



20th Patras Workshop on Axions, WIMPs and WISPs

New Physics Searches at NA62 Experiment

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Outline



The NA62 Experiment

Kaon Decay mode vs Beam-Dump mode

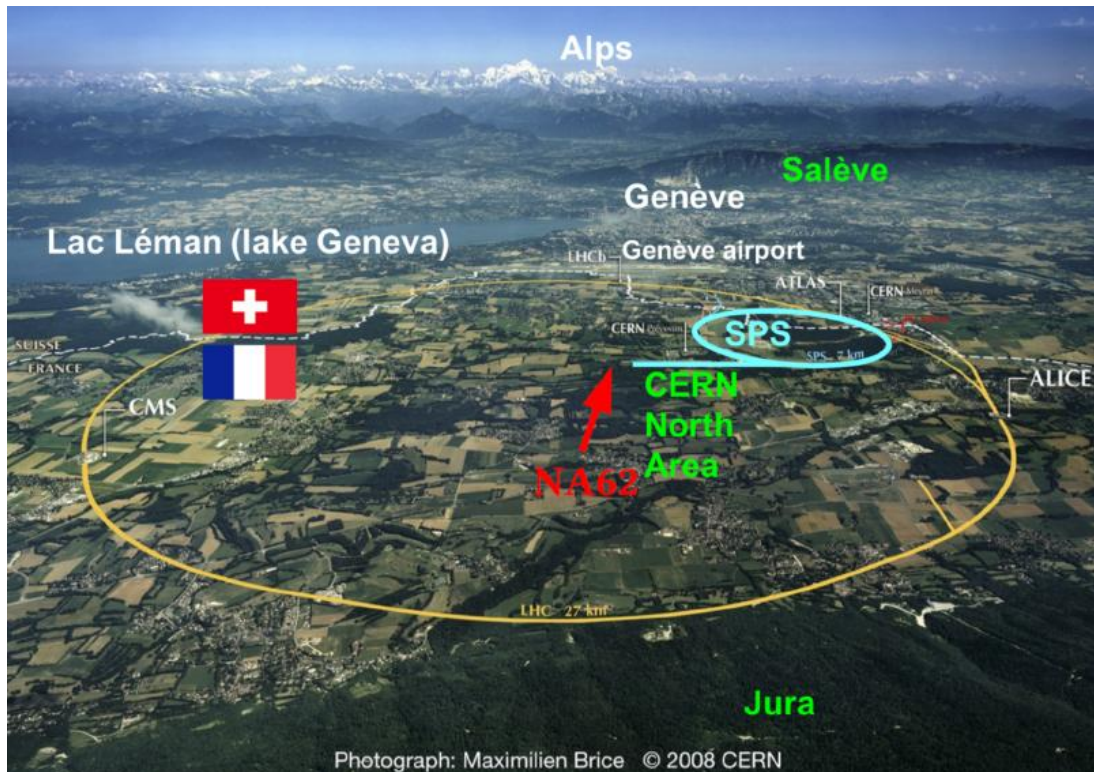
NA62 Results for ultra rare SM allowed $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$

NA62 Searches for $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X$

NA62 Searches for $\pi^+ \rightarrow e^+ N$, and $\pi^0 \rightarrow \text{invisibles outside SM}$

NA62 Results for Searches of Exotic Messenger Signals with $\ell\ell$ final states (published in 2023 & 24) and with hh and $\gamma\gamma$ final states (published in 2024 & 25)

The NA62 Experiment at CERN



~ 30 institutes, ~ 300 collaborators

K^+ decays in flight OR Beam Dumped: TAX closed & target removed

Data taking Run 1 2017-18 Run 2 2021-26

2016 Commissioning + Physics run (45 days)

2017, 2018 Run 1 data taking (160+217 days)

2021 Physics run (85 days, 10 days in BD mode)

2022 Physics run (215 days)

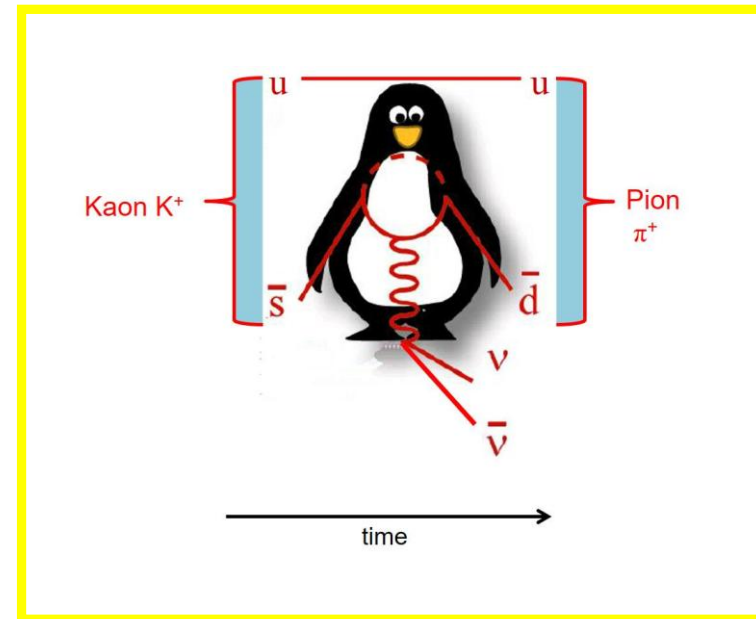
2023 Physics run (150 days, 10 days in BD mode)

2024 Physics run (204 days, 12 days in BD mode)

2025 Physics run (210 days foreseen, started 04/2025)

*Continues long history
of Kaon Physics at CERN*

Primary goal: measure $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$



Theory: extra clean, ~ 10% uncertainty
very rare, SM value $8.60 \pm 0.42 \cdot 10^{-11}$

Experiment: NA62 new result JHEP 02 (2025) 191

$$\mathcal{B}_{2016-2022}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (13.0^{+3.0}_{-2.7} |_{stat} {}^{+1.3}_{-1.3} |_{syst}) \times 10^{-11}$$

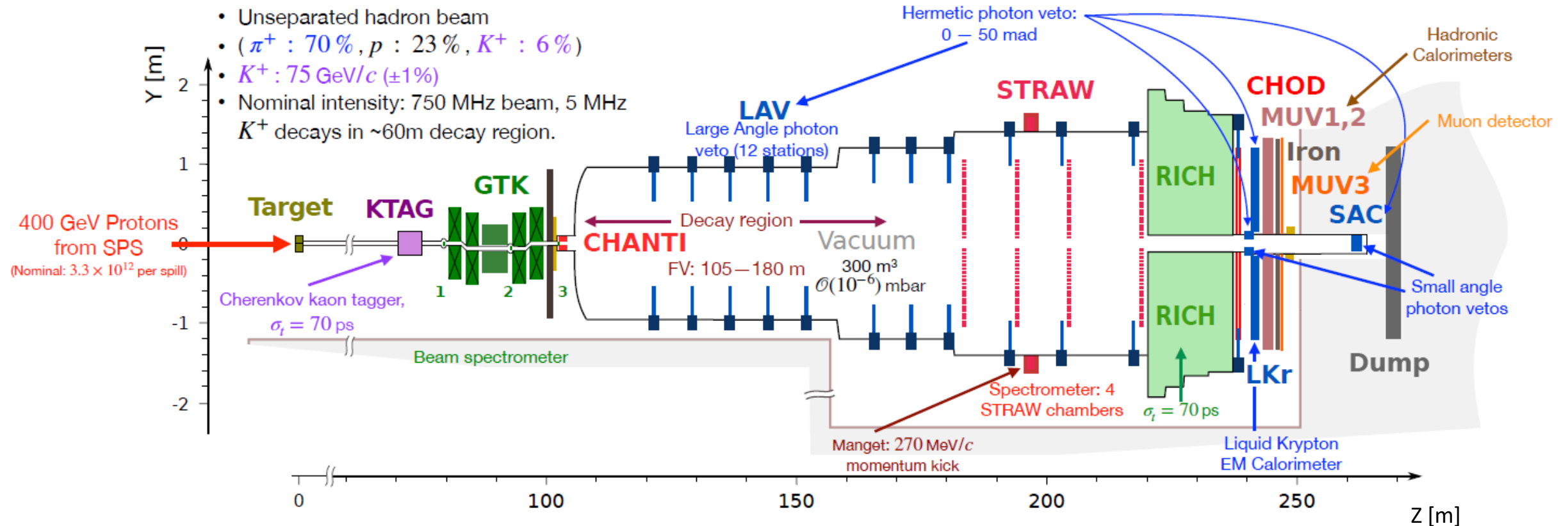
51 events observed

NA62 Beamline & Detector

400 GeV/c primary p^+ beam impinges Be target, 10^{12} protons/s on spill
 75 GeV/c secondaries ($\sim 6\%$ K^+) selected using magnetic achromat, TAX collimators
 5 MHz K^+ decay-in-flight in 60 m long fiducial volume

NA62 setup in K mode: studies of rare K^+ decays

- Unseparated hadron beam
- (π^+ : 70 %, p : 23 %, K^+ : 6 %)
- K^+ : 75 GeV/c ($\pm 1\%$)
- Nominal intensity: 750 MHz beam, 5 MHz K^+ decays in ~ 60 m decay region.



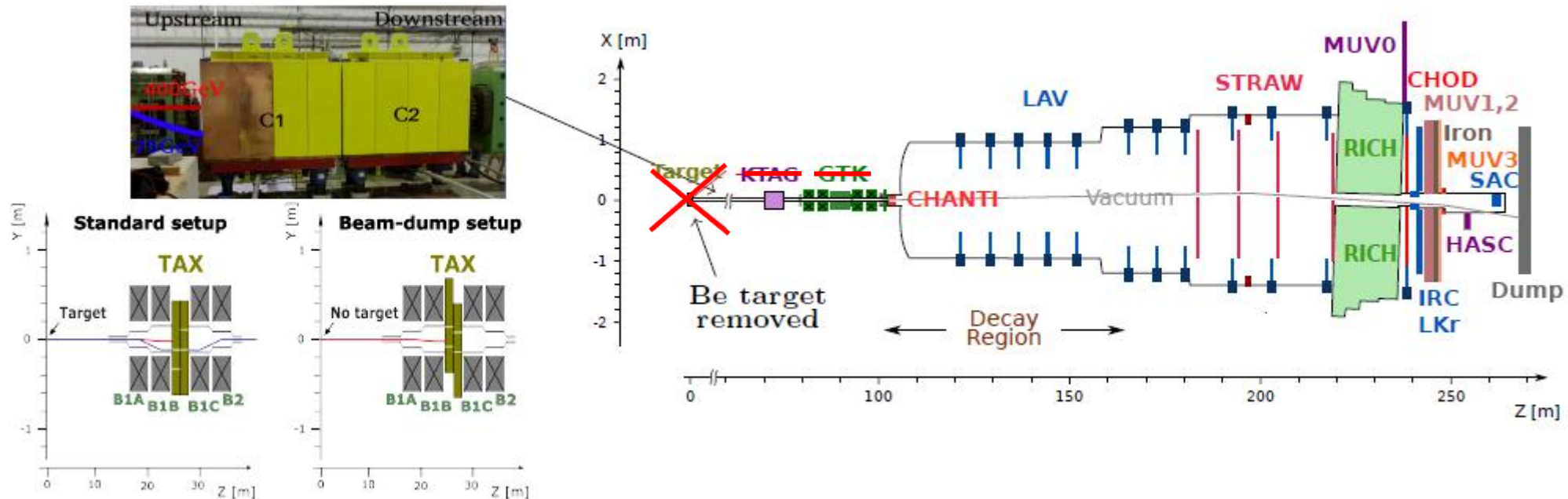
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Particle Tracking: upstream: GTK = silicon pixel tracker, decay region: STRAW = tracking momentum spectrometer

