



# $\gamma\gamma$ physics – Experimental Overview

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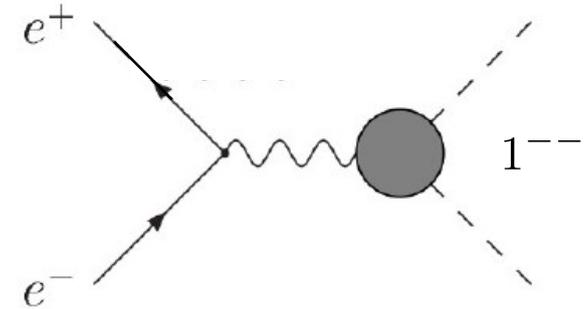
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# Introduction

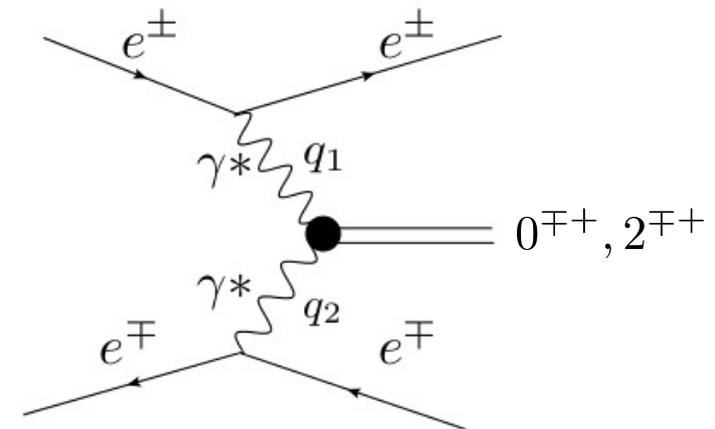
## Usually at e+e- colliders: Annihilation

- Only vector states
- $M_x = \sqrt{s}$
- $\sigma \propto \frac{\alpha^2}{E^2}$



## Here: Two-photon collisions

- Pseudoscalar, axial, and tensor states
- $M_x \ll \sqrt{s}$
- $\sigma \propto \alpha^2 \ln^2 E$
- Forward peaked kinematic



# Features of two-photon process

- Production cross section

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- X) = \int \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X}(q_1, q_2) \Phi(q_1, q_2) \frac{d\vec{q}_1}{dE_1} \frac{d\vec{q}_2}{dE_2}$$

- Differential  $\gamma\gamma$  luminosity  $\Phi(q_1, q_2) \propto \frac{\alpha^2 \ln^2 E}{4\pi^2 m_e^2}$

- Formation cross section

- Here: narrow resonances with spin 0

$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X} = \frac{8\pi^2}{m_X} \Gamma_{X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} \delta((q_1 + q_2)^2 - m_X^2) |F(q_1^2, q_2^2)|^2$$

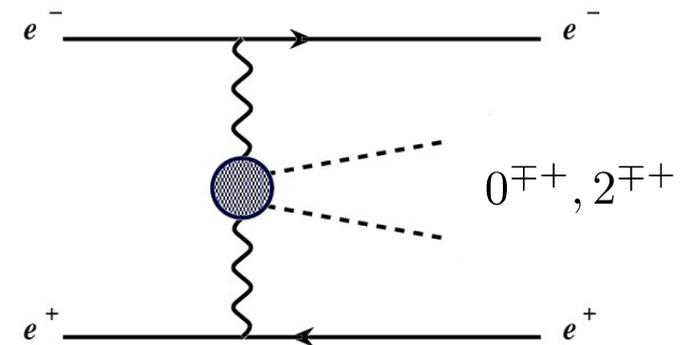
- Radiative width  $\Gamma_{X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$

- Space-like transition form factor  $F(q_1^2, q_2^2)$   Structure of X

## Detectors without special tagging devices

### Untagged Measurement

- Scattered leptons undetected
  - Both photons quasi-real
    - $F(q_1^2, q_2^2) \rightarrow F(0, 0)$
- Produced system reconstructed
  - Small  $p_T$

