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Search for Baryogenesis and Dark Matter in B-meson decays at BABAR

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Outline

- B mesogenesis:
 - Baryogenesis and Dark Matter from B Mesons
- Experimental signals at colliders
- The Babar experiment and dataset
- The $B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D \Lambda$ and $B^+ \rightarrow \psi_D p$ analyses
- Results and interpretation
- Conclusion and perspectives

Standard Model Incompleteness

- Dark Matter
- Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe (BAU)
- Origins of neutrino mass
- Existence of Dark Energy
- Fine tuning requirements (e.g. Higgs mass)
- Gravity at the quantum scale

Standard Model Incompleteness

- Dark Matter
- Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe (BAU)

[Zwicky, AcHPhys 6 \(1933\)](#); et seq

- Dark matter existence well established from astrophysical evidence, but its nature is unknown

- Baryogenesis is required to generate the BAU

$$\eta = \frac{N_B}{N_\gamma} \approx \frac{N_B - N_{\bar{B}}}{N_B + N_{\bar{B}}}$$

- Sakharov conditions: [Sakharov, A D, JETP 5 \(1967\) 24](#)

[Canetti et al., NJOP 14 \(2012\) 095012](#)

- Baryon number violation
- C and CP violation
- Deviation from thermal equilibrium

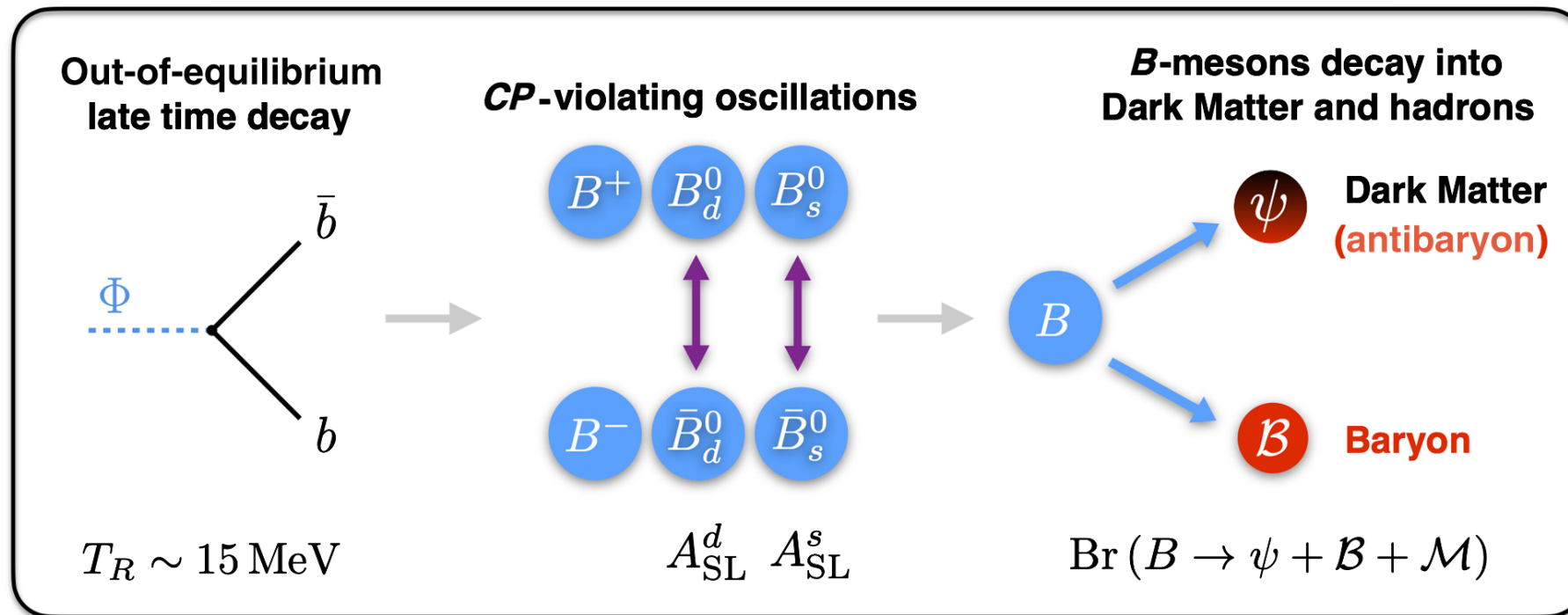
SM measured parameters are quantitatively insufficient to explain the level of BAU

Baryogenesis and Dark Matter from B Mesons: B Mesogenesis

[Elor, Escudero, Nelson, PRD 99 \(2019\) 035031](#)

- **New concept:**
 - There exist non-SM dark baryons and anti-baryons
 - Baryon number conservation counts both SM and dark (anti)baryons
 - B meson can decay as $B \rightarrow \mathcal{B} + \psi_D + \mathcal{M}$
 - SM baryon \mathcal{B} + neutral dark anti-baryon ψ_D + additional mesons \mathcal{M}
- CP violation from $B^0 - \bar{B}^0$ oscillations generates a matter-antimatter asymmetry, which can originate from SM or BSM processes
- B^0 decays into baryons slightly dominate over \bar{B}^0 decays into anti-baryons
 - Yields net excess of baryons in the visible sector and excess anti-baryons in the dark sector
- **Baryon number in the whole universe is conserved, but a net excess is present in the visible sector**

