

Recent Results on Meson Decays from A2

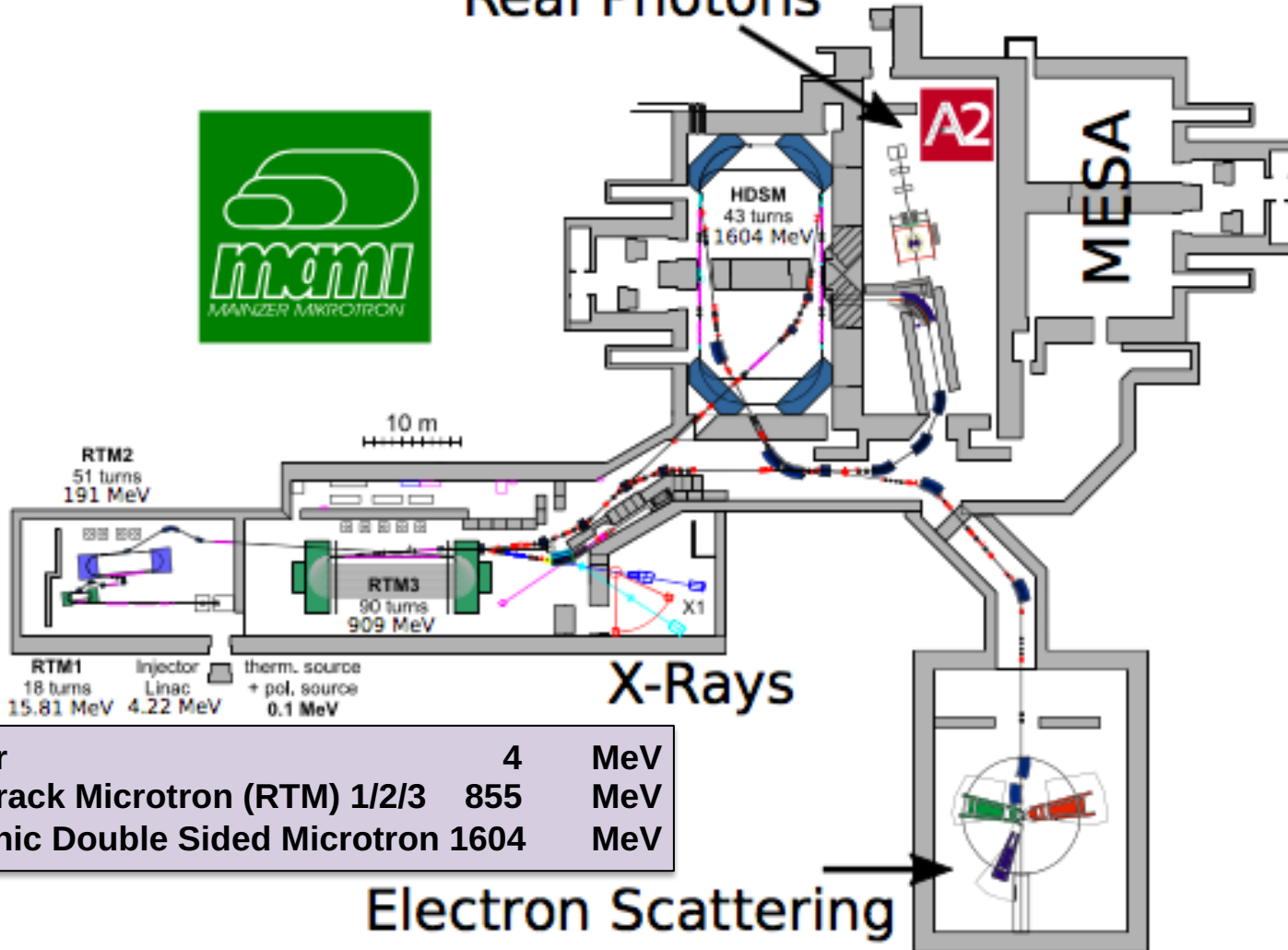
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on behalf of the A2 collaboration at MAMI

