Test Fundamental Symmetries via Precision Measurements of π^0, η, η' Decays

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   → challenges in physics

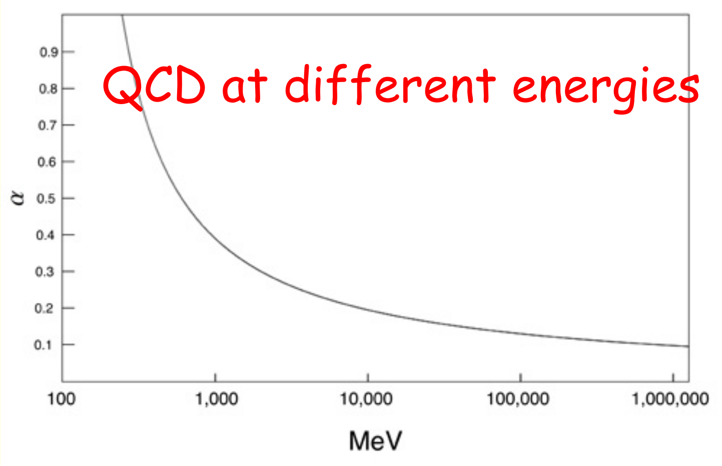
2. PrimEx experiments on π^0, η, η'
   → precision tests confinement QCD symmetries

3. Jlab Eta Factory (JEF) Program for SM forbidden or allowed η decays
   → search for BSM new physics and improve light quark mass ratio

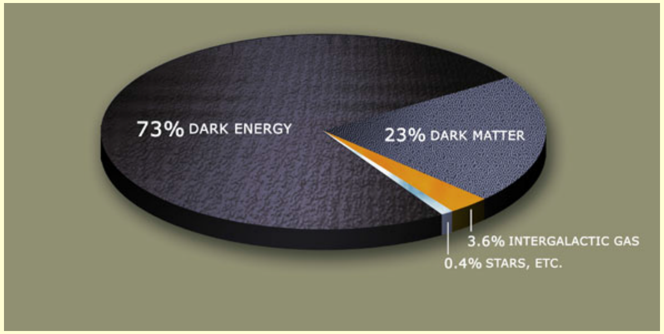
4. Summary

Challenges in Physics

- Confinement QCD
  - QCD confinement and its relationship to the dynamical chiral symmetry breaking



- New physics beyond the Standard Model (SM)
  - Dark matter and dark energy
  - New sources of CP violation



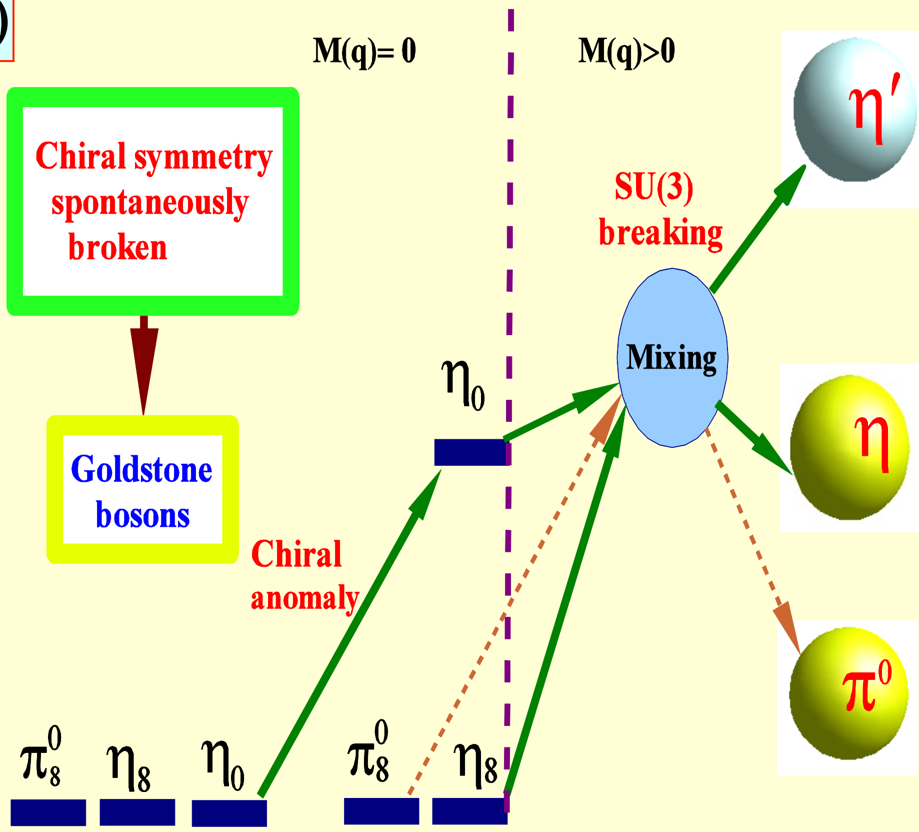
"As far as I see, all priori statements in physics have their origin in symmetry". By H. Weyl

QCD Symmetries and Light Mesons

- QCD Lagrangian in Chiral limit ($m_q \to 0$) is invariant under:

$$SU_L(3) \times SU_R(3) \times U_A(1) \times U_B(1)$$

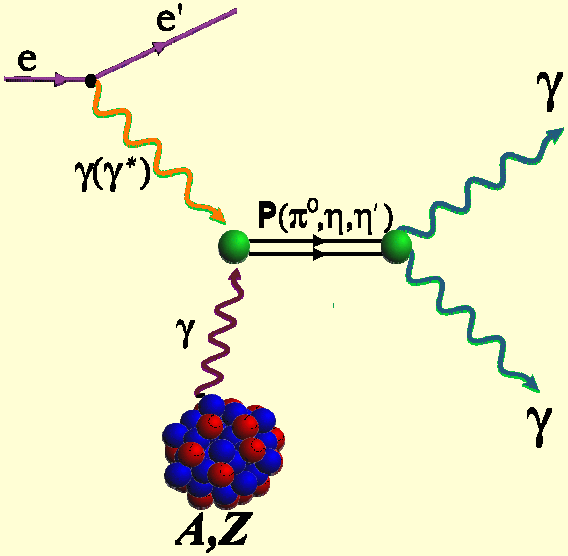
- Chiral symmetry $SU_L(3) \times SU_R(3)$ spontaneously breaks to $SU(3)$
  - 8 Goldstone Bosons (GB)
- $U_A(1)$ is explicitly broken: (Chiral anomalies)
  - $\Gamma(\pi^0 \to \gamma\gamma)$, $\Gamma(\eta \to \gamma\gamma)$, $\Gamma(\eta' \to \gamma\gamma)$
  - Mass of η_0
- $SU_L(3) \times SU_R(3)$ and $SU(3)$ are explicitly broken:
  - GB are massive
  - Mixing of π^0, η, η'



The π^0, η, η' system provides a rich laboratory to study the symmetry structure of QCD at low energies.

Primakoff Program at Jlab 6 & 12 GeV

Precision measurements of electromagnetic properties of π^0, η, η' via Primakoff effect.



a) Two-Photon Decay Widths:

1) $\Gamma(\pi^0 \to \gamma\gamma)$ @ 6 GeV
2) $\Gamma(\eta \to \gamma\gamma)$
3) $\Gamma(\eta' \to \gamma\gamma)$

Input to Physics:

- precision tests of Chiral symmetry and anomalies
- determination of light quark mass ratio
- η-η' mixing angle

b) Transition Form Factors at low Q^2 (0.001-0.5 GeV^2/c^2):

$F(\gamma\gamma^* \to \pi^0)$, $F(\gamma\gamma^* \to \eta)$, $F(\gamma\gamma^* \to \eta')$

Input to Physics:

- π^0,η and η' electromagnetic interaction radii
- is the η' an approximate Goldstone boson?
- inputs to a_μ(HLbL) calculations

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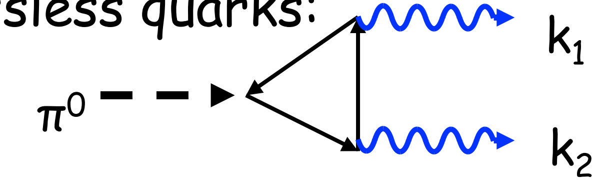

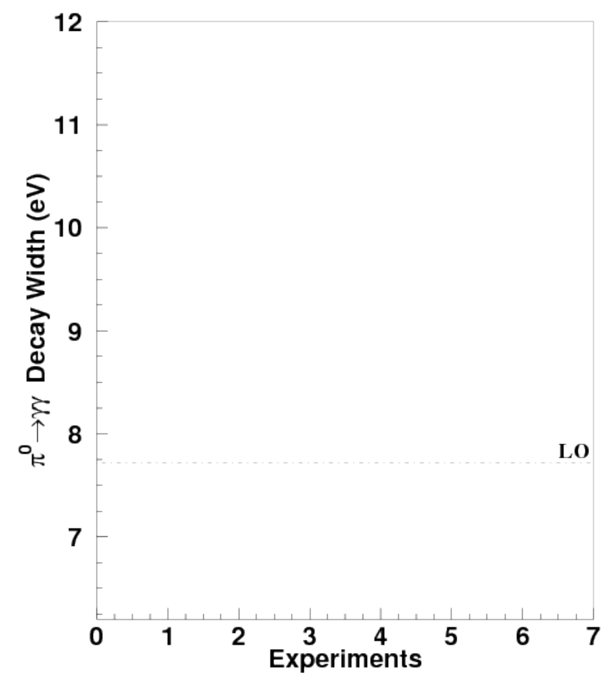

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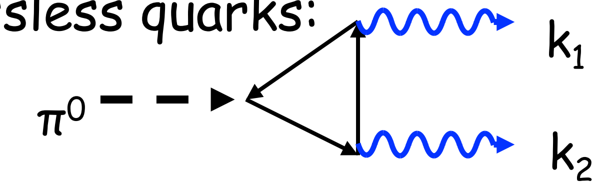

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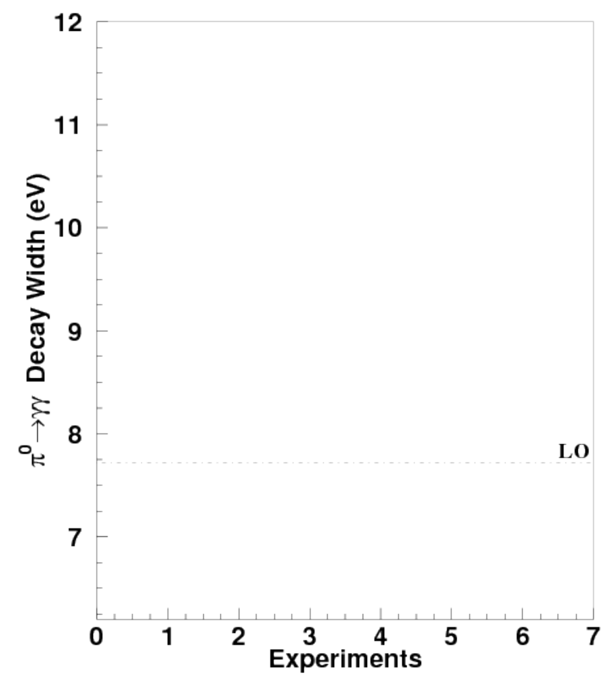

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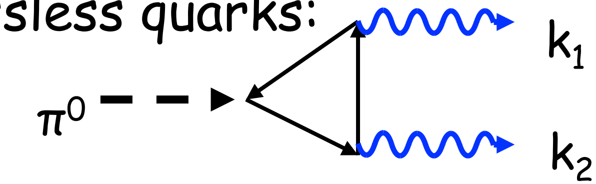

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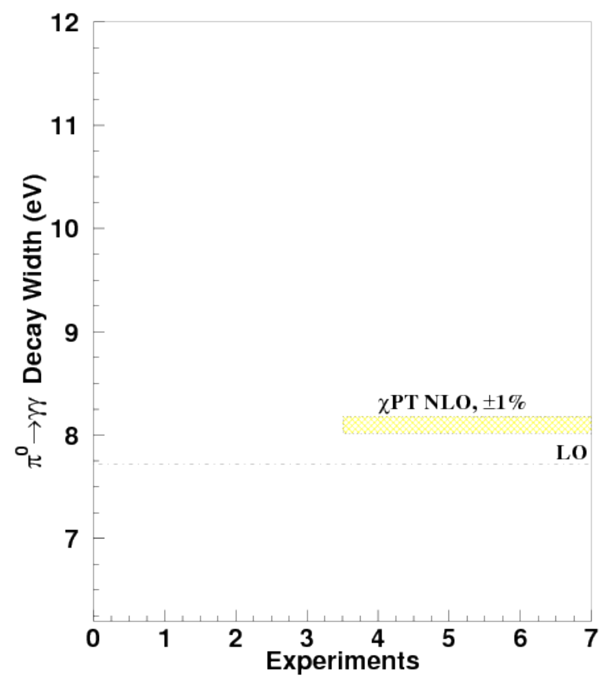

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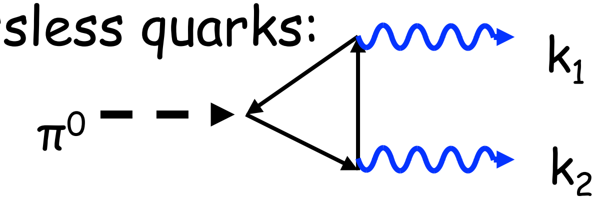

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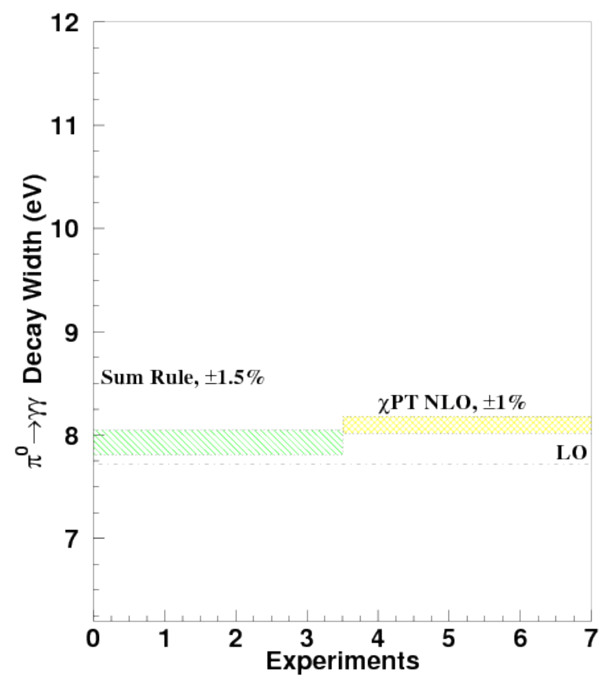

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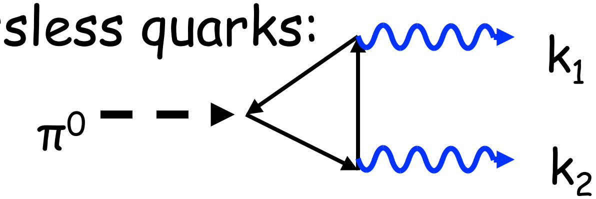

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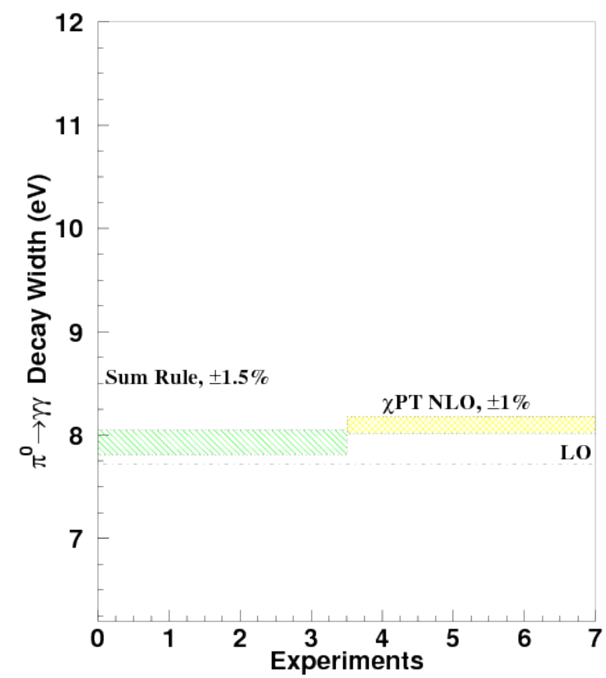

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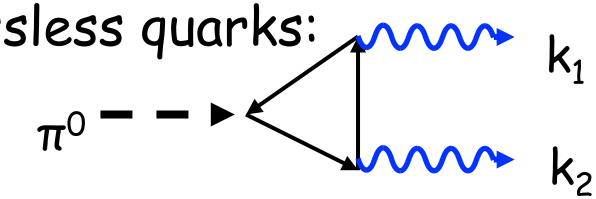

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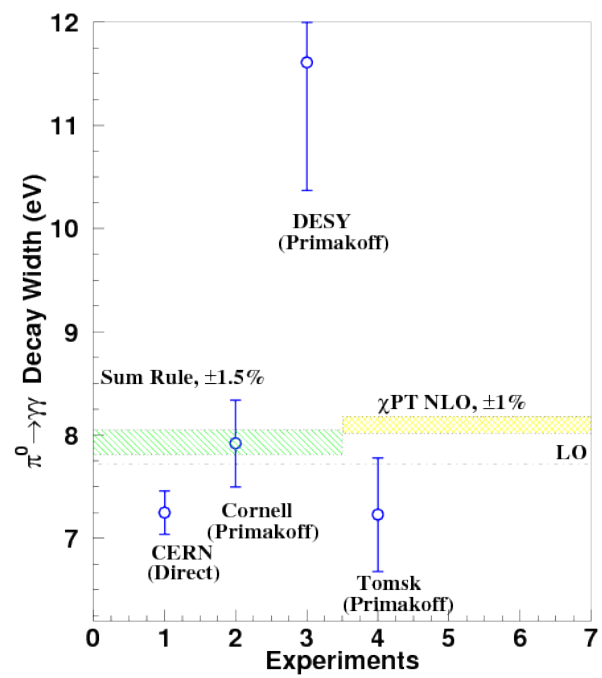

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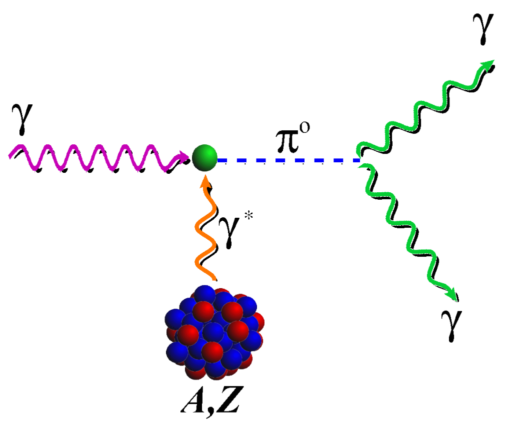