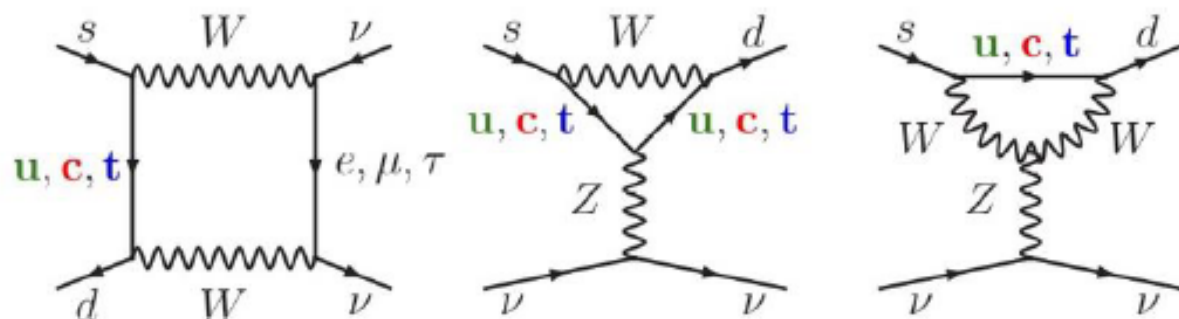
P. Identification: upstream: KTAG, downstream: RICH= $\pi/\mu/e$ ID Cherenkov, LKr, MUV1,2 calorimetry

Veto: CHANTI = inelastic collision Anticounter, LAV, IRC, SAC = Large & Small Angle photon vetos

Overall experimental time resolution reaches $\mathcal{O}(100)$ ps



$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ Theory



- FCNC $s \rightarrow d$, highly suppressed
- Theoretically clean, dominated by short distance
- Hadronic form factor extracted from $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu$
- Choice of CKM parameters affects the SM predictions
- $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ constrain the unitarity triangle
- Highly sensitive to new physics

$BR \times 10^{11}$	$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$
D'Ambrosio et al. [JHEP 09 (2022) 148]	7.86 ± 0.61
Buras et al. [EPJ C 82 (2022) 615]	8.60 ± 0.42
Experimental status	$10.6^{+4.0}_{-3.4} _{\text{stat}} \pm 0.9_{\text{syst}}$ NA62 2016–2018 [JHEP 06 (2021) 093]

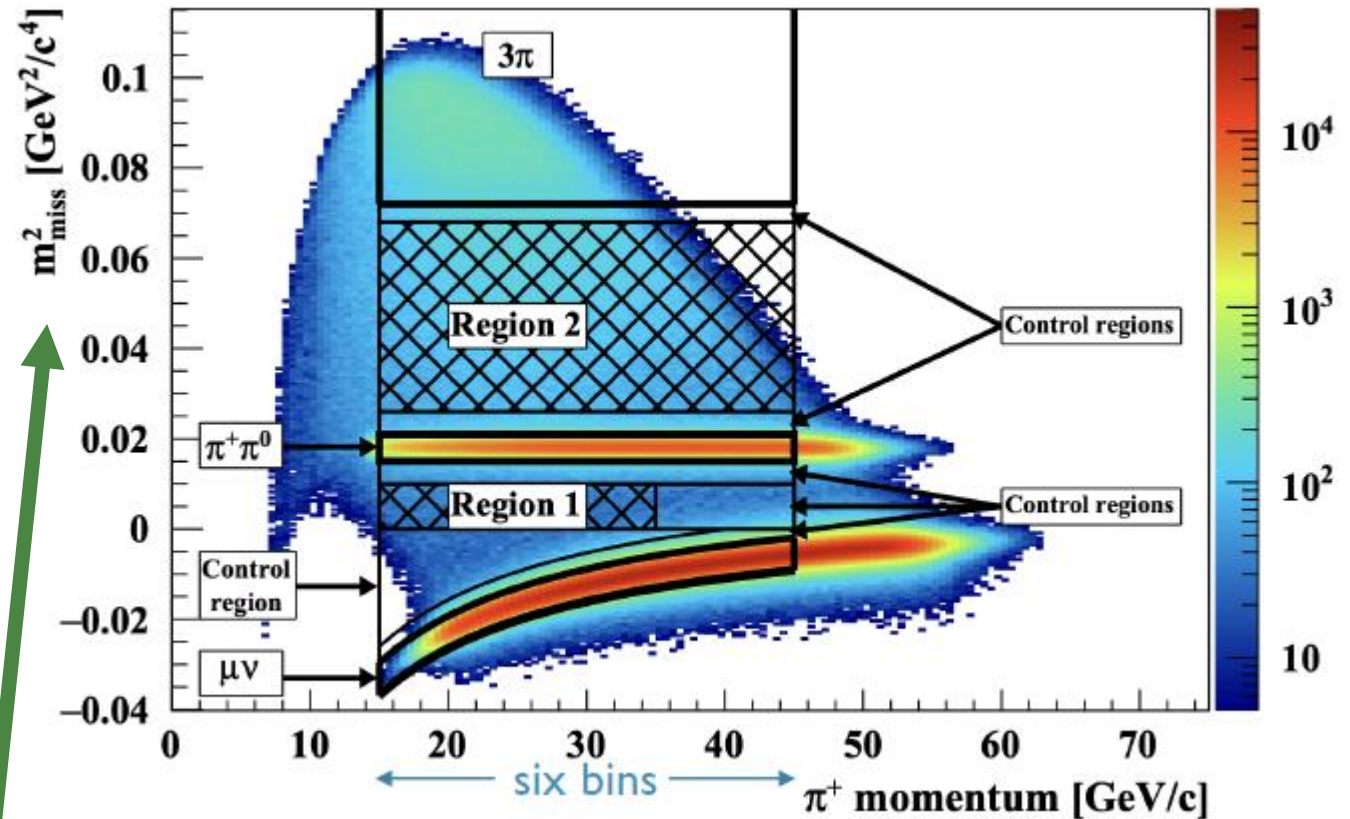
Experiment: How to search for ultra-rare K decays

Main K^+ (bkg) decay modes:

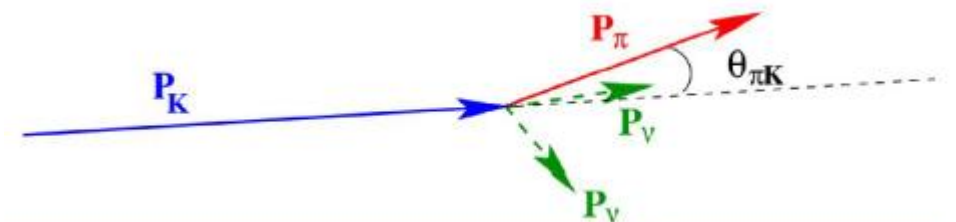
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$	64×10^{-2}
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	21×10^{-2}
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	5.6×10^{-2}
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ \nu$	4.3×10^{-5}

Keystones

- $O(10^4)$ bkg suppression from kinematics
- $> 10^7$ muon rejection
- $> 10^7$ π^0 rejection
- $O(100 \text{ ps})$ timing between sub-detectors



$$m_{\text{miss}}^2 = (P_K - P_\pi)^2$$



Signal Sensitivity: 2021-22 improvements vs. 2018

$$N_{\pi\nu\bar{\nu}}^{exp}(p_i) = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{\pi\nu\bar{\nu}}^{SM}}{\mathcal{B}_{SES}(p_i)} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{\pi\nu\bar{\nu}}^{SM}}{\mathcal{B}_{\pi\pi}} \frac{A_{\pi\nu\bar{\nu}}(p_i)}{A_{\pi\pi}(p_i)} D_0 N_{\pi\pi}(p_i) \varepsilon_{trig}(p_i) \varepsilon_{RV}$$

Acceptance:

Case	OLD 2018 (S2)	NEW 2021-22	
Norm.	11.8%	13.4%	+15%
Signal	(6.37±0.64)%	(7.62±0.22)%	+20%

- Increased selection efficiencies.
 - New K-pi matching technique.
 - Re-tuned vertex conditions.
 - Relaxation of some vetos.
- Improved precision (plus improved systematic uncertainty evaluation)

Single Event Sensitivity and Signal Expectation

Effective kaon decays

$$N_K = \frac{N_{\pi\pi} D}{\text{BR}(\pi\pi) A_{\pi\pi}} = (2.85 \pm 0.01) \times 10^{12}$$

Single Event Sensitivity

$$\text{SES} = \frac{\text{BR}(\pi\nu\nu)}{N_{\pi\nu\nu}^{\text{exp}}} = (8.48 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-12}$$