Baryogenesis and Dark Matter from B Mesons: B Mesogenesis



- “The produced baryon asymmetry will be directly related to the leptonic charge asymmetry in neutral B decays: an experimental observable: A_{SL}^q ”
- Dark matter is stabilized by an unbroken discrete symmetry, and proton decay is simply evaded by kinematics”

[Alonso-Alvarez, Elorand, Escudero, PRD 104, \(2021\) 035028](#)

Experimental signatures

Collider Signals of Baryogenesis and Dark Matter from B Mesons (*B Mesogenesis*)

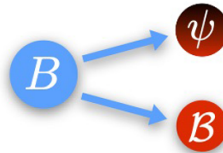
Direct Signals

Semileptonic asymmetry:

$$A_{SL}^q > 10^{-4}$$

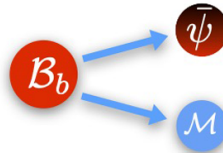
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New *B*-meson decay:



BABAR
Belle
Belle II
LHCb

New *b* baryon decay:



LHCb
ATLAS??
CMS??

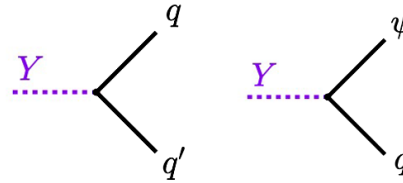
Indirect Signals

*B*⁰-meson CPV and oscillation observables:

$$\phi_{12}^{d,s} \quad \Delta M_{d,s} \quad \Delta \Gamma_{d,s}$$

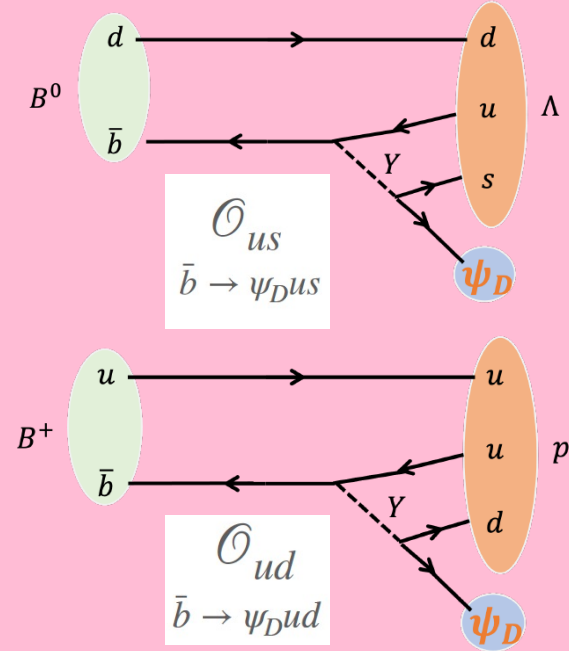
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New TeV-scale color-triplet scalar, *Y*



ATLAS
CMS

B-Meson Decays:



$$\mathcal{O}_{us} \\ \bar{b} \rightarrow \psi_D us$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{ud} \\ \bar{b} \rightarrow \psi_D ud$$

Testable at B factories:

Kinematic constraints

$$\rightarrow 0.94 < M(\psi_D) < 4.34 \text{ GeV}$$

$$B^+ \rightarrow \psi_D + p \quad B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D + \Lambda$$

$$B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D + \pi^- + \Lambda_c^+$$

Interpret limits as constraints on operators

$$\mathcal{O}_{us}^1 = (\psi_D b)(us)$$

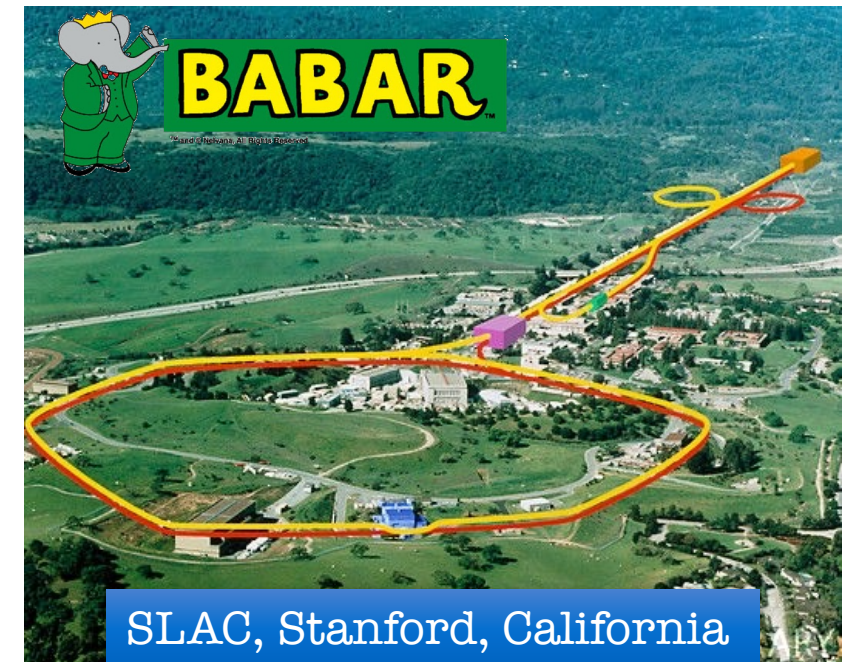
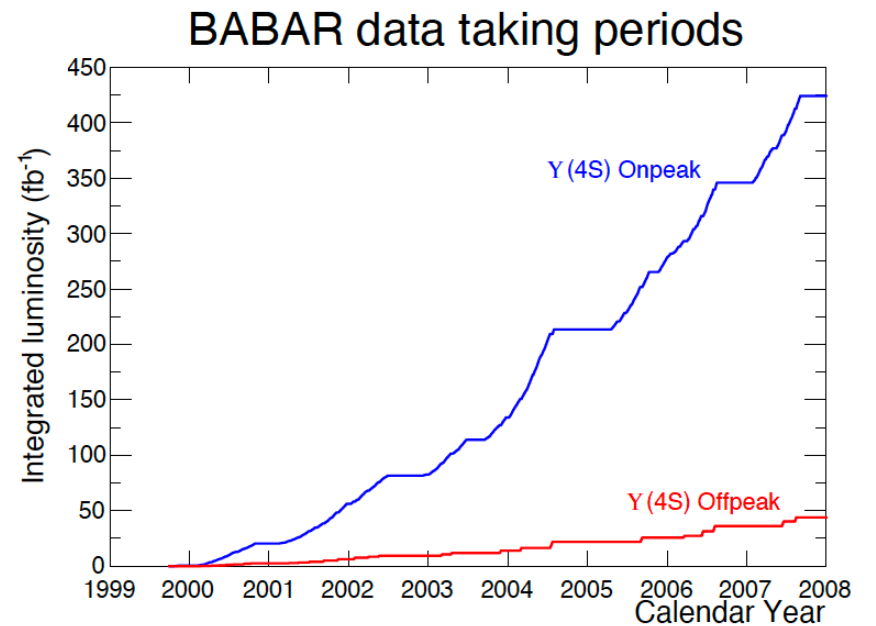
$$\mathcal{O}_{us}^2 = (\psi_D s)(ub)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{us}^3 = (\psi_D u)(sb)$$

