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## Tests of the Standard Model by means of $\Upsilon(3S)$ meson decays with the BABAR detector

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# Outline of the Talk

- Analysis-1: Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

**A journal paper will be submitted in the near future.**

- Analysis-2: Testing Lepton Universality

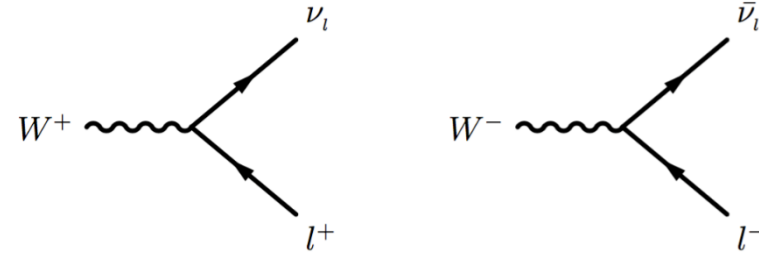
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- Data and MC Samples
- Analysis Strategy
- Results
- Conclusion

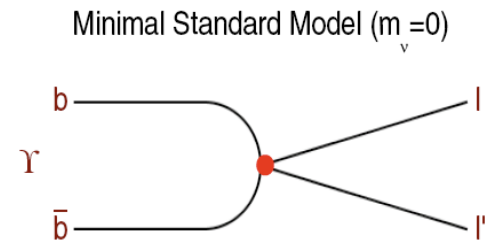
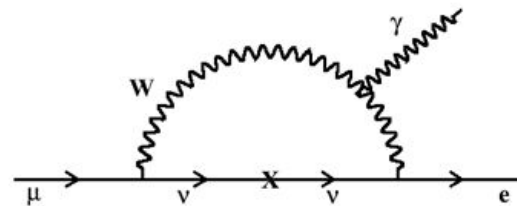
# Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

- Charged Lepton Flavour Violation is a transition among  $e, \mu, \tau$  that doesn't conserve lepton family number.
- In Standard Model, Lepton Flavour is conserved for zero degenerate  $\nu$  masses and now we have clear indication that  $\nu$ 's have finite mass.

- Example of **lepton flavour conservation** is a muon decay:  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$