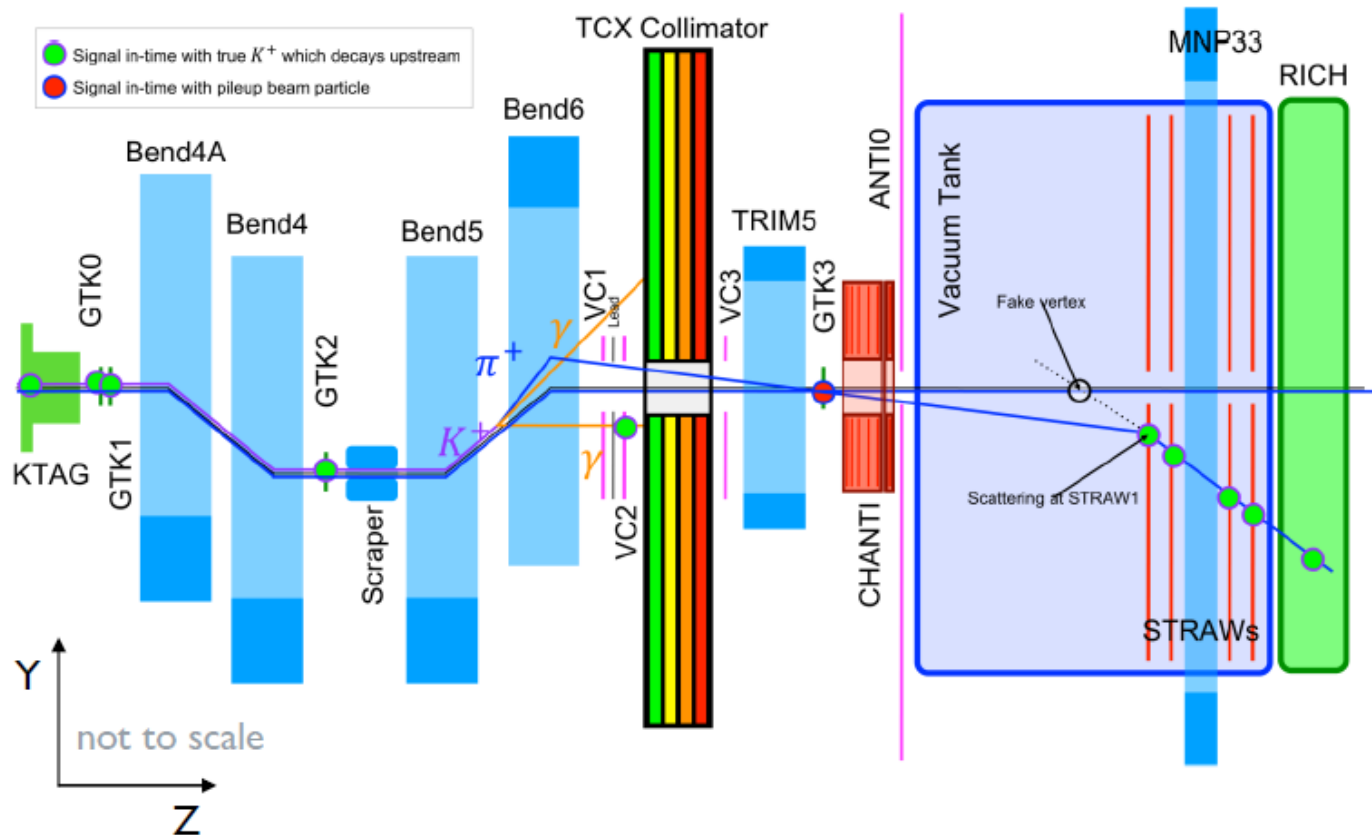
$$2016 - 2018: (8.39 \pm 0.54) \times 10^{-12}$$

$$N_{\pi\nu\nu}^{\text{exp}} = 9.91 \pm 0.34$$

$$2016 - 2018: 10.01 \pm 0.42$$

Background

UPSTREAM BACKGROUND



$$N(\text{Upstream}) = 7.4^{+2.1}_{-1.8}$$

Suppression

- Δt between K^+ and π^+ reconstructed tracks
- Upstream vetoes (VC, CHANTI, ANTI0)
- BDT using spatial infos of K^+ , π^+

Estimation

- Fully data-driven
- "Upstream Reference Sample" contains all known generation mechanisms
- Bkg-to-signal probability from data

Validation

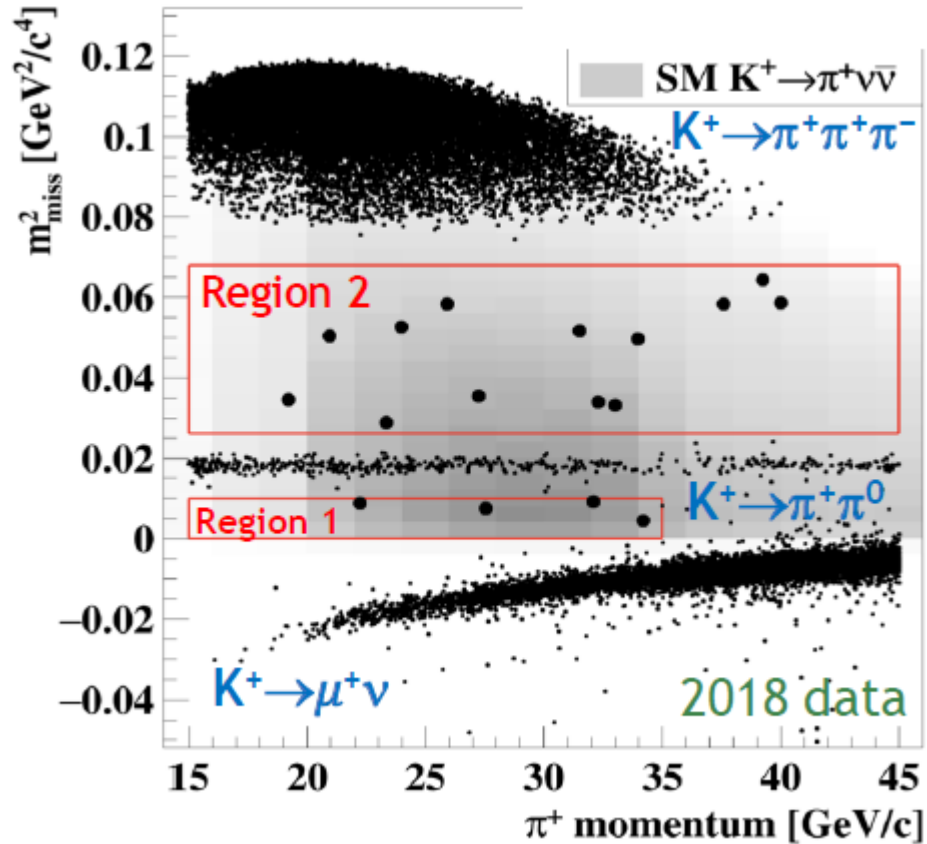
- 10 independent samples enriched with different mechanisms

Summary for Expected Background

Background	Events
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 (\gamma)$	0.83 ± 0.05
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu (\gamma)$	1.70 ± 0.47
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	0.11 ± 0.03
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ \nu$	$0.89^{+0.33}_{-0.27}$
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma \gamma$	0.01 ± 0.01
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu$	< 0.001
Upstream	$7.4^{+2.1}_{-1.8}$
Total	$11.0^{+2.1}_{-1.9}$

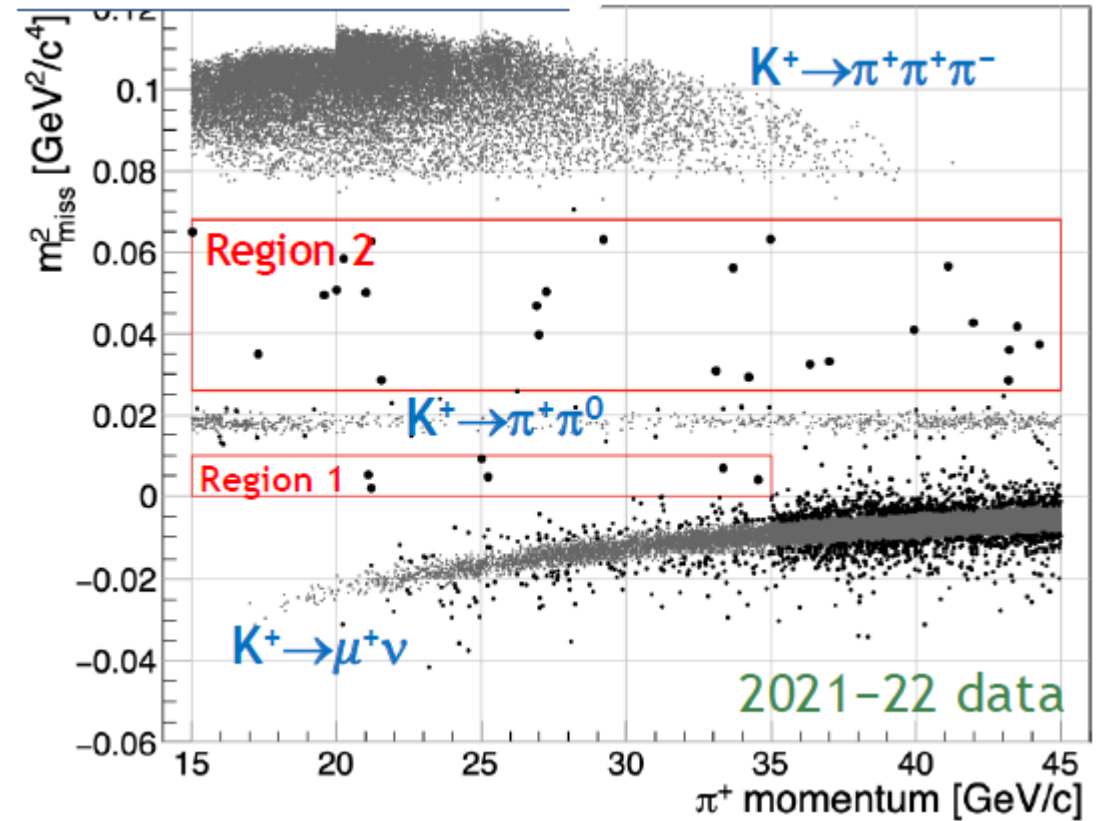
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ Results (2016 – 2022 data)

2016 – 2018 data



20 events in the Signal Regions

2021 – 2022 data



31 events in the Signal Regions

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ Results (2016 – 2022 data)

51 signal candidates, expected background: 18^{+3}_{-2}

$$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = \left(13.0^{+3.0}_{-2.7} \Big|_{\text{stat}} {}^{+1.3}_{-1.3} \Big|_{\text{syst}} \right) \times 10^{-11} = \left(13.0^{+3.3}_{-3.0} \right) \times 10^{-11}$$

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The rarest particle decay observed ever at 5σ significance

Consistent with the SM expectation at 1.7σ

Search for $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X$ PBC benchmark cases

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Physics Beyond Colliders at CERN Beyond the Standard Model Working Group Report

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Abstract: The Physics Beyond Colliders initiative is an exploratory study aimed at exploiting the full scientific potential of the CERN's accelerator complex and scientific infrastructures through projects complementary to the LHC and other possible future colliders. These projects will target fundamental physics questions in modern particle physics. This document presents the status of the proposals presented in the framework of the Beyond Standard Model physics working group, and explore their physics reach and the impact that CERN could have in the next 10-20 years on the international landscape.