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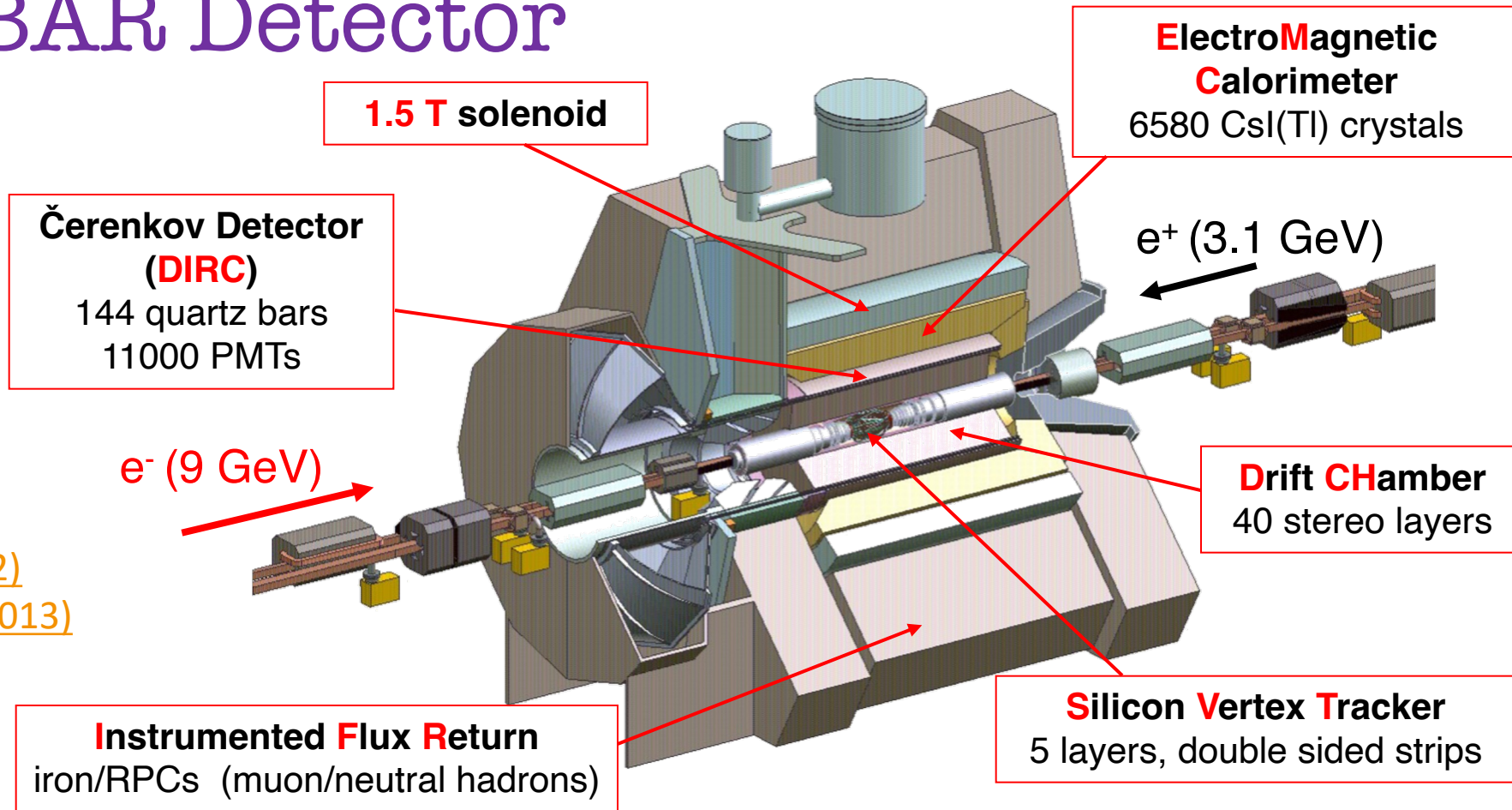
BABAR @ PEP II