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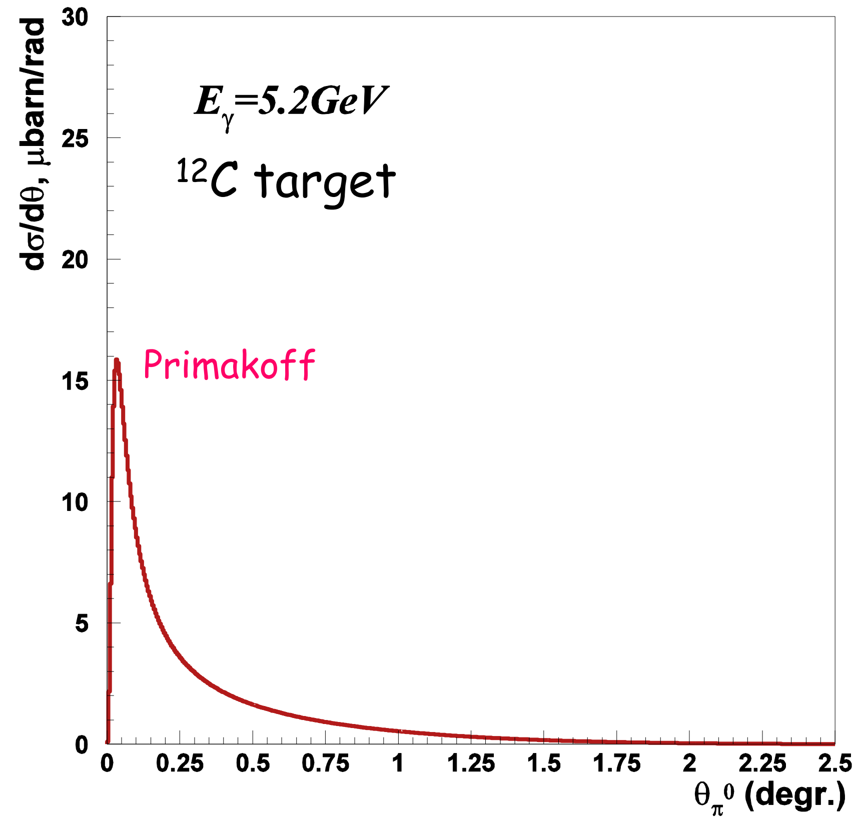

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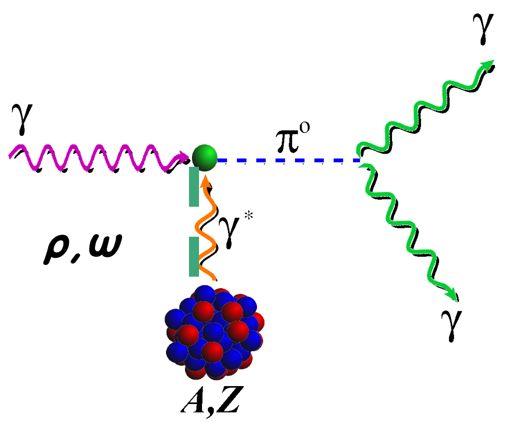

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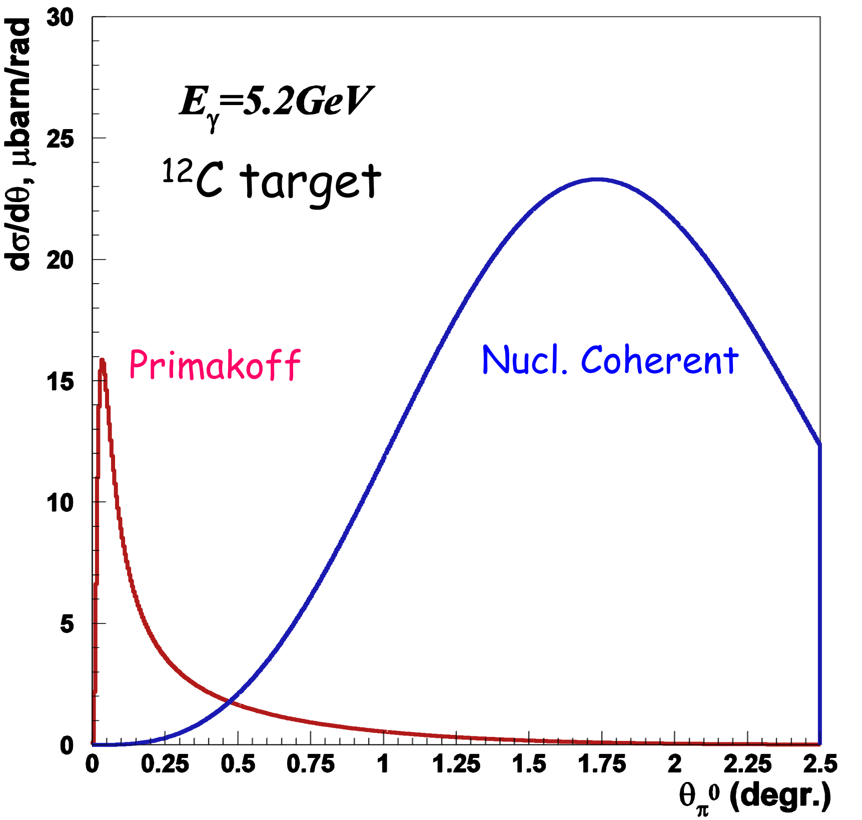

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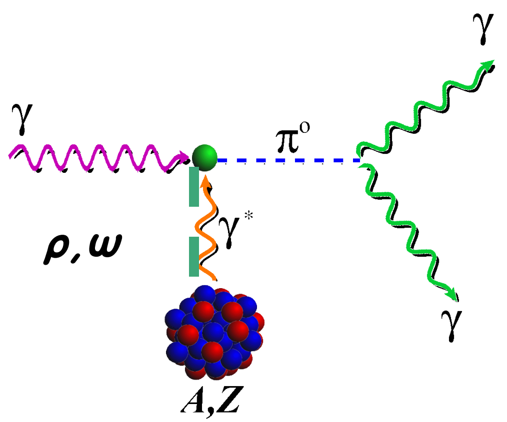

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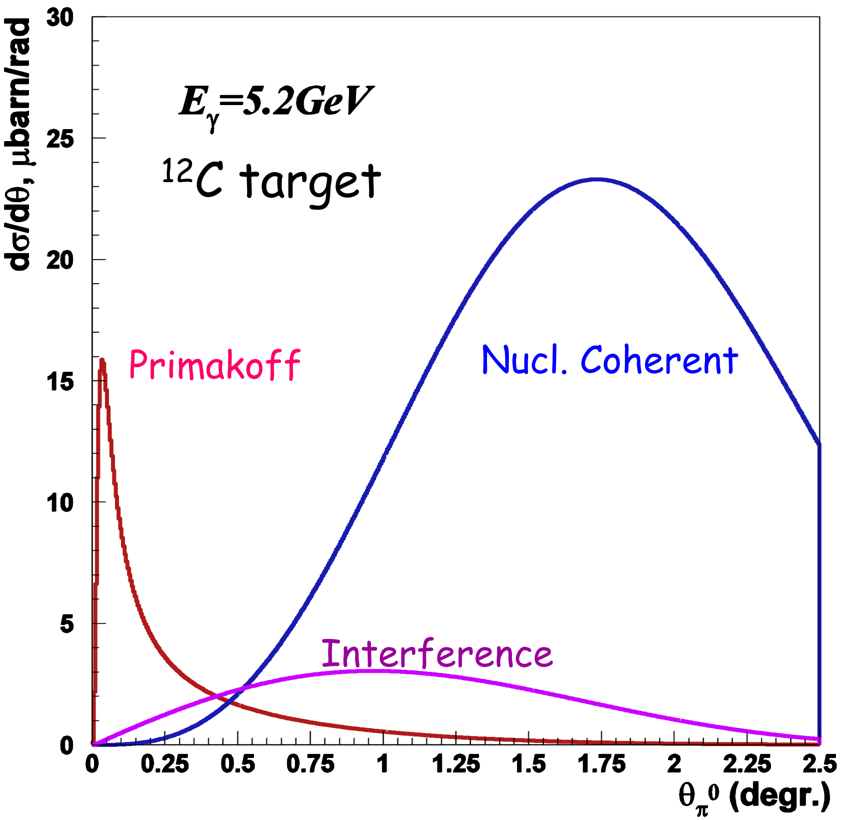

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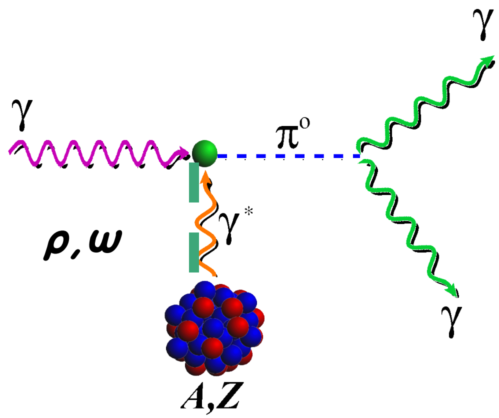

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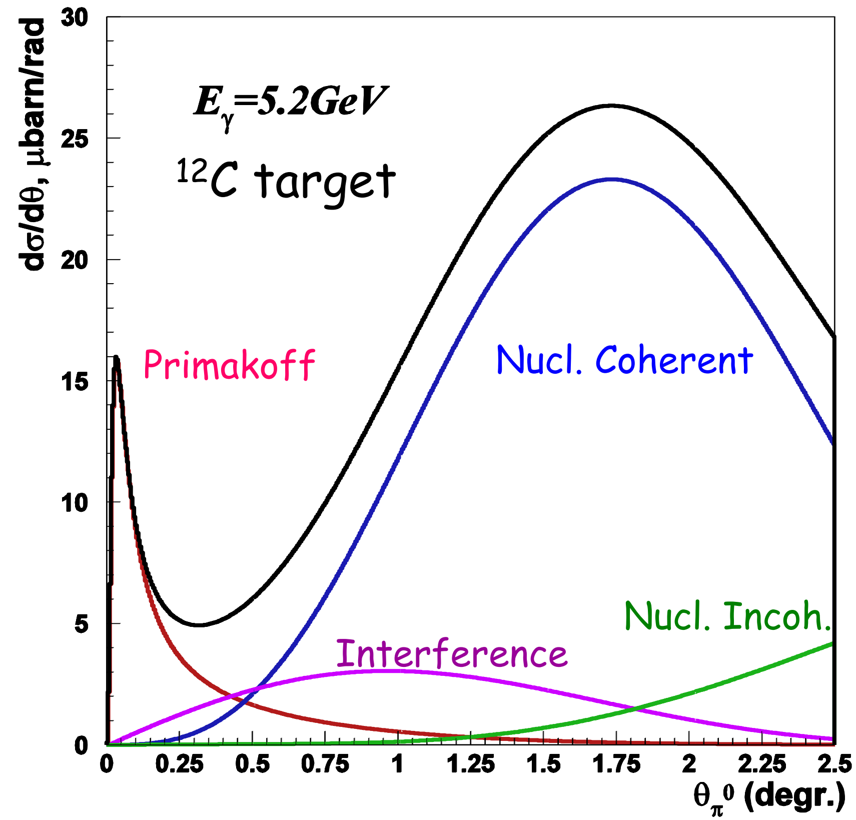

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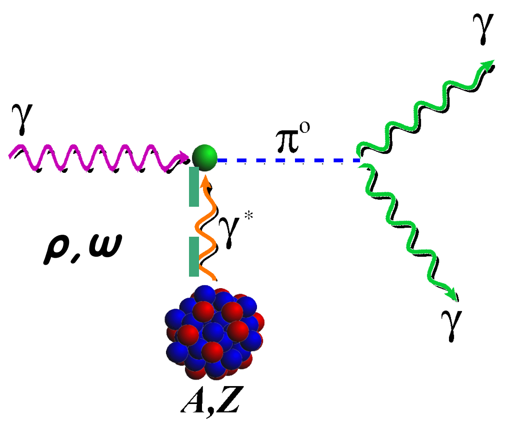

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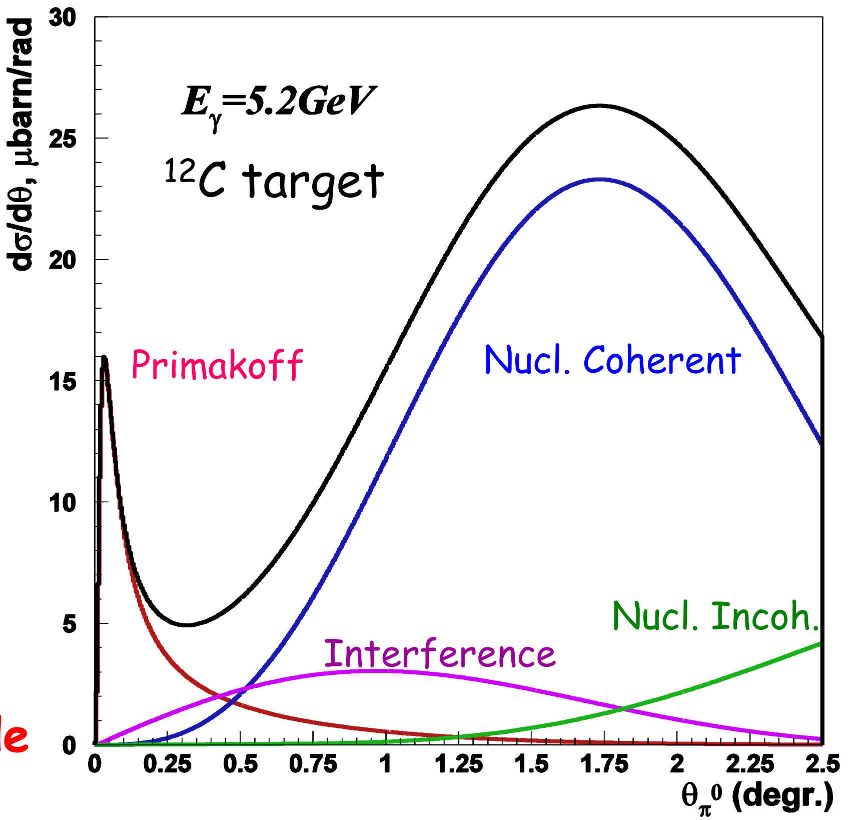

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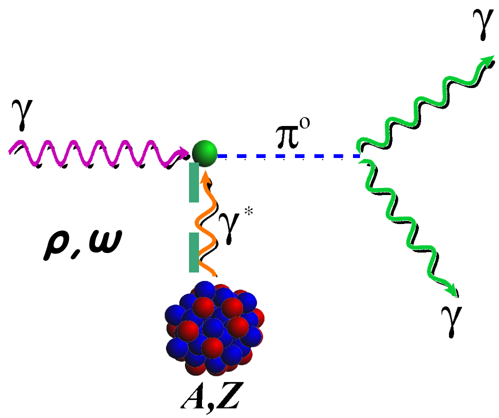

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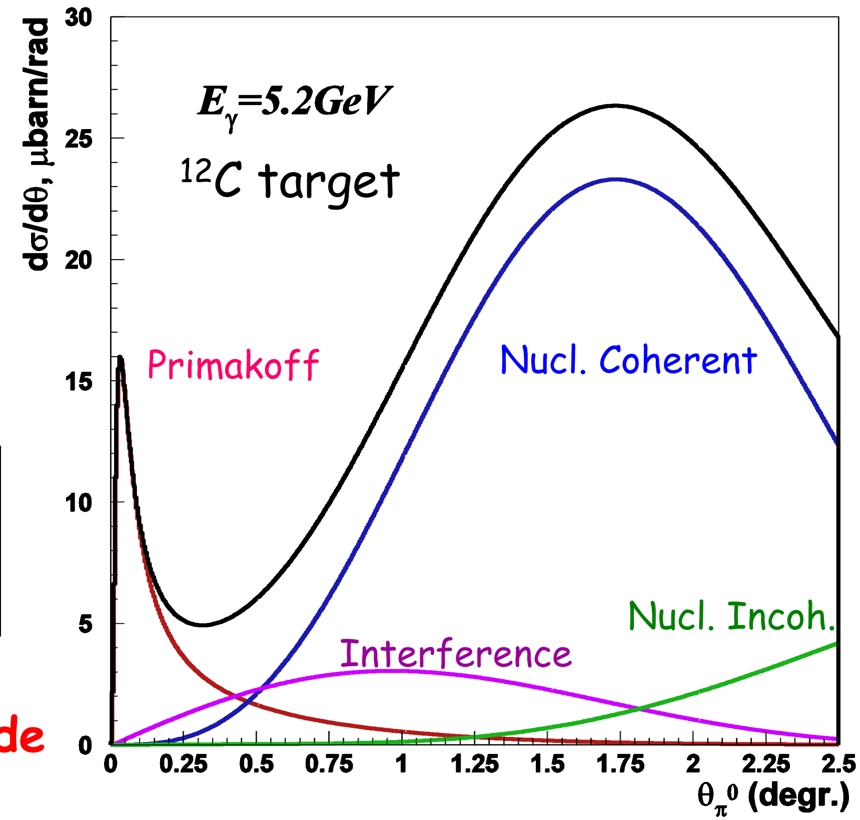