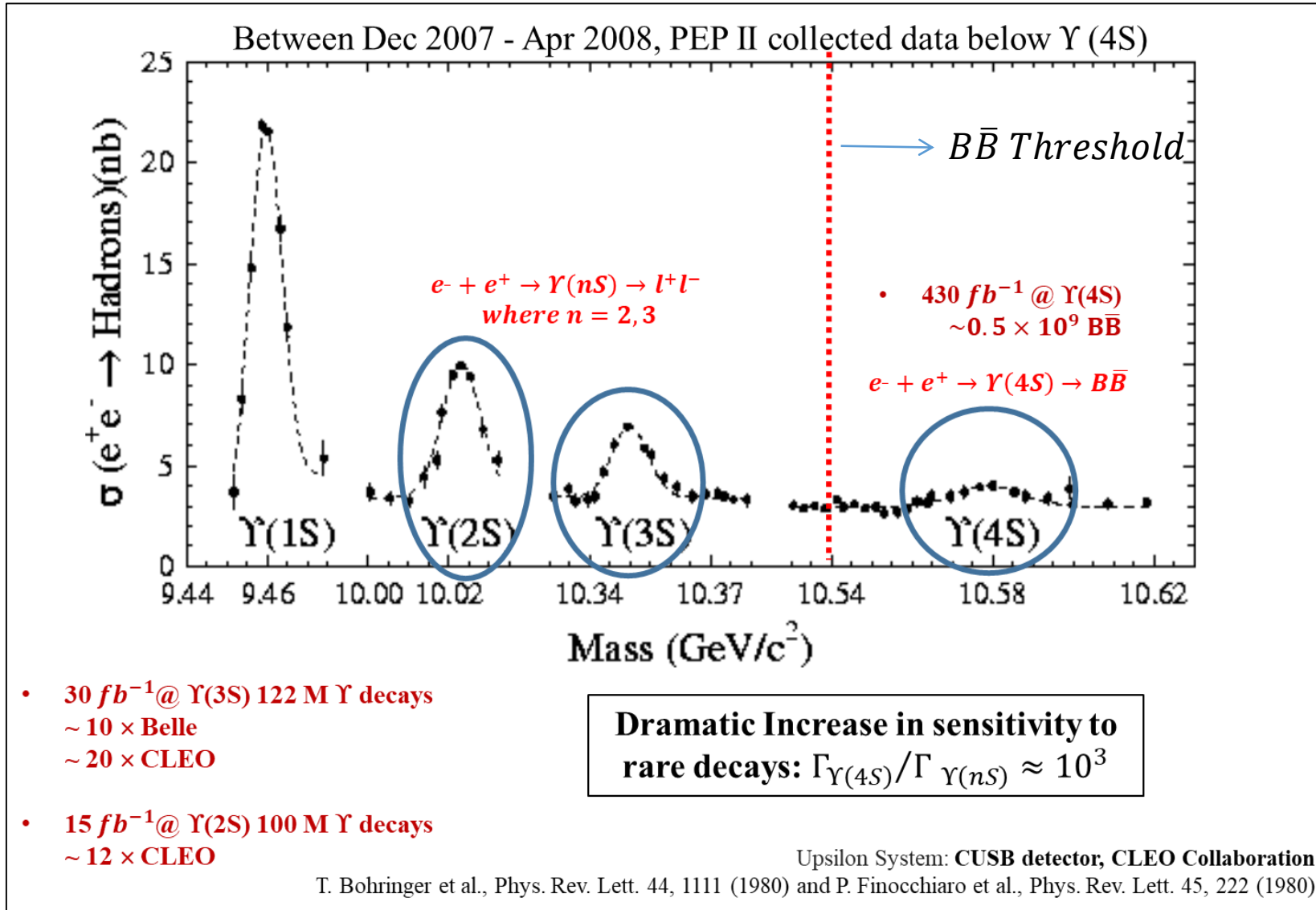
- Example of **charged lepton flavour violation** is a neutrinoless muon decay:  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$



**Opportunity to search for the New Physics!!!**

- In the charged lepton sector, **Lepton Flavor Violation** is **heavy suppressed** in the Standard Model  $l_\alpha \rightarrow l_\beta \approx \mathcal{O}(10^{-54})$
- Various BSM models such as Supersymmetry, Compositeness, Heavy neutrino, Leptoquarks, Heavy  $Z'$ , Anomalous boson Coupling, Higgs/top loops etc. predict CLFV. A clear experimental signature = **“New Physics”**

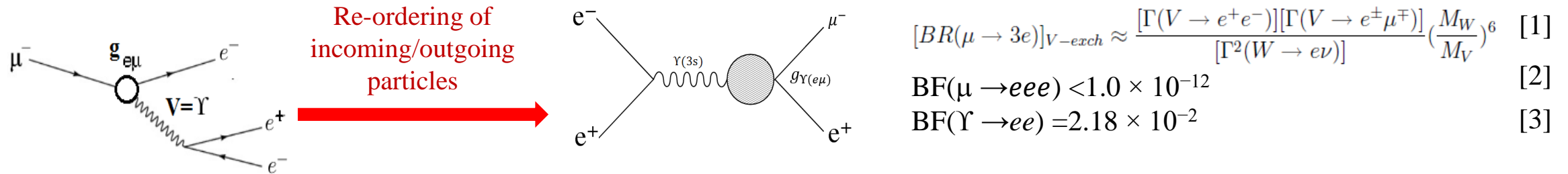
# Charged Lepton Flavour Violation in Upsilon Decays