- Running from 1999 to 2008
- Asymmetric collider @ $\sqrt{s} = 10.58$ GeV at the Y(4S) resonance
 - 9 GeV electrons on 3 GeV positrons
- Result based on 398.5 fb^{-1}
 - $4.4 \times 10^8 B\bar{B}$
- Additional 32.5 fb^{-1} used as control and analysis strategy optimization sample (excluded from final results)



BABAR Detector

[NIM A479,1 \(2002\)](#)
[NIM A729, 615 \(2013\)](#)



- SVT:** 97% efficiency, 15 μm z hit resolution (inner layers, \perp tracks)
- SVT+DCH:** $\sigma(p_T)/p_T = 0.13 \% \times p_T \text{ (GeV)} + 0.45 \%$
- DIRC:** K- π separation 4.2σ @ 3.0 GeV/c \rightarrow $>3.0\sigma$ @ 4.0 GeV/c
- EMC:** $\sigma_E/E = 2.3 \% \times E(\text{GeV})^{-1/4} \oplus 1.9 \%$

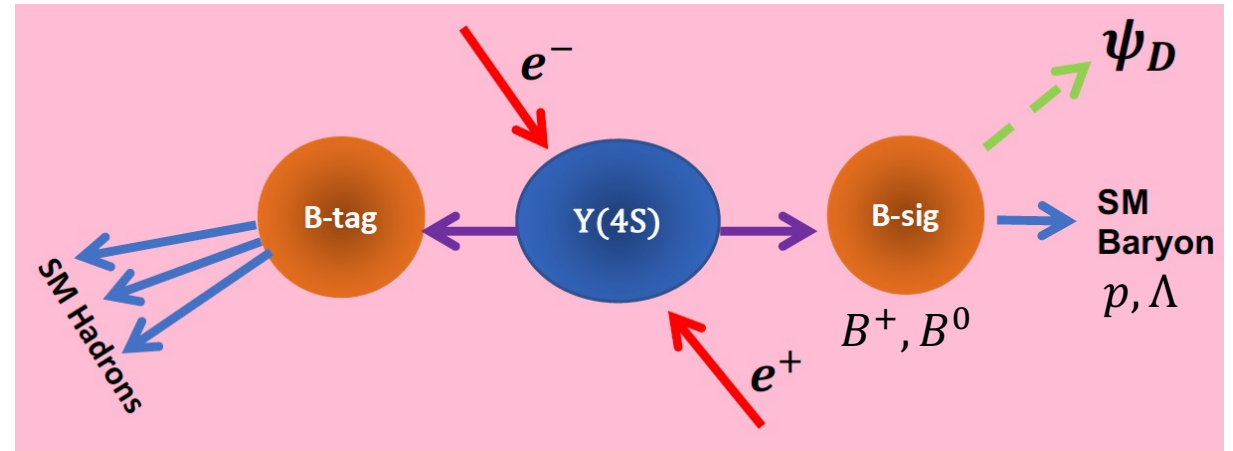
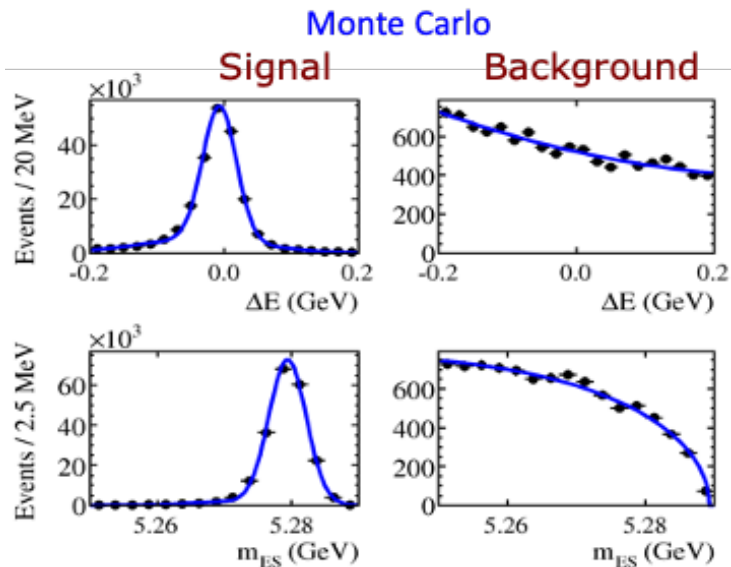


The $B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D \Lambda$ and $B^+ \rightarrow \psi_D p$ analyses

[PRD 107 \(2023\) 092001](#)

[PRL 131 \(2023\) 201801](#)

- Hadronic recoil tagging method used to reconstruct event
 - B-tag = Fully reconstructed Standard Model decay mode
 - B-sig = Potential for signal, search here for missing mass
- Constraint on B-tag:
 - $-200\text{MeV} < \Delta E < 200\text{MeV}$
 - $5.2\text{GeV} < m_{ES} < 5.3\text{GeV}$