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PrimEx Experimental Setup

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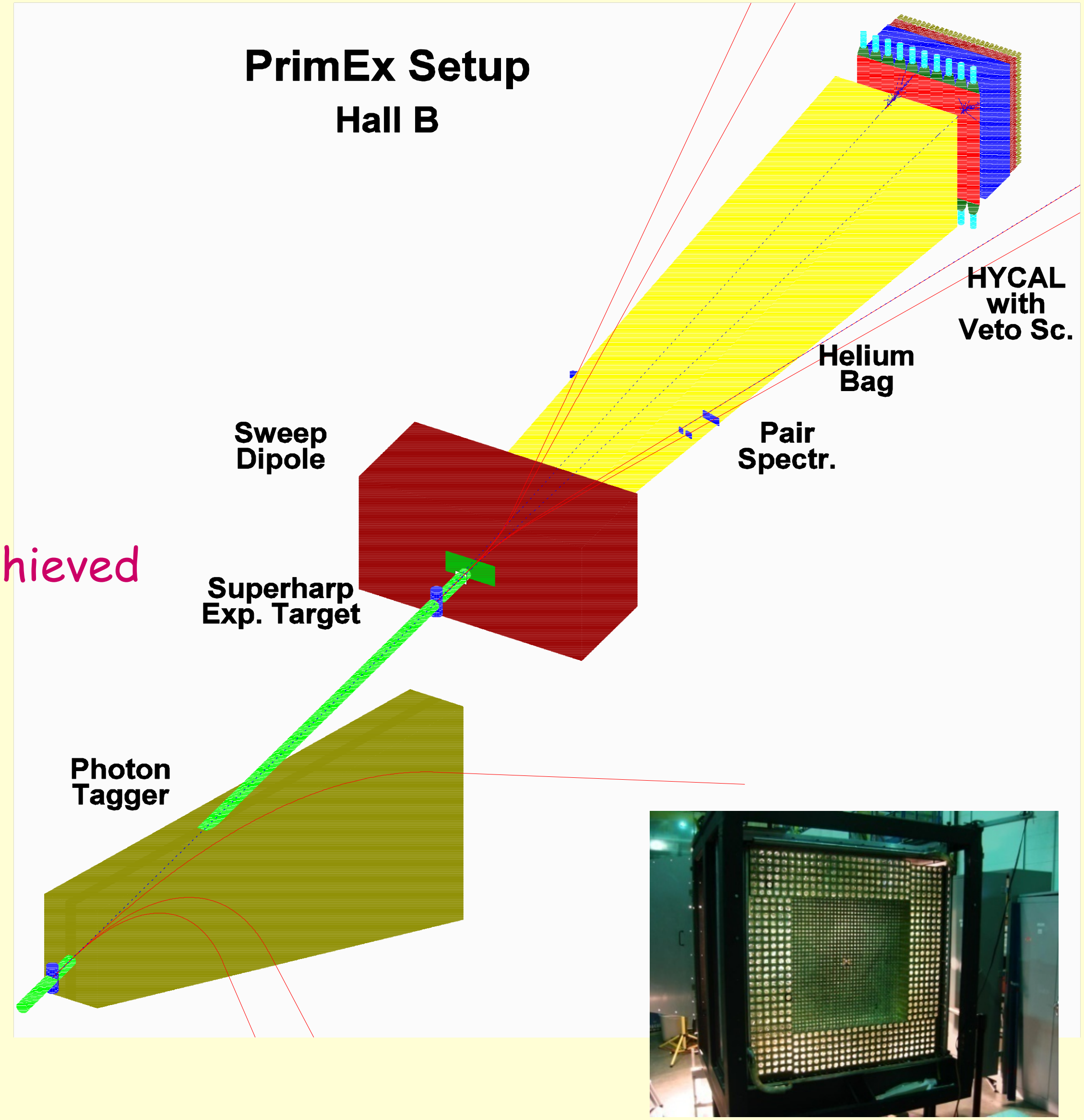
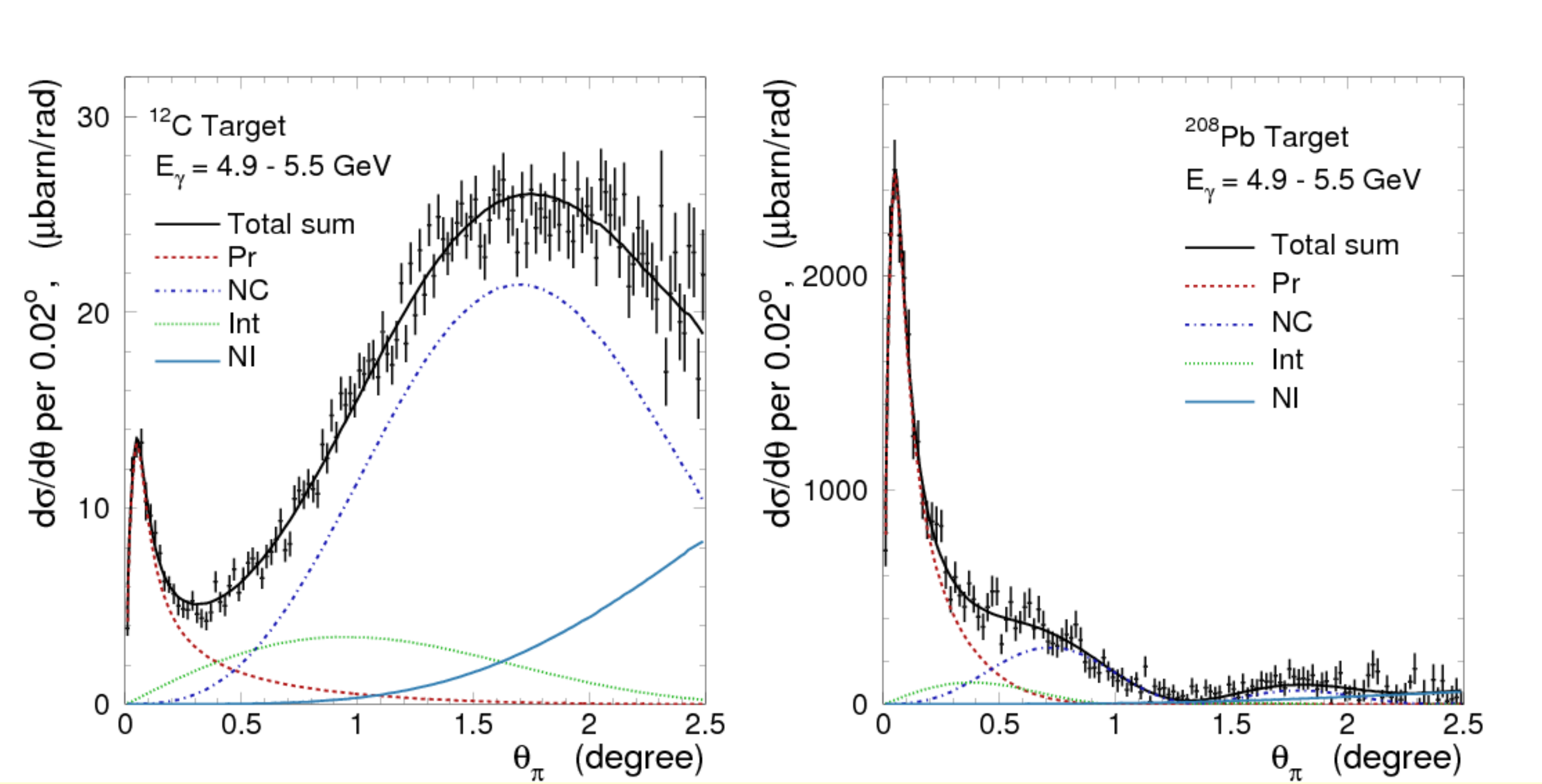
- New pair spectrometer for photon flux control at high beam intensities
  → 1% accuracy has been achieved

- New high resolution hybrid multi-channel calorimeter (HyCal)



The First Experiment: PrimEx-I (2004)

Theoretical angular distributions smeared with experimental resolutions are fit to the data on two nuclear targets to extract $\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$



Verification of Overall Systematical Uncertainties

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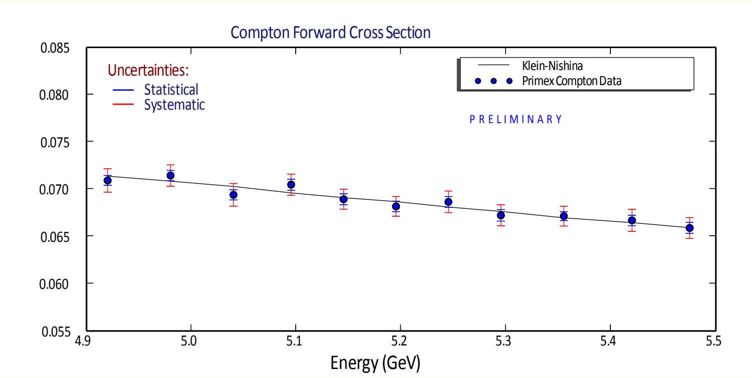

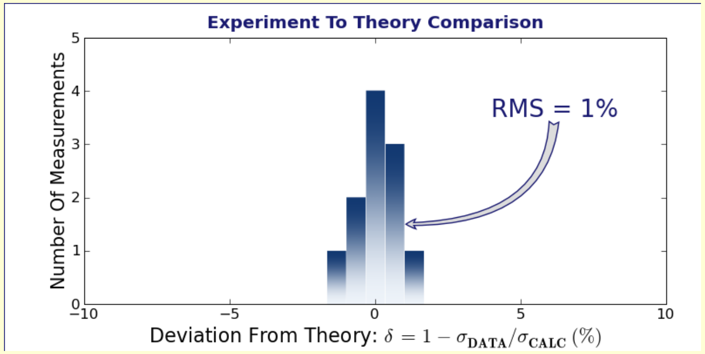

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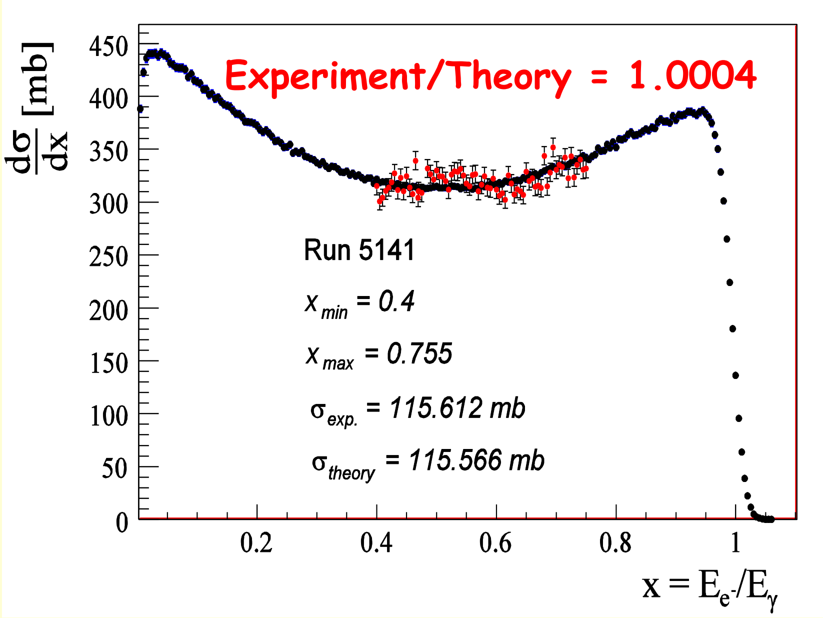

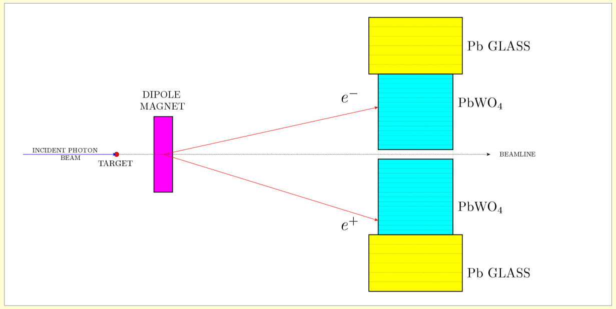

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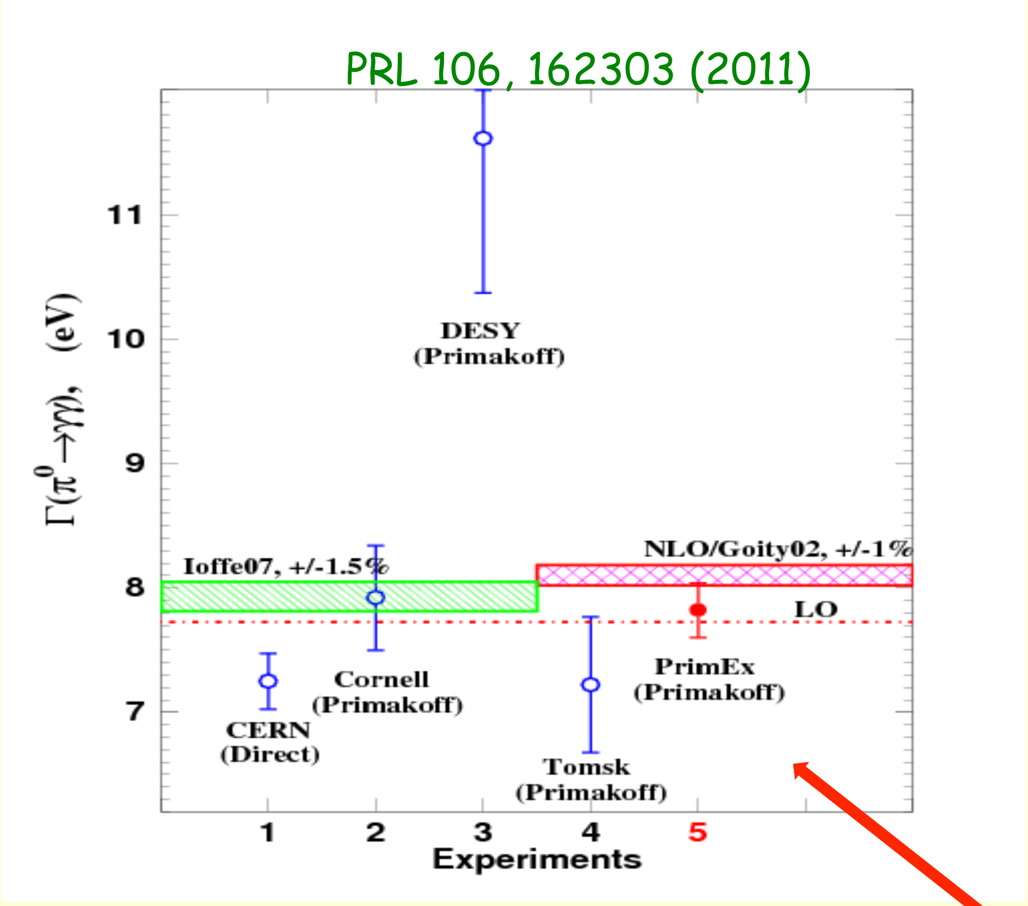

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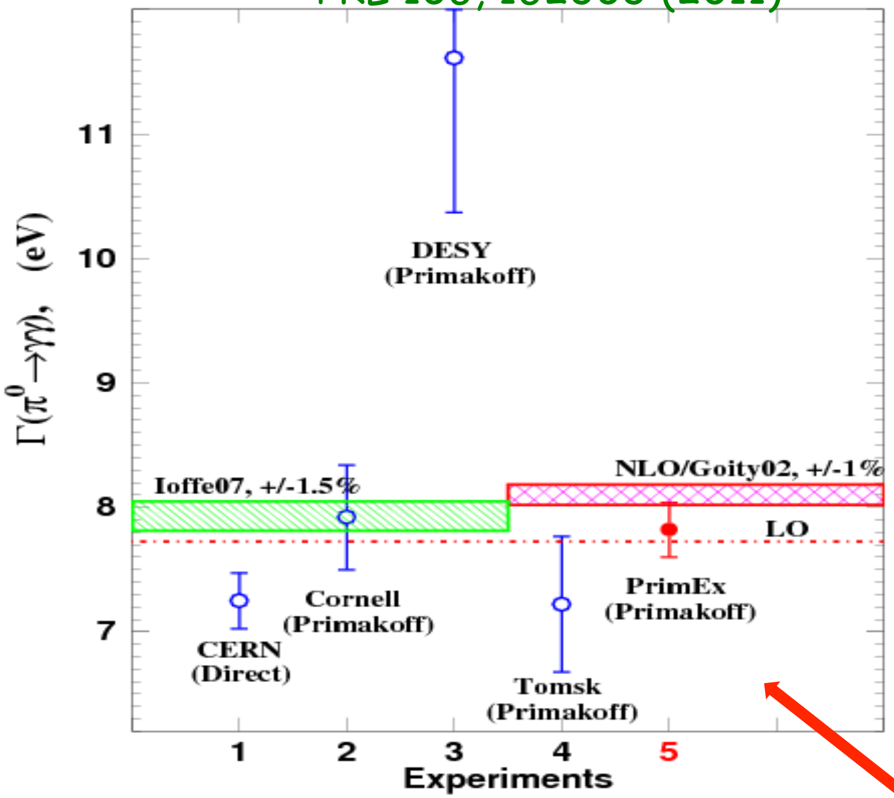

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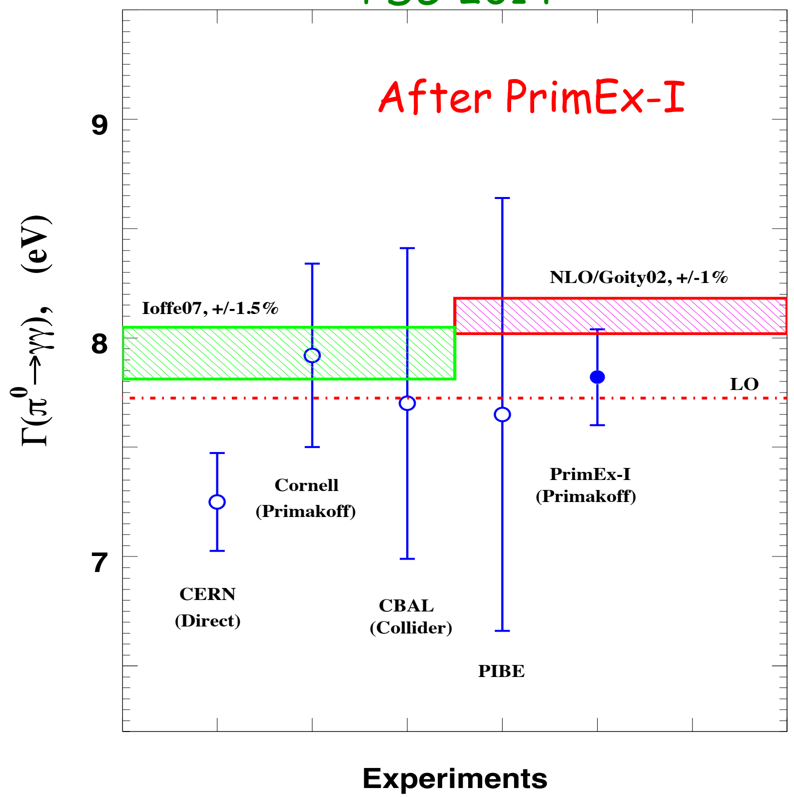