# Theoretical Expectations and Experimental Limit

- S.Nussinov, et. al. estimated that the contribution of the virtual  $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$  to the  $\mu \rightarrow eee$  rate would be reduced by approximately  $M_\mu^2 / (2 M_\Upsilon^2)$  leading to a recalculated indirect bound:

$$\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 1 \times 10^{-3}$$



Existing Measurements	Results	CL (%)	Collaboration
$\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \tau^\mp)$	$< 4.2 \times 10^{-6}$	90	J.P. Lees et al. PR D89 111102 [BaBar Collaboration]
$\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \mu^\pm \tau^\mp)$	$< 3.1 \times 10^{-6}$	90	
$\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \mu^\pm \tau^\mp)$	$< 20.3 \times 10^{-6}$	95	Love et al. PRL 101, 201601 [CLEO Collaboration]

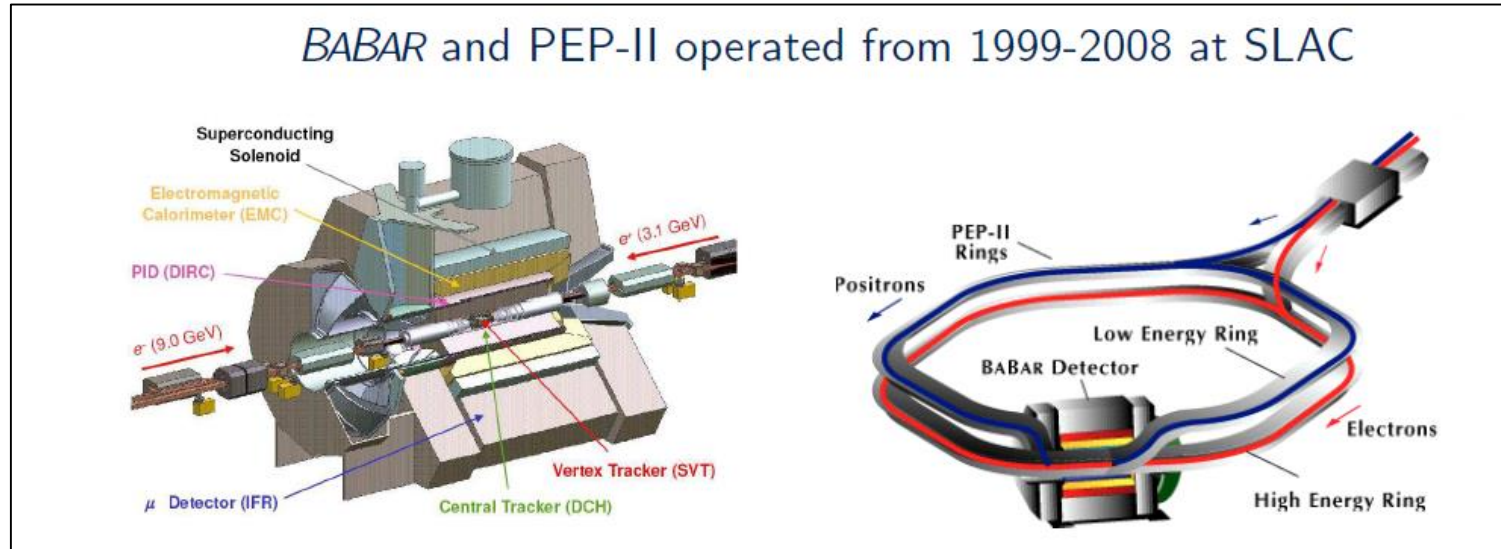
[1] S.Nussinov, et. al. PRD 63 (2001)

[2] Bellgardt, et al., Nucl.Phys. B299 (1988)

[3] P.A. Zyla et al. (Particle Data Group)

- We report a limit several orders of magnitude more sensitive than this indirect limit.**
- No published experimental measurement of the decay on  $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$  yet!**