$$m_{ES} = \sqrt{E_{beam}^{*2} - \vec{p}_{Btag}^{*2}}$$

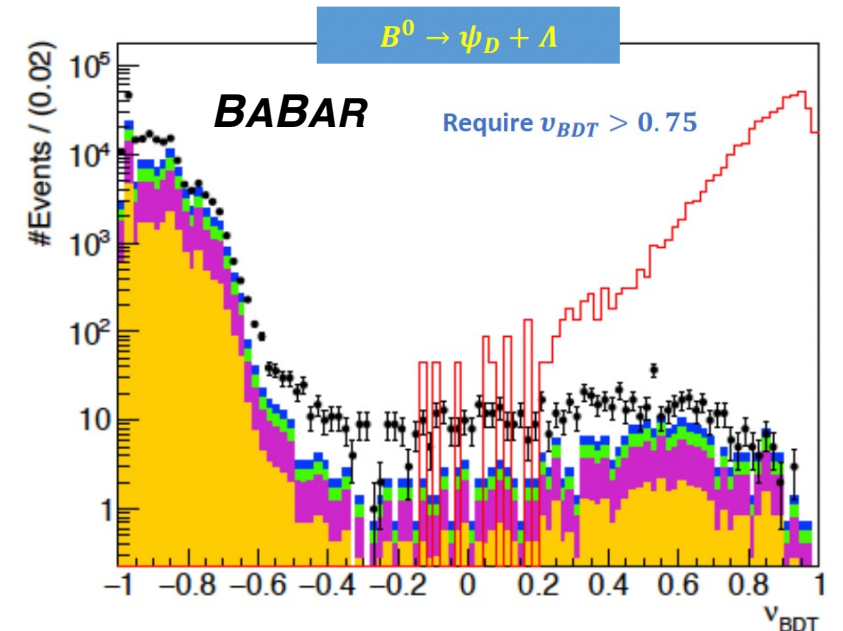
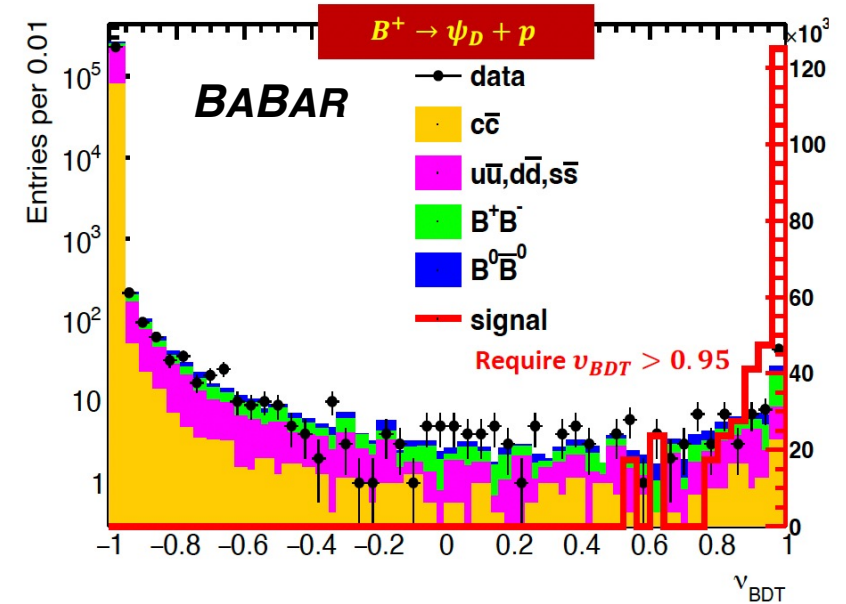
Beam-energy-substituted mass

$$\Delta E = E_{beam}^* - E_{Btag}^*$$

CMS beam energy minus reconstructed B-tag energy

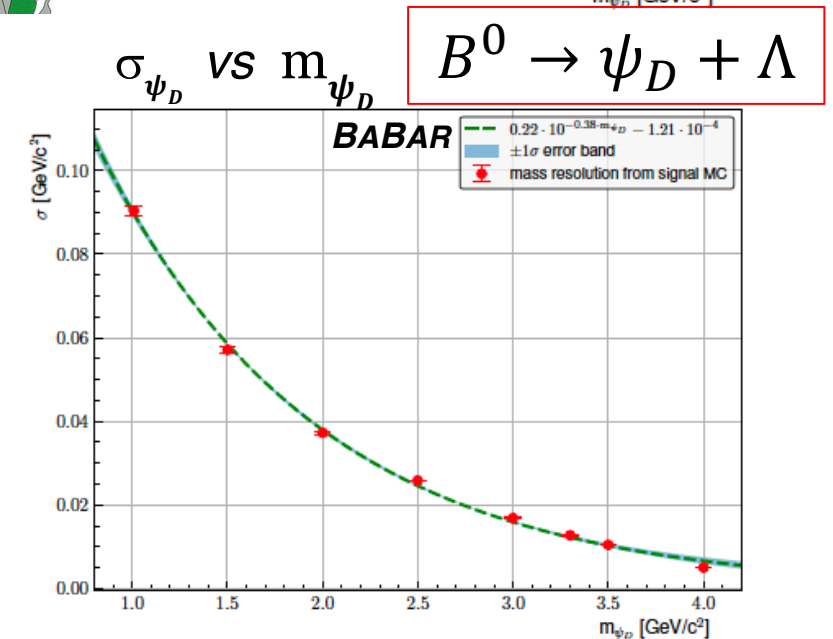
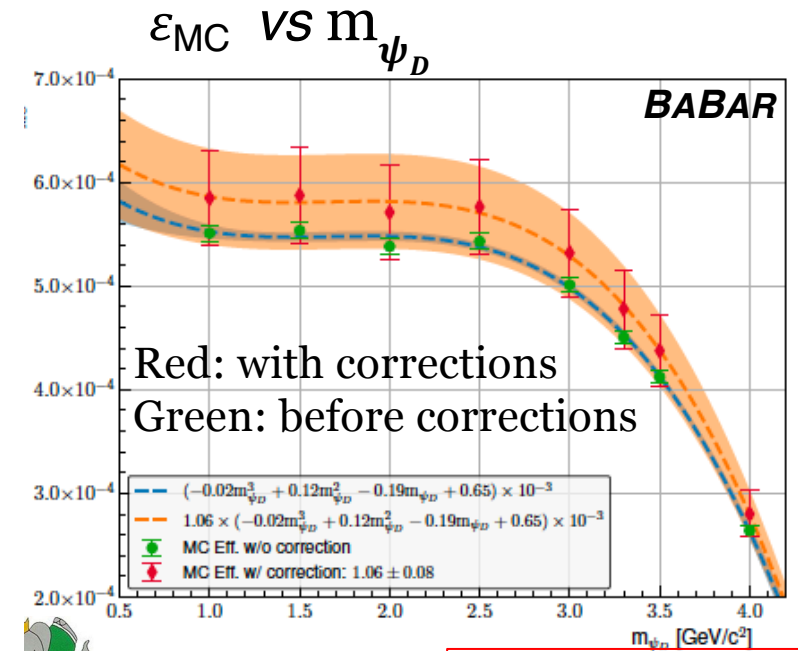
Selection criteria