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Experiments at MAMI

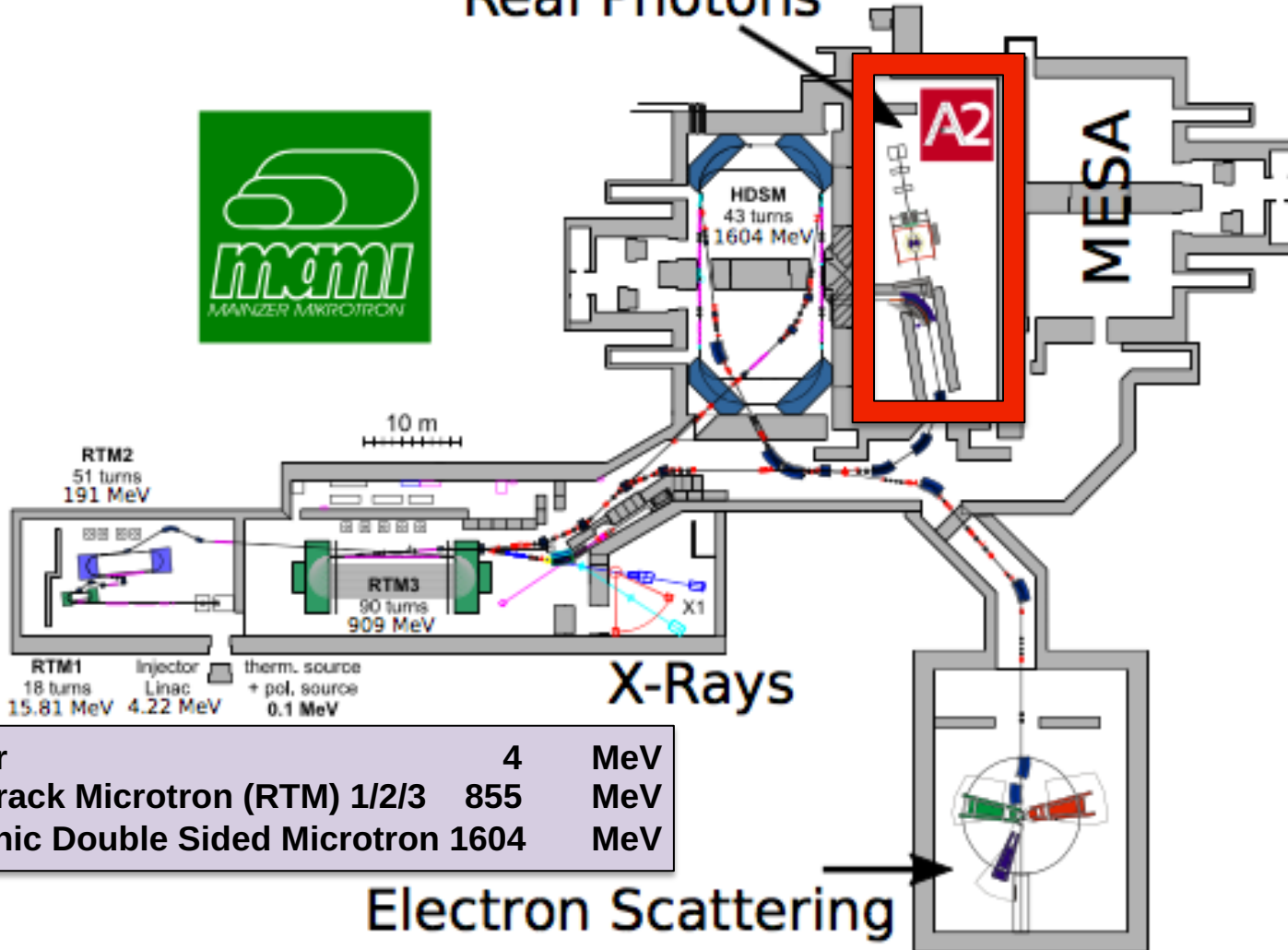
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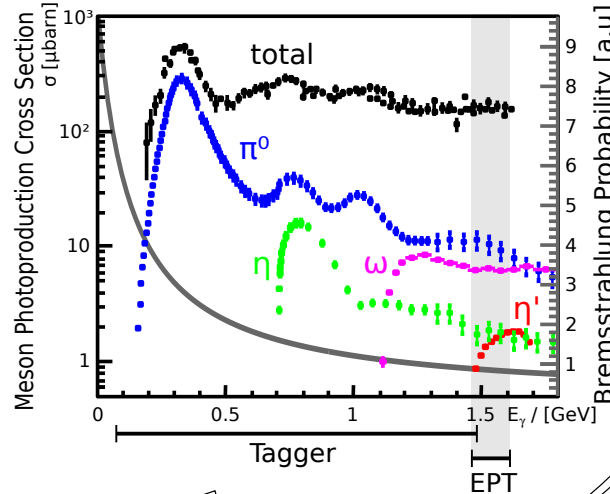
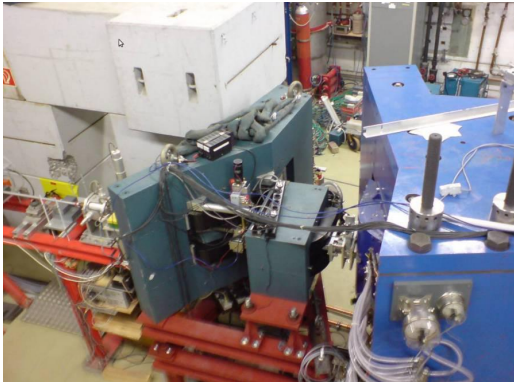
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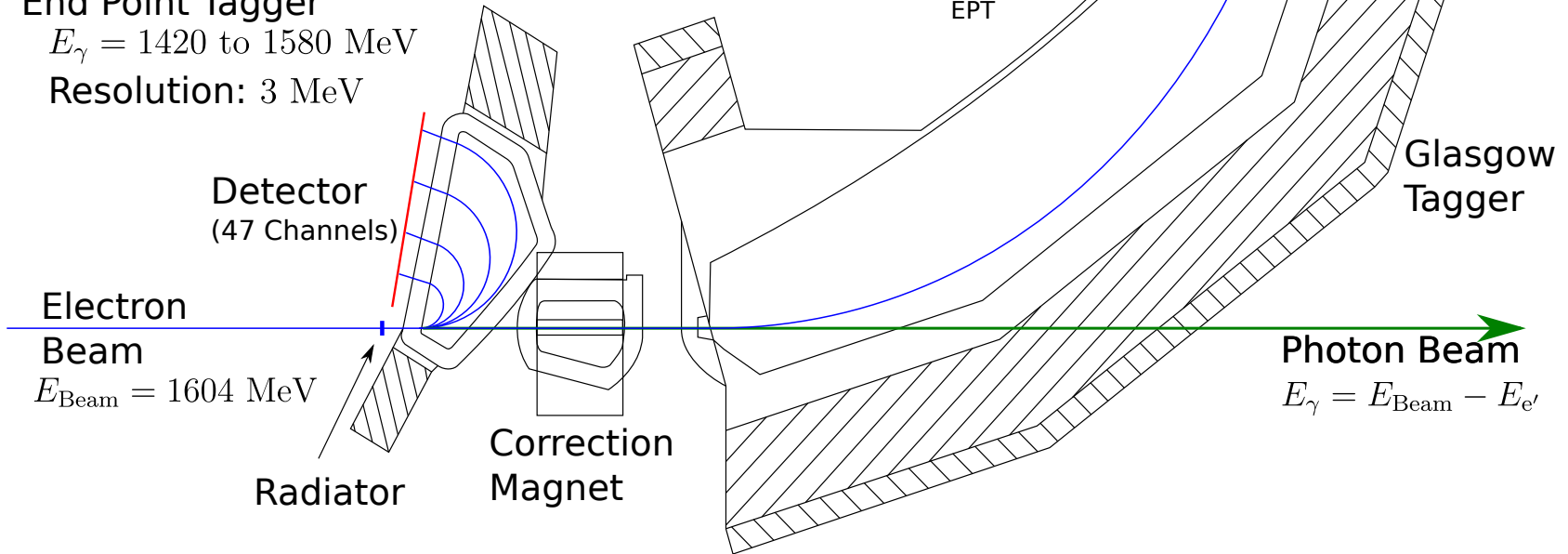
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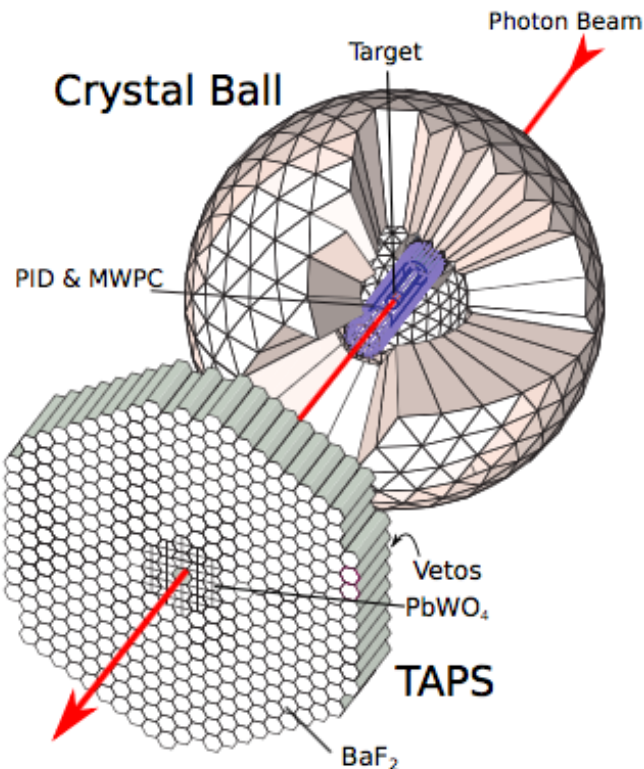
End Point Tagger