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2 Physics Motivations

2.1 Hidden Sector portals

2.1.1 Vector portal models

2.1.2 Scalar portal models

2.1.3 Neutrino portal models

2.1.4 Axion portal models

**~12 Benchmark Cases (BC) proposed
for searches**

Search for $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X$ PBC benchmark cases

CERN PBC working group Benchmark Cases



NP particle	Type	SM portal	PBC	Decay channels
dark photon (A'_μ)	vector	$-(\epsilon/2 \cos \theta_W) F'_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$	BC1-2	$\ell\ell, 2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi, 2K, 2K\pi$
Dark Higgs (S)	scalar	$(\mu S + \lambda S^2) H^\dagger H$	BC4-5	$\ell\ell, 2\pi, 4\pi, 2K$
axion/ALP (a)	pseudoscalar	$(C_{VV}/\Lambda) a V_{\mu\nu} \tilde{V}^{\mu\nu}$ $(C_{ff}/\Lambda) \partial_\mu a f \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 f$	BC9,11 BC10	$\gamma\gamma, \ell\ell, 2\pi\gamma, 3\pi, 4\pi, 2\pi\eta, 2K\pi$

Two types of direct searches for NP particles at fixed-target experiments:

- (i) NP particle production in SM particle decays – reconstruction from both initial and final state particles
- (ii) NP particle decay to SM particles – reconstruction of original particle from the SM final states

NA62 Experiment can do both in two modes of operation: (i) kaon mode and (ii) beam-dump mode

NA62 in Beam-Dump mode: $\ell\ell$, $\gamma\gamma$ and hadronic (2 charged tracks) final states

Search for $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X$ at NA62

JHEP 02 (2021) 201; arXiv 2507.17286

Peak search in the two $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu\nu$ regions 0 – 110 MeV and 154 – 260 MeV

Main background: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu\nu$

Limits on $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X)$ of order $O(10^{-11})$

Related search $\pi^0 \rightarrow \text{invisible}$

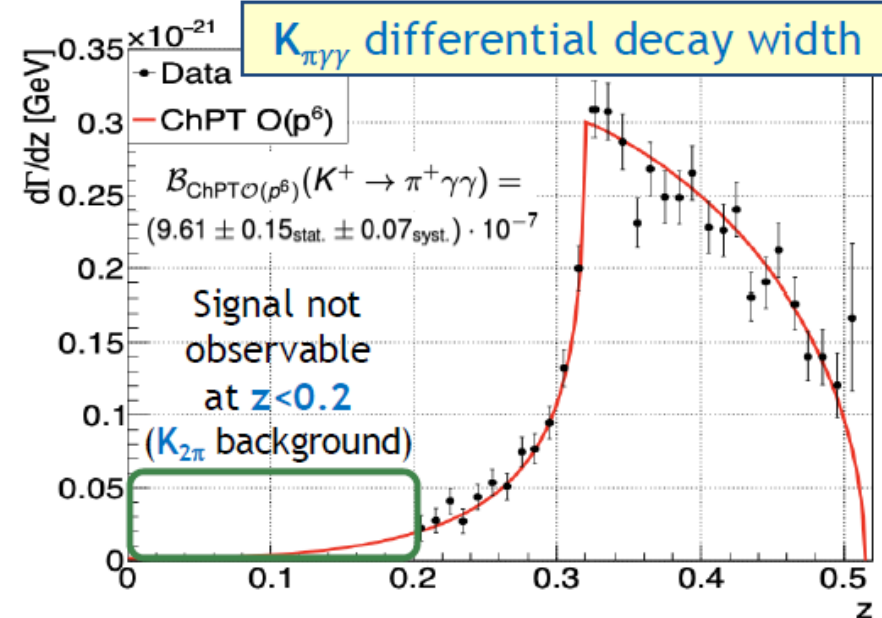
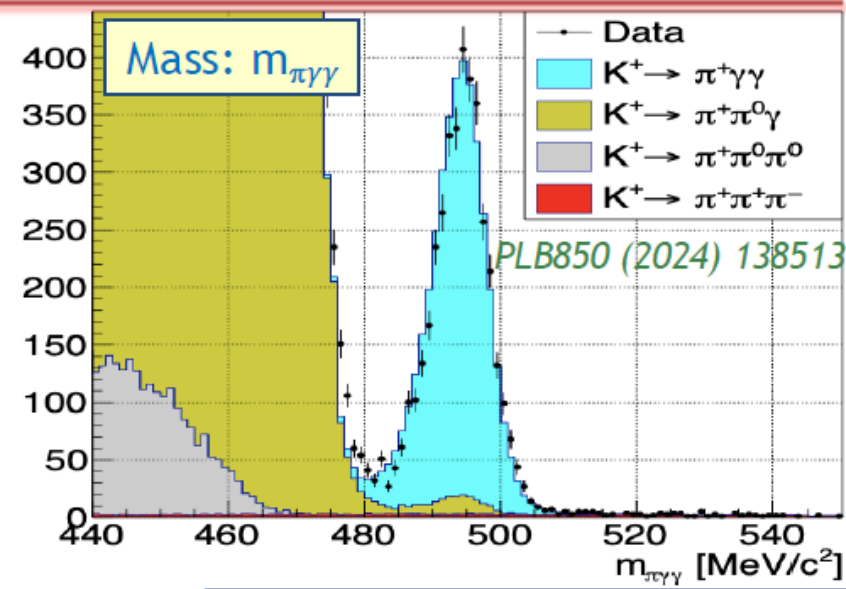
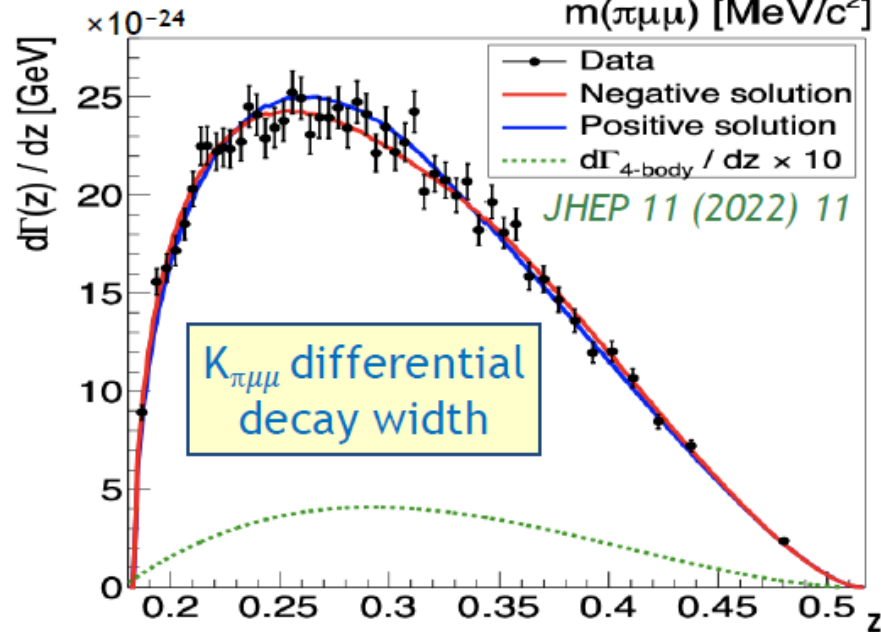
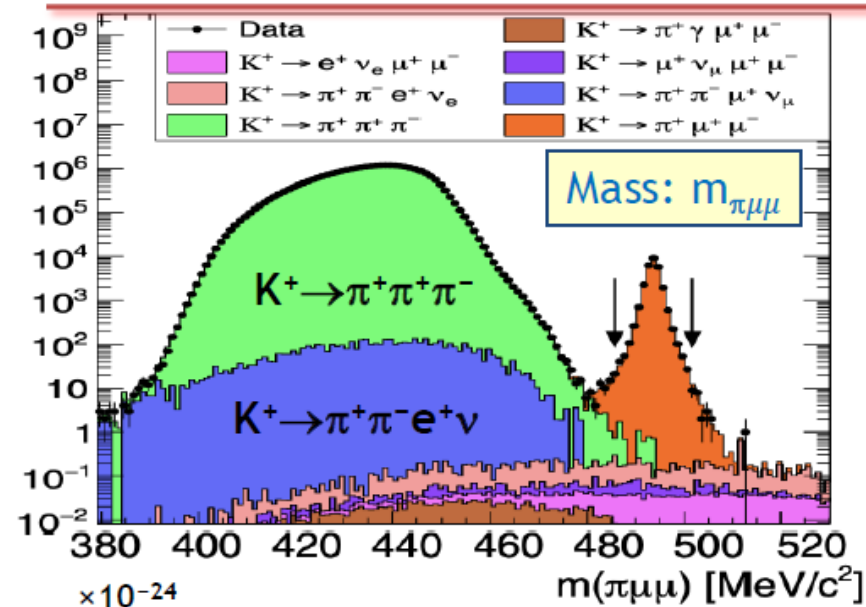
Main SM background: negligible $\pi^0 \rightarrow 4\nu$

Limits on $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X)$ of order $O(10^{-11})$

- ✓ Interpretation as $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X$, with m_X between R1 and R2.
- ✓ Using 10% of Run 1 dataset; 4×10^9 tagged π^0 mesons.
- ✓ Optimised π^+ momentum range to reduce $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ background.
- ✓ Expected $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ events: 10^{+22}_{-8} , events observed: 12.

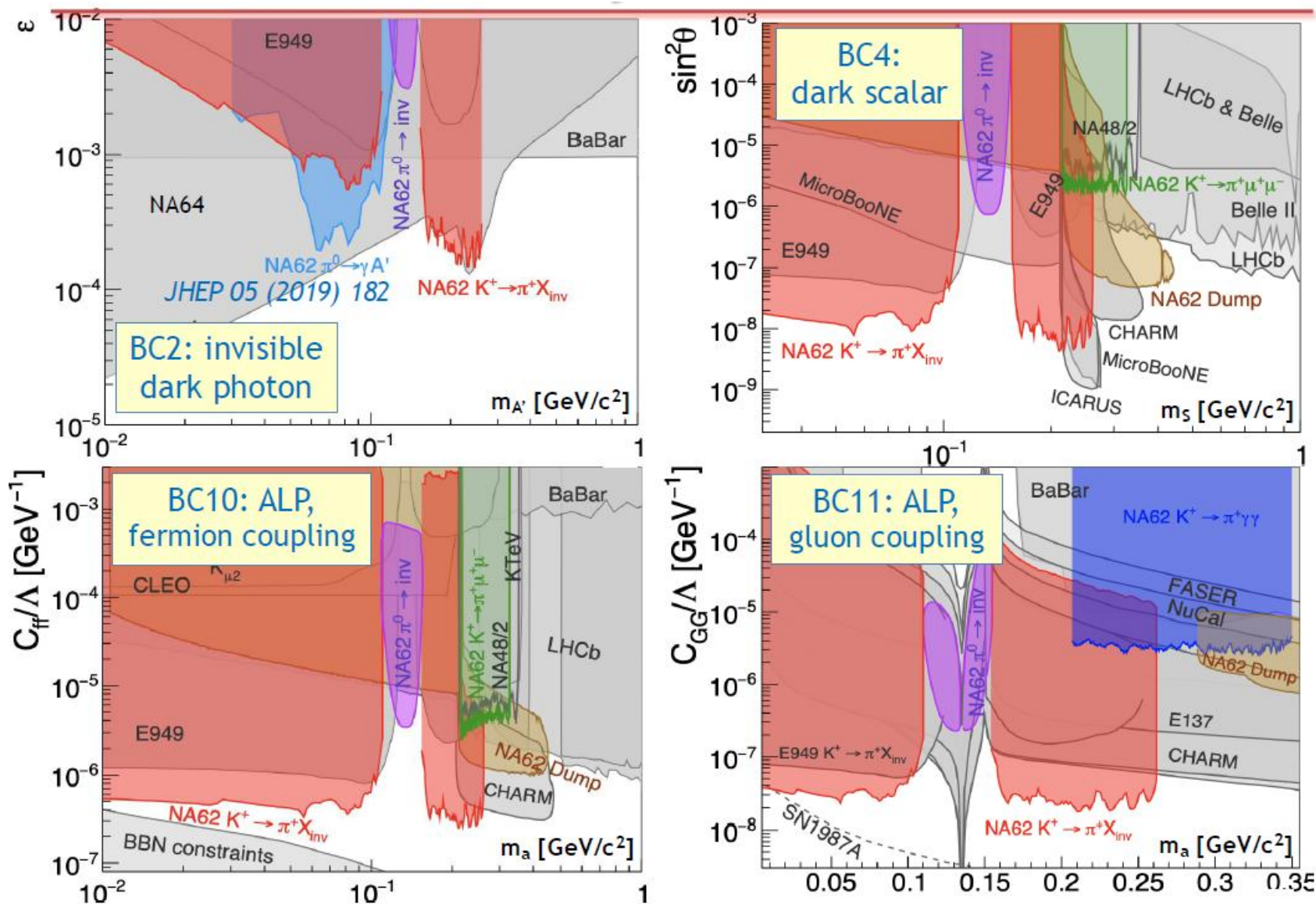
$\text{BR}(\pi^0 \rightarrow \text{inv}) < 4.4 \times 10^{-9}$ at 90% CL