- For the p channel:
 - BABAR proton PID can be used to identify proton candidate;
 - B-sig must have + charge and only one charged particle
- For the Λ channel:
 - two charged tracks required on the signal side;
 - one Λ candidate in the B-sig, with $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$;
 - significance of the Λ decay length
 - (flight length)/ $\sigma > 1.0$
 - kinematic fit of Λ reconstruction: $\chi^2 \leq 100$
- For both channels:
 - Optimization against background with Boosted Decision Tree
 - Using kinematical and event shape variables



Extraction of results

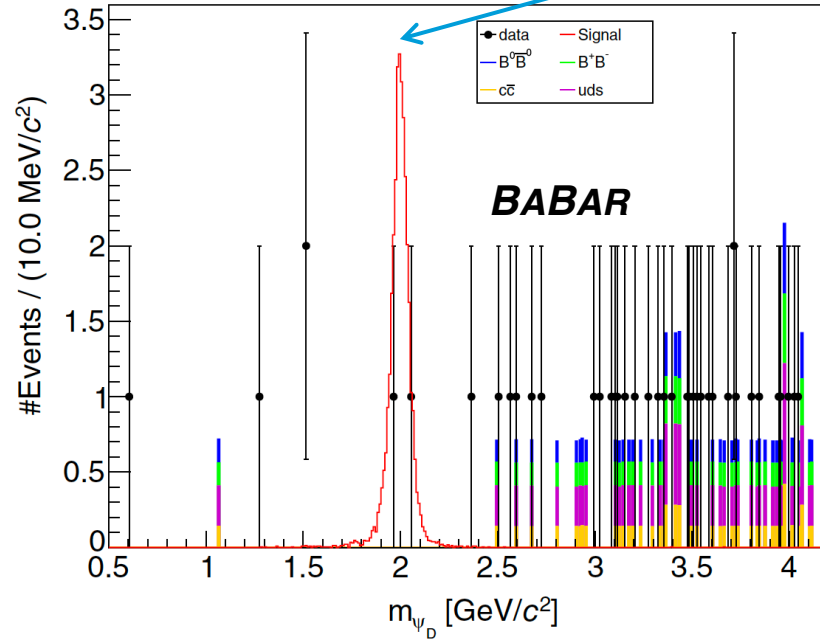
- Montecarlo
 - Standard model background (BB and continuum)
 - Signal generated with ψ_D mass varying between 1 and 4.2 GeV
 - Extract efficiency and resolution from fits to signal MC
- Estimate signal and backgrounds in data from MC study with corrections to MC from data-driven studies
- Count events in a $\pm 3\sigma_m$ window around the m_{ψ_D} mass hypothesis.



$$m_{\psi_D} = m_{\text{miss}} = \sqrt{(E_{B_{\text{sig}}}^* - E_{p/\Lambda}^*)^2 - (\vec{p}_{B_{\text{sig}}}^* - \vec{p}_{p/\Lambda}^*)^2}$$