$E_\gamma = 1420$ to 1580 MeV

Resolution: 3 MeV



Exp setup CB-TAPS



Typical LH₂ target length 5 or 10 cm

CB – TAPS - 4π detector

Central Part

CB - 672 NaI(Tl) crystals
PID - 24 plastic scintillators

Forward Part

TAPS - 366 BaF₂, 72 PbWO₄ crystals
Veto - 384 plastic scintillators

$$\Delta E / E = 2 \% / (E[\text{GeV}])^{0.36} \quad (\text{CB})$$

$$\Delta E / E = 1.8 \% + 0.8\% / (E[\text{GeV}])^{0.5} \quad (\text{TAPS})$$

$(g-2)_\mu$ HLbL contribution

a_μ^{hadr}

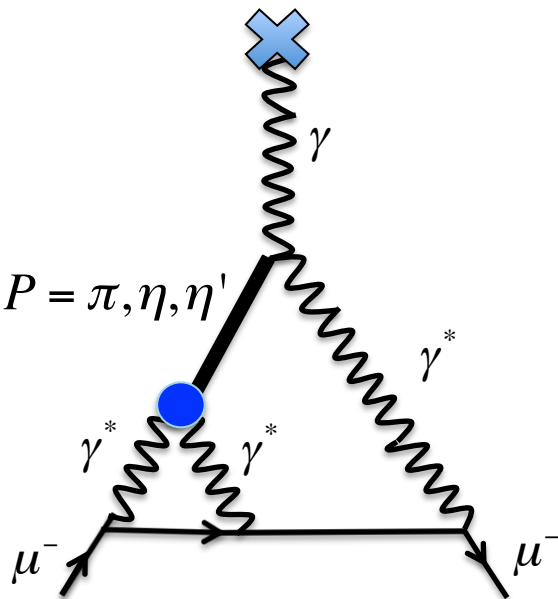
$$(692.3 \pm 4.2) \cdot 10^{-10} +$$

$$(10.5 \pm 2.6) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

J. Prades, E. de Rafael, A. Vainshtein, arXiv:0901.0306

$$(11.6 \pm 3.9) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

F. Jegerlehner and A. Nyffeler, Phys. Rept. 477, 1 (2009)



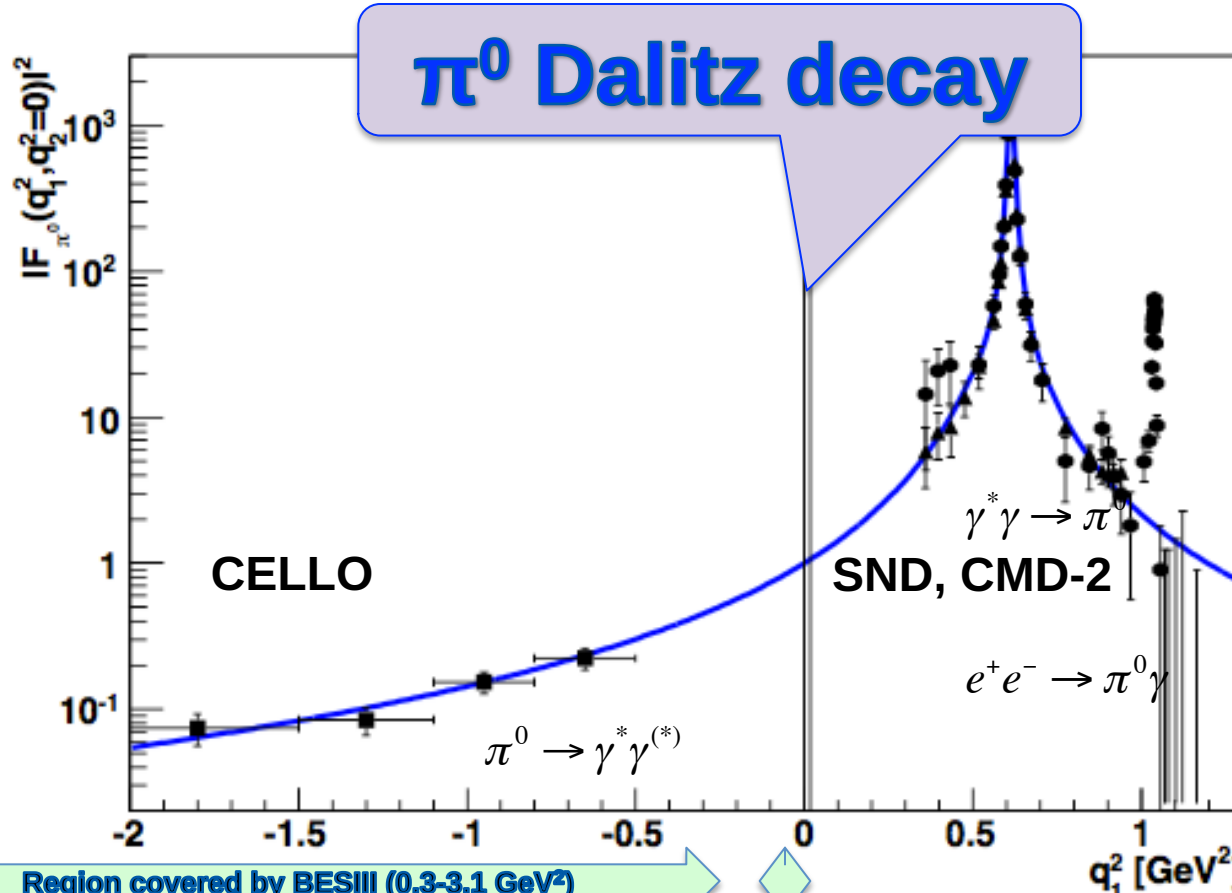
Interaction of virtual mesons with $\gamma^{(*)}$

No direct relation to measurable quantities-
model dependence

Off-shell P form factors not accessible
experimentally...but any aspiring theory/model
should be able to correctly describe also the
on-shell scenario

TFF used as experimental input

$\pi^0\gamma$ Transition Form Factor



Region covered by BESIII (0.3-3.1 GeV²)

KLOE-2

CMD-2	[Phys. Lett. B 605, 26 (2005)]
SND	[Phys. Lett. B 504, 275 (2001)]
CELLO	[Z. Phys. C 49, 401 (1991)]

E. Perez (KLOE-2)@11.40; C.Redmer(BESIII) 12.20

π^0 Dalitz Decay

Observable: slope parameter a_π

$$FF = (1 - a_\pi x)^{-1} \sim 1 + a_\pi x \text{ for small } a_\pi$$

Theory

VMD	+0.031
ChPT 2 -loop	+0.029(5)
Kampf, Knecht, Novotný, EPJ C46 (2006) 191	

"...we think that a precise measurement of a_π which would not rely on any kind of extrapolation remains an interesting issue."

Dispersive approach +0.0307(6)
Hoferichter, *et al.* EPJ C74, 3180 (2014)

Padé approximants +0.0324(22)
P. Masjuan, Phys. Rev. D 86, 094021 (2012).

Experiment time-like

SINDRUM-I Coll. +0.025(14)_{stat}(26)_{syst} 54k
Drees *et al* Phys.Rev.D 45 (1992) 1439

NA62 +0.0368(48)_{stat}(18)_{syst} 1110k
PLB 768 (2017) 38

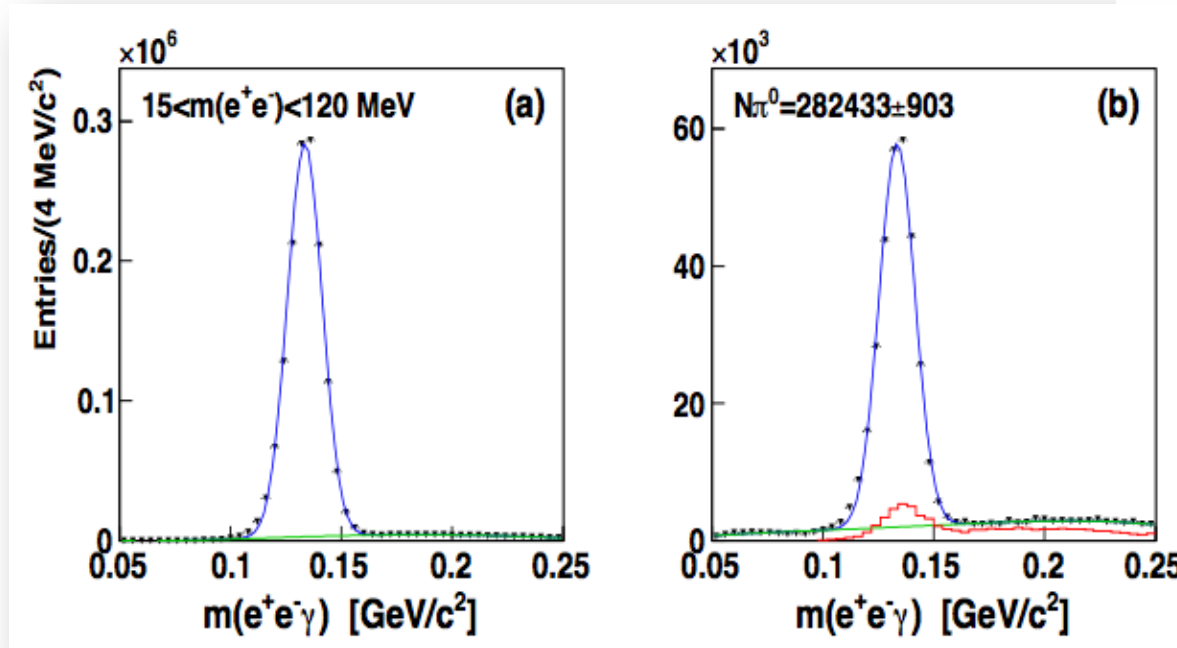
Extrapolation space-like region

CELLO +0.0326(26)_{stat}(26)_{syst}
Behrend *et al* (CELLO) Z. Phys.C 49 (1991) 401

CLEO +0.0303(8)_{stat}(9)_{syst}(12)
Gronberg *et al* (CLEO) Phys.Rev.D 57 (1998) 33

BESIII forthcoming

π^0 Dalitz Decay at A2



A2 result based on 4.0×10^5 Dalitz decays from 15-120 MeV in $m(e^+e^-)$ from two different beam times

Low background content, normalization to $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$

QED with radiative corrections taken into account

T. Husek, K. Kampf, and J. Novotny, Phys. Rev. D 92, 054027 (2015).

π^0 Dalitz Decay results A2

$$a_{\pi} = 0.030(10)_{\text{tot}}$$

Dispersive approach $+0.0307(6)$
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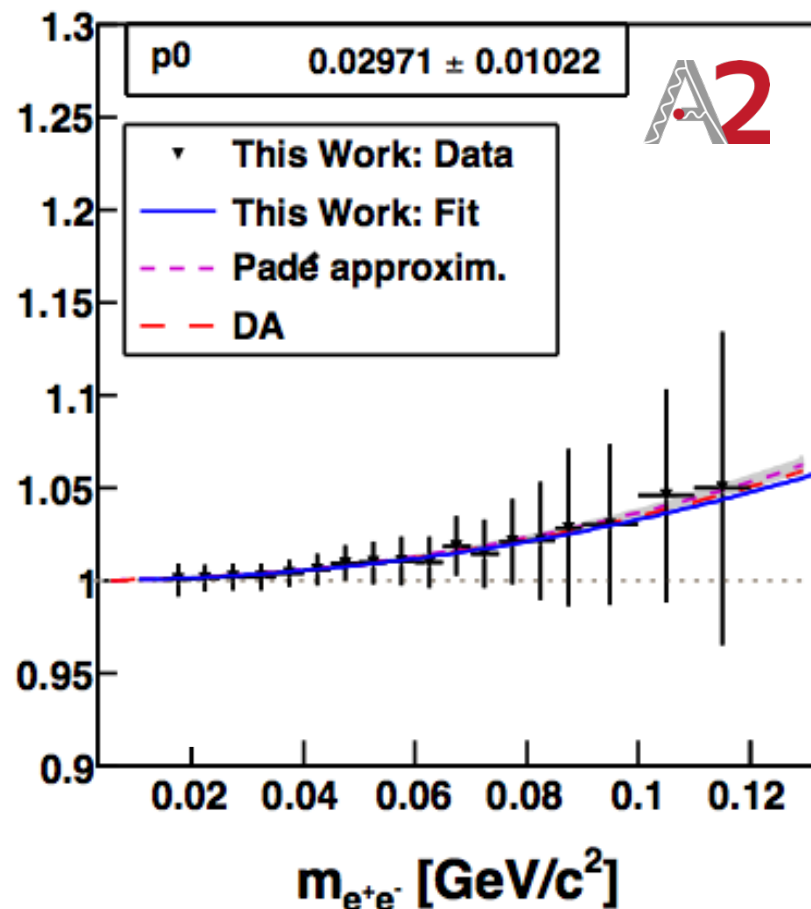
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In agreement with current theoretical estimates