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The Second Experiment: PrimEx-II
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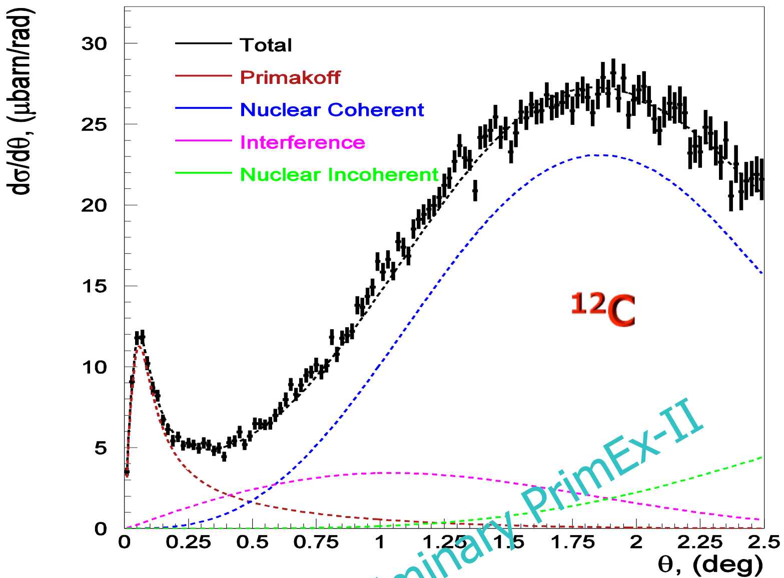
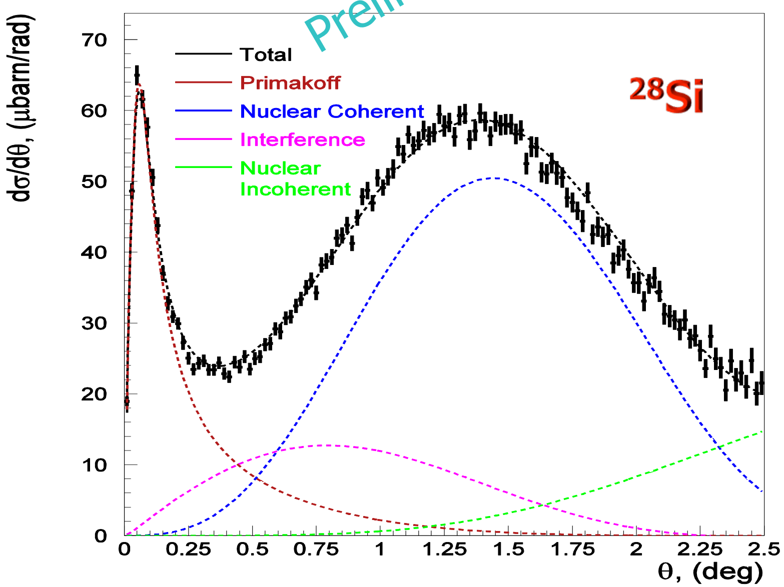
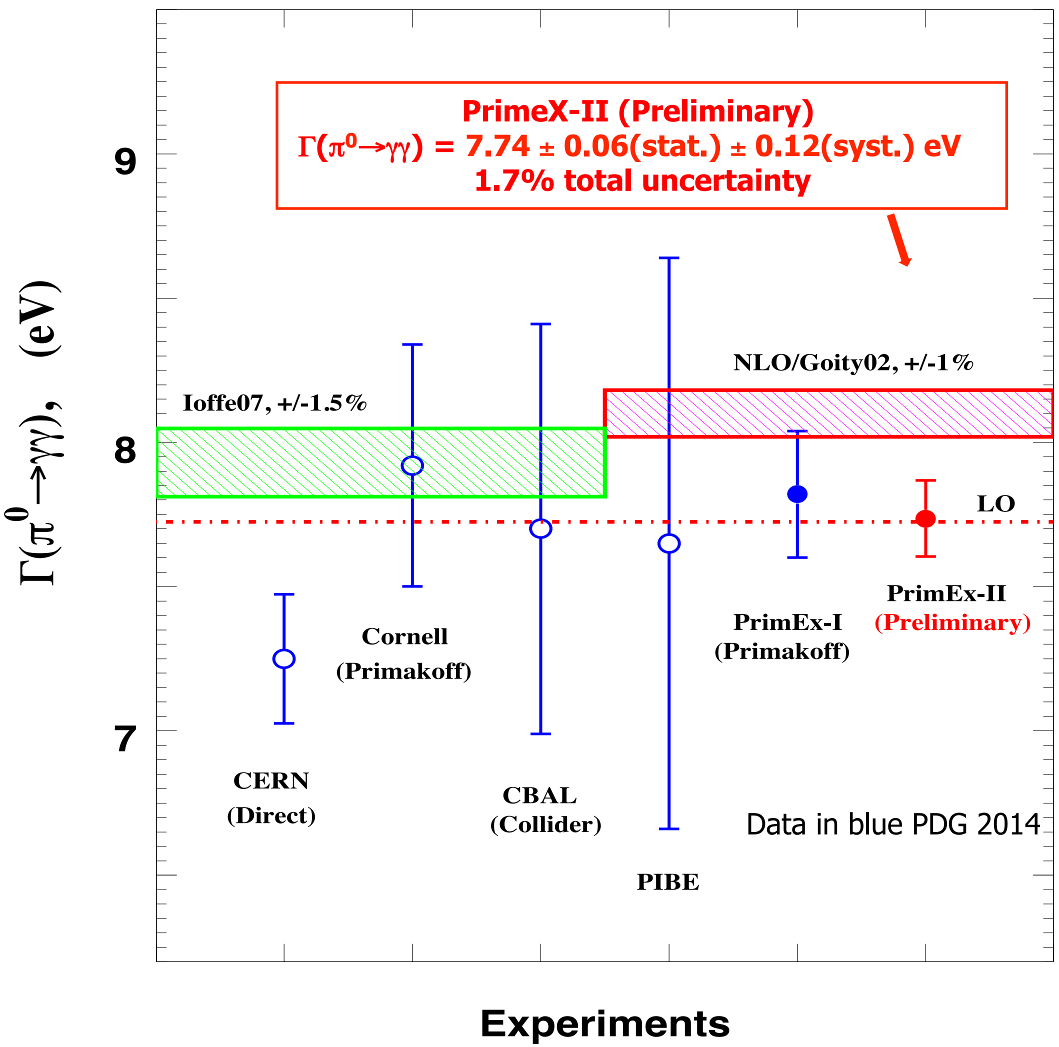
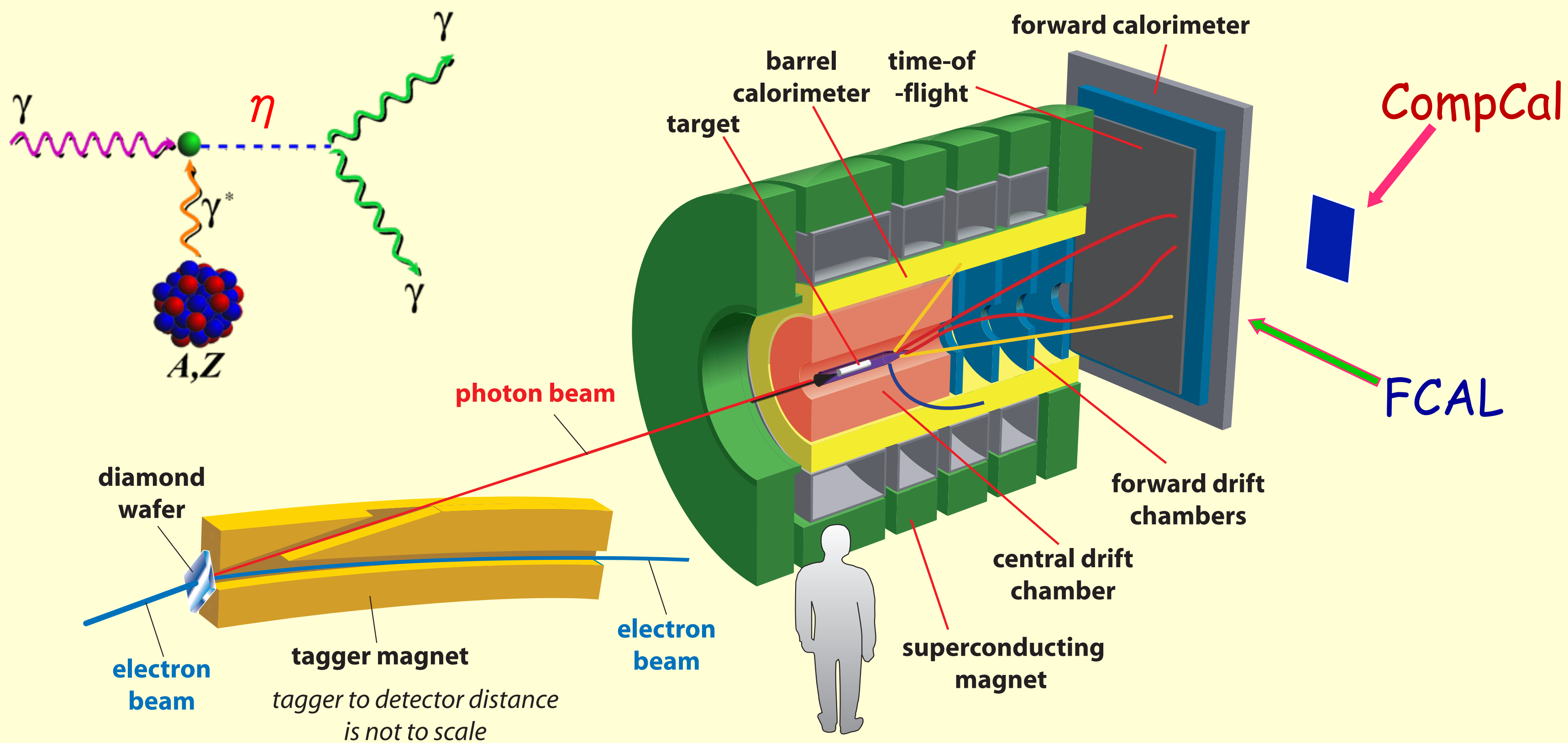






Measurement of $\Gamma(\eta\to\gamma\gamma)$ in Hall D at 12 GeV



- Incoherent tagged photon beam (~10.5-11.5 GeV)
- Pair spectrometer and a TAC detector for the photon flux control
- 30 cm liquid Hydrogen and ^{4}He targets (~3.6% r.l.)
- Forward Calorimeter (FCAL) for $\eta\to\gamma\gamma$ decay photons
- CompCal and FCAL to measure well-known Compton scattering for control of overall systematic uncertainties.
- Solenoid detectors and forward tracking detectors (for background rejection)

Challenges in the $\eta\to\gamma\gamma$ Primakoff Experiment

Compared to π^0:

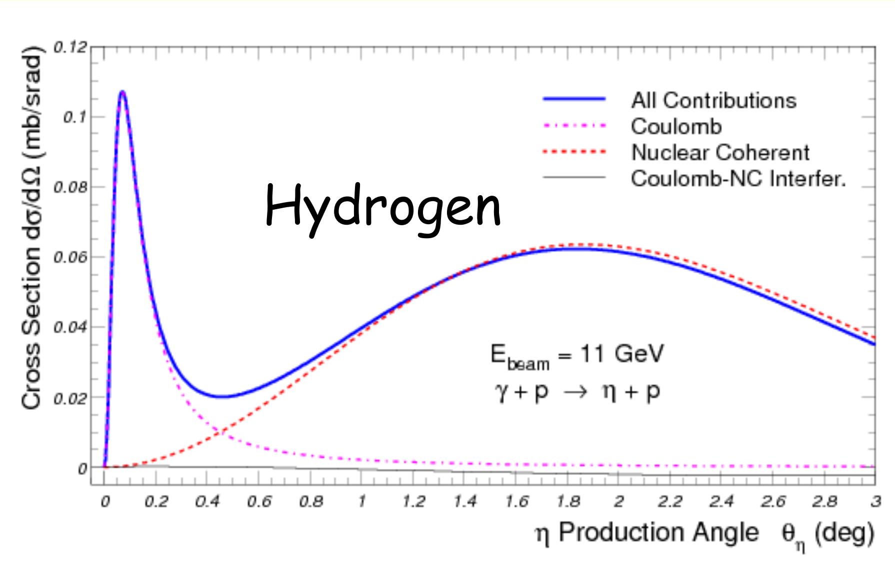
- η mass is a factor of 4 larger than π^0 and has a smaller cross section

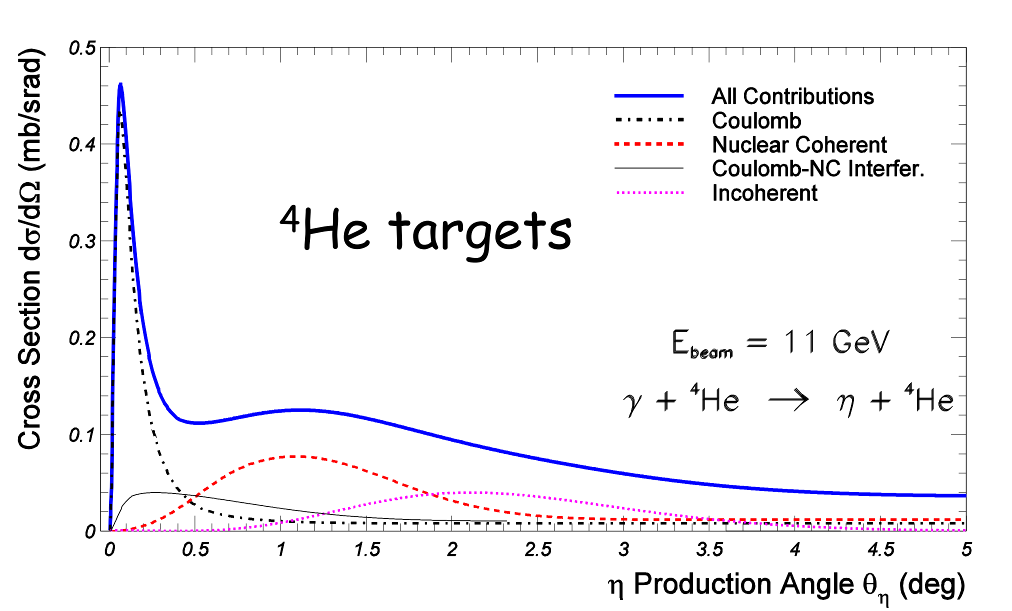
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma_{\mathrm{Pr}}}{d\Omega}\right)_{\mathrm{peak}} \propto \frac{E^4}{m^3}$$

- larger overlap between Primakoff and hadronic processes;

$$\langle\theta_{\mathrm{Pr}}\rangle_{peak} \propto \frac{m^2}{2E^2} \qquad \theta_{NC} \propto \frac{2}{E \bullet A^{1/3}}$$

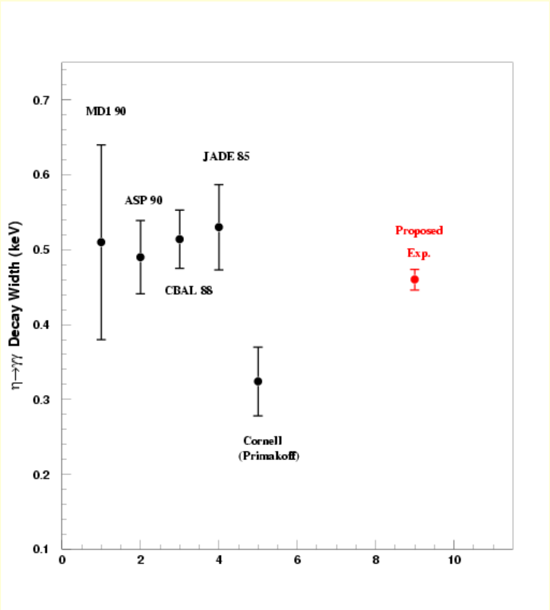
- larger momentum transfer (coherency, form factors, FSI,…)



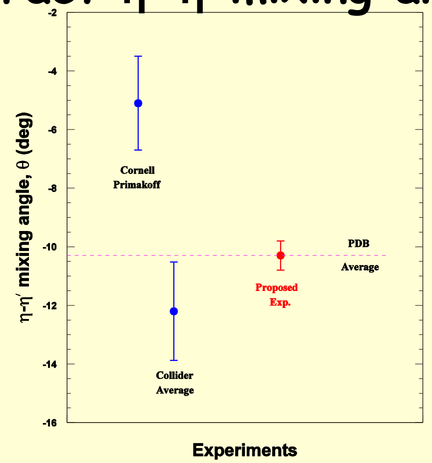


Γ(η→γγ) Experiment @ 12 GeV

1. Resolve long standing discrepancy between collider and Primakoff measurements:

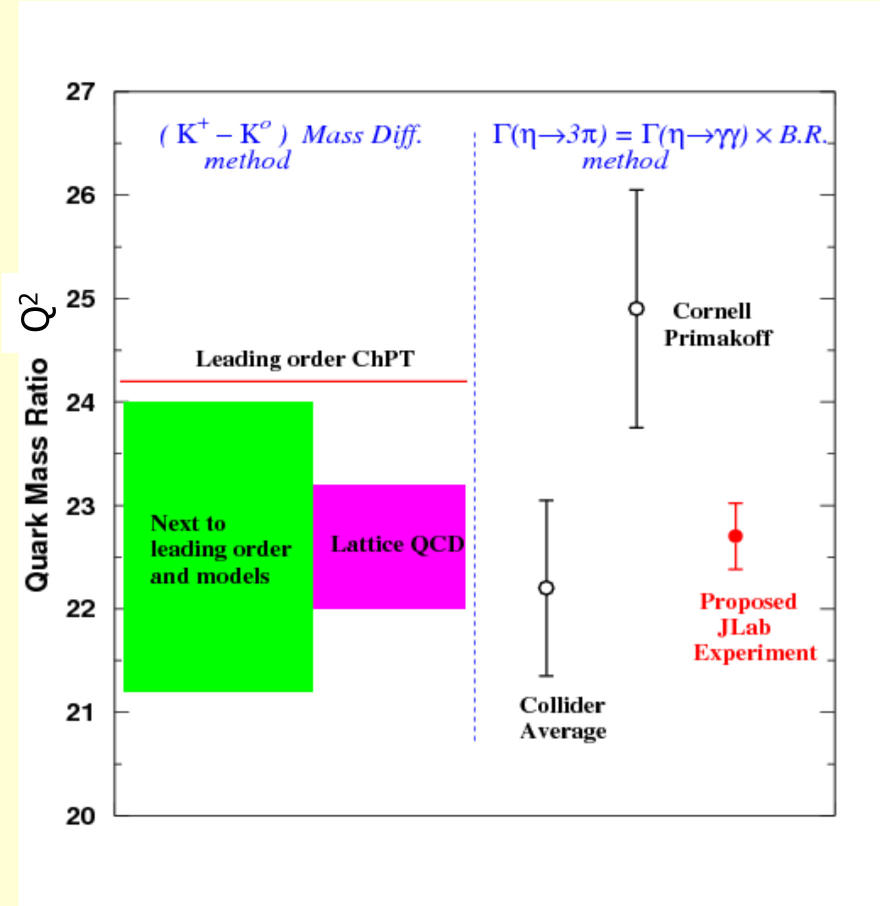


2. Extract η-η' mixing angle:



3. Determine Light quark mass ratio:

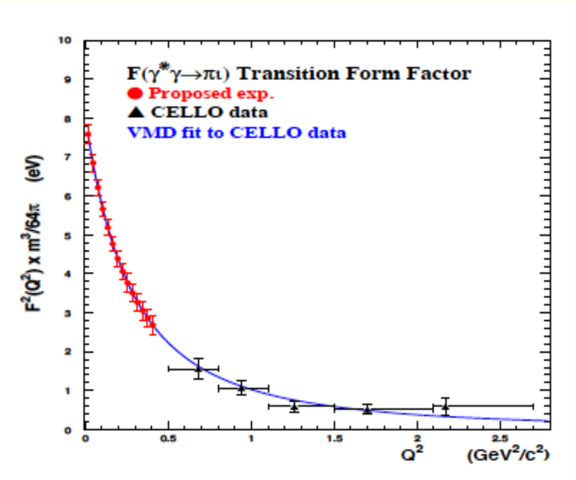
$$Q^2 = \frac{m_s^2 - \hat{m}^2}{m_d^2 - m_u^2}, \qquad \text{where } \hat{m} = \frac{1}{2}(m_u + m_d)$$



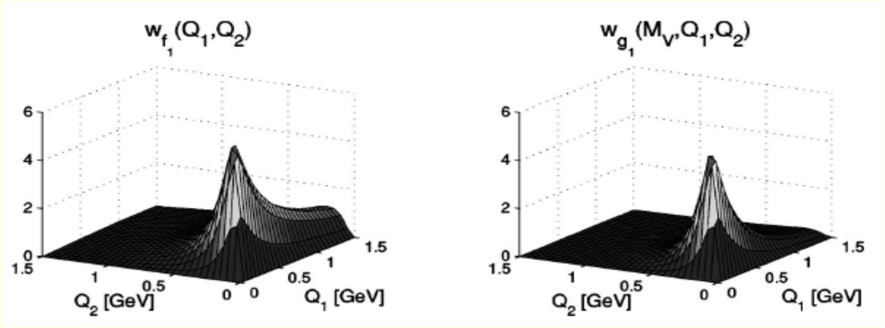
H. Leutwyler Phys. Lett., B378, 313 (1996)

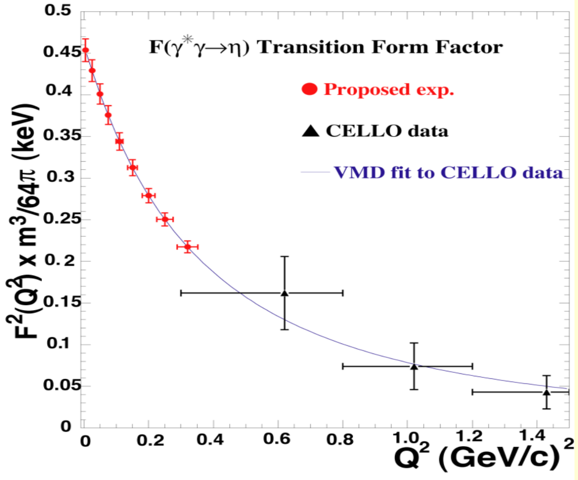
Transition Form Factors $F(\gamma\gamma^* \to p)$
(at low Q^2 : 0.001-0.5 GeV^2/c^2)

- **Direct measurement of slopes**
  - Interaction radii: $F_{\gamma\gamma^*P}(Q^2) \approx 1 - 1/6 \cdot \langle r^2 \rangle_P Q^2$
  - ChPT for large N_c predicts relation between the three slopes. Extraction of $O(p^6)$ low-energy constant in the chiral Lagrangian



- **Input for hadronic light-by-light calculations in muon (g-2)**

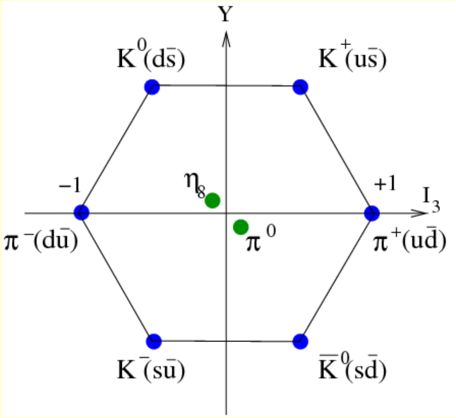




M. Knecht and A. Nyffeler, Phys.Rev.D65,073034

η is a unique probe for fundamental symmetries

- The most massive member in the octet of pseudoscalar Goldstone mesons (547.9 MeV/c2)
  - ➡ Many open decay channels
  - ➡ Sensitive to symmetry breakings



- η decay width Γ_η =1.3KeV is narrow (relative to Γ_ω=8.5 MeV)
  - ➡ The lowest orders of η decays are filtered out, enhancing the contributions from higher orders (by a factor of ~7000 compared to ω decays).