Peak searches in $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ and in $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma \gamma$



Search Summary for $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ X$

arXiv 2507.17286



invisible X , from the $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ measurement [JHEP 02 (2025) 191]

- ❖ BC2 (invisible dark photon),
- ❖ BC4 (dark scalar);
- ❖ BC10 (ALP with fermion coupling);
- ❖ BC11 (ALP with gluon coupling).

Visible X , from $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ and $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma \gamma$ measurements
[JHEP 11 (2022) 11; PLB850 (2024) 138513]

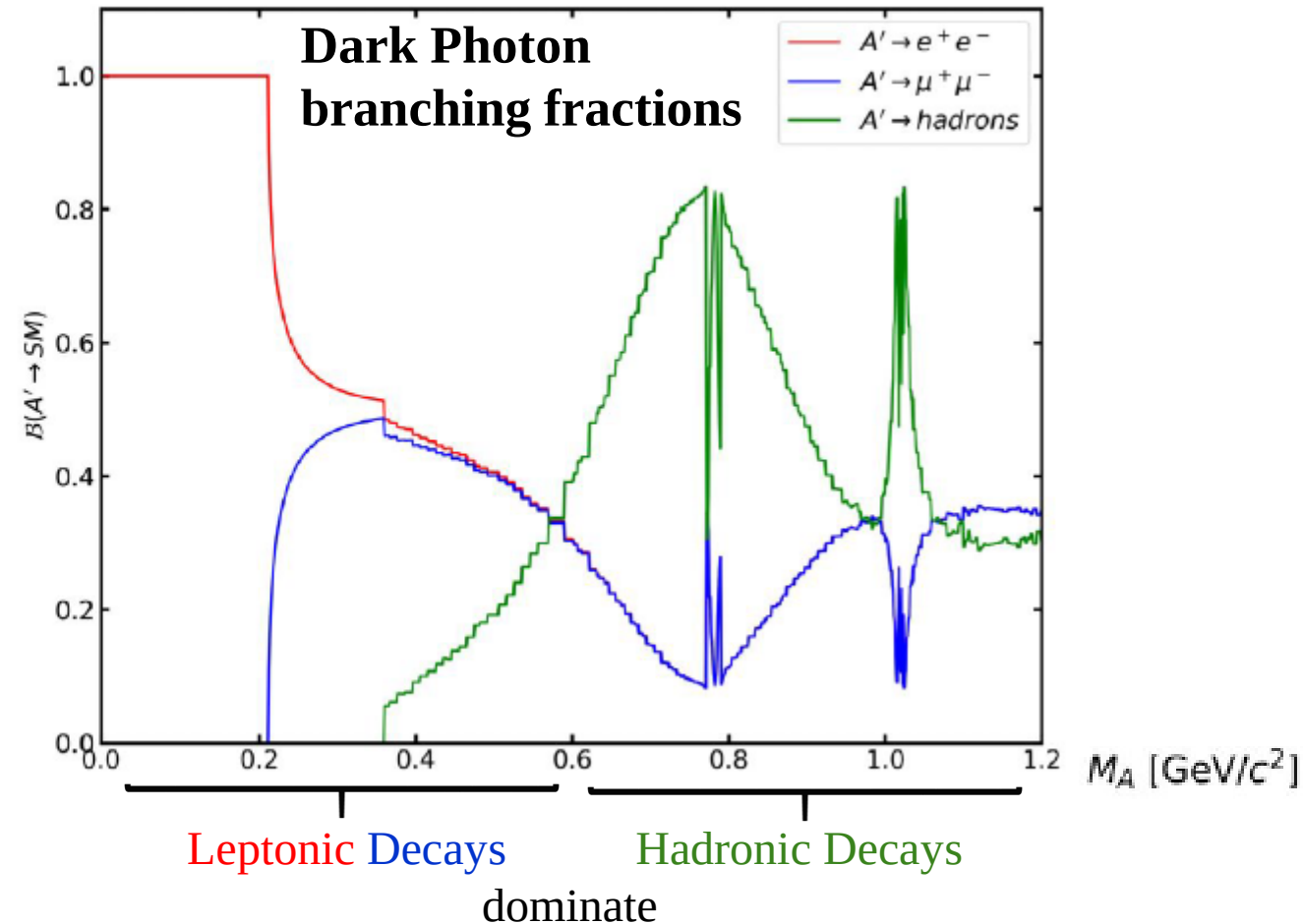
NA62 Dark Messenger Beam Dump searches – Monte Carlo

Numerous decay channels and production mechanism have been simulated:

DP Bremsstrahlung $\ell\ell$
 Meson mediated

model	production channels	decay channels
DP	Bremsstrahlung	$\pi^+\pi^-$
		$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
		$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$
		K^+K^-
		$K^+K^-\pi^0$
	light meson decay	$\pi^+\pi^-$
DS	B meson decay	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
		$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$
		K^+K^-
		$\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$
ALP	Primakoff mixing ($\pi^0/\eta/\eta'$) B meson decay	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
		$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$
		$\pi^+\pi^-\eta$
		$K^+K^-\pi^0$
		$K^+K^-\pi^0\pi^0$

36 combinations of production and decay channels studied for hadronic analysis only



NA62 Dark Messenger Beam Dump searches – Background Determination

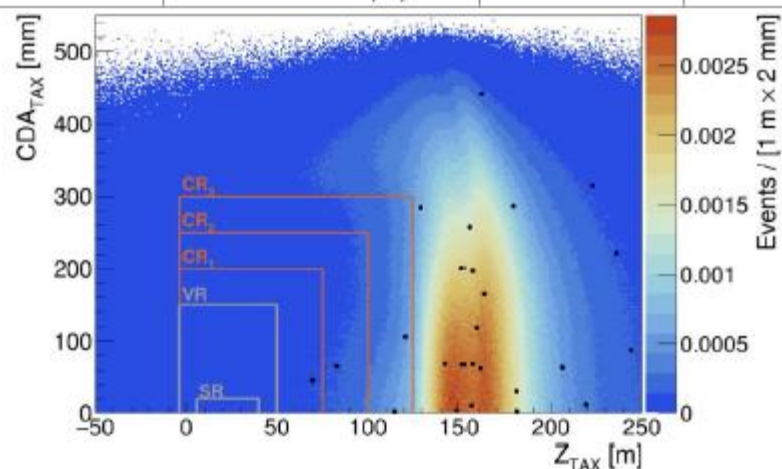
- **Combinatorial and neutrino-induced backgrounds:** negligible contributions in h^+h^- or e^+e^- , dominant for $\mu^+\mu^-$ (halo muons)
- **Prompt background:** inelastic interaction of halo muons can produce hadrons or e^+e^-
- **Upstream background:** formed by particles that are collected by the GTK achromat

Background determination for $A' \rightarrow \ell\ell$

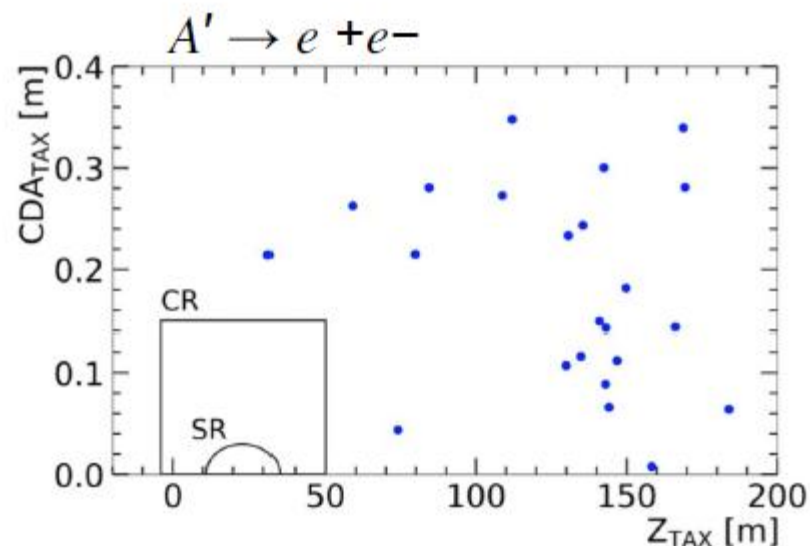
- Combinatorial and neutrino-induced backgrounds
- Prompt background
- Upstream background

	Combinatorial	Prompt @ 90% CL	Upstream prompt@ 90% CL
N bkg SR	0.016 ± 0.002	< 0.0004	< 0.007

$\mu^+ \mu^-$



$$Nbkg \quad SR = 0.0094 - 0.009 + 0.049 \text{ @ 90\% CL}$$



NA62 Dark Messenger Beam Dump searches

Results for leptonic final states

NA62 Collaboration, *Search for leptonic decays of dark photons at NA62*, *Phys. Rev. Lett* **133** (2024) 111802.

NA62 Collaboration, *Search for dark photon decays to $\mu^+ \mu^-$ at NA62*, *JHEP* **09** (2023) 035.

NA62 Collaboration, *Search for hadronic decays of feebly-interacting particles at NA62*, *Eur. Phys. J C* (2025) 85:571.