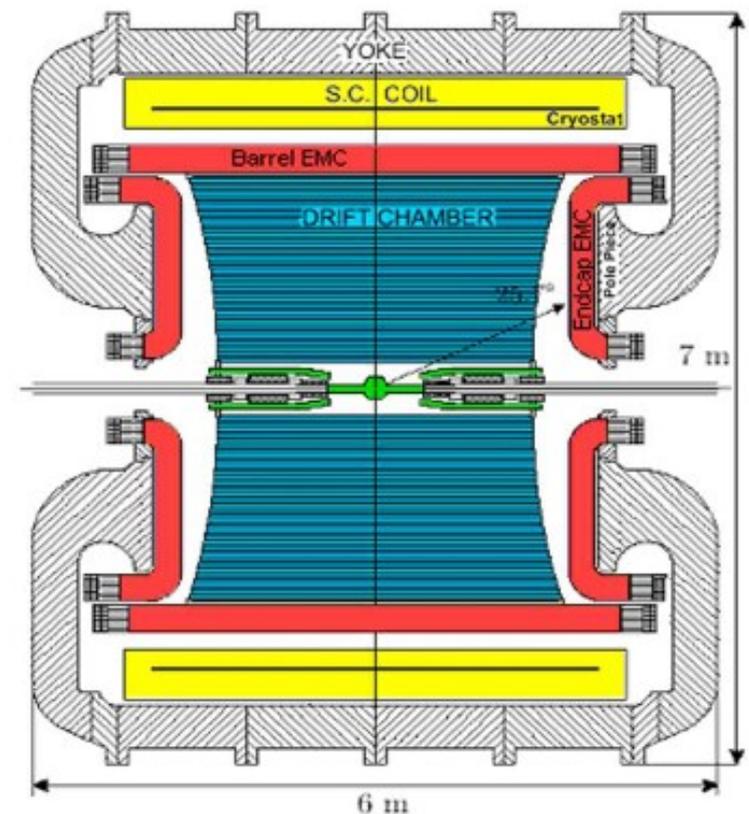


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### Double Tag Measurement

# Example Analysis: $\Gamma_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$

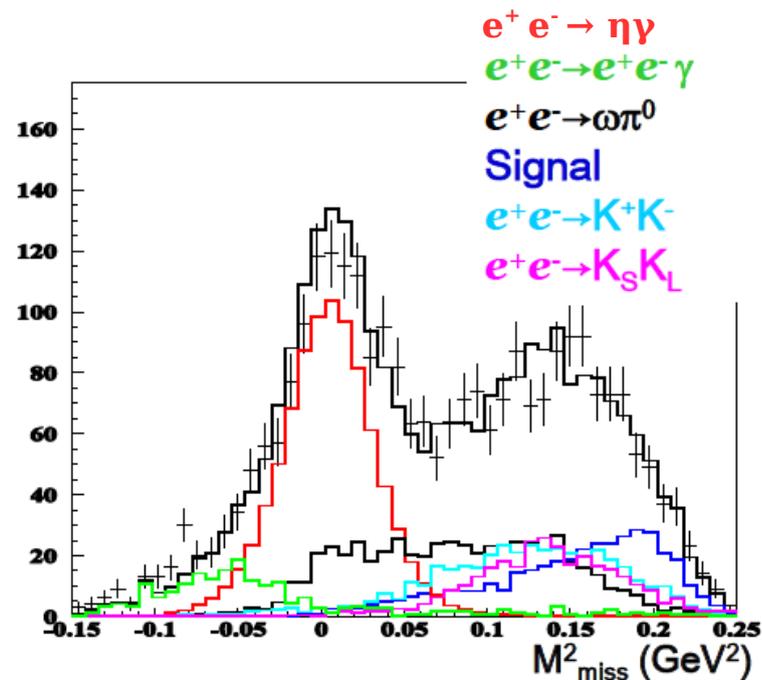
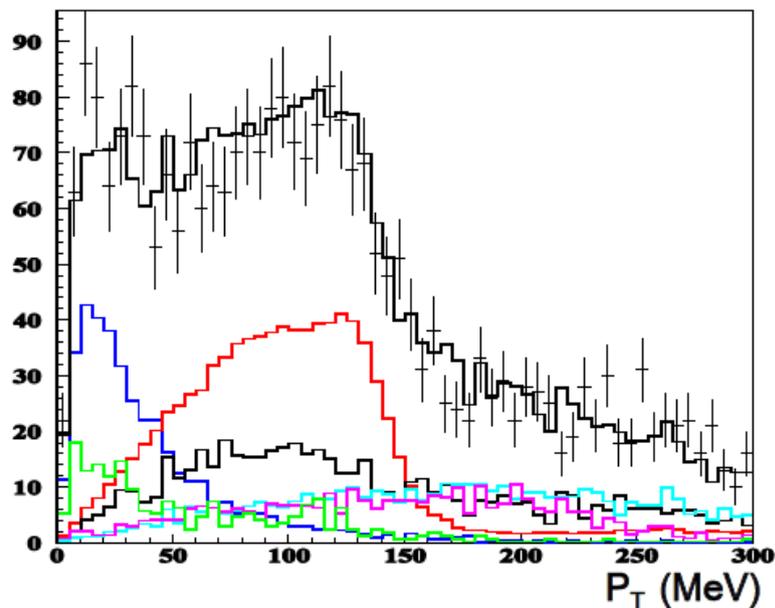
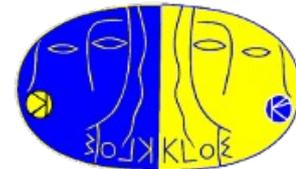
- Analysis based on KLOE off-peak data
  - $\sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ GeV}$
  - $L_{\text{int}} = 242.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
  
- using charged and neutral  $3\pi$  decays
- Main background  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta\gamma$
- TFF description from VMD



# Example Analysis: $\Gamma_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$

## Tagging $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$

- Two prompt photons
- Two charged tracks
- Kinematic fit  $M_{\pi\pi\gamma\gamma} = M_\eta$



- Combined fit to transverse momentum and missing mass distributions of  $\pi\pi\gamma\gamma$
- $394 \pm 29$  signal events

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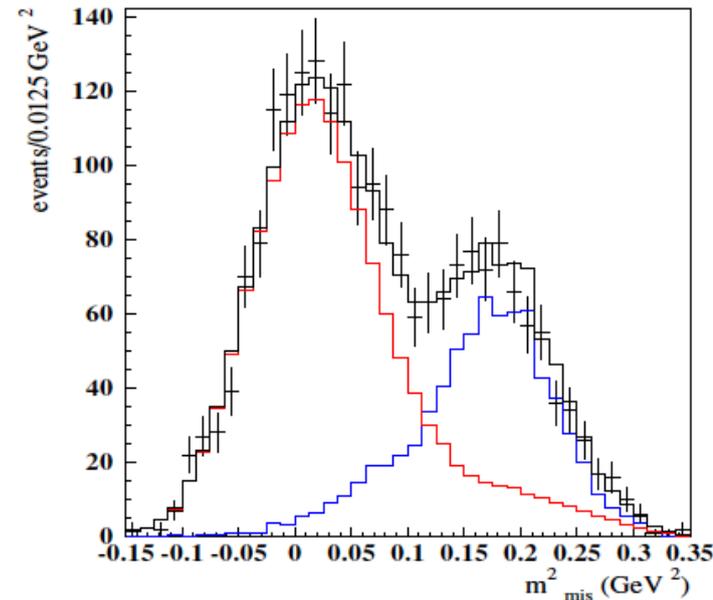
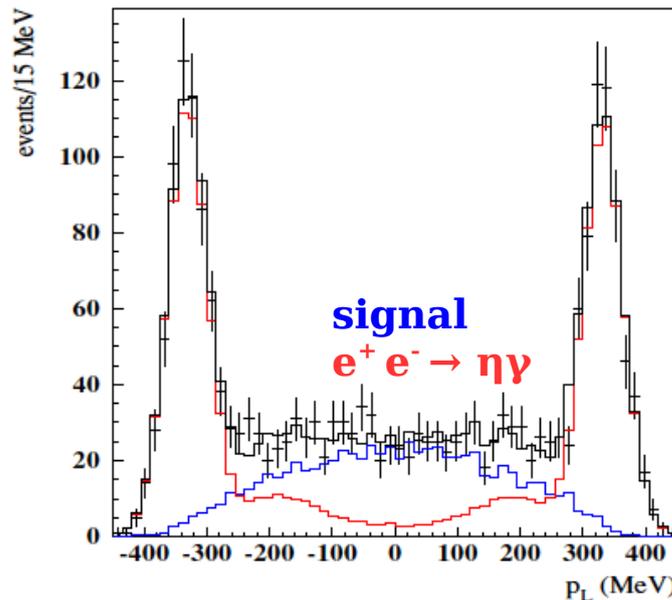
$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\eta) = (34.5 \pm 2.5_{stat} \pm 1.0_{syst} \pm 0.7_{FF} \pm 0.4_{BR})pb$$

# Example Analysis: $\Gamma_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$



## Tagging $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$

- six prompt photons
- no charged tracks
- Kinematic fit  $M_{6\gamma} = M_\eta$



- Combined fit of longitudinal momentum and missing mass distributions of  $6\gamma$
- 2166 events in distribution  $(33.4 \pm 1.5) \% \text{signal}$

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$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\eta) = (32.0 \pm 1.5_{stat} \pm 0.9_{syst} \pm 0.2_{FF} \pm 0.2_{BR})pb$$

# Example Analysis: $\Gamma_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$

## Combined result:

- $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\eta) = (32.7 \pm 1.3_{stat} \pm 0.7_{syst})pb$

- Extracting radiative width from cross section

- $F(q_1, q_2) = \frac{1}{1 - bq_1^2} \frac{1}{1 - bq_2^2}$ , with  $b = (1.94 \pm 0.15) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

$$\Gamma_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = (520 \pm 20_{stat} \pm 13_{syst})eV$$

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Most precise measurement to date!