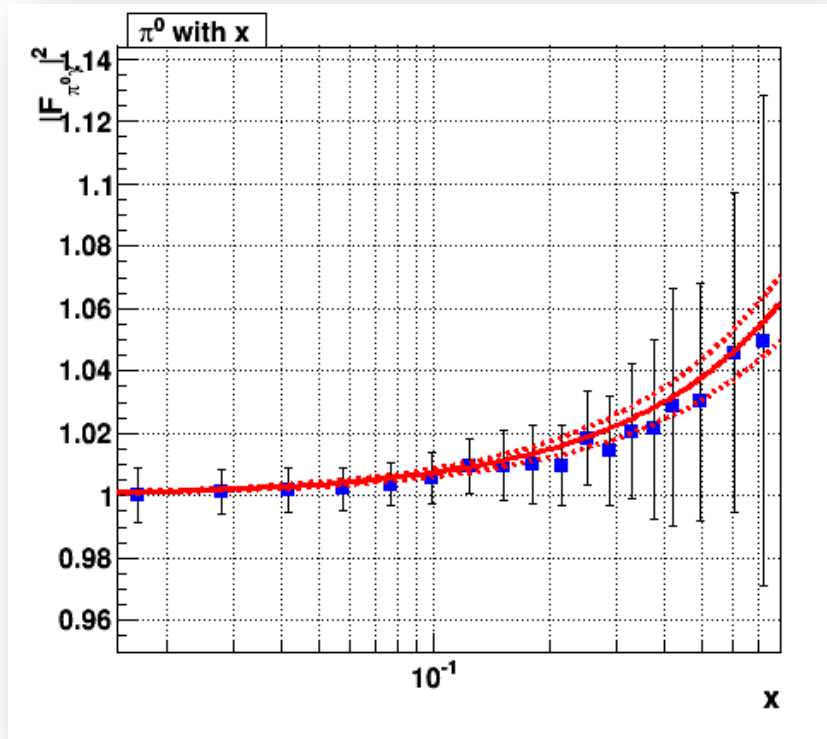
18 data points with total uncertainties provided

Phys.Rev. C 95 no. 2 (2017) 025202

Future plan to further reduce errors

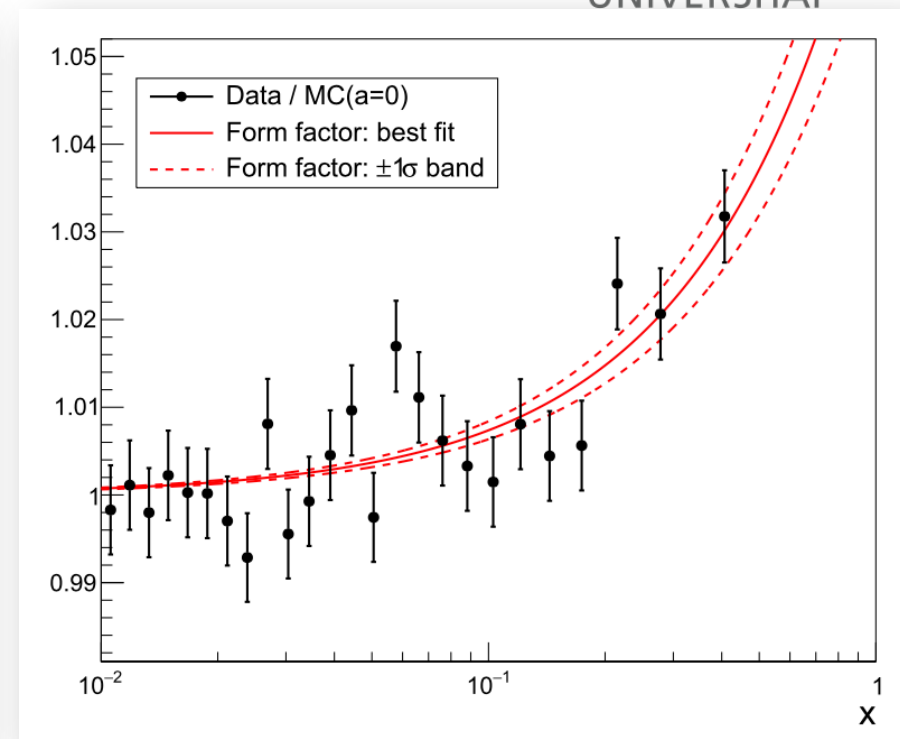


A2 versus NA62 prel



$$a_\pi = 0.030 \pm 0.010_{tot}$$

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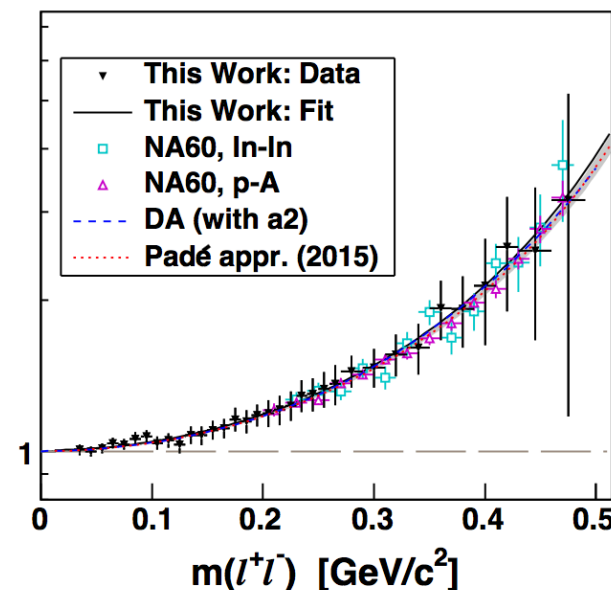
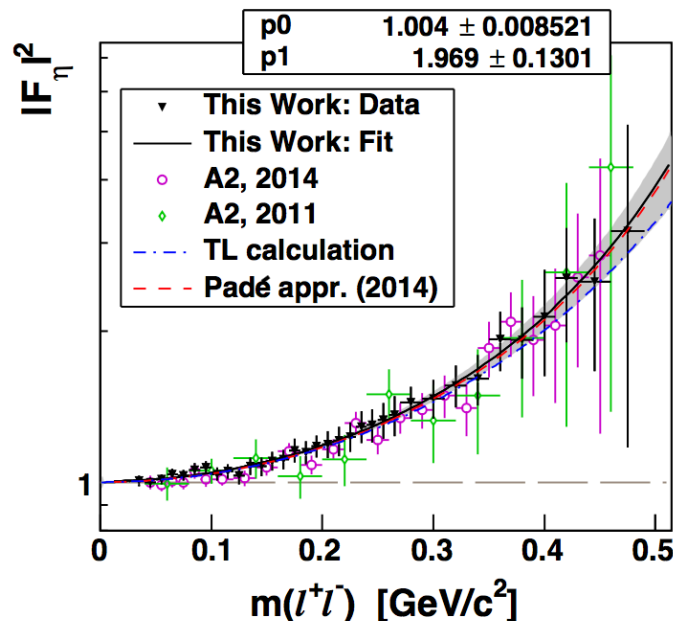


$$a_\pi = 0.0368 \pm 0.0051_{tot}$$

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In red- fit parametrization of NA62 onto A2 data (left) and NA62 data (right)

η Dalitz Decay results



A2

$$\Lambda^{-2} = 1.97(13)_{\text{tot}} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

[arXiv:1609.04503 (2016)]

$$|F_{\eta}|^2 = 1.004(8) \text{ compatible with 1 within } 1\sigma$$

PRC 95 (2017) 035208

NA60

$$\Lambda^{-2} = 1.934(67)_{\text{stat}} (50)_{\text{syst}} \text{ GeV}^{-2} (l = \mu)$$

[PLB 757 (2016) 437]