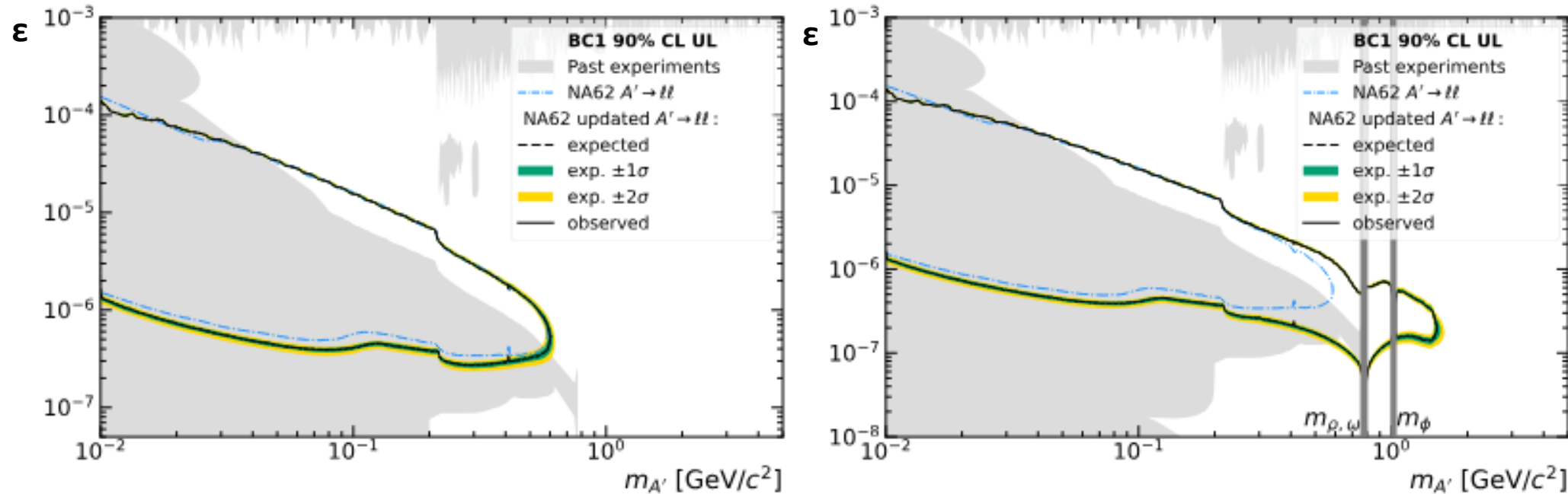


Fig. 10 The observed 90% CL exclusion contours in the plane $(m_{A'}, \epsilon)$ in *BC1* benchmark case for di-lepton final states together with the expected $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 2\sigma$ bands (theory uncertainty not included) with

updated light meson spectra only (left) and with mixing production and time-like form factor for bremsstrahlung production (right). The exclusion contour obtained in [4] is displayed as a dash-dotted blue line

**Combined
 $\mu^+\mu^-$ and e^+e^-
Results**

NA62 Dark Messenger Beam Dump searches – hh final state studies

- In a model-independent approach
 $\text{BR}_{X \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-} = 1$,
 $N_{\text{exp}}(M_X, \Gamma_X) =$
 $N_{\text{POT}} \chi_{pp \rightarrow X}(C_{\text{ref}}) P_{\text{rd}} A_{\text{acc}} A_{\text{trig}}$
- $\chi_{pp \rightarrow X}(C_{\text{ref}})$: messenger prod. probability for ref. coupling
- P_{rd} : probability to reach NA62 FV and decay therein
- $A_{\text{acc}} A_{\text{trig}}$: signal selection and trigger efficiencies

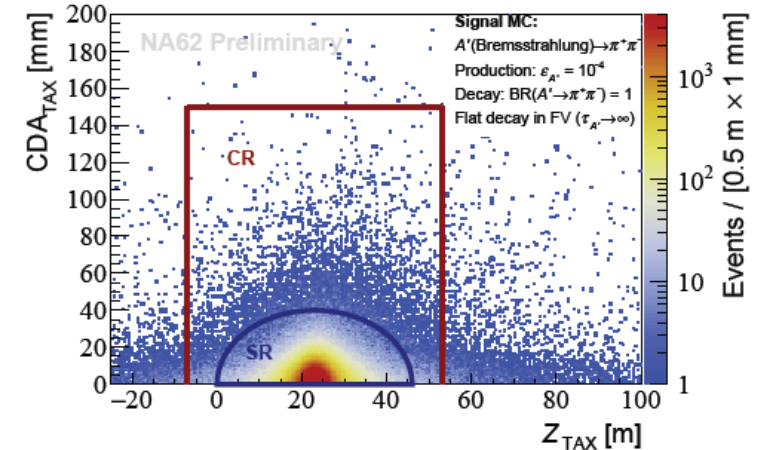


Figure: $A' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ MC: control (CR) and signal (SR) region

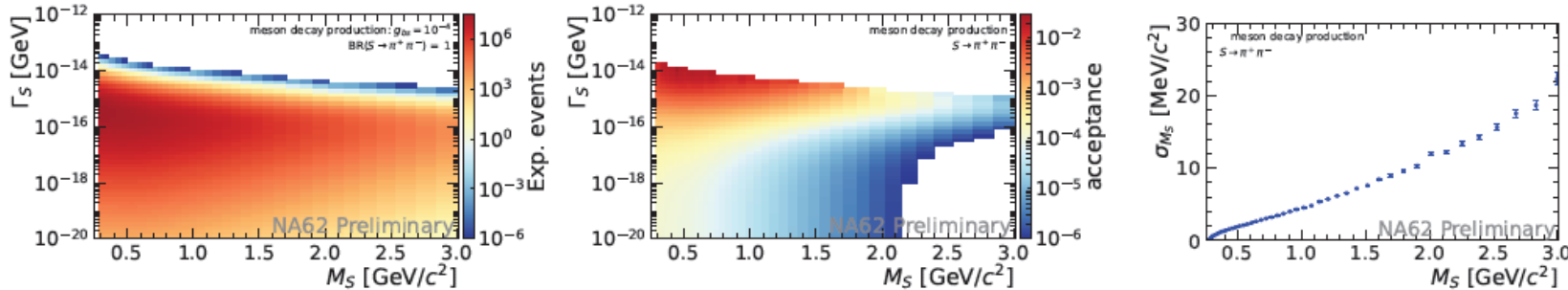


Figure: Left: expected number of $S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ selected events, for $g_{bs} = 10^{-4}$, $\text{BR} = 1$. Center: selection acceptance given a messenger decay in the FV. Right: Mass resolution of the reconstructed messenger.

- Distributions evaluated for 36 combinations of production and decay channels

if observed,
 M_S could be resolved
 at a per cent level

Background determination for hh analysis

- Combinatorial and neutrino-induced backgrounds
- Prompt background:
- Upstream background
- For the h^+h^- analysis channels at 68% CL:

Channel	$N_{\text{exp,CR}} \pm \delta N_{\text{exp,CR}}$	$N_{\text{exp,SR}} \pm \delta N_{\text{exp,SR}}$
$\pi^+\pi^-$	0.013 ± 0.007	0.007 ± 0.005
$\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$	0.031 ± 0.016	0.007 ± 0.004
$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$(1.3^{+4.4}_{-1.0}) \times 10^{-7}$	$(1.2^{+4.3}_{-1.0}) \times 10^{-7}$
$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$	$(1.6^{+7.6}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-8}$	$(1.6^{+7.4}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-8}$
$\pi^+\pi^-\eta$	$(7.3^{+27.0}_{-6.1}) \times 10^{-8}$	$(7.0^{+26.2}_{-5.8}) \times 10^{-8}$
K^+K^-	$(4.7^{+15.7}_{-3.9}) \times 10^{-7}$	$(4.6^{+15.2}_{-3.8}) \times 10^{-7}$
$K^+K^-\pi^0$	$(1.6^{+3.2}_{-1.2}) \times 10^{-9}$	$(1.5^{+3.1}_{-1.2}) \times 10^{-9}$

background-free hypothesis not only at $N_{\text{POTs}} = 1.4 \times 10^{17}$ but also in the future full **Run 2 dataset** of $N_{\text{POTs}} = 10^{18}$

NA62 Dark Messenger Beam Dump searches – hh final state studies

Table: Expected number of background events (68% CL) in CR and SR. Minimum number of observed events N_{obs} for a background-only p -value above 5σ in SR and SR+CR (global significance, flat background in m_{inv} assumed).

Channel	$N_{\text{exp,CR}} \pm \delta N_{\text{exp,CR}}$	$N_{\text{exp,SR}} \pm \delta N_{\text{exp,SR}}$	$N_{\text{obs,SR}}^{p>5\sigma}$	$N_{\text{obs,SR+CR}}^{p>5\sigma}$
$\pi^+\pi^-$	0.013 ± 0.007	0.007 ± 0.005	3	4
$\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$	0.031 ± 0.016	0.007 ± 0.004	3	5
$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$(1.3^{+4.4}_{-1.0}) \times 10^{-7}$	$(1.2^{+4.3}_{-1.0}) \times 10^{-7}$	1	1
$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$	$(1.6^{+7.6}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-8}$	$(1.6^{+7.4}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-8}$	1	1
$\pi^+\pi^-\eta$	$(7.3^{+27.0}_{-6.1}) \times 10^{-8}$	$(7.0^{+26.2}_{-5.8}) \times 10^{-8}$	1	1
K^+K^-	$(4.7^{+15.7}_{-3.9}) \times 10^{-7}$	$(4.6^{+15.2}_{-3.8}) \times 10^{-7}$	1	2
$K^+K^-\pi^0$	$(1.6^{+3.2}_{-1.2}) \times 10^{-9}$	$(1.5^{+3.1}_{-1.2}) \times 10^{-9}$	1	1

NA62 Dark Messenger hh final state ...

essentially background free not only for $N_{\text{POT}} = 1.4 \times 10^{17}$,
but also for the complete Run 2 in the future for $N_{\text{POT}} = 10^{18}$.