# Data, MC Sample

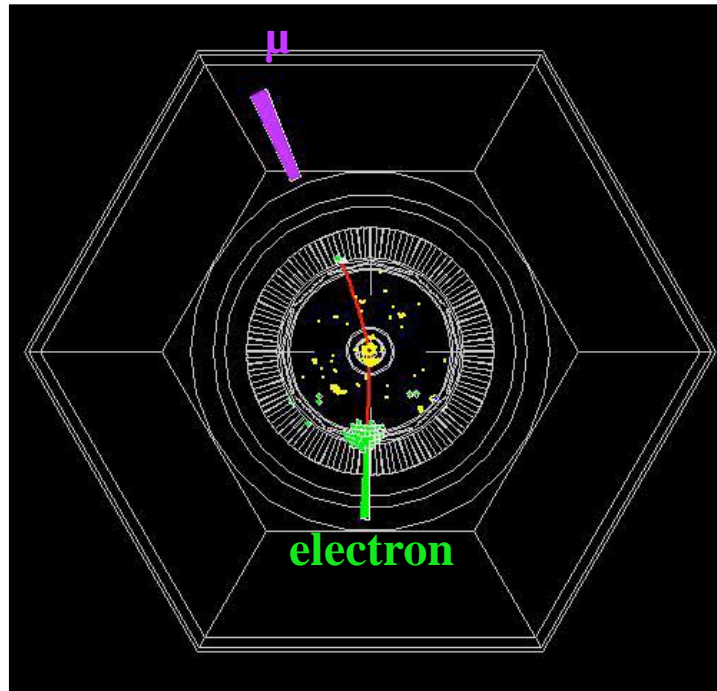


Data Sample	On resonance ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	Off resonance ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )
Run 7 $\Upsilon(3S)$ <b>(Data)</b>	$27.9 = 27.0 + 0.93$	2.62 To validate the systematic study
Run 6 $\Upsilon(4S)$ <b>Data driven continuum background</b>	78.31 Systematic study pre-selected as $e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$ and $\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$	7.75 To validate the systematic study
<b>MC signal: <math>e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}</math>: 103000 events</b>		



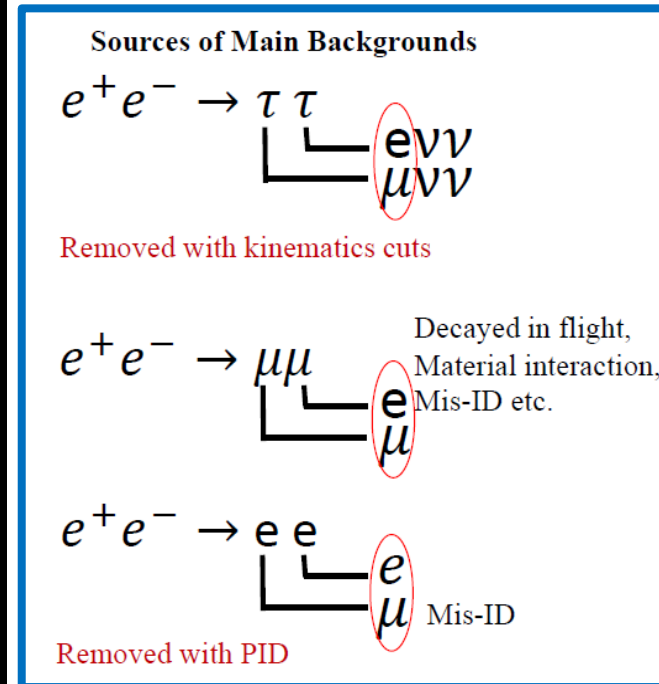
# Signal and Background Characteristics

- $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$ : Required two primary track signal of  $e^\pm$  *and*  $\mu^\mp$
- CM Momentum:  $\mathbf{p}_{e^\pm} \sim \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \sim \mathbf{E}_B$  and  $\mathbf{p}_{\mu^\pm} \sim \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \sim \mathbf{E}_B$  where  $\mathbf{E}_B$ =Beam Energy in Centre of Mass System
- Angle between the two lepton tracks must satisfy  $\theta_{12}^{CM} > 179^\circ$  to emerged as back to back.
- Energy deposit by  $\mu^\mp$  track on the Electromagnetic Calorimeter  $> 50$  MeV
- EMC acceptance  $24^\circ < \theta_{Lab} < 130^\circ$  etc.