New PDG average:  $\Gamma_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = (516 \pm 18)eV$



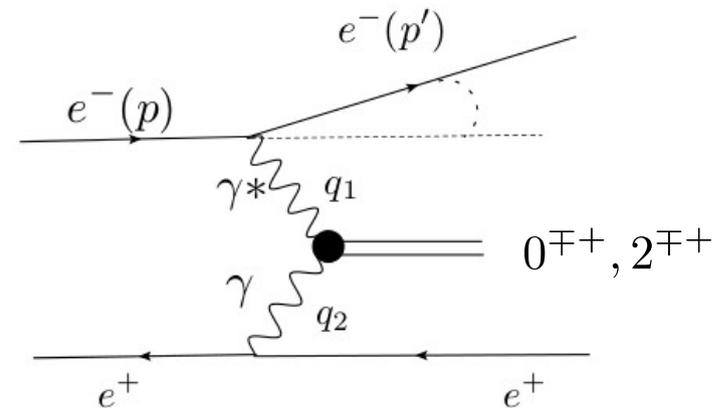
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- Reconstruct one scattered lepton
  - one photon quasi-real
    - $F(q_1^2, q_2^2) \rightarrow F(q_1^2, 0) \rightarrow F(q^2)$
- Produced system reconstructed



### Double Tag Measurement

# Motivation

## ■ Hadronic Contributions to Anomalous magnetic moment of the muon:

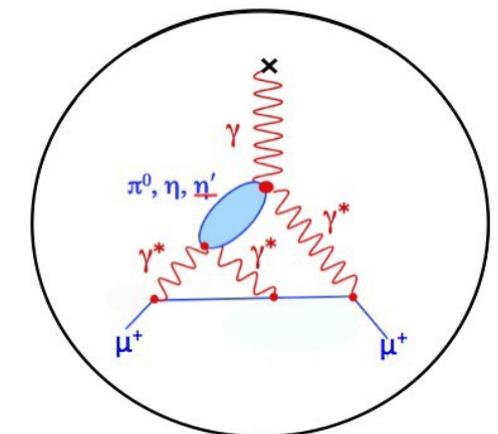
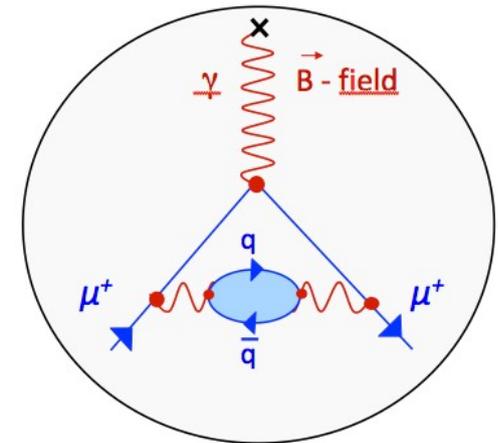
- Dominating the uncertainty of the prediction of  $a_\mu$
- Perturbative methods not applicable

## ■ Hadronic vacuum polarization

- evaluate dispersion integrals
- $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadr})$  needed as input

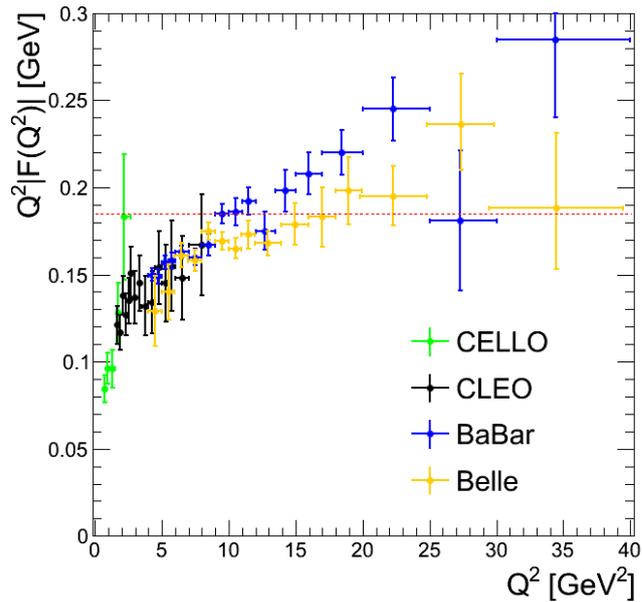
## ■ Hadronic Light-by-Light Scattering

- Virtual mesons, real and virtual photons
- Modeled using sum rules, Pade approximants,...
- TFF's as input

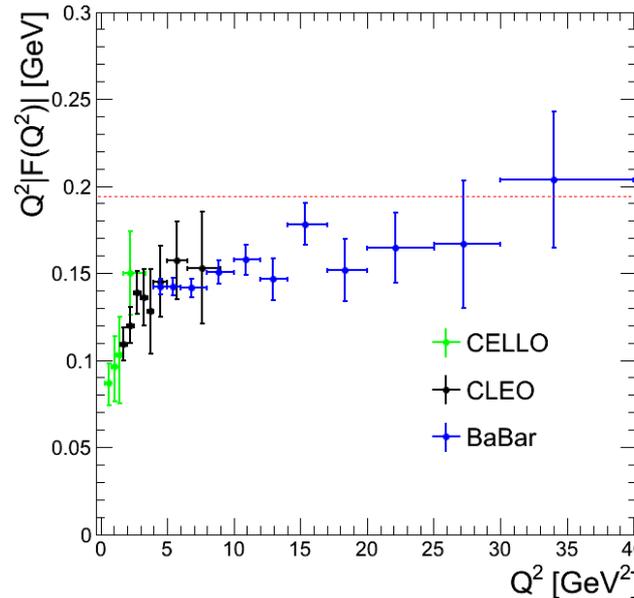


# Previous Measurements

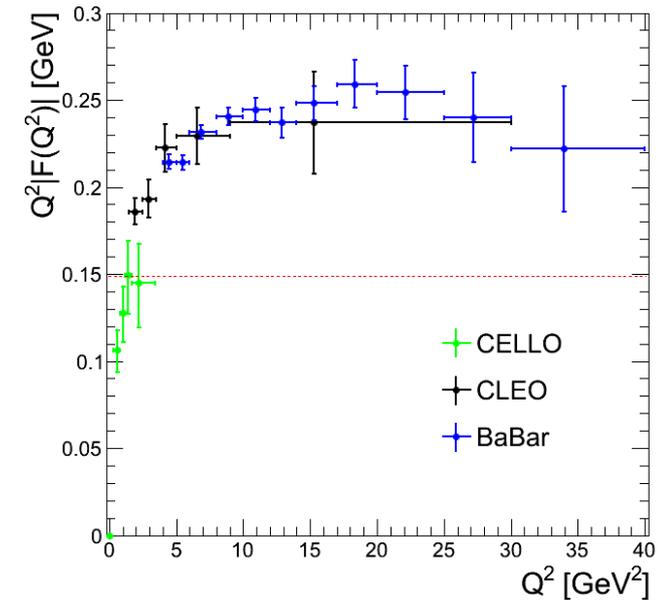
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \pi^0$$