- Eigenstate of P, C, CP, and G: $I^G J^{PC} = 0^+ 0^{-+}$
  - ➡ Study violations of discrete symmetries

- The η decays are flavor-conserving reactions effectively free of SM backgrounds for new physics search.

Overview of the Jlab Eta Factory (JEF) Project

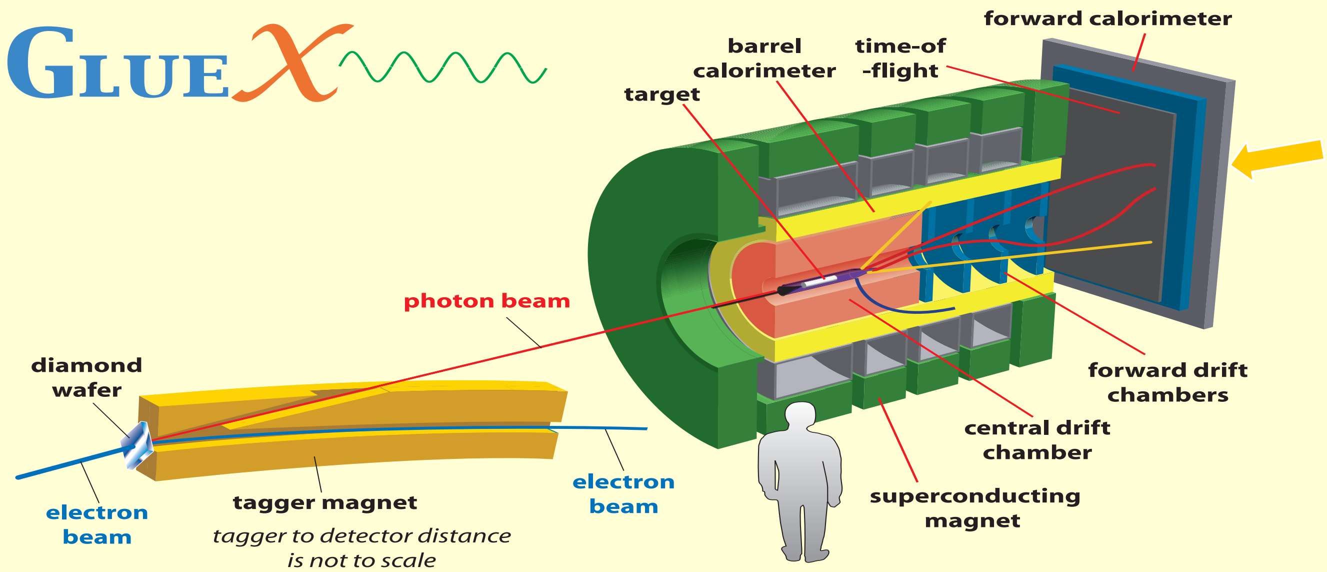
Mode	Branching Ratio	Physics Highlight	Photons
priority:			
$\pi^0 2\gamma$	$(2.7 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$	χPTh at $\mathcal{O}(p^6)$	4
$\gamma + B$	beyond SM	leptophobic dark boson	4
$3\pi^0$	$(32.6 \pm 0.2)\%$	$m_u - m_d$	6
$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$(22.7 \pm 0.3)\%$	$m_u - m_d$, CV	2
3γ	$< 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$	CV, CPV	3
ancillary:			
4γ	$< 2.8 \times 10^{-4}$	$< 10^{-11}$[112]	4
$2\pi^0$	$< 3.5 \times 10^{-4}$	CPV, PV	4
$2\pi^0\gamma$	$< 5 \times 10^{-4}$	CV, CPV	5
$3\pi^0\gamma$	$< 6 \times 10^{-5}$	CV, CPV	6
$4\pi^0$	$< 6.9 \times 10^{-7}$	CPV, PV	8
$\pi^0\gamma$	$< 9 \times 10^{-5}$	CV, Ang. Mom. viol.	3
normalization:			
2γ	$(39.3 \pm 0.2)\%$	anomaly, η-η' mixing PR12-10-011	2

Main physics goals:

1. Search for a leptophobic dark boson (B).
2. Directly constrain CVPC new physics
3. Improve the light quark mass ratio
4. Probe interplay of VMD & scalar resonances in ChPT.

FCAL-II is required for the rare decays

Jlab Eta Factory (JEF) Experiment



Simultaneously measure η decays: $\eta\to\pi^0\gamma\gamma$, $\eta\to3\gamma$, and …

- η produced on LH_2 target with **9-11.7 GeV tagged photon beam:**

  $\gamma+p \to \eta+p$

- Reduce non-coplanar backgrounds by **detecting recoil p's** with GlueX detector ($\varepsilon\sim75\%$)

- Upgraded Forward Calorimeter with **High resolution, high granularity $PbWO_4$** insertion (**FCAL-II**) to detect multi-photons from rare η decays

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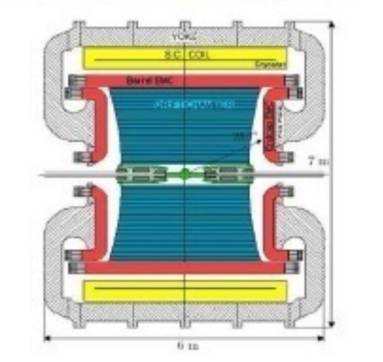
e^+e^- Collider

KLOE-2 at DAϕNE



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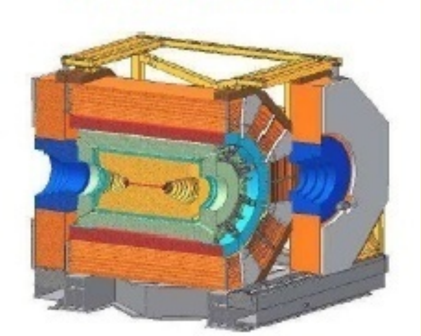

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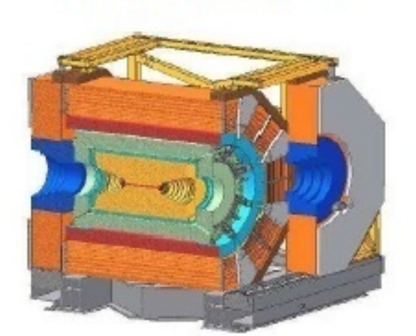

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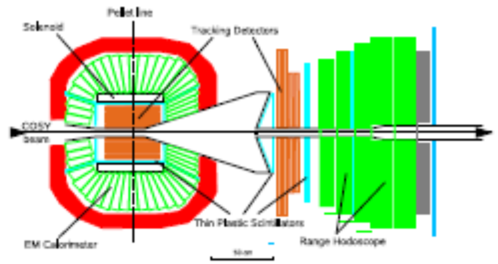

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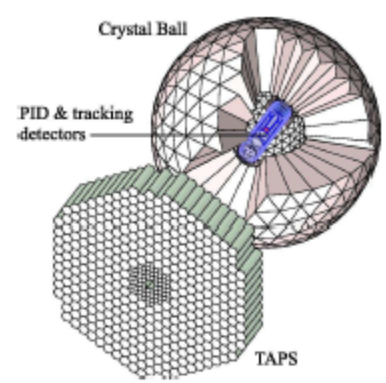
Crystall Ball at MAMI



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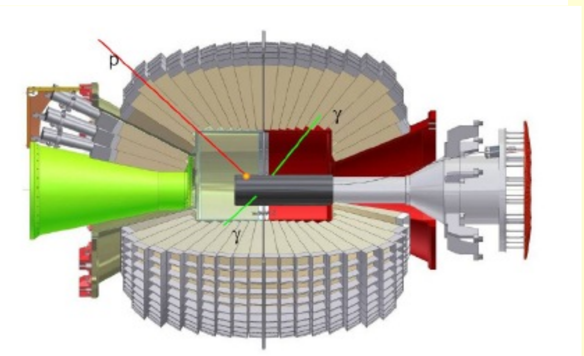

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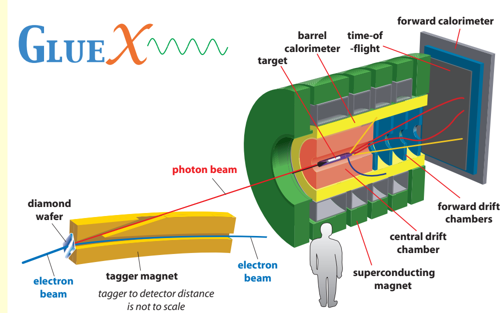

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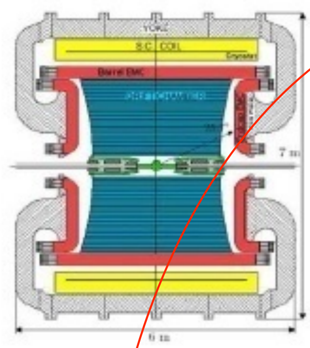

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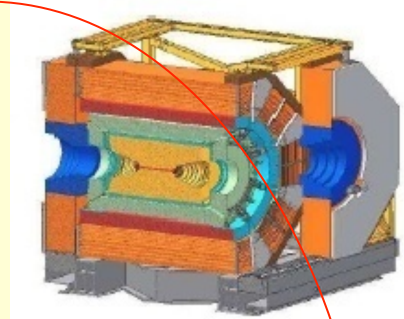

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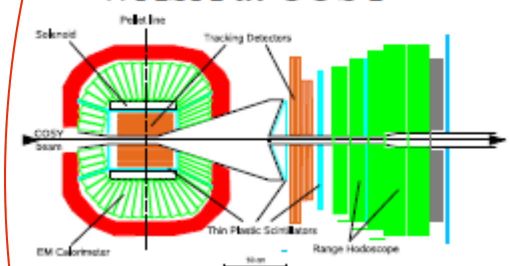

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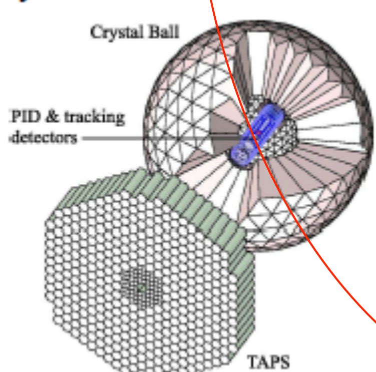

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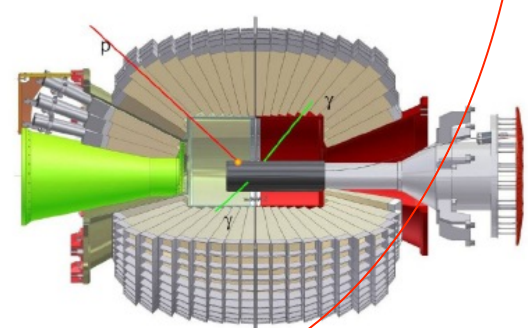

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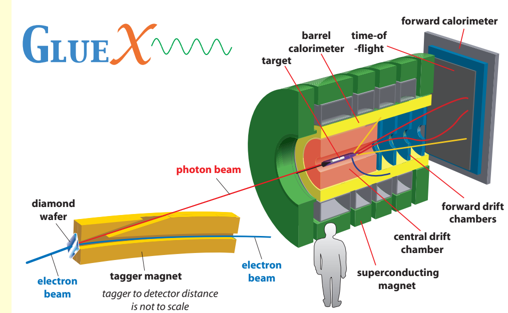

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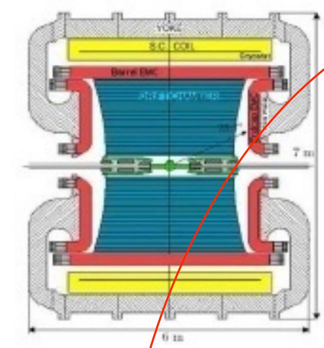

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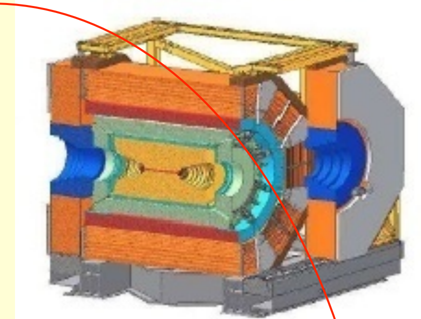

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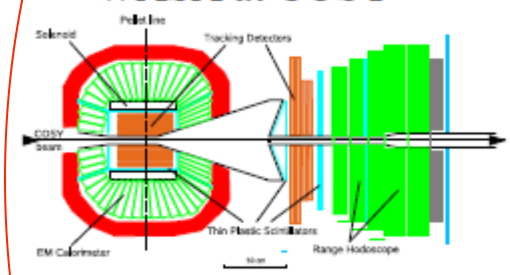

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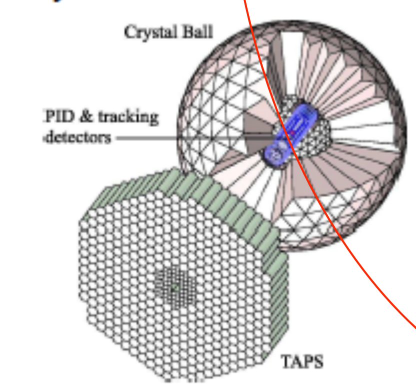

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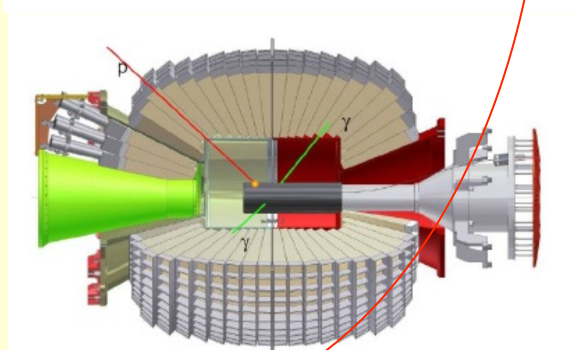

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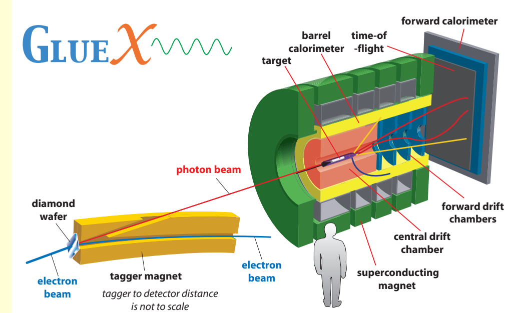

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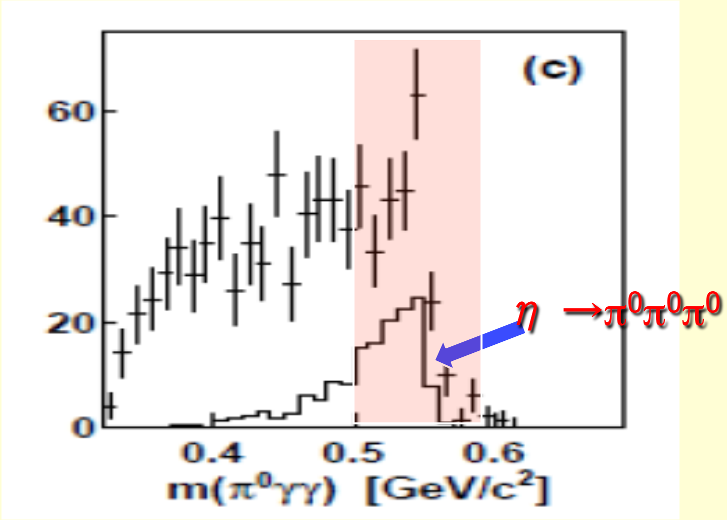

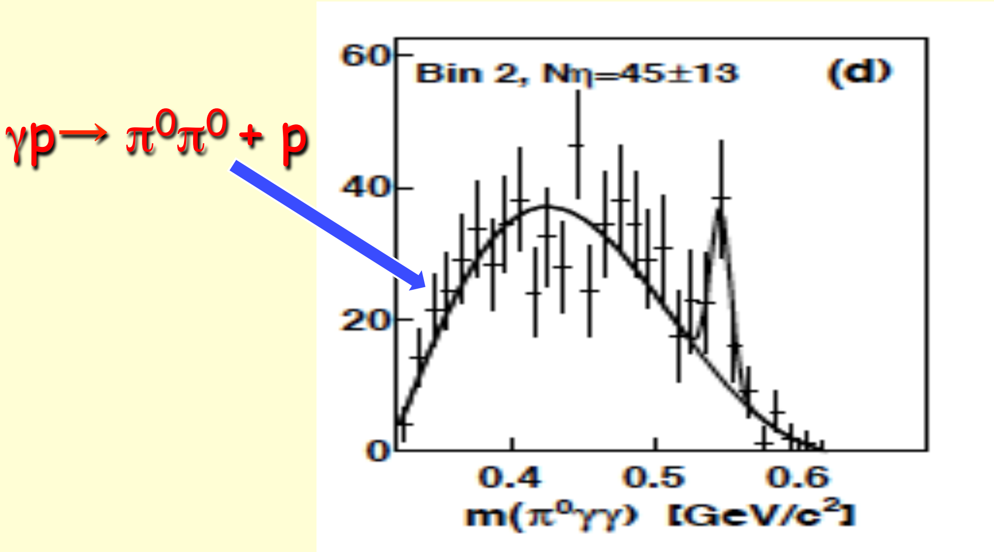

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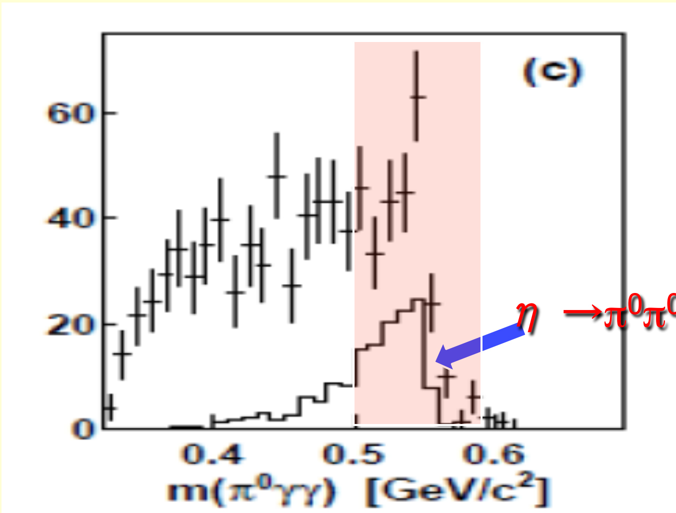
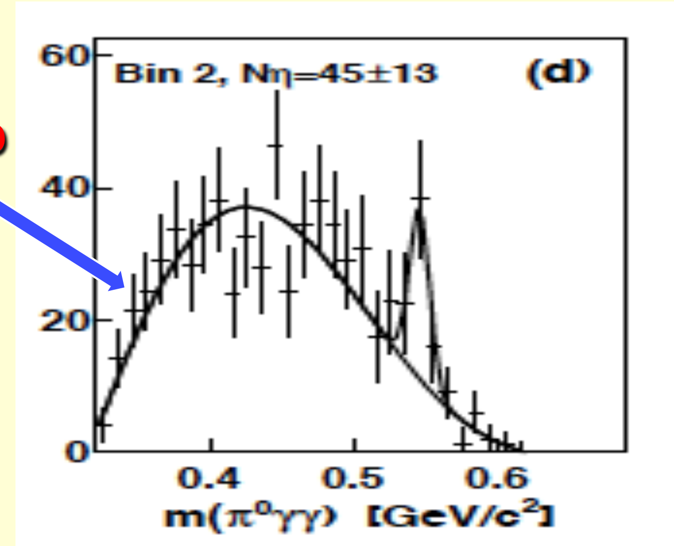