Good agreement with theory, NA60 and previous A2 results
Data points with total uncertainties provided

$\omega\pi^0$ TFF and VMD

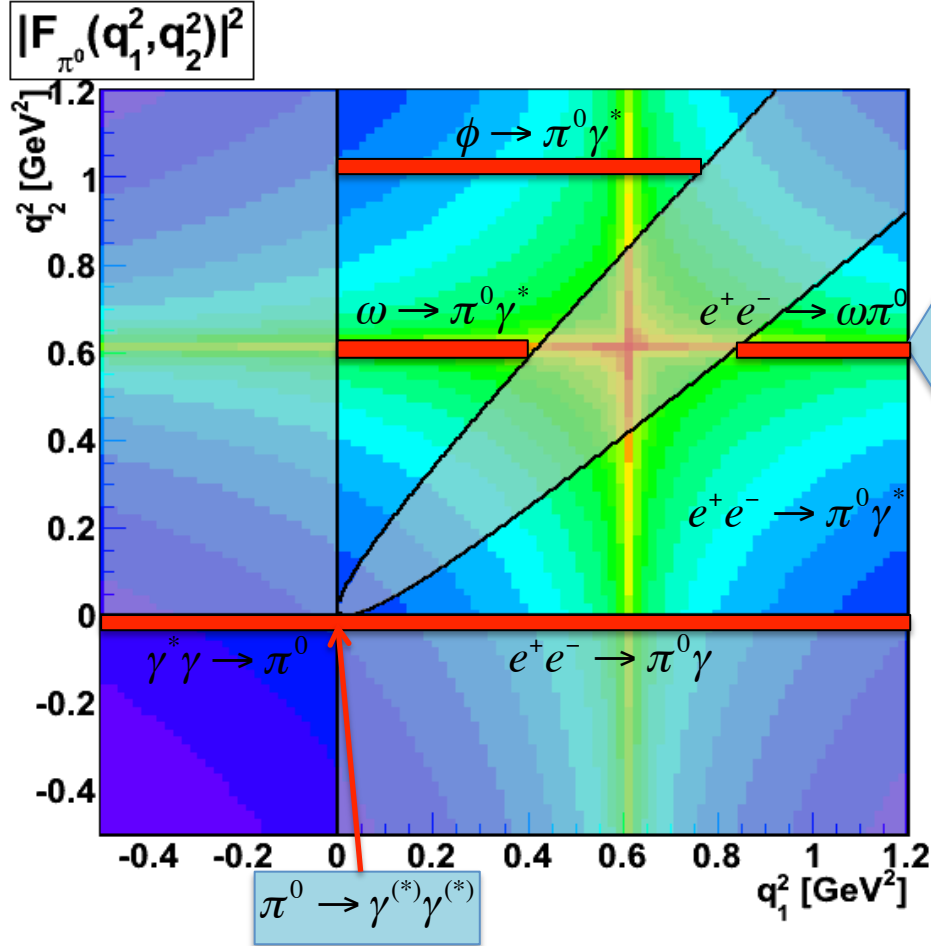


Figure by A. Kupsc, Uppsala University

VMD description fails to reproduce data

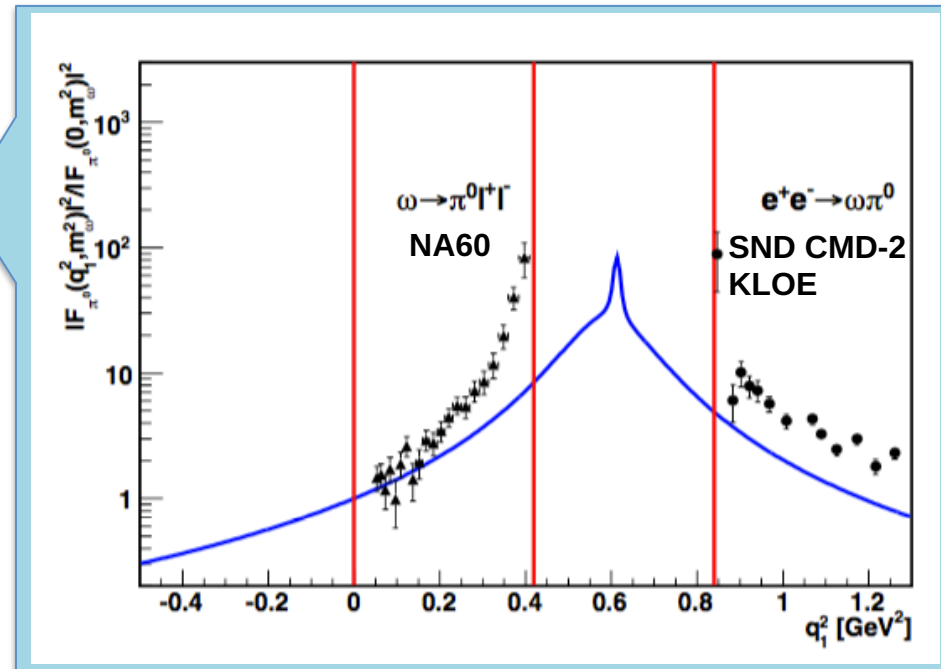
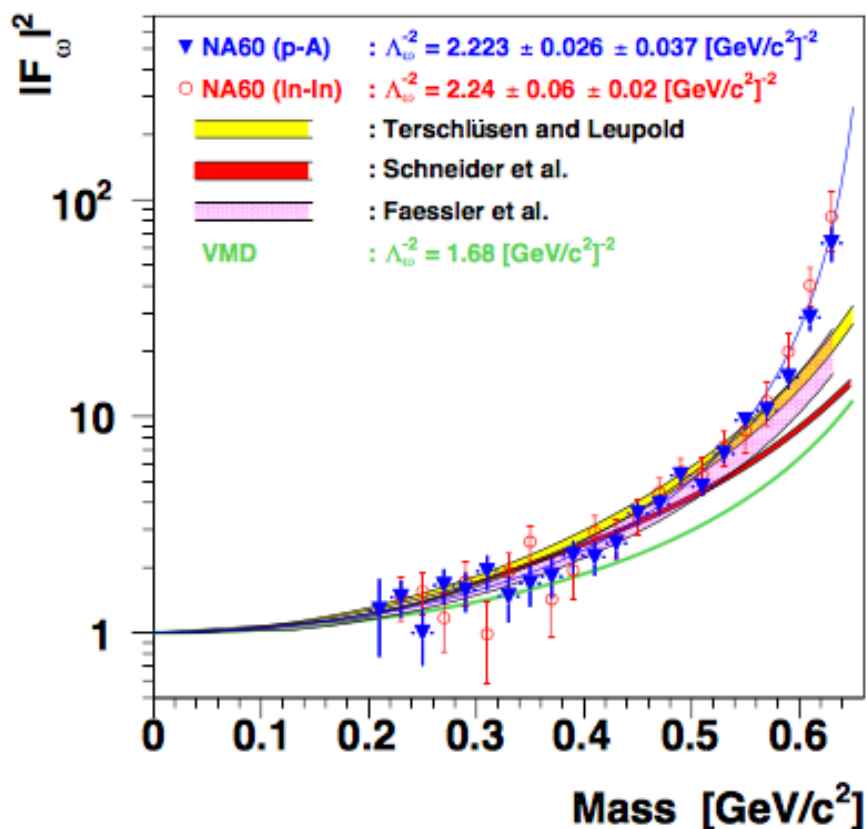


Figure from arXiv:1207.6556

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| NA60 | [Phys. Lett. B 677 (2009) 260] |
| SND | [Phys. Lett. B 486 (2000) 29] |
| CMD-2 | [Phys. Lett. B 562 (2003) 173] |
| KLOE | [Phys. Lett. B 669 (2008) 223] |