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \eta$$



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

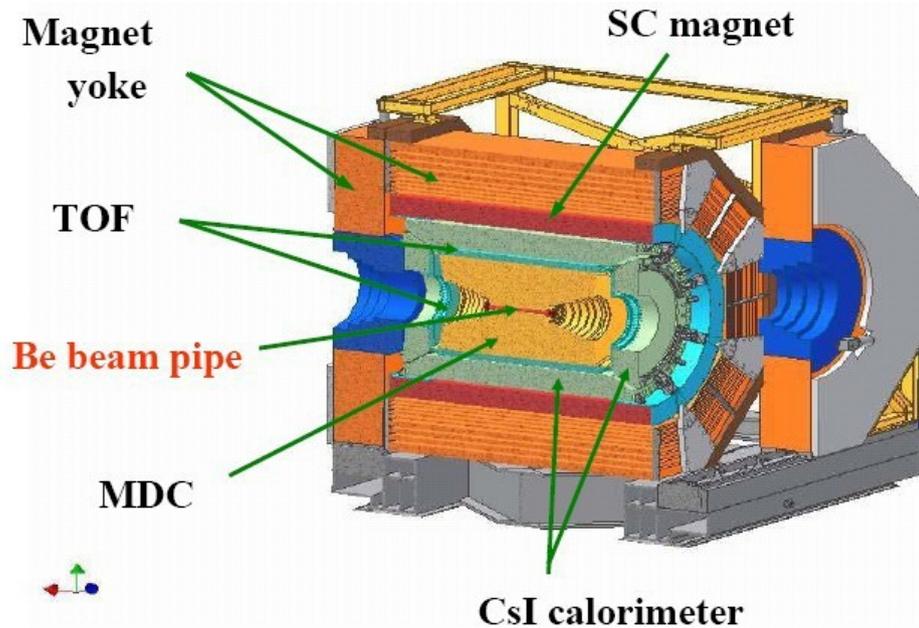


- Recent results from B-factories cover only large  $Q^2$  ( $5 < Q^2$  [GeV<sup>2</sup>] < 40)
- Discrepancy for  $\pi^0$  between BaBar and Belle
- Data scarce at lowest  $Q^2$
- Region of relevance for  $(g-2)_\mu$

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# BESIII Detector

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**World's largest data samples  
of  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Psi(2S)$ ,  $\Psi(3770)$ , and  
 $4 \text{ GeV} < \sqrt{s} < 4.6 \text{ GeV}$**

- Main Drift Chamber (MDC)
  - $\sigma(p)/p = 0.5\%$
  - $\sigma_{dE/dx} = 6.0\%$
- Time-of-flight system (TOF)
  - $\sigma(t) = 90\text{ps}$  (barrel)
  - $\sigma(t) = 110\text{ps}$  (endcap)
- EMC
  - 6240 CsI(Tl) crystals
  - $\sigma(E)/E = 2.5\%$
  - $\sigma_{z,\phi}(E) = 0.5 - 0.7 \text{ cm}$
- Muon Chambers
  - 8 – 9 layers of RPC
  - $p > 400 \text{ MeV}/c$
  - $\delta R\Phi = 1.4 \sim 1.7 \text{ cm}$
- Superconducting Magnet
  - 1 T magnetic field

# Analysis Example: $\pi^0 / \eta$

## Data

- $\Psi(3770)$  on-peak, available:  $2.92 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

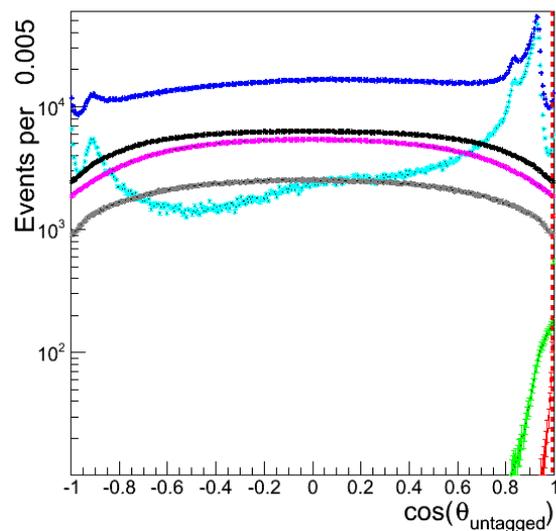
## Event Selection:

- exactly one lepton candidate
- At least two, max four photons

## Single-Tag Condition

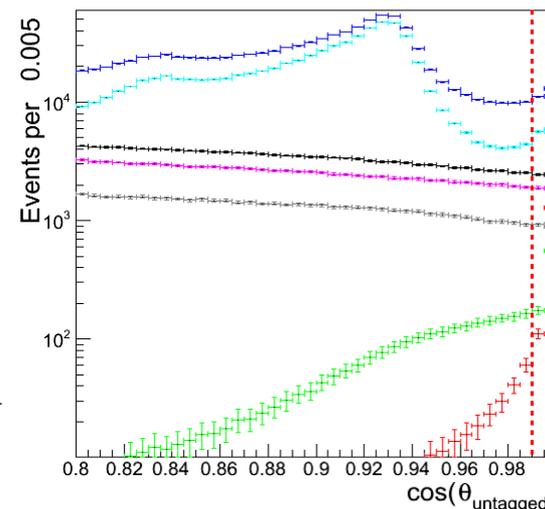
- Reconstruct untagged lepton from missing four-momentum
- Require small scattering angle  $\longrightarrow$  small virtuality

Example: Monte Carlo,  $\Psi(3770)$ ,  $L_{\text{int}} : 927 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ , Tagged Lepton:  $e^-$



- $\pi^0$  2-Octet Model
- $\eta$  2-Octet Model
- $q\bar{q}$  continuum
- $\Psi(3770)$
- Rad. Return ( $J/\Psi, \Psi'$ )
- rad. Bhabha
- MC Sum

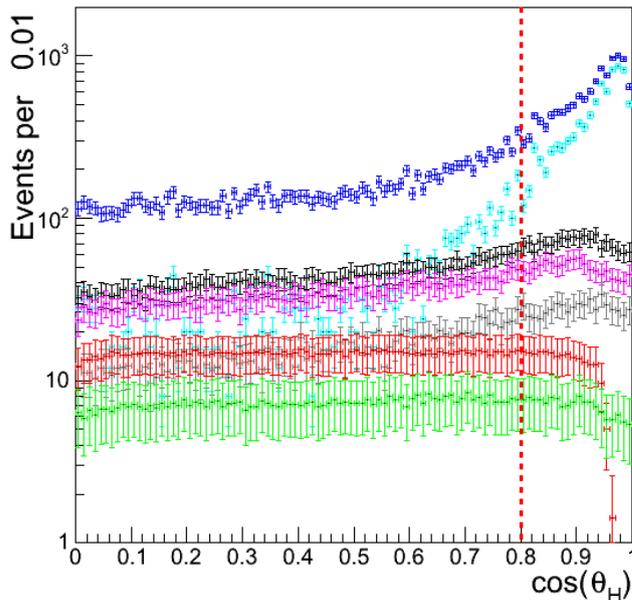
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## Helicity Condition for $\pi^0$