$\gamma p \to \pi^0\pi^0 + p$



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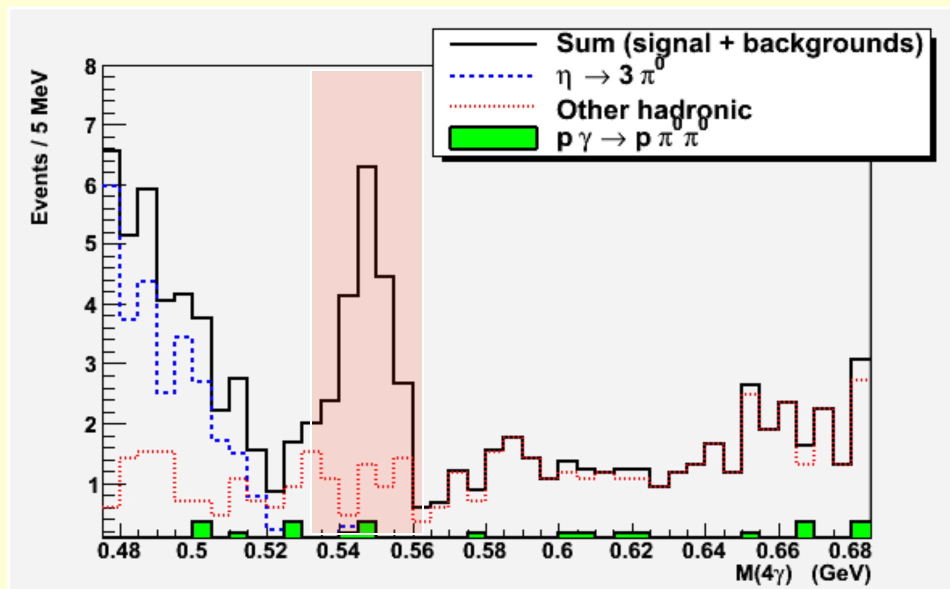
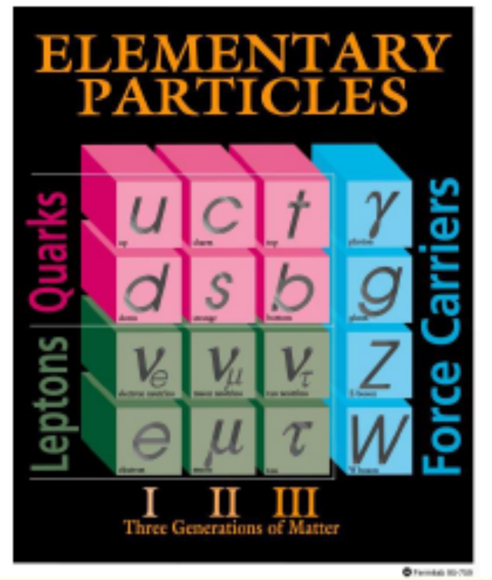


Search for Dark Forces

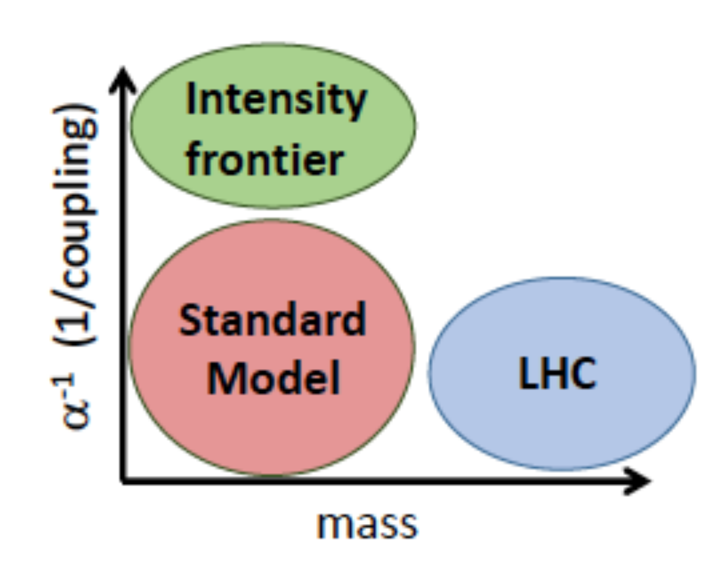


SM based on $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge symmetry. Are there any additional gauge symmetries? Look for new gauge bosons.

Motivations:

1. **Grand unified theories:** Generically have additional gauge bosons, but typically very heavy (10^{16} GeV).
2. **Dark matter:** Stability of dark matter related to new gauge symmetry?

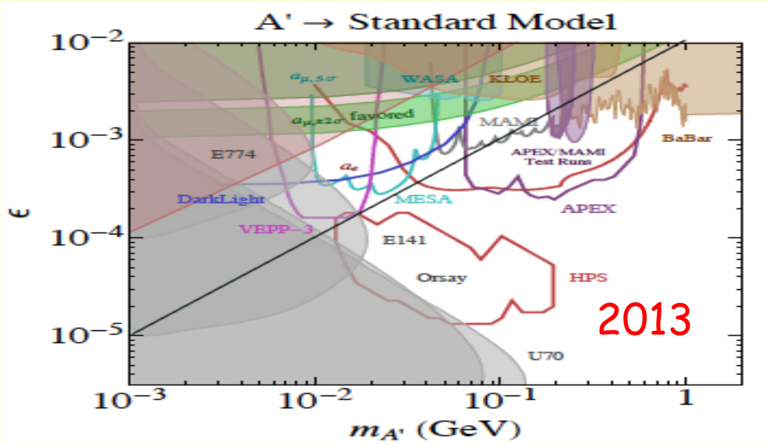
   Can also give the right relic density.

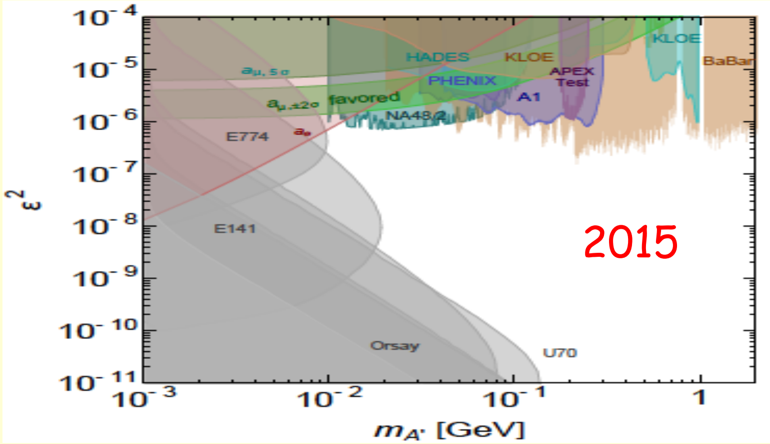


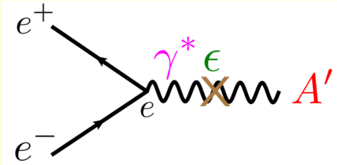
"Vector Portal" to Dark Sector

1. Dark photon A'

$$-\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon F^{\mu\nu}F'_{\mu\nu}$$ Kinetic mixing and U(1)'







Most A' searches look for $A' \rightarrow l^+ l^-$, relying on the leptonic coupling of new force

2. Dark leptophobic B-boson (dark ω, γ_B, or Z'):

$$\frac{1}{3} g_B \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q B_\mu$$

Gauged baryon symmetry $U(1)_B$

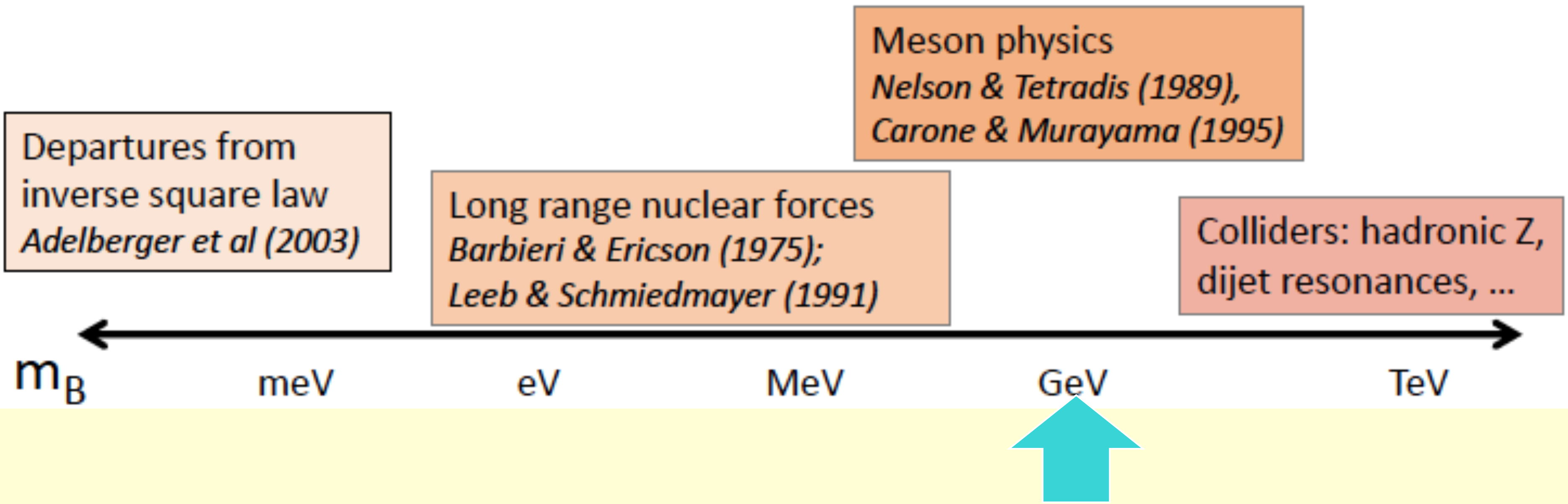
T.D. Lee and C.N. Yang, Phys.Rev.,98, 1501 (1955)

- the stability of baryonic and dark matter
- a unified genesis of baryonic and dark matter — M.Graesser, I. Shoemaker and L. Vecchi, arXiv:1107.2666
- a natural framework for resolving "Strong CP problem" in QCD

Experimental Probes for B-boson

Discovery signals depend on the B mass:

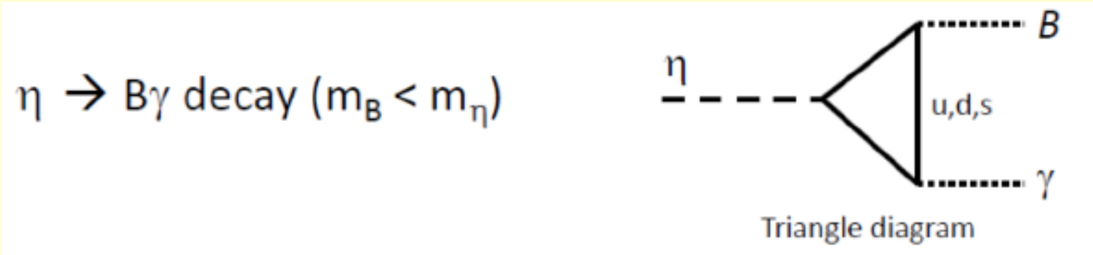
- the $m_B < m_\pi$ region is strongly constrained by long-range forces search and nuclear scattering experiments.
- the $m_B > 50 GeV$ region has been investigated by the collider experiments.
- GeV-scale domain is nearly untouched.



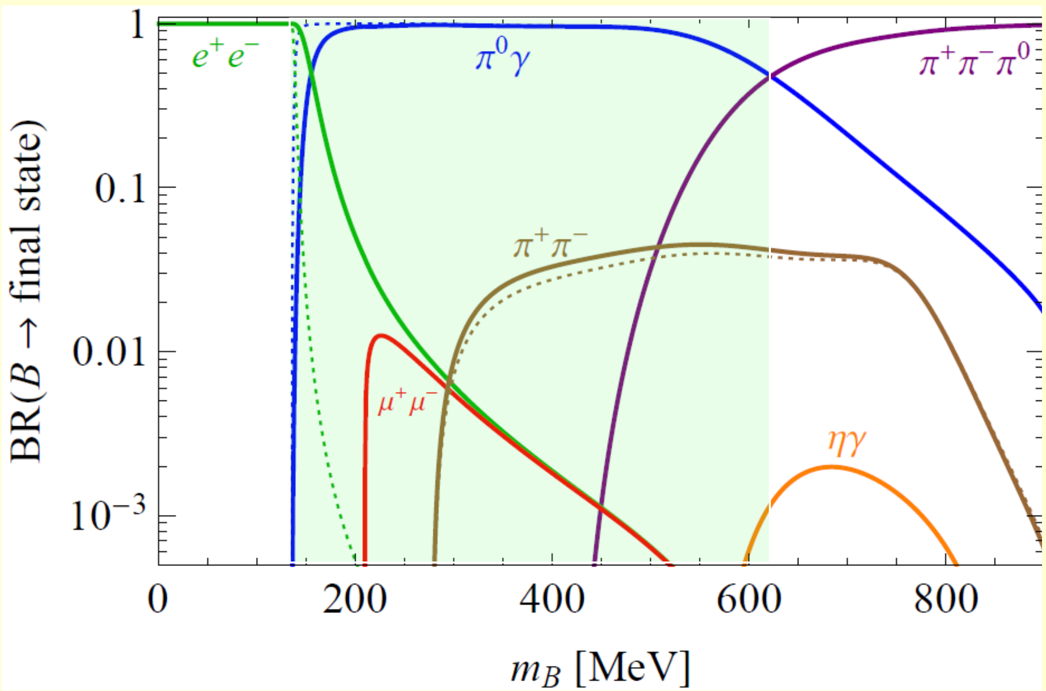
a discovery opportunity hiding in nonperturbative QCD regime!

Striking Signature for B-boson in $\eta \to \pi^0 \gamma\gamma$

- **B production:** A.E. Nelson, N. Tetradis, Phys. Lett., B221, 80 (1989)



- **B decays:** $B \to \pi^0 \gamma$ in 140-620 MeV mass range



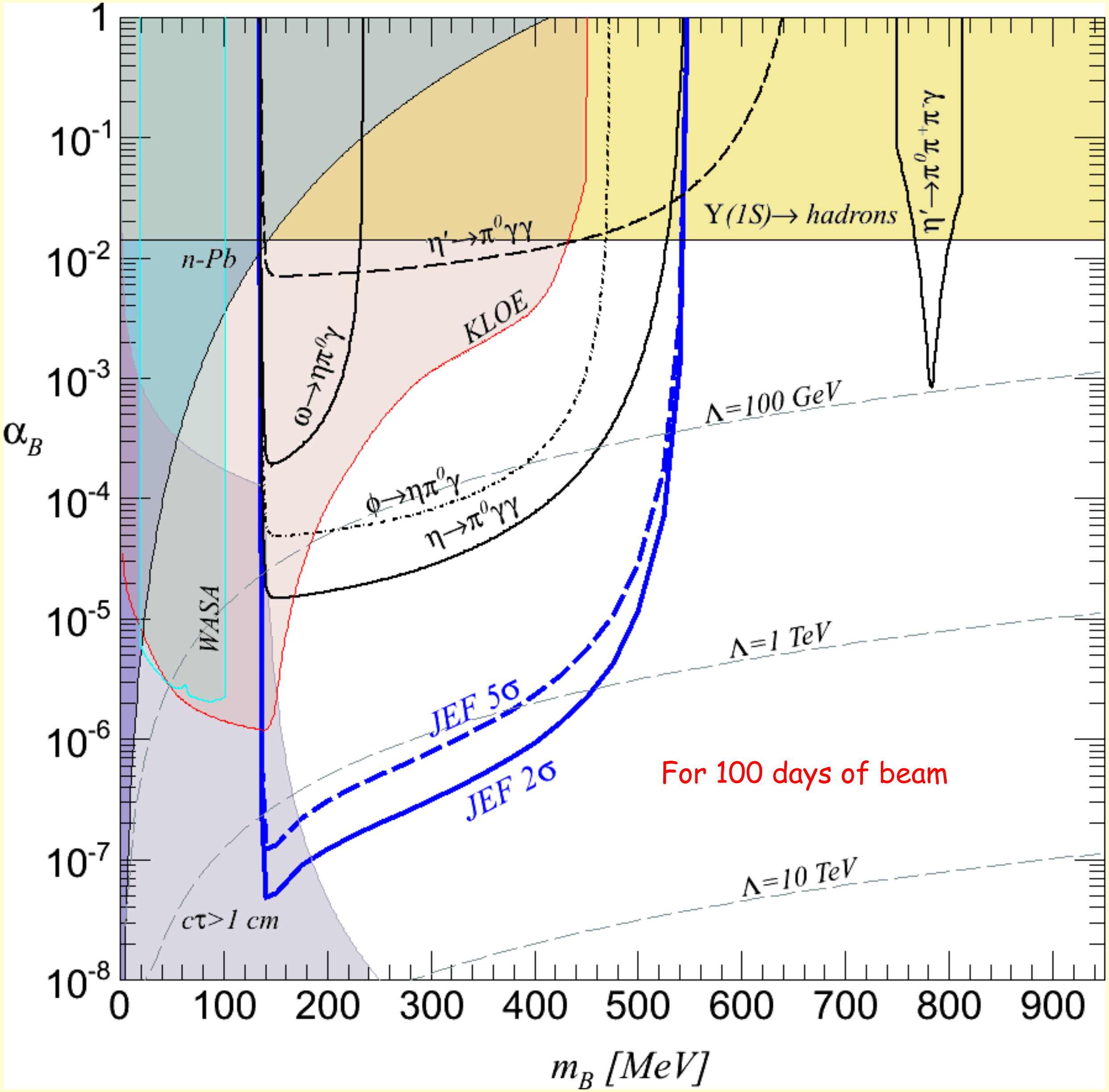
$\eta \to \gamma B \to \gamma + \pi^0 \gamma$

Search for a resonance peak of $\pi^0 \gamma$ for m_B ~140-550 MeV

S. Tulin, Phys.Rev., D89, 14008 (2014)

- $\Gamma(\eta \to \pi^0 \gamma\gamma) \sim 0.3 eV$ ⟶ highly suppressed SM background

JEF Experimental Reach ($\eta \to B\gamma \to \pi^0\gamma\gamma$)



- A stringent constraint on the leptophobic B-boson in 140-550 MeV range.
- A positive signal of B in JEF will **imply a new fermion with a mass up to a few TeV due to electro-weak anomaly cancellation.**
- Future η' experiment will extend the experimental reach up to 1 GeV

Constraints from A′ search (KLOE and WASA) assumed: $\varepsilon \sim 0.1 \times e g_B / (4\pi)^2$

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B. Nefkens and J. Price, Phys. Scrip., T99, 114 (2002)

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P-violating exp.,
β-decays,
K-, B-, D-meson decays
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The Four Classes of C, P, and T Violations Assuming CPT Invariance

B. Nefkens and J. Price, Phys. Scrip., T99, 114 (2002)

Class	Violated	Valid
1	C, P, CT, PT	T, CP
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3	P, T, CP, CT	C, PT
4	C, T, CP, PT	P, CT

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For class 4:

- a few tests available
- not well tested experimentally in EM and strong interactions
- less constrained by nEDM and parity-violating experiments.
- offer a golden opportunity for new physics search.