$\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$ with NA60

NA60 PLB 757 (2016) 437



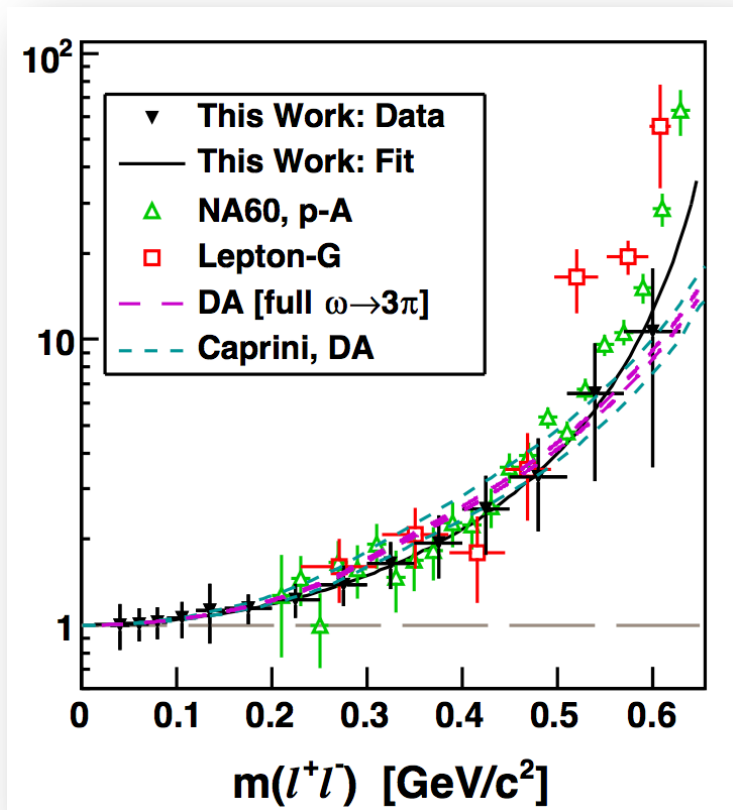
No theoretical approach which reproduce TFF data for η , and other mesons, can describe TFF data based on the $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay at large $m(\mu^+ \mu^-)$.

$$\Lambda_{\omega\pi^0}^{-2} = 2.223(26)_{stat} (37)_{syst} \text{GeV}^{-2}$$

NA60 discrepancy...independent results needed

$\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ with A2

A2 PRC 95 035208 (2017)



NA60

$$\Lambda_{\omega\pi^0}^{-2} = 2.223(26)_{stat} (37)_{syst} GeV^{-2}$$

A2

$$\Lambda_{\omega\pi^0}^{-2} = 1.990(220)_{tot} GeV^{-2}$$

PRC 95 035208 (2017)

**1100 $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ decays based off
 2.27×10^7 produced ω**

In agreement with theoretical descriptions, e.g. dispersive approaches

S. P. Schneider, B. Kubis, and F. Niecknig, Phys. Rev. D 86, 054013 (2012).

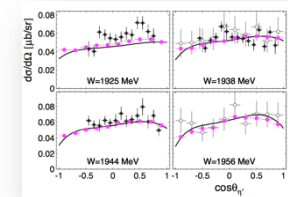
I. Caprini, Phys. Rev. D 92, 014014 (2015).

Slightly lower compared to NA60 but more experimental data needed

η' with A2

η' campaign 2014- special tagger built for this purpose
covering E_γ 1420-1585 MeV
Outcome: $6 \times 10^6 \eta'$ collected

Production mechanism:

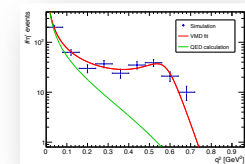


PRL 118 (2017) 2012001

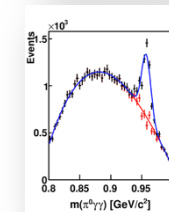
QCD:



Transition Form Factors



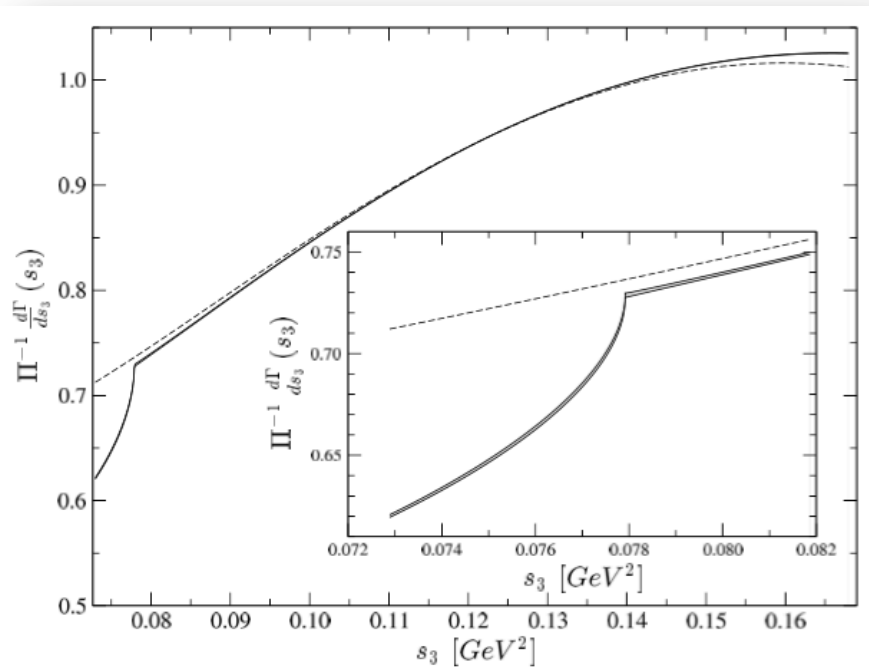
Branching ratios, Chiral EFT



Forbidden / Suppressed decays $\eta' \rightarrow 2\pi$



Motivation $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$



Cusp effect due to $\pi^+\pi^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ rescattering

First seen in $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^+$ by NA48/2 coll

Predicted in $\eta/K_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ having few % effect

Figure from EPJ C 62 (2009) 511

From study of cusp effect one can extract S-wave $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths
NREFT prediction from Kubis, Schneider cusp is $6\% < m_{\pi^+\pi^-}$ threshold

Motivation $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$

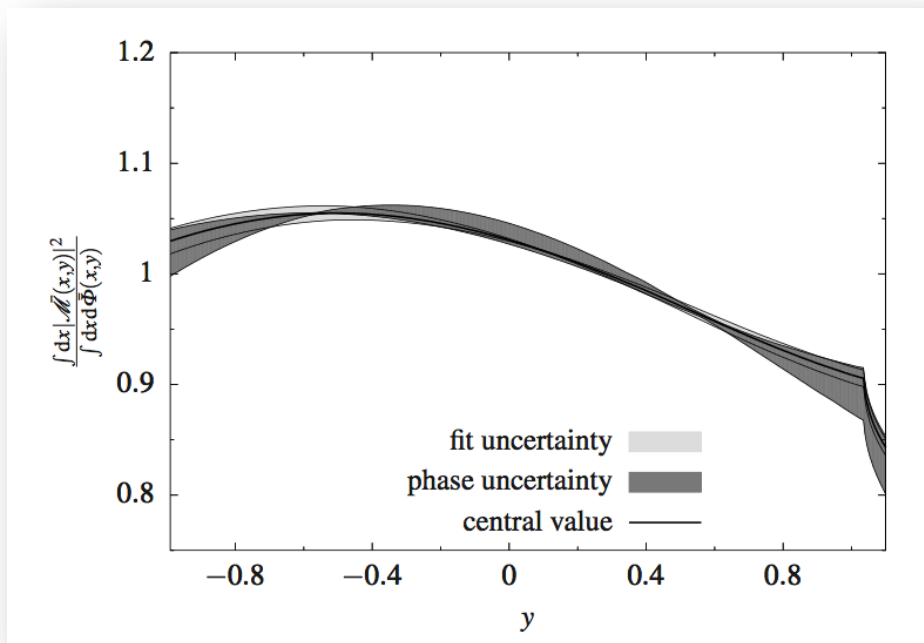


Figure from *arXiv:1705.04339*, Isken, Kubis, Schneider, Stoffer

Dispersive representation uses Dalitz plot as input. Three or four subtraction constants determined from experimental data. Cusp effect incorporated into effective phase shifts.

Here: BESIII data used for subtraction constants predicting $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$

Motivation $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$

ChPT is low energy effective field theory of QCD – π , K , η
 η' not included as external d.o.f due to axial anomaly. Works well
 below the resonance region m_σ

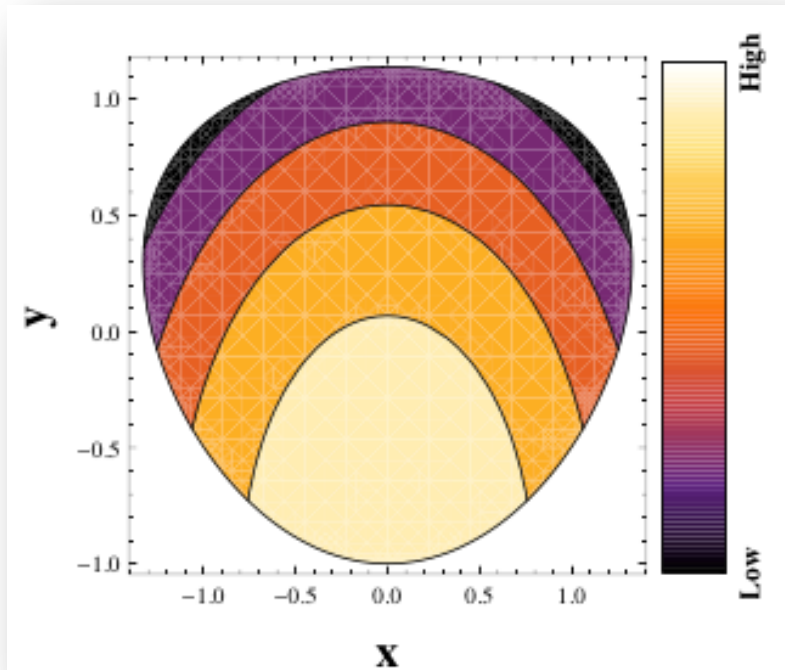
large N_C ChPT: axial anomaly absent $U(3)_L \times U(3)_R$ with π , K , η , η'
 included. Does not include resonances as external states, but in LEC
 [R. Kaiser and H. Leutwyler, Eur. Phys. J. C 17, 623 (2000)]