- Angle between  $\gamma$  in  $\pi^0$  rest frame and  $\pi^0$  in lab
- Flat for signal
- Peaked for background
- Reject events with  $\cos(\theta_H) > 0.8$

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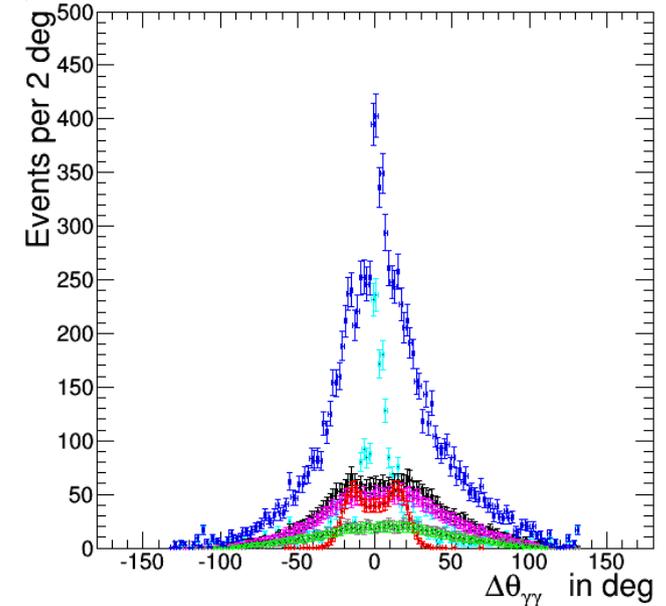
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## Polar angle difference of $\gamma$ pair

- Strongly peaked for QED background
- Flat for hadronic background
- Dip for signal
- Reject events with  $|\Delta\theta_{\gamma\gamma}| < 1.5^\circ$

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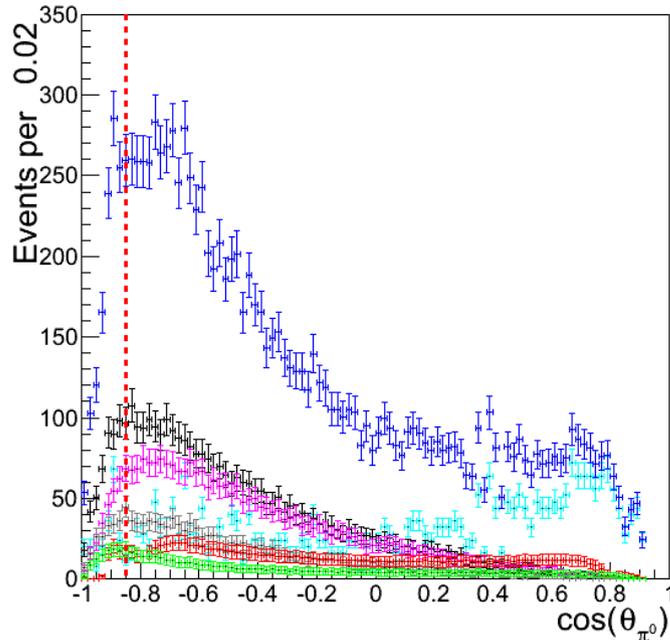


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## Polar angle of $\pi^0$

- Background enhanced at large  $\cos(\theta_\pi)$
- Signal almost evenly distributed
- Reject events with  $\cos(\theta_\pi) \cdot q_{\text{tagged}} > 0.8$

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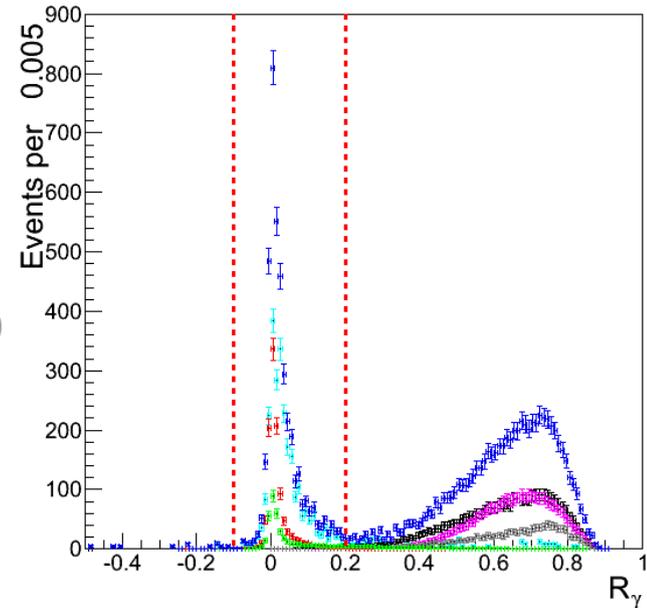
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- Data/MC difference
- QED background reduced

## Condition on ISR

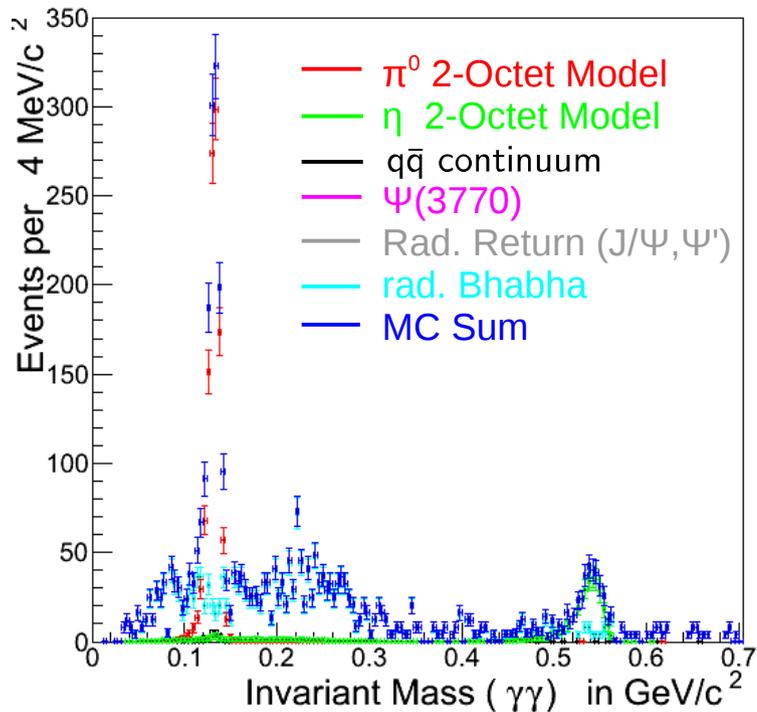
- ISR results in wrong  $Q^2$
- Useful observable:  $r_y = \frac{\sqrt{s} - E_{e^\pm \pi^0 \eta}^{\text{CMS}} - p_{e^\pm \pi^0 \eta}^{\text{CMS}}}{\sqrt{s}}$
- If ISR,  $r_y = \frac{2 E_\gamma}{\sqrt{s}}$
- Reject events with  $r_y < -0.1$  and  $r_y > 0.2$