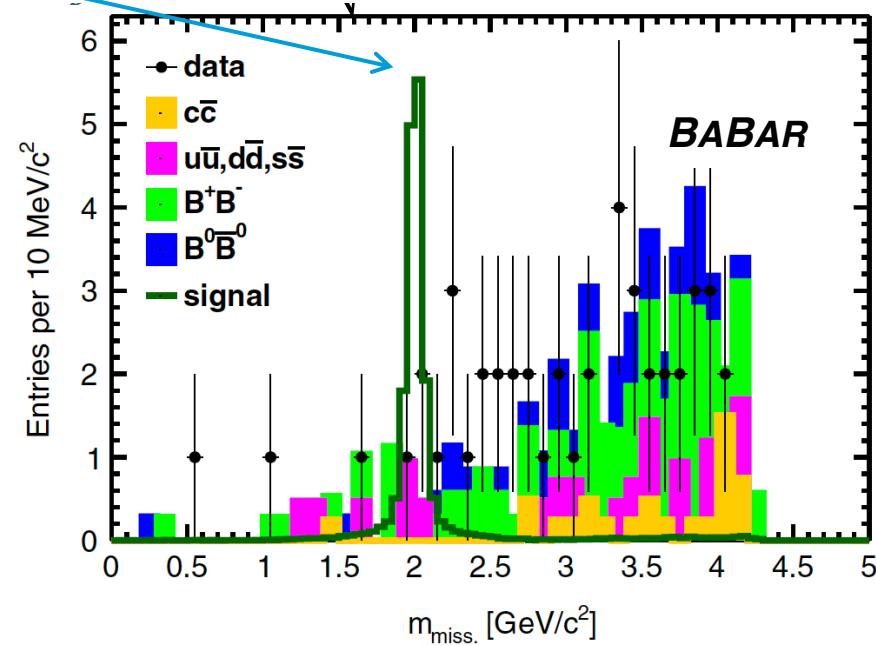
Extraction of final results

Simulated signal sample for $m_{\psi_D} = 2\text{GeV}$



41 events survive in data

2.3 σ at 3.7 GeV: largest local significance
 \Rightarrow a 0.4 σ global significance



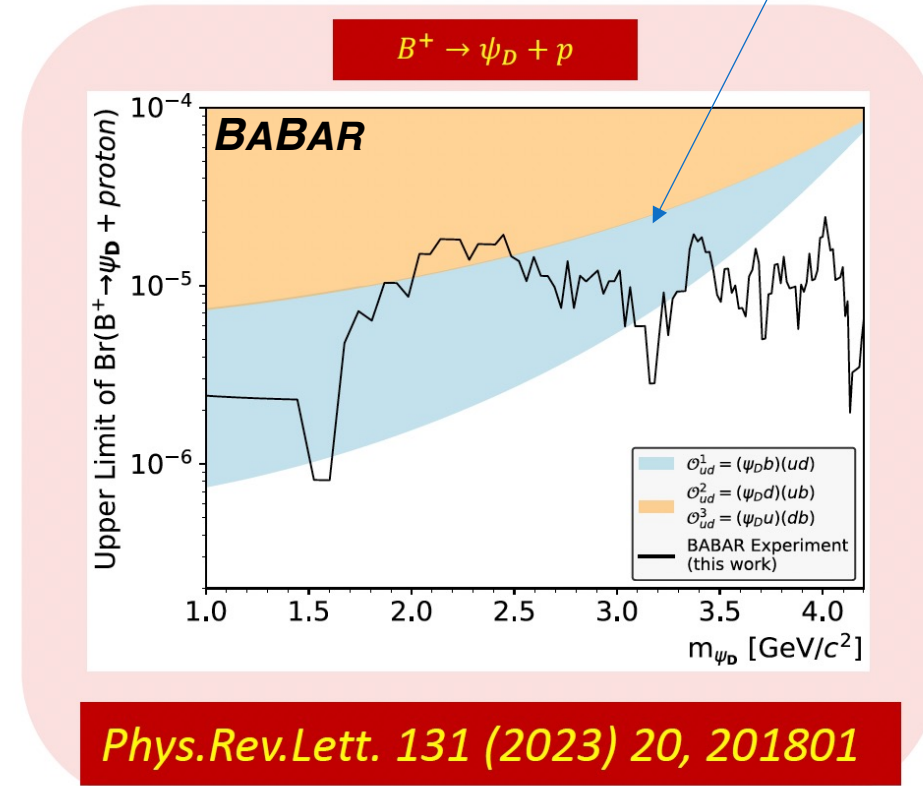
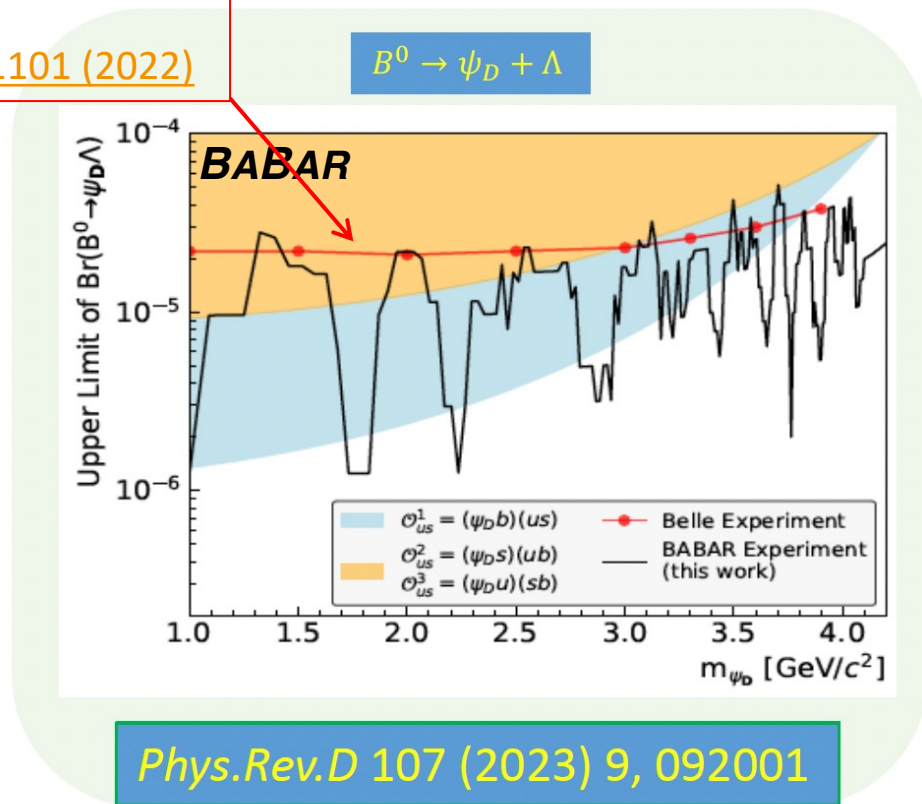
46 events survive in data

3.5 σ at 3.3 GeV: largest local significance
 \Rightarrow a 1 σ global significance

Final results on B.F.