NA62 Dark Messenger searches – Results for both hadronic and leptonic final states

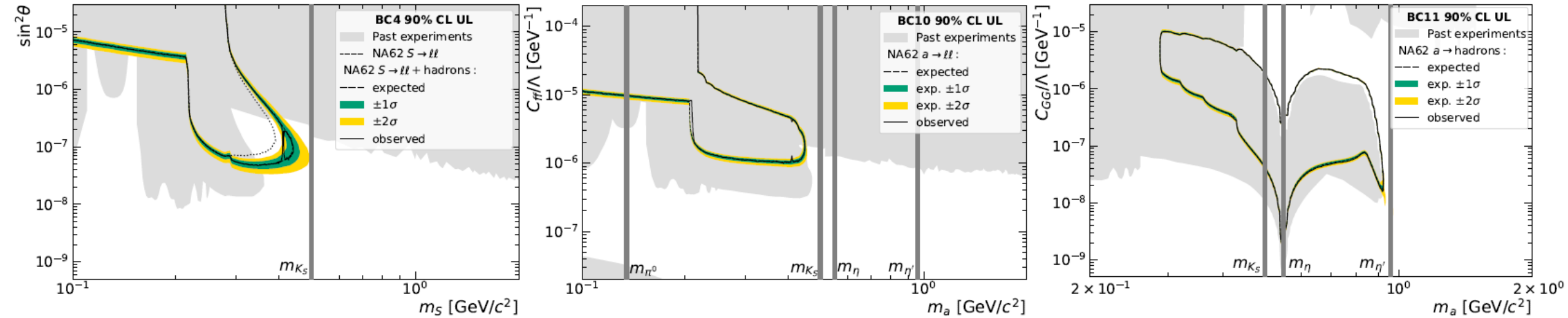


Figure: The observed 90% CL exclusion contours in BC4 (left), BC10 (center) and BC11 (right) benchmarks together with the expected $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 2\sigma$ bands (theory uncertainty not included).

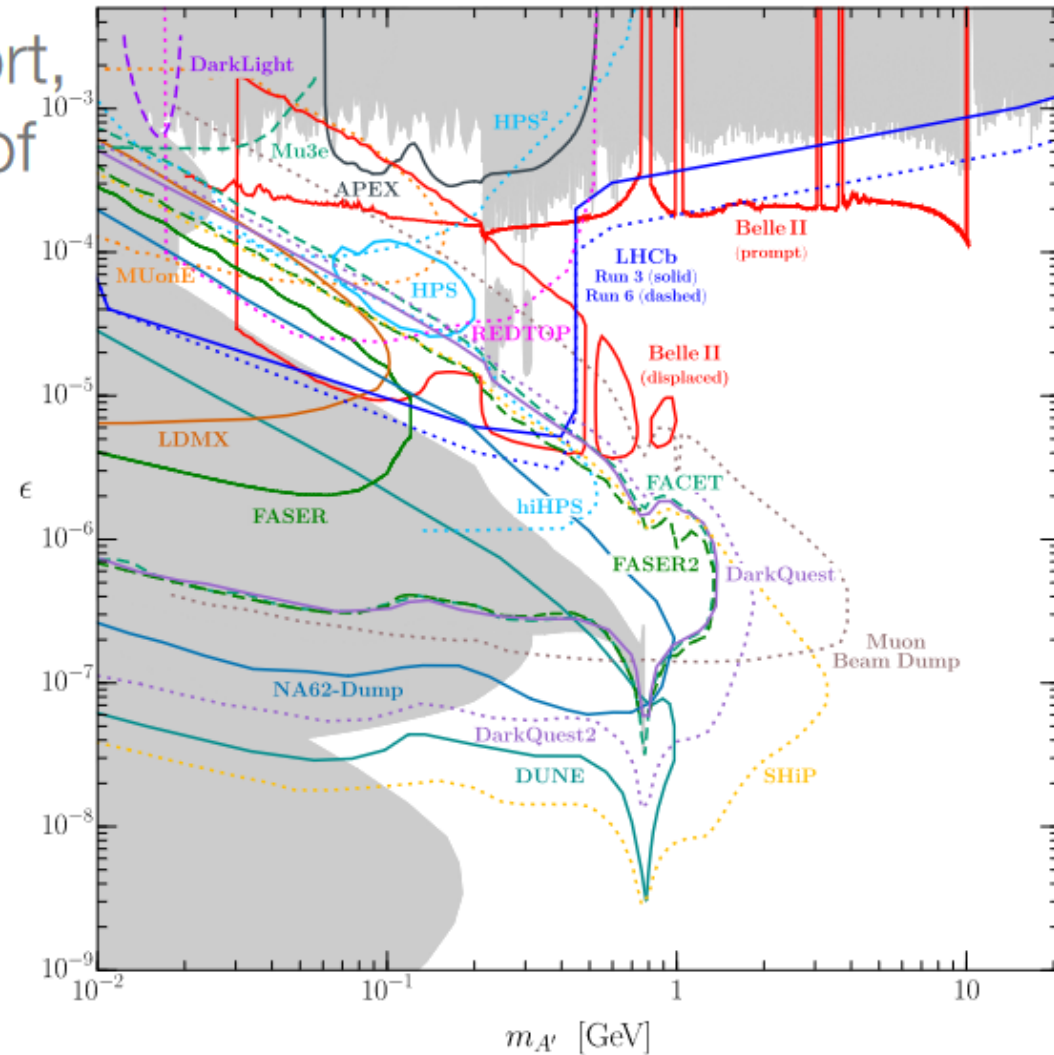
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Searching for the dark sector in the laboratory

- Extensive, world-wide effort, including a large number of dedicated projects.

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Batell, Blinov, Hearty, McGehee,
[arXiv 2207.06905](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.06905) (2022)



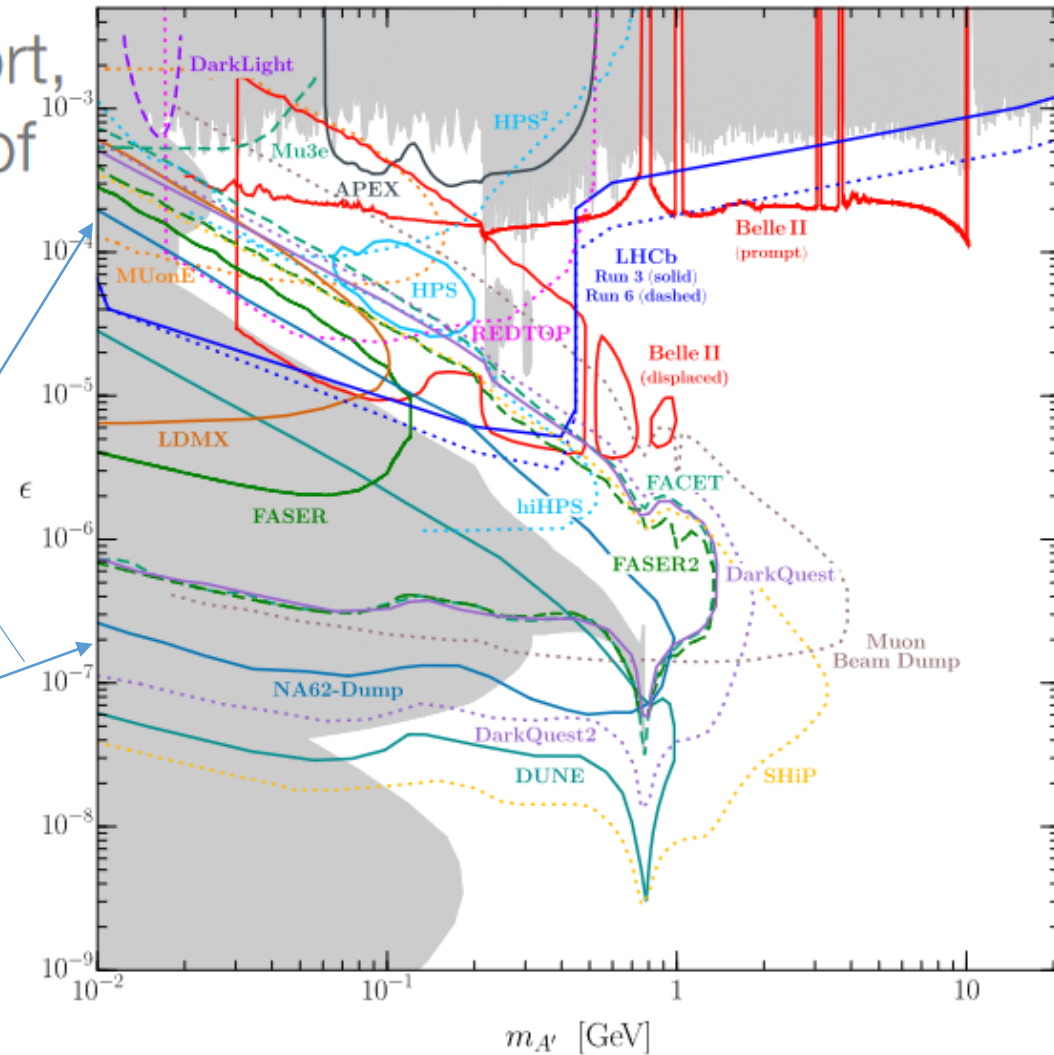
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NA62 in Dump Mode

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[arXiv 2207.06905](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.06905) (2022)



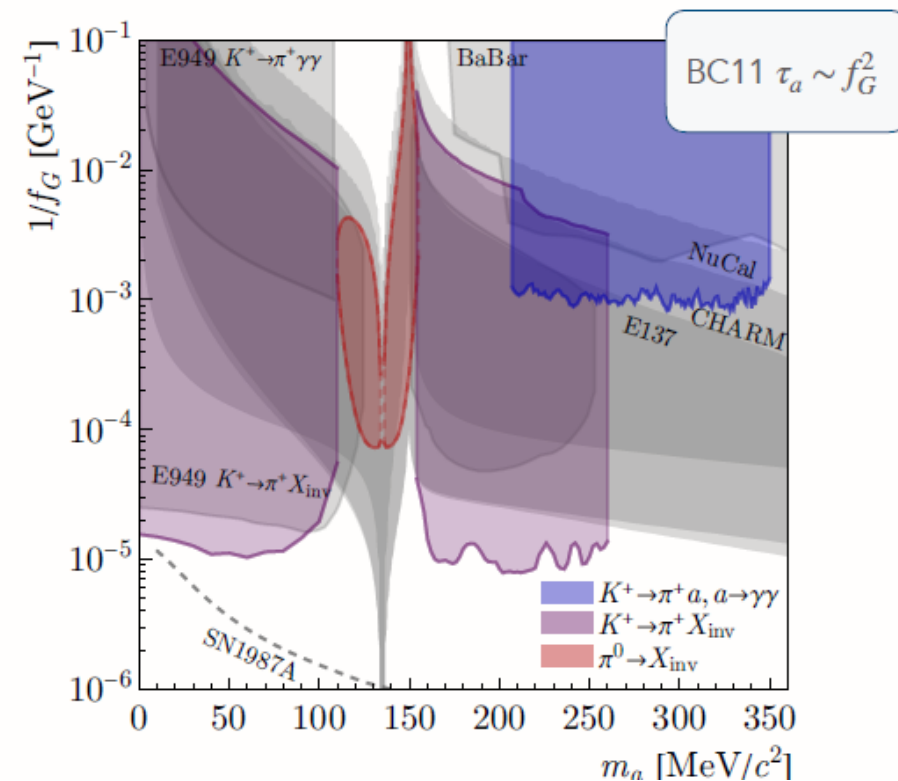
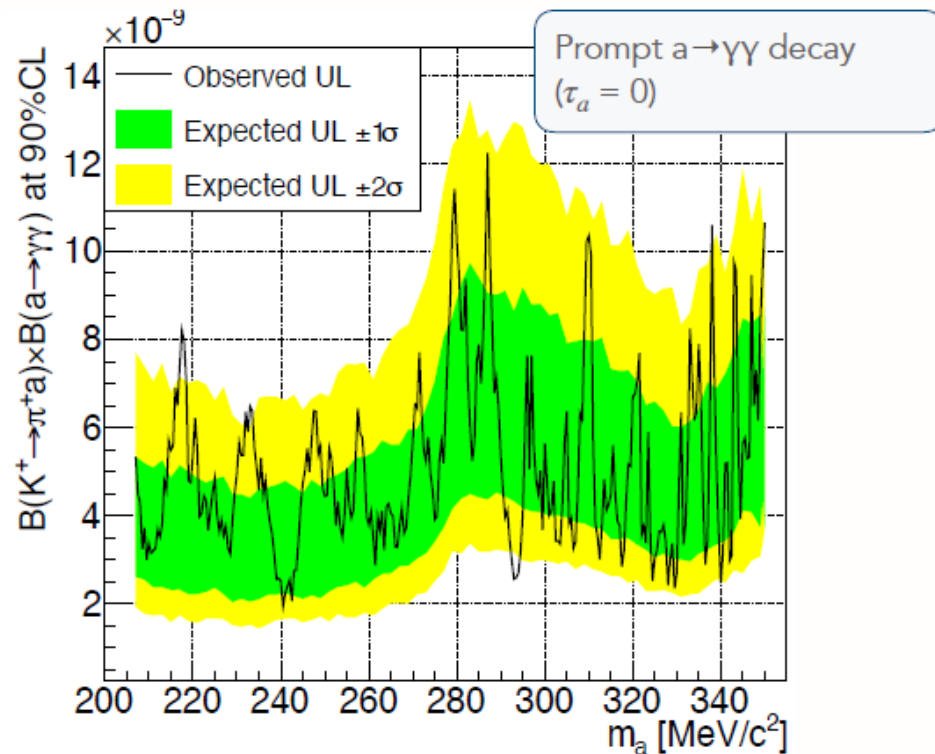
NA62 Axion-like particle (ALP) search in $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ a$, $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Results for photonic final states