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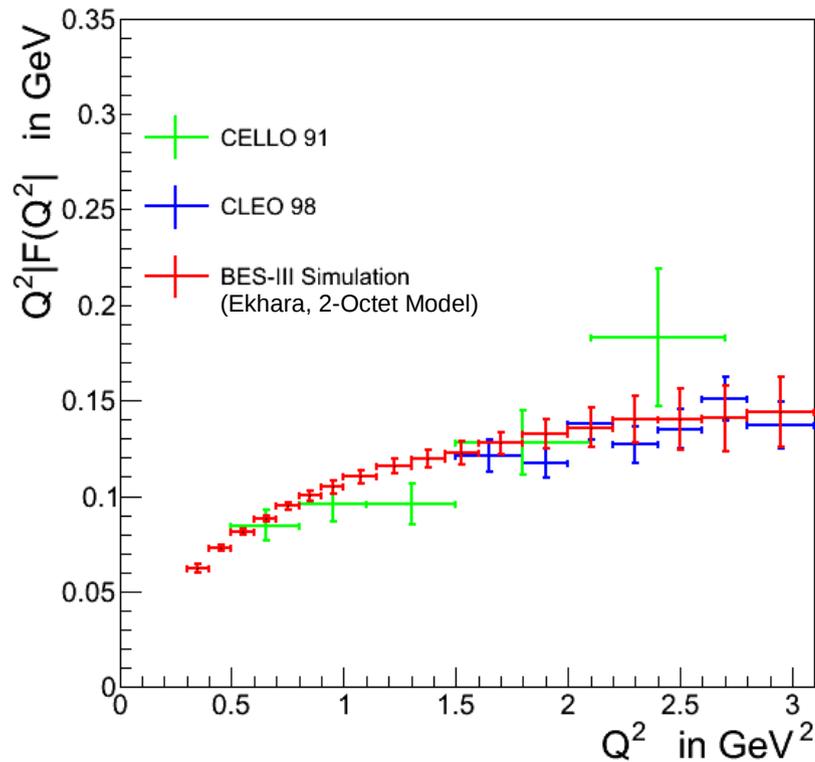
- Hadronic background almost completely removed

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- Clear signals from  $\pi^0 / \eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Data: Background underestimated
  - Use better MC generators

- Study differential cross section  $d\sigma/dQ^2$
- Bin wise back ground subtraction
- Statistics from  $\Psi(3770)$  data only sufficient for  $\pi^0$  TFF up to  $Q^2 = 3 \text{ GeV}^2$



- Full Simulation
  - $L_{\text{int}}: 2.92 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - Single Tag with both,  $e^\pm$
- Extract TFF for  $0.3 \leq Q^2[\text{GeV}^2] \leq 3.1$
- Expected statistical precision:
  - Unprecedented below  $Q^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ 
    - Important for  $(g-2)_\mu$
  - Compatible with CLEO

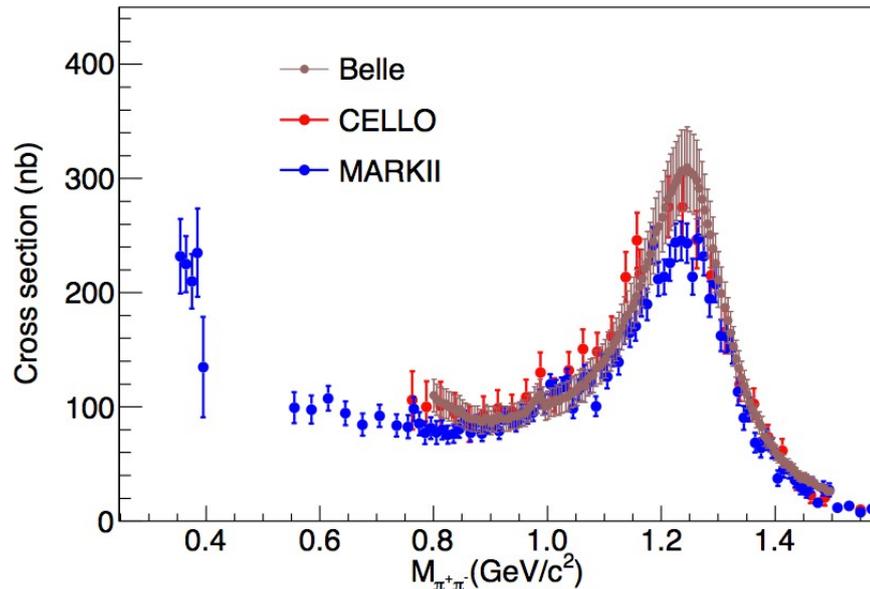
Next steps:

- Finalize systematic studies
  - Largest contribution expected from background subtraction
- Other final states

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  - Resonance parameters
  - Pion polarizabilities, pion structure
  - Dispersive framework developed
  - Rescattering effects in low mass region
- Only untagged measurements so far

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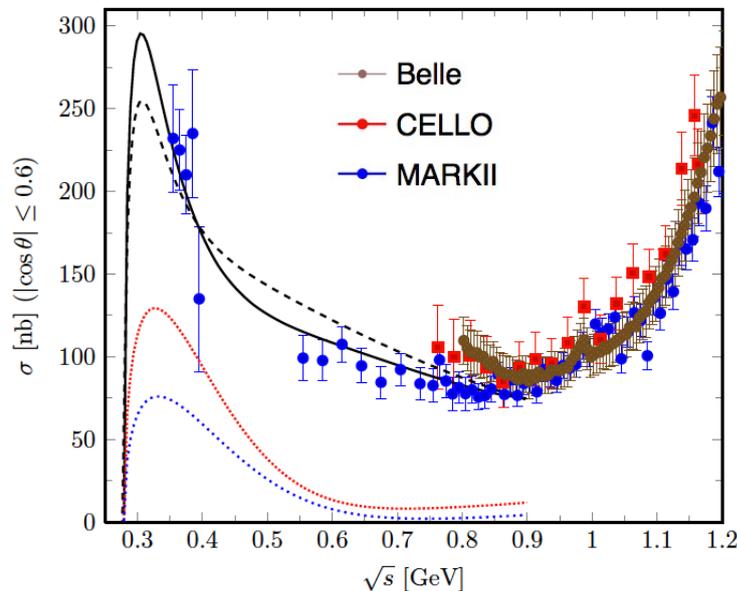