Limits on effective operators to allow B mesogenesis

BELLE Result
PRD 105, L051101 (2022)

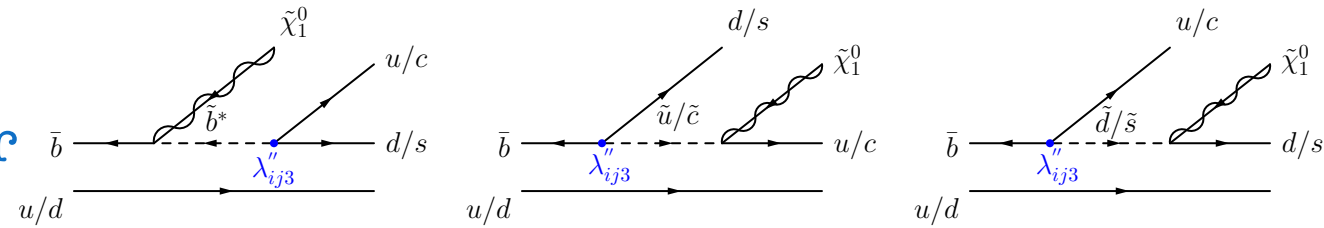


World-leading result for $B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D + \Lambda$ improving on Belle result and further constraining models

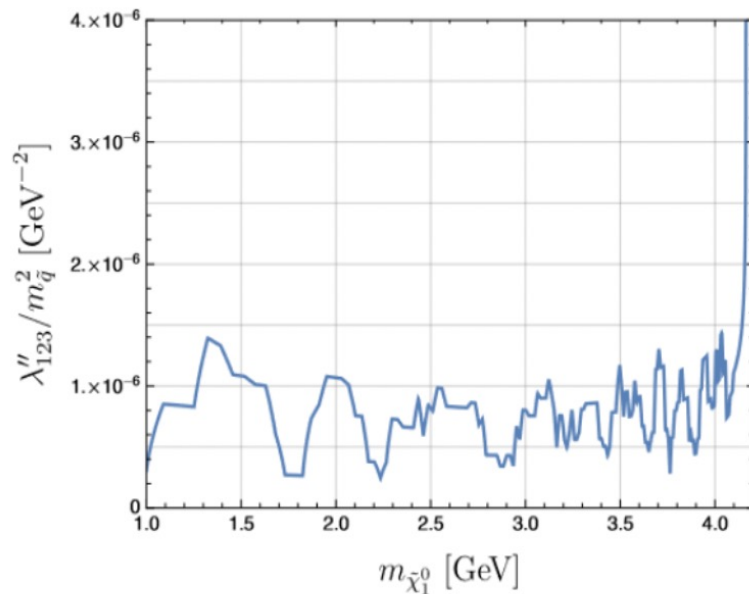
First direct search for $B^+ \rightarrow \psi_D + p$ places tight constraints on the specified model of Dark Matter + Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe

Interpretation for SUSY with R-parity violation

- Neutralino and baryon
- First limits for this SUSY model for both channels

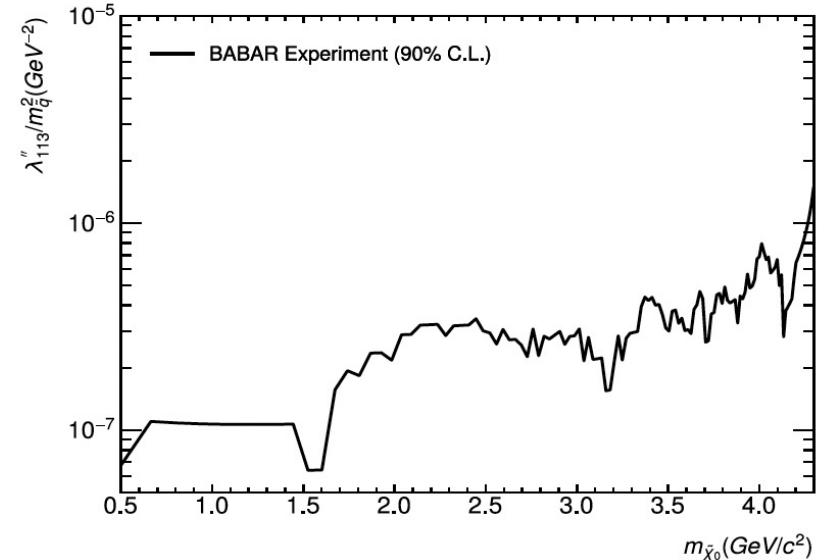


$$B^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0 + A$$



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$$B^+ \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0 + p$$



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Conclusions and next steps

- BABAR Published in 2023 limits on
 - $B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D \Lambda$ - [PRD 107 \(2023\) 092001](#): improving Belle result
 - $B^+ \rightarrow \psi_D p$ - [PRL 131 \(2023\) 201801](#): first measurement
- B-Mesogenesis parameter space vastly reduced, almost excluded for some operators
- Must explore additional operators to fully exclude this B-Mesogenesis model
- Expect results from Belle II high luminosity running
- Coming soon from BABAR: $B^0 \rightarrow \psi_D + \pi^- + \Lambda_c^+$
- Still producing results after all these years