Resonance ChPT: takes resonances into account explicitly - ρ , σ , a_1
 included

G. Ecker, J. Gasser, H. Leutwyler, A. Pich and E. de Rafael, Phys. Lett. B 223 (1989) 425

Tests ChPT extensions by Escribano, Masjuan, Sanz-Cillero [JHEP 1105 (2011) 094]
 with $\eta' \Rightarrow \eta \pi \pi$ as probe

Dalitz plot $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$



Dalitz plot to compare theory and exp

$$X = \frac{\sqrt{3}(T_{\pi_1} - T_{\pi_2})}{Q} \quad Y = \frac{(m_{\eta} + 2m_{\pi}) T_{\eta}}{m_{\pi} Q} - 1$$

$$Q = T_{\pi_1} + T_{\pi_2} + T_{\eta} = m_{\eta'} - m_{\eta} - 2m_{\pi}$$

$$|A(X, Y)|^2 = |N|^2 [1 + aY + bY^2 + cX + dX^2]$$

Dalitz plot parameters **a**, **b**, **c**, **d**, ...

In isospin-limit neutral and charged decay should give same result

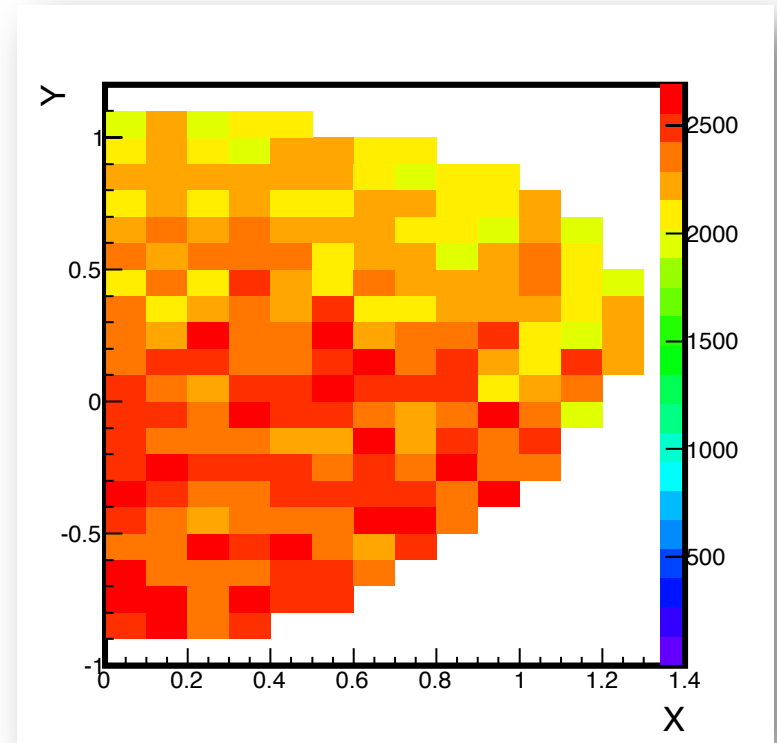
Charged decay BESIII collaboration 4.3×10^4 [Phys.Rev. D83 (2011) 012003]

Neutral decay GAMS4 π collaboration 1.5×10^4 [Phys Atomic Nucl, 2009, Vol. 72, 231]

$\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$ Results A2

A2 Preliminary

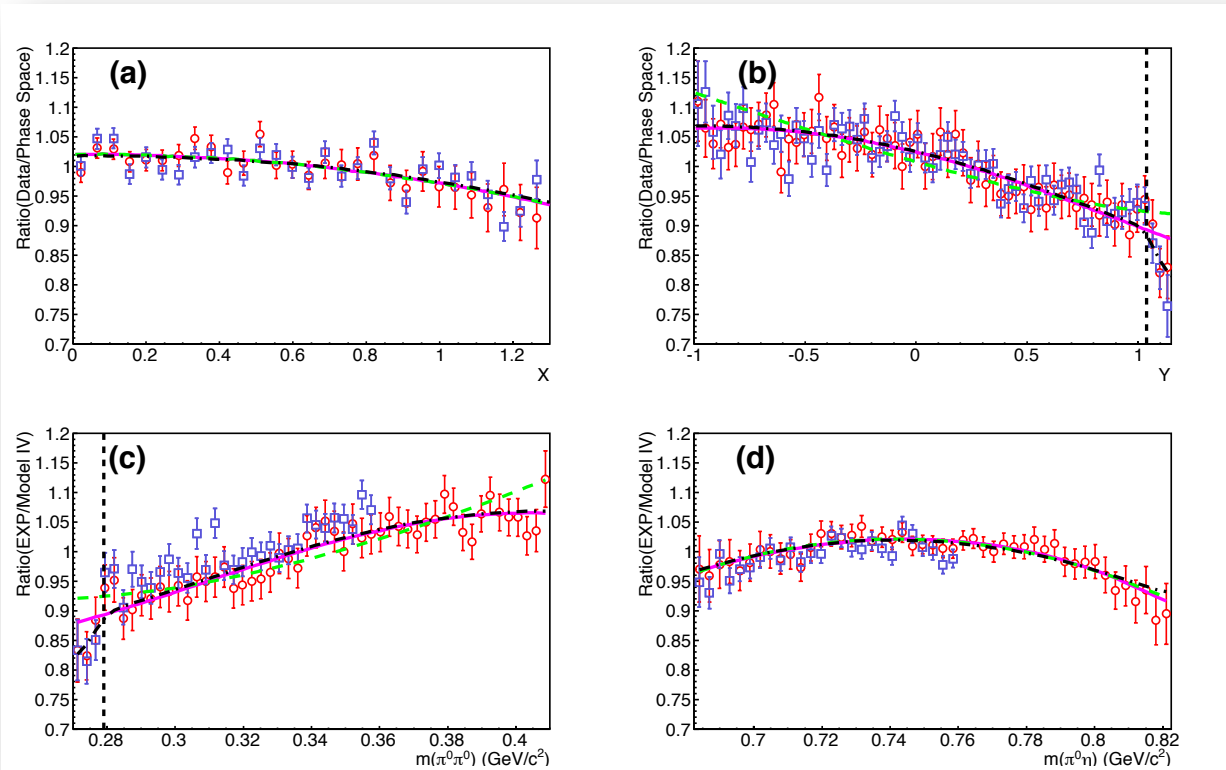
Exp / Th	a	b	c	d
VES	-0.127(18)	-0.106(31)	-	-0.082(19)
BESIII	-0.047(11)	-0.069(21)	0.019(11)	-0.073(12)
GAMS4 π	-0.066(16)	-0.064(29)	-	0.067(20)
LN _C ChPT	-0.098(48)*	-0.050(1)	0	-0.092(8)
RChT	-0.098(48)*	-0.033(1)	0	-0.072(1)
A2 prel	-0.074(8)(6)	-0.063(14)(5)	-	-0.050(9)(5)



Factor 8 greater statistics compared to GAMS4 π , 120 000 events
Results in agreement with GAMS4 π but with better precision