**Sample Background event**

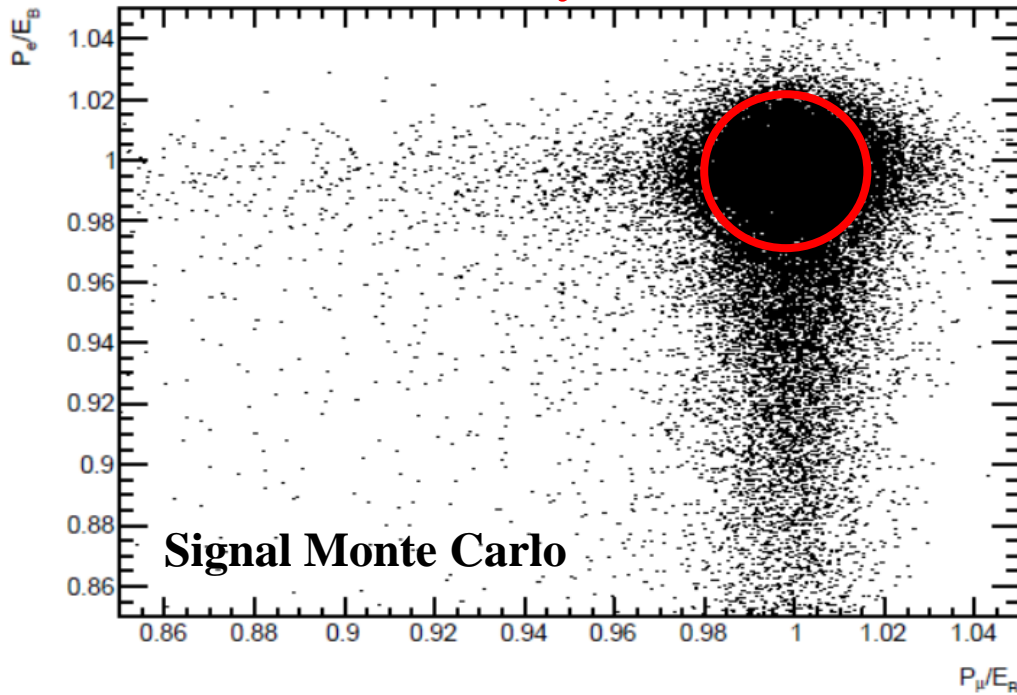
$$e^- e^+ \rightarrow \tau^\pm \tau^\mp \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp + 4\nu$$



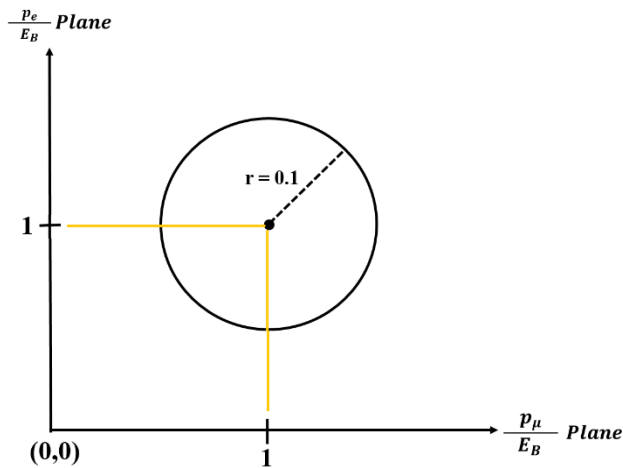