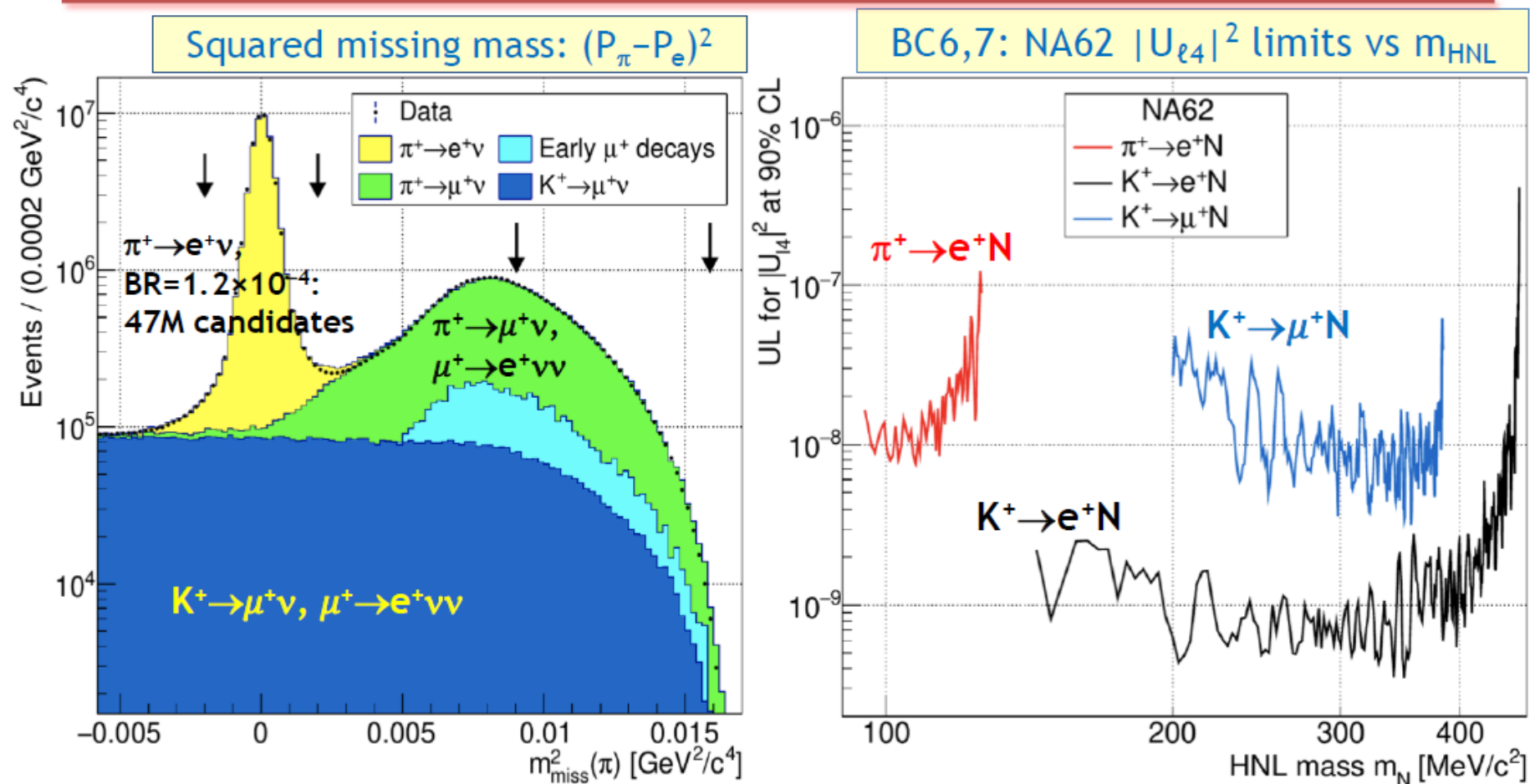
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Peak search over $m_a = \sqrt{(P_K - P_\pi)^2}$ in the range 207-350 MeV/c² in steps of 0.5 MeV/c²

m_a resolution: from 2.0 MeV/c² to 0.2 MeV/c² across the search range



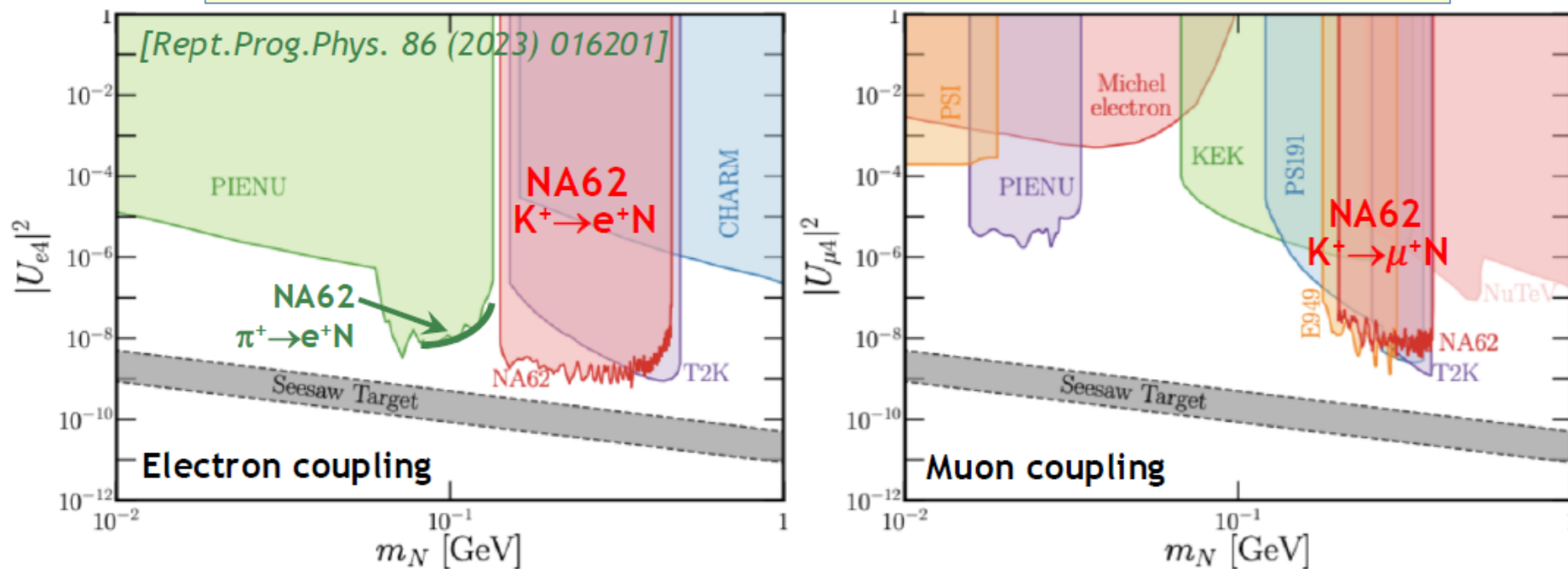
Search for Heavy Neutral Lepton production in π decays



- ❖ The 2017–2024 dataset; $K_{\pi \nu \nu}$ trigger line (limited efficiency for beam pions).
- ❖ Number of π^+ decays in fiducial volume: $N_\pi = 6.5 \times 10^{12}$.
- ❖ Squared missing mass: $m_{\text{miss}}^2 = (P_\pi - P_\ell)^2$, using GTK and STRAW trackers.

[arXiv:2507.07345]

BC6,7: $|U_{e4}|^2$ limits vs m_{HNL} from production & decay searches



- ❖ For $|U_{e4}|^2$, NA62 improves on the T2K and PIENU limits.
- ❖ For $|U_{\mu 4}|^2$, NA62 has similar sensitivity to T2K and BNL-E949.

NA62 upper limit at 90% CL: $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu \nu) < 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$,
 and similar limits of $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu X_{\text{inv}})$. [PLB 816 (2021) 136259]

Summary



The main goal of the NA62 Experiment remains the $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$ measurement, however much broader new physics search has been performed

Blind searches for a **dark messenger particle decaying into $e\bar{e}$, $\mu\bar{\mu}$, hadrons and $\gamma\gamma$** have been performed on the 2021 data sample exploring new regions in the parameter space accessible to the **NA62 Experiment in the Beam-Dump mode**

With the $(1.43 \pm 0.28) \times 10^{17}$ POTs 90% CL upper limits have been derived, **excluding new regions** in the parameter space shown here in respective plots

X Searches in K^+ , π^+ and π^0 decays follow from a unique large sample $\sim 10^{13}$ events, are relatively simple and clean, and have low backgrounds

NA62 data taking is ongoing

The current NA62 Run will last by Summer 2026