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Calculations by Assmussen,  
Masjuan, and Vanderhaegen:

**Untagged**

**Single-Tag** ( $Q_1^2 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

**Double-Tag** ( $Q_1^2 = Q_2^2 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

# Analysis Example: $\pi^+\pi^-$

- At BESIII: Single-Tag measurement

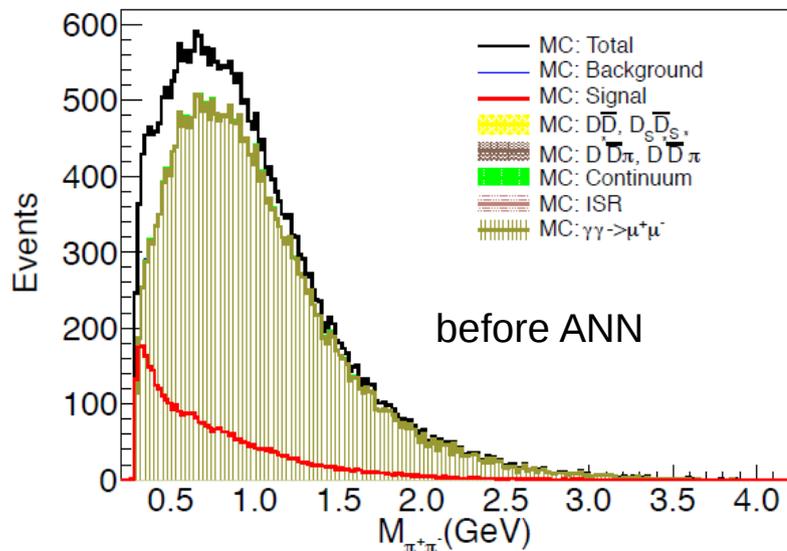
- Using  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , collected at  $\sqrt{s} = 4360 \text{ MeV}$
- Event selection analogous to single pseudoscalar analysis

- Major Backgrounds:

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  (s + t channel)

- $\gamma\gamma^{(*)} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

- Use ANN to suppress muon background:  $S/B \approx 1/6 \rightarrow S/B \approx 3/1$



- Expectations:

- About 9000 events at  $\sqrt{s} = 4360 \text{ MeV}$

- Access to:

- low momentum transfers  $0.2 < Q^2 [\text{GeV}^2] < 2.0$
    - low invariant masses  $m_{\pi^+\pi^-} < M [\text{GeV}] < 2.0$

# Tagging Techniques

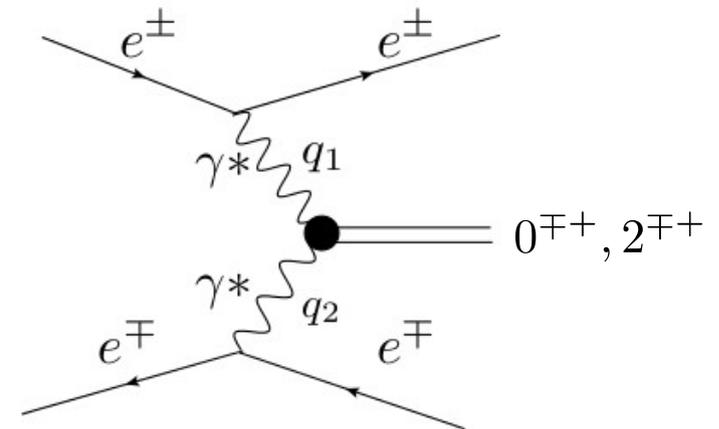
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  - Two large virtualities
  - $F(q_1^2, q_2^2)$

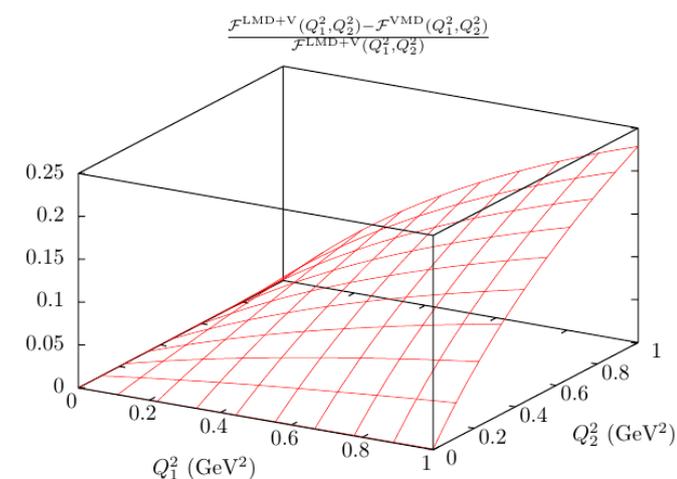


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- Outlook:
  - Plans for BESIII
    - More than  $7.7\text{fb}^{-1}$  on disk at  $3.77 < \sqrt{s} [\text{GeV}] < 4.6$
    - Double-tag measurements possible
      - Test TFF models
      - Test polarization in  $\gamma\gamma$  production
  - Equip BESIII with tagging detectors



Calculations: A. Nyffeler

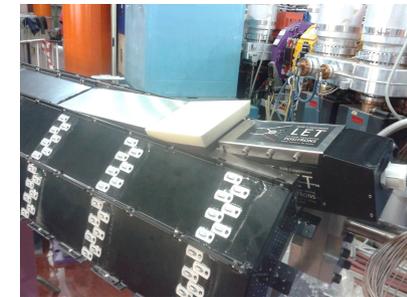
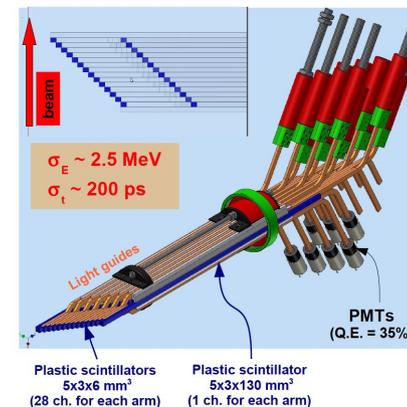
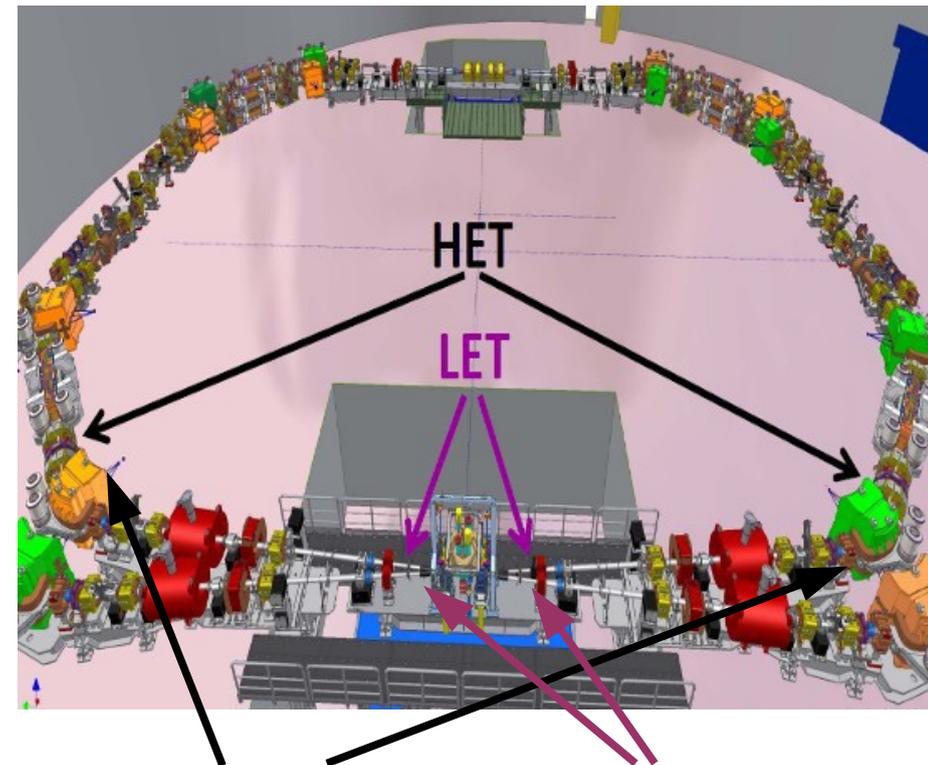
# KLOE-2 Tagger