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- Maximally violated in the weak force and is well tested.
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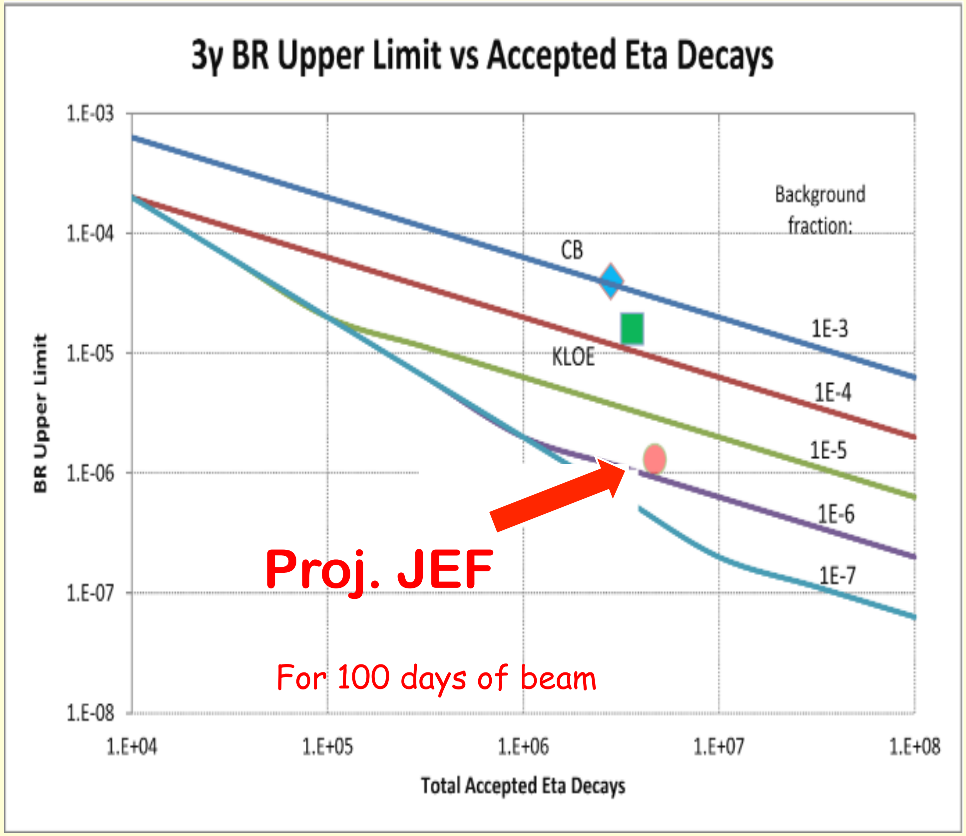
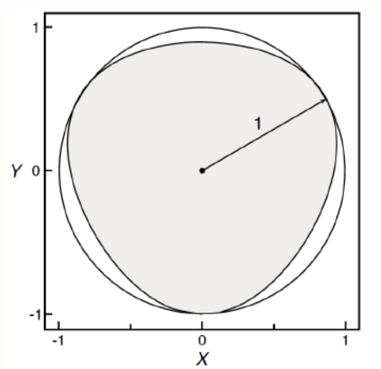
Experimental Improvementon in $\eta \to 3\gamma$

- SM contribution: $BR(\eta \to 3\gamma) < 10^{-19}$ via P-violating weak interaction.
- A new C- and T-violating, and P-conserving interaction was proposed by Bernstein, Feinberg and Lee Phys. Rev.,139, B1965 (1965)
- A calculation due to such new physics by Tarasov suggests: $BR(\eta \to 3\gamma) < 10^{-2}$ Sov.J.Nucl.Phys.,5,445 (1967)
- A new investigation by M. Ramsey-Musolf and two Ph.D. students is in progress



Improve BR upper limit by one order of magnitude to directly tighten the constraint on CVPC new physics

Experimental Measurements of $\eta \to 3\pi$

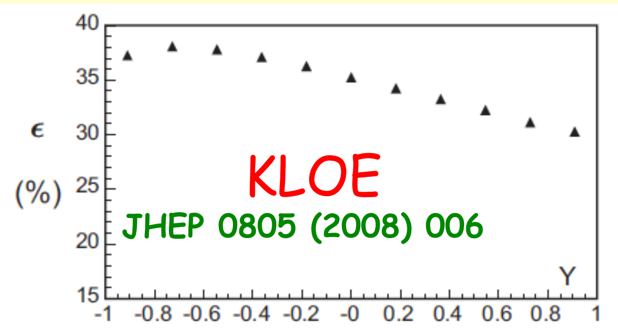


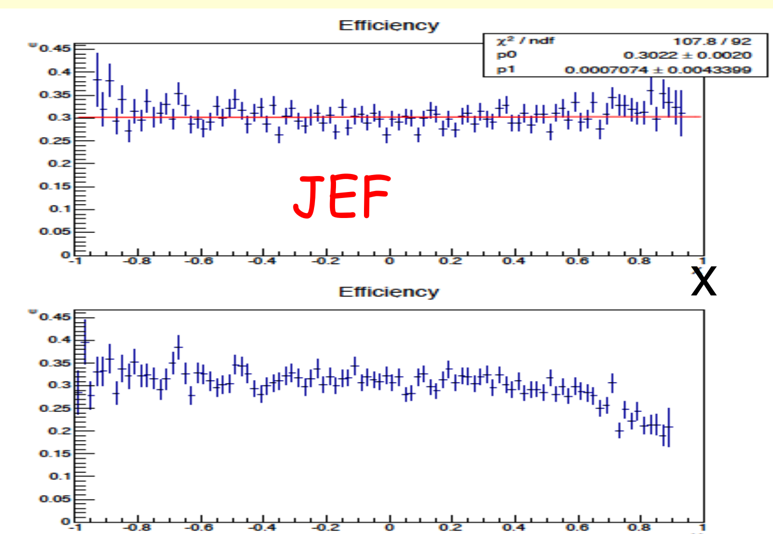
$$X = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2 M_\eta Q_c}(u - t)$$

$$Y = \frac{3}{2 M_\eta Q_c}\left(\left(M_\eta - M_{\pi^0}\right)^2 - s\right) - 1$$

$$Z = X^2 + Y^2$$

$$Q_c \equiv M_\eta - 2M_{\pi^+} - M_{\pi^0}$$





Exp.	$3\pi^0$ Events (10^6)	$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ Events (10^6)
Total world data (include prel. WASA and prel. KLOE)	6.5	6.0
GlueX+PrimEx-η +JEF	20	19.6

- Existing data from the low energy facilities are sensitive to the detection threshold effects
- JEF at high energy has uniform detection efficiency over Dalitz phase space
- JEF will offer large statistics and improved systematics

Determine Light Quark Mass Ratio via $\eta \to 3\pi$

- **A clean probe for quark mass ratio:** $Q^2 = \dfrac{m_s^2 - \hat{m}^2}{m_d^2 - m_u^2}$ $\hat{m} = \dfrac{m_u + m_d}{2}$
  - decays through isospin violation: $A = (m_u - m_d)A_1 + \alpha_{em} A_2$
  - α_{em} is small
  - Amplitude: $A(s,t,u) = \dfrac{1}{Q^2}\dfrac{m_K^2}{m_\pi^2}(m_\pi^2 - m_K^2)\dfrac{\mathcal{M}(s,t,u)}{3\sqrt{3}F_\pi^2}$,
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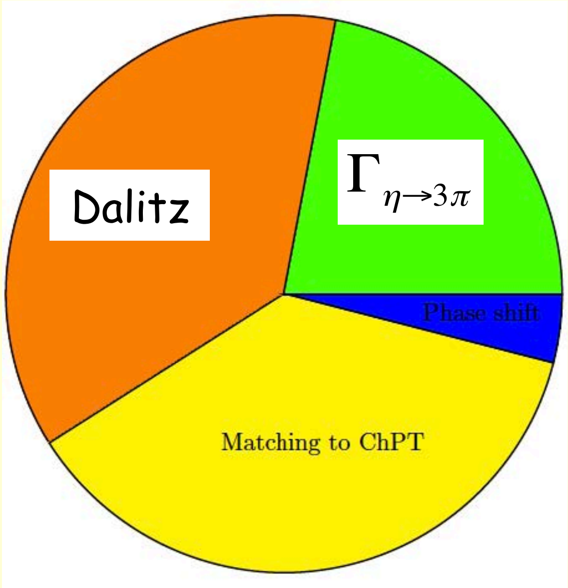

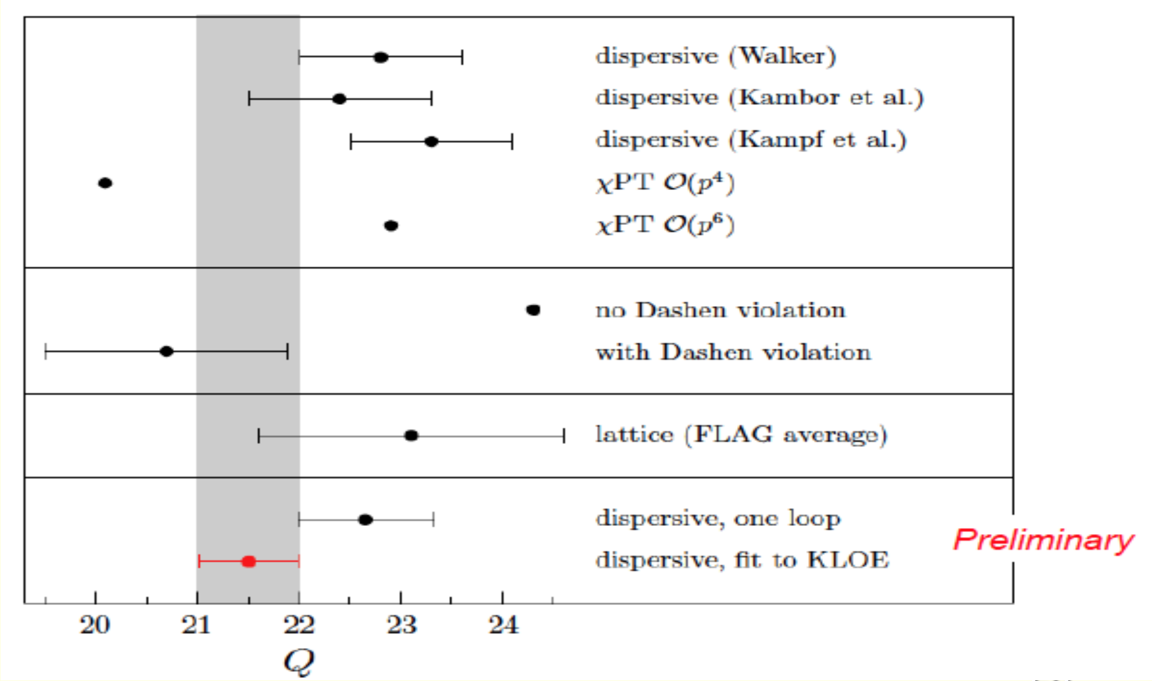

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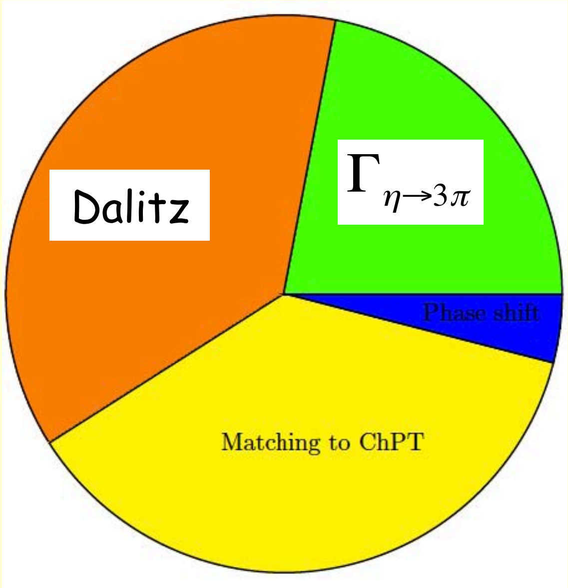
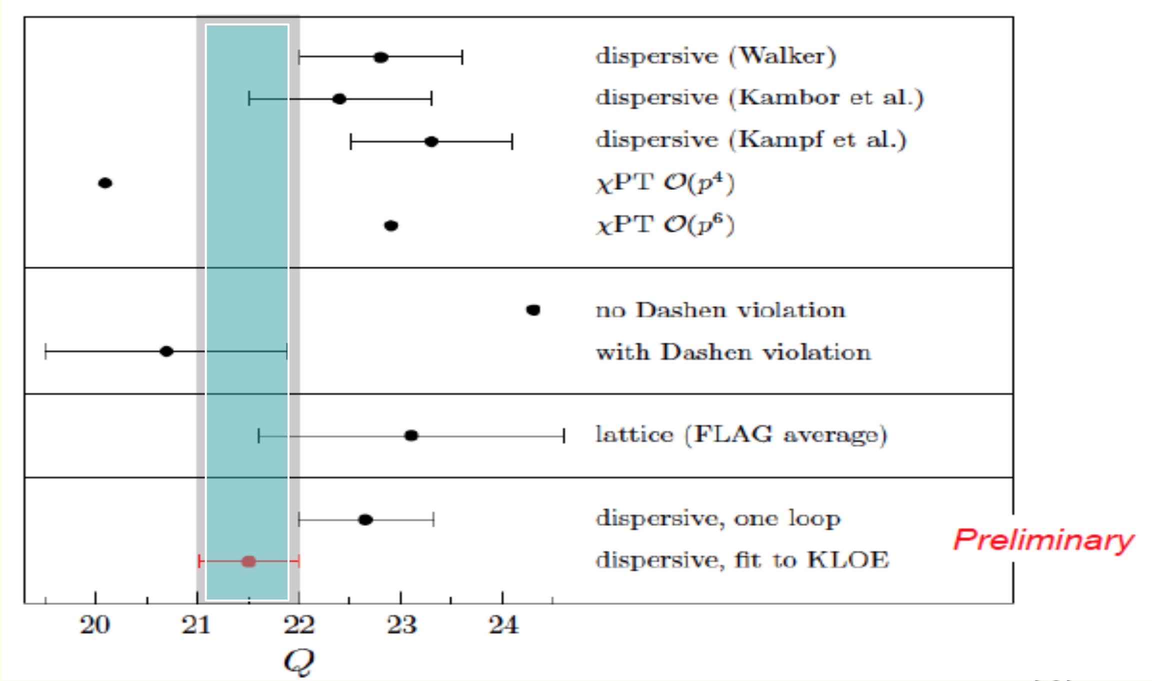




Anatomy of CP Violation in $\Gamma(M_{C=+} \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$

C-odd, P-even

This can be generated by $s - p$ interference of $\left| [\pi^+(\boldsymbol{p})\,\pi^-(-\boldsymbol{p})]_I \pi^0(\boldsymbol{p}')_I \right\rangle$ final states of 0^- meson decay.

It is linear in a CP-violating parameter.

This contribution **cannot** be generated by $\bar{\theta}_{\rm QCD}$!

"C violation" [Lee and Wolfenstein, 1965; Lee, 1965, Nauenberg, 1965; Bernstein, Feinberg, and Lee, 1965]

C-even, P-odd

This can be generated by the interference of amplitudes which distinguish $\left| [\pi^-(\boldsymbol{p})\,\pi^0(-\boldsymbol{p})]_I \pi^+(\boldsymbol{p}')_I \right\rangle$ from $\left| [\pi^+(\boldsymbol{p})\,\pi^0(-\boldsymbol{p})]_I \pi^-(\boldsymbol{p}')_I \right\rangle$ as in, e.g., $B \to \rho^+\pi^-$ vs. $B \to \rho^-\pi^+$. "CP-enantiomers" [SG, 2003]

This possibility is not accessible in $\eta \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ decay (but in η' decay, yes). Thus a "left-right" asymmetry in $\eta \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ decay tests C-invariance, too.

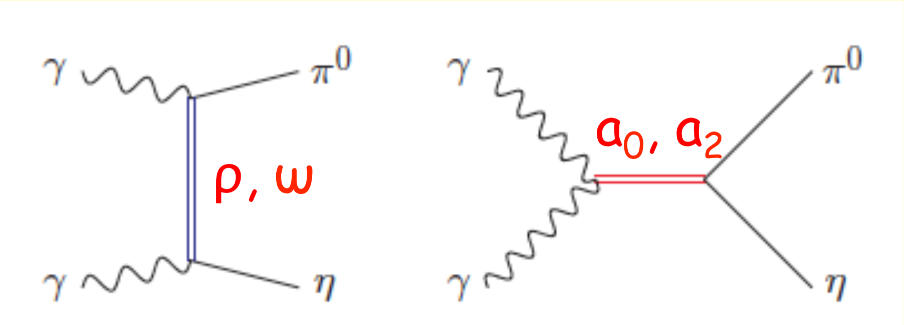
SM Allowed $\eta\to\pi^0\gamma\gamma$

➡ A rare window to probe interplay of VMD & scalar resonances in ChPT to calculate $O(p^6)$ LEC's in the chiral Lagrangian
(J. Bijnens, talk at AFCI workshop)

- The major contributions to $\eta\to\pi^0\gamma\gamma$ are two $O(p^6)$ counter-terms in the chiral Lagrangian ➡ an unique probe for the high order ChPT.
  L. Ametller, J, Bijnens, and F. Cornet, Phys. Lett., B276, 185 (1992)

- Shape of Dalitz distribution is sensitive to the role of scalar resonances.