$\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$ Results A2

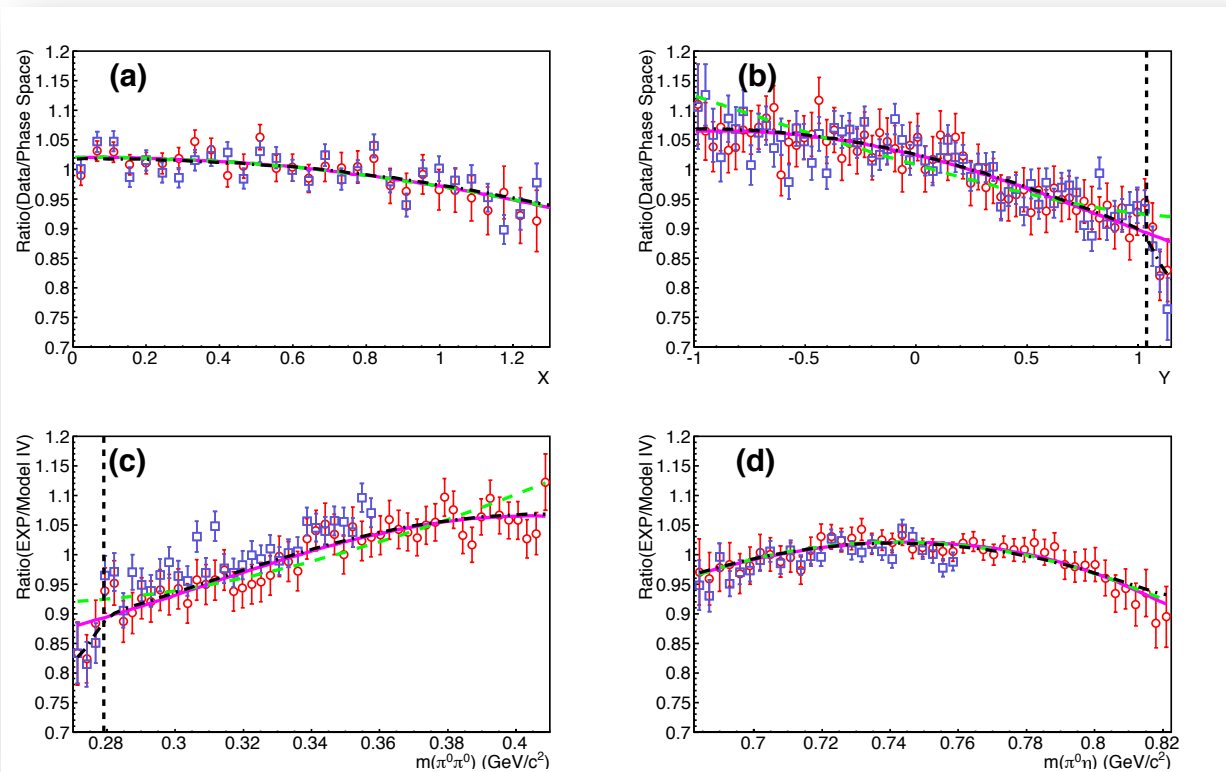
A2 Preliminary



- blue and red data points analysis I and II
- green – linear parametrization
- purple - polynomial
- black – NREFT

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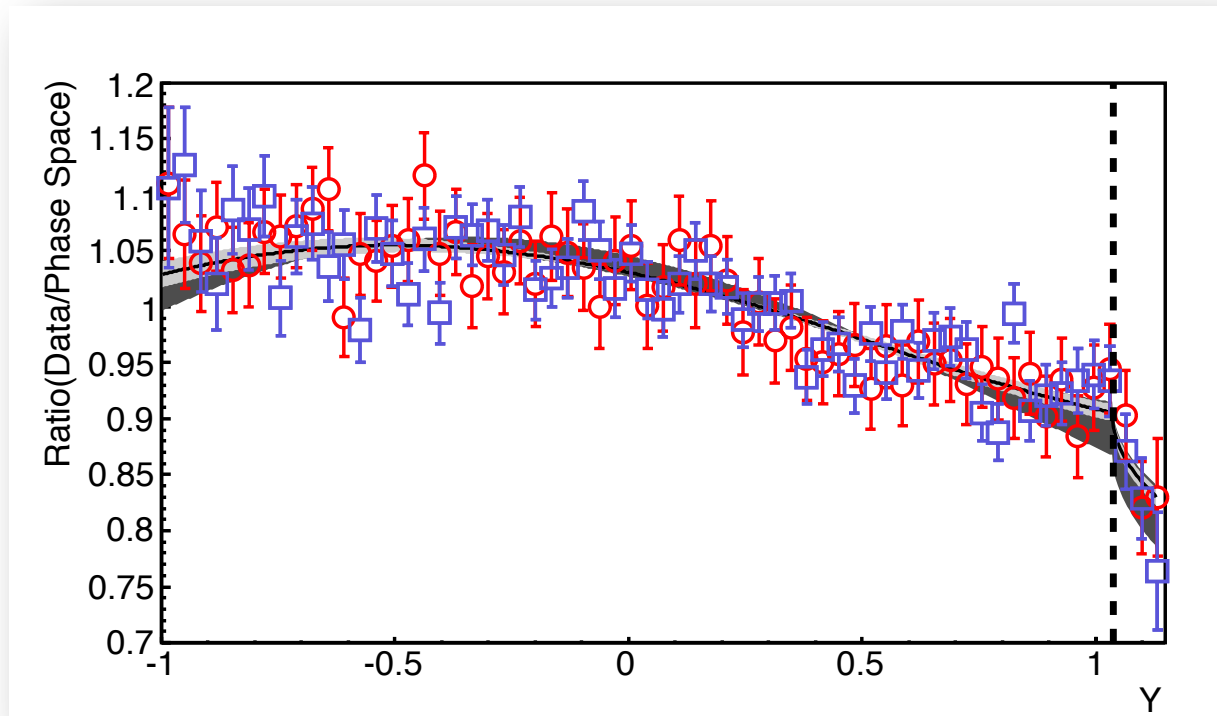


Fit to cusp using NREFT amplitude gives **-0.19(8)**, compatible with $a_2 - a_0 = -0.2644$
 Strong indication that sc. lengths can be determined for decays other than $K \rightarrow 3\pi$!

Paper forthcoming...

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A2 Preliminary



...also data in good agreement with the dispersive representation
...with BESIII data used as input

Summary A2 results

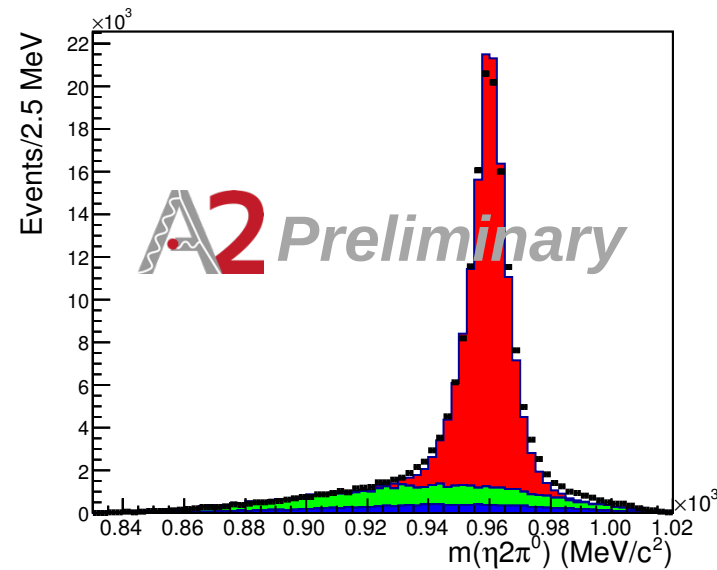
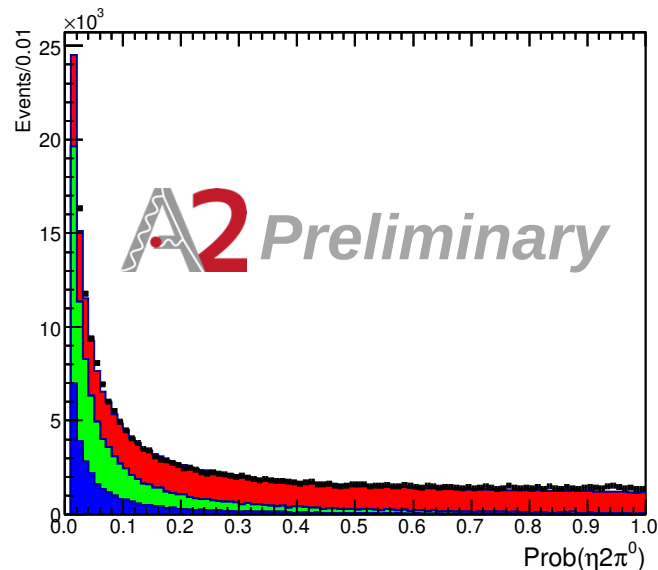
Several new results from A2 collaboration on time-like TFF. Prepared for theoreticians by giving data points with total uncertainties



η' campaign in 2014. Several Ph.D. and post-docs working on the analyses. Preliminary results on $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$ showing indication of cusp in $m_{\pi\pi}$

Outlook: Exciting results from A2 in the upcoming years.

THANK YOU



Two analyses conducted on same data sample- results consistent

Removal of background by kinfitt with mass constraints

Largest background from $3\pi^0$, $\eta\pi^0$

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