\pi^-)$	1
$3(\pi^{+}\pi^{-})$	147	$2(\pi^+\pi^-)(e^+e^-)$	5
$2(e^+e^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)$	7	$2(\pi^+\pi^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)$	6
$2(e^+e^-)(\pi^+\pi^-)$	2	$(e^+e^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)(\pi^+\pi^-)$	7
$2(e^+e^-)X$	572	$(e^+e^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)X$	30
$2(\mu^+\mu^-)X$	20		





Dalitz decays





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