LEC's are dominated by meson resonances
Gasser, Leutwyler 84; Ecler, Gasser, Pich, de Rafael 1989; Donoghue, Ramirez, Valencia 1989



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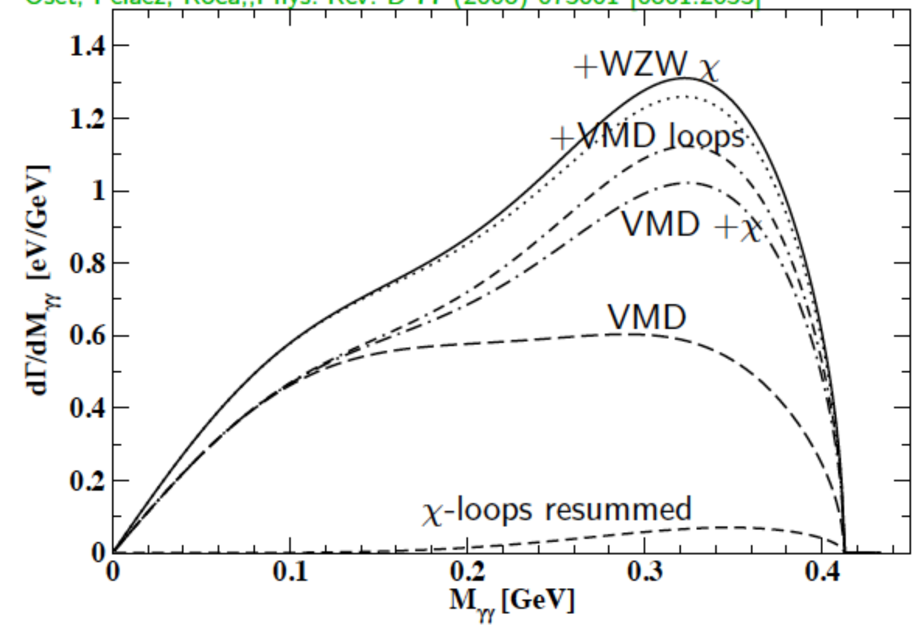
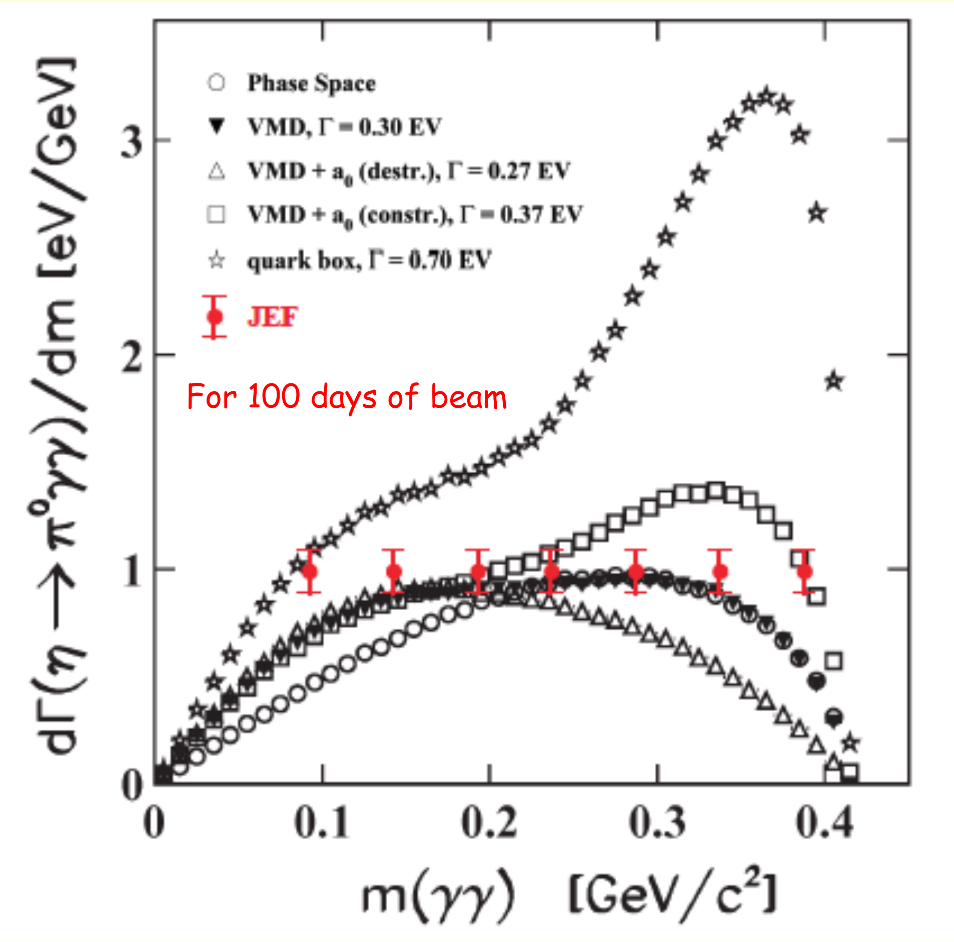
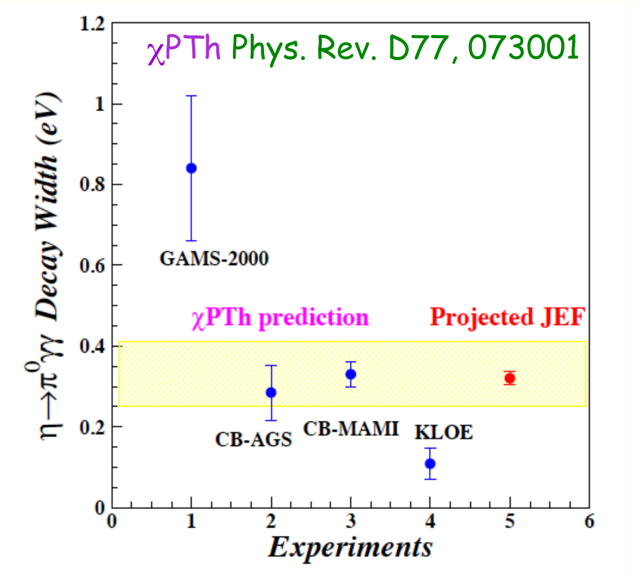
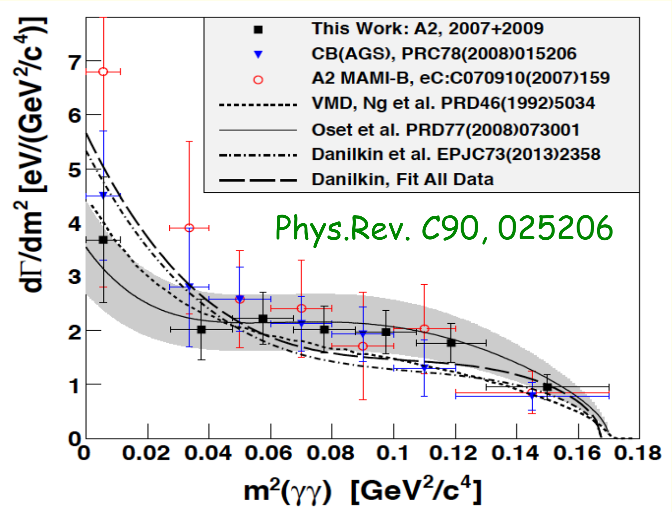


Projected JEF Results on $\eta\to\pi^0\gamma\gamma$

J.N. Ng and D.J. Peters, Phys. Rev. D47, 4939







We measure both BR and Dalitz distribution

- model-independent determination of two LEC's of the $O(p^6)$ counter- terms
- probe the role of scalar resonances to calculate other unknown $O(p^6)$ LEC's

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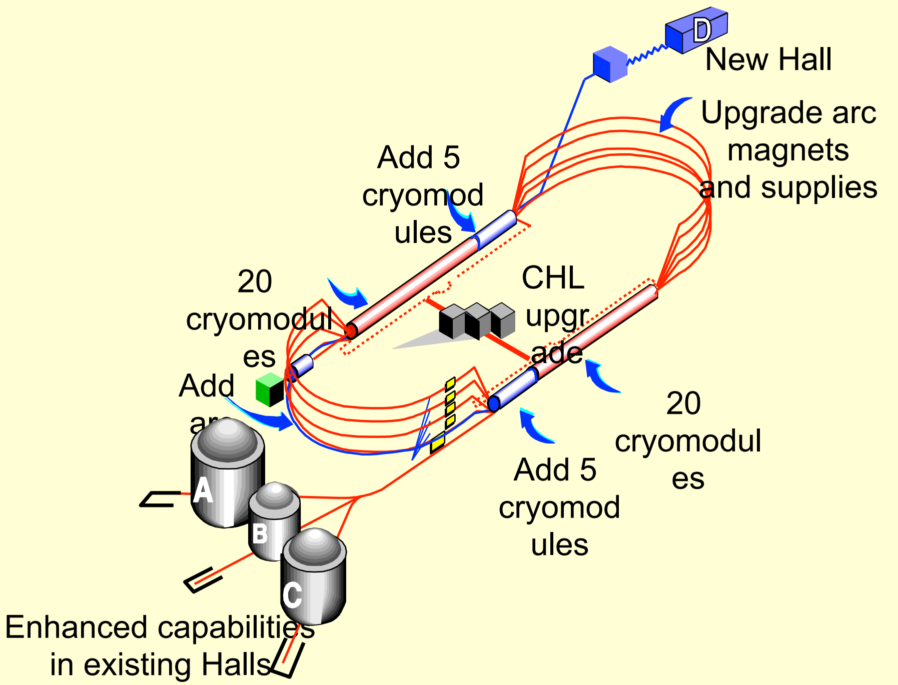
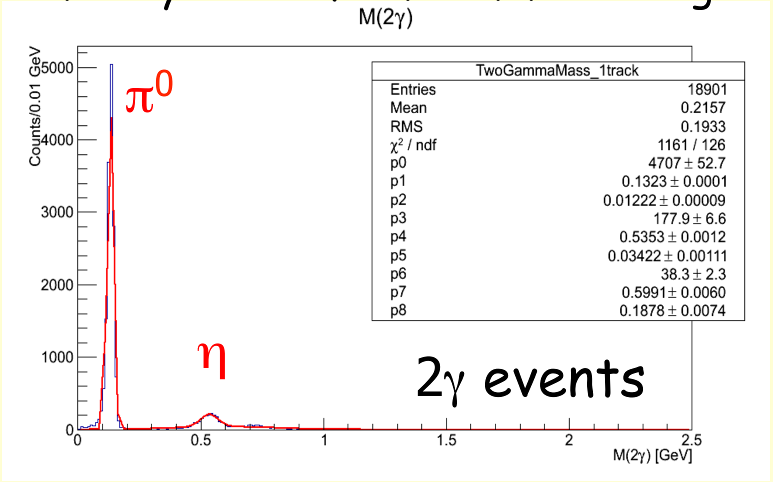
12 GeV Jlab and GlueX



Preliminary result from commissioning runs



Summary

- **A comprehensive Primakoff program has been developed at Jlab to measure $\Gamma(P\rightarrow\gamma\gamma)$ and $F(\gamma\gamma^*\rightarrow P)$ of π^0, η and η'. These results will provide rich data sets to test the fundamental symmetries of QCD at low energy.**
  - tests of chiral symmetry and anomalies
  - light quark mass ratio
  - η-η' mixing angle
  - π^0,η and η' electromagnetic interaction radii
  - inputs for a_μ(HLbL) calculations

- **12 GeV tagged photon beam with GlueX setup offers a unique η facility with two orders of magnitude in background reduction in the neutral rare η decays compared to other facilities in the world.**
  - Probe a leptophobic dark B-boson in 140-550 MeV range via $\eta\rightarrow B\gamma\rightarrow\pi^0\gamma\gamma$
  - Directly constrain CVPC new physics via $\eta\rightarrow 3\gamma$ and other C-violating channels
  - A clean determination of the light quark mass ratio via $\eta\rightarrow 3\pi$
  - Test the role of scalar dynamics in ChPT through $\eta\rightarrow\pi^0\gamma\gamma$

This project is supported by NSF PHY-1206043 and PHY-1506303 awards.

η Production Rate Estimation

LH2 target length L=30cm, ρ=0.0708 g/cm^3

$$N_p = \frac{\rho L}{A} N_A = \frac{0.0708 \times 30}{1} \times 6.022 \times 10^{23} = 1.28 \times 10^{24} \ \text{p/cm}^2$$

The $\gamma + p \rightarrow \eta/\eta' + p$ cross section: ~70 nb for η; ~57 nb for η′

J.M. Laget , Phys.Rev. , C72, 022202 (2005) and A. Sibirtsev et al. Eur.Phys.J., A44, 169 (2010)

Photon beam intensity **N_γ ~5x10^7 Hz** (for E_γ ~9-11.7 GeV)

$$N_\eta = N_\gamma N_p \sigma = 5 \times 10^7 \times 1.28 \times 10^{24} \times 70 \times 10^{-33}$$

$$= 4.5 \ \text{Hz}$$

$$\approx \ 3.9 \times 10^5 \ (\eta\text{'s/day})$$

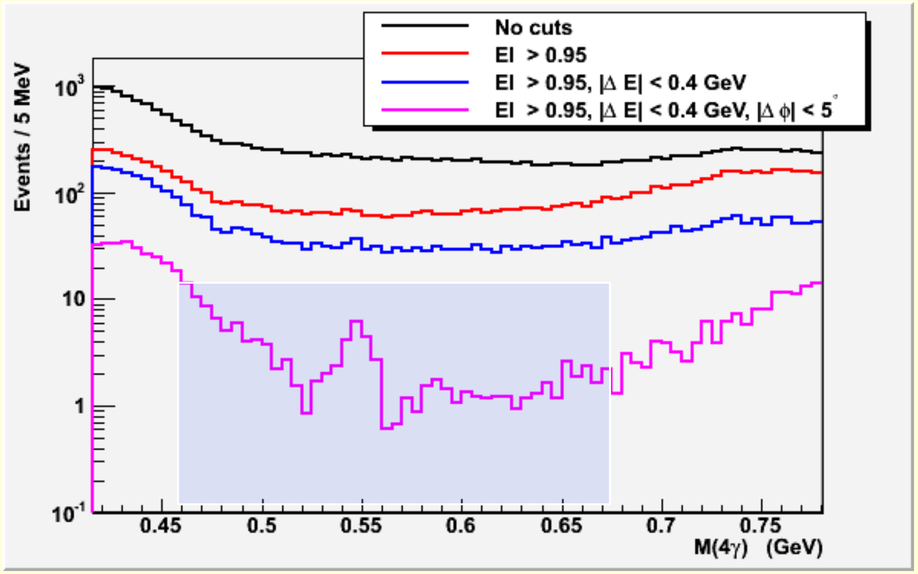
Jlab Eta Factory (JEF)

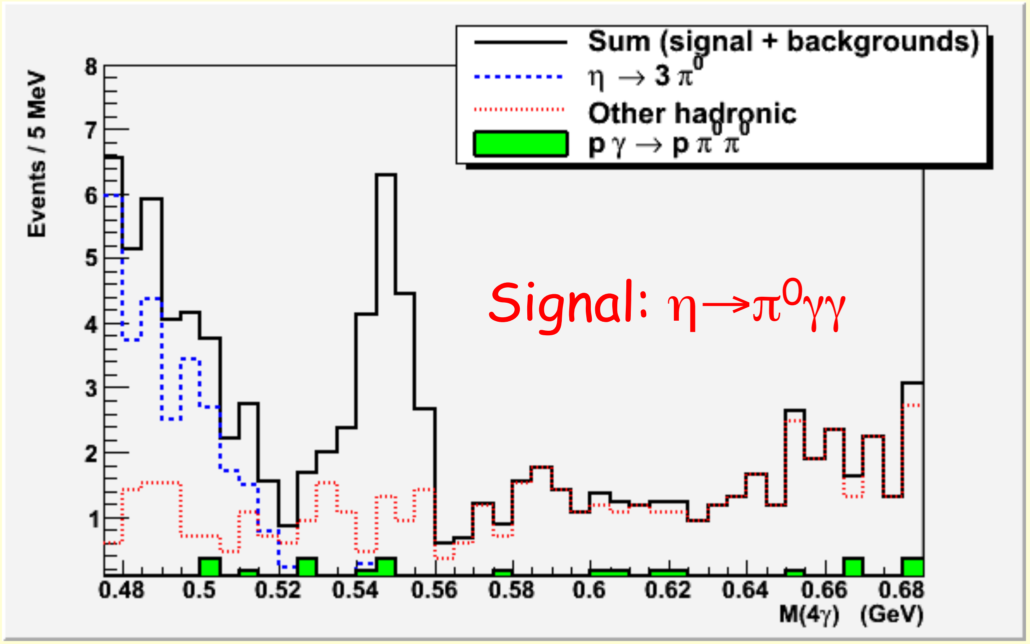
$$N_{\eta'} \approx 3.2 \times 10^5 \qquad (\eta' \ /\text{day})$$

Estimated Systematic Uncertainties PrimEx-II (Preliminary)

Contributions	Uncertainty (%)
Photon flux	0.7
Beam parameters	0.4
Accidentals	0.1
Target parameters	0.2 ^{12}C; 0.4 ^{28}Si
Yield extraction	1.0
Acceptance	0.3
Trigger efficiency	0.3
Detector resolution	0.28
Model errors (theory)	0.5
Physics background	0.3
Branching ratio (PDG)	0.03
Total	**1.6**

Hadronic Backgrounds Reduction in 4γ States





Event Selection

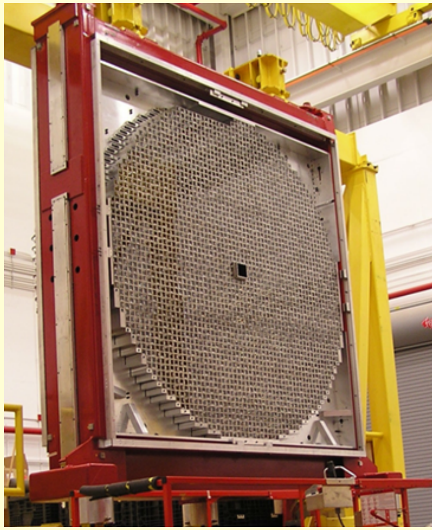
- Elasticity is $EL=\Sigma E_\gamma / E_{tagged-\gamma}$
- Energy conservation for $\gamma+p \to \eta+p$ reaction: $\Delta E=E(\eta)+E(p)-E(beam)-M(p)$
- Co-planarity $\Delta\phi= \phi(\eta)- \phi(p)$

Note:

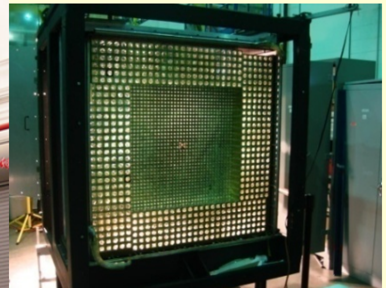
- Statistics is normalized to 1 beam day.
- BG will be further reduced by requiring that only one pair of γ's have the π^0 invariant mass.

New Equipment: FCAL-II

FCAL



HyCal

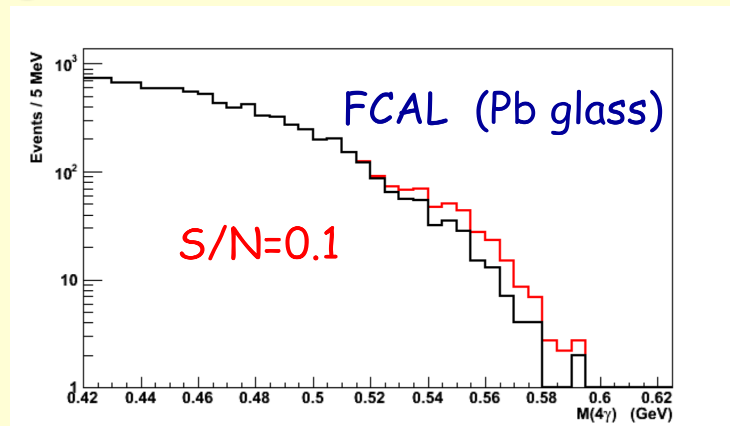


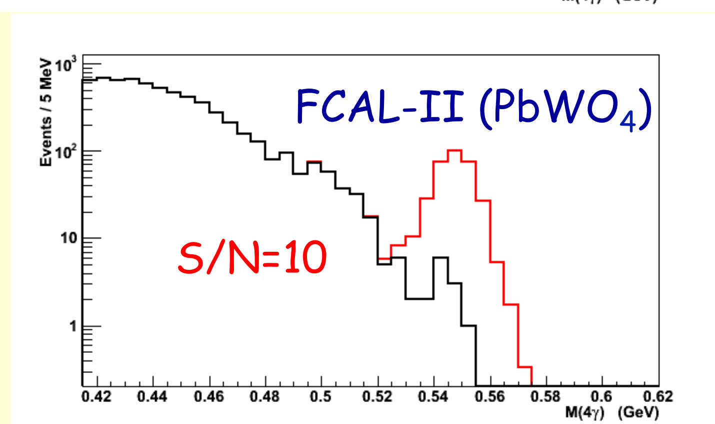
FCAL with PWO insertion:

- 118x118 cm^2 in Size (3445 $PbWO_4$)
- 2cm x 2cm x 18cm per module

S/N Ratio vs. Calorimeter Types

signal: $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma\gamma$, background: $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$





FCAL-II ($PbWO_4$) vs. FCAL (Pb glass)

Property	Improvement factor
Energy σ	2
Position σ	2
Granularity	4
Radiation-resistance	10