## ■ Low Energy Tagger

- 2 x 40 LYSO Crystals
- 1.5 m from the IP
- $150 < E_{e^\pm} [MeV] < 350$
- $\sigma(E)/E < 10\%$

## ■ High Energy Tagger

- Scintillator hodoscope
- 11m from the IP
- DAPHNE dipole as spectrometer
- $420 < E_{e^\pm} [MeV] < 495$



## ■ Radiative Width of $\pi^0$

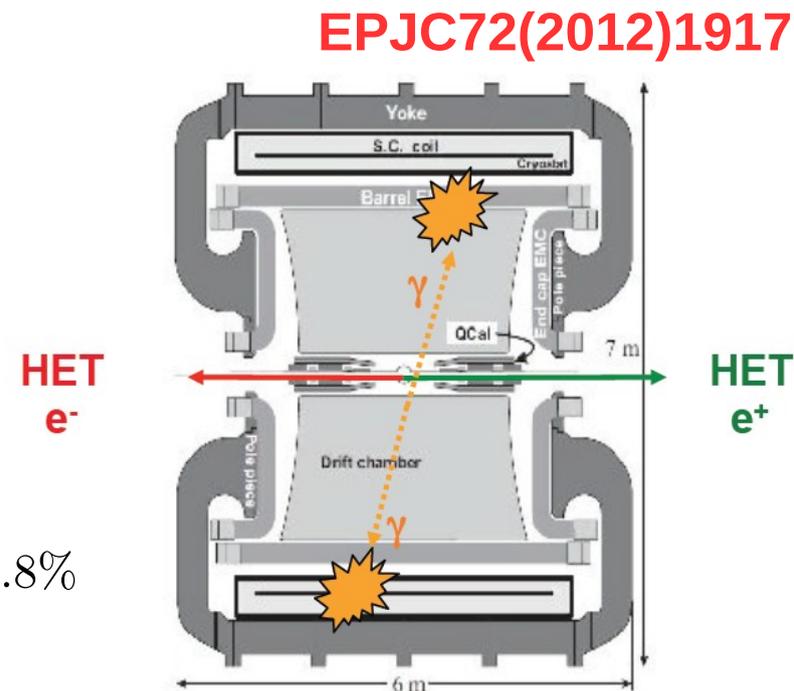
- Both leptons in HET → untagged configuration
  - $Q^2 < 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}^2$
  - 2000 events/fb<sup>-1</sup> expected
  - with  $L_{\text{int}} = 5\text{fb}$  :  $\delta\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \approx 1\%$  achievable

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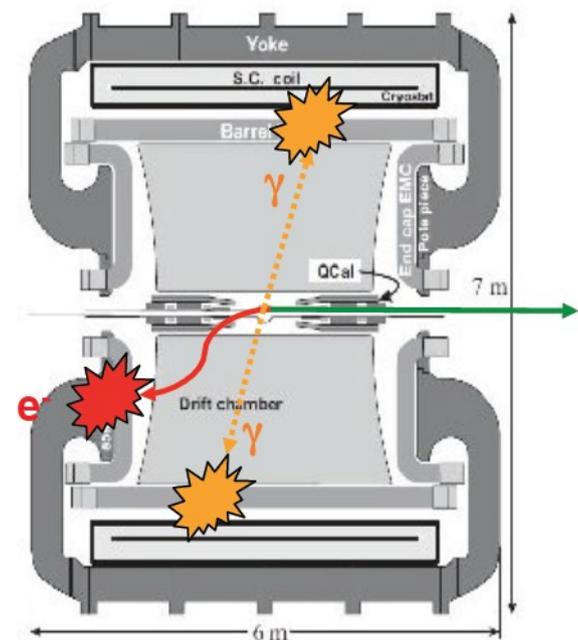
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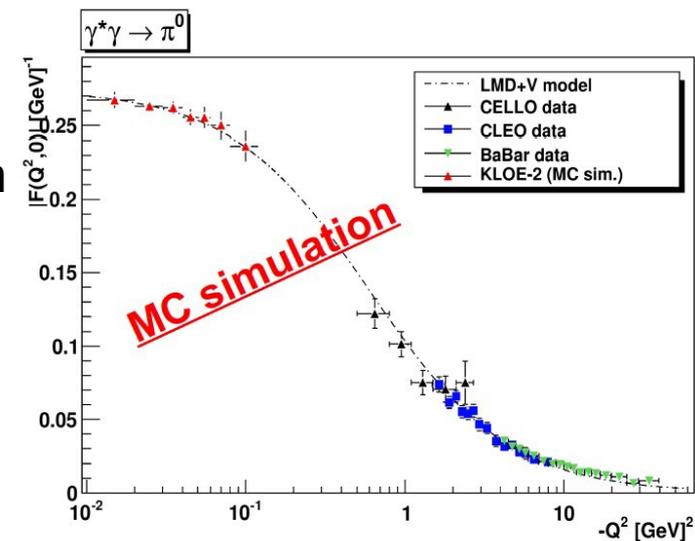
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# Summary

- $\gamma\gamma$  physics at  $e^+e^-$  colliders provides access to
  - radiative width
  - (space-like) transition form factors
- Kinematics limit feasibility
- Successfully performed at various facilities (Babar, Belle, KLOE, BESIII,....)
- Fascinating prospects from dedicated exp. Programs (KLOE-2, BESIII,....)
- Provide valuable input to hadronic Light-by-Light scattering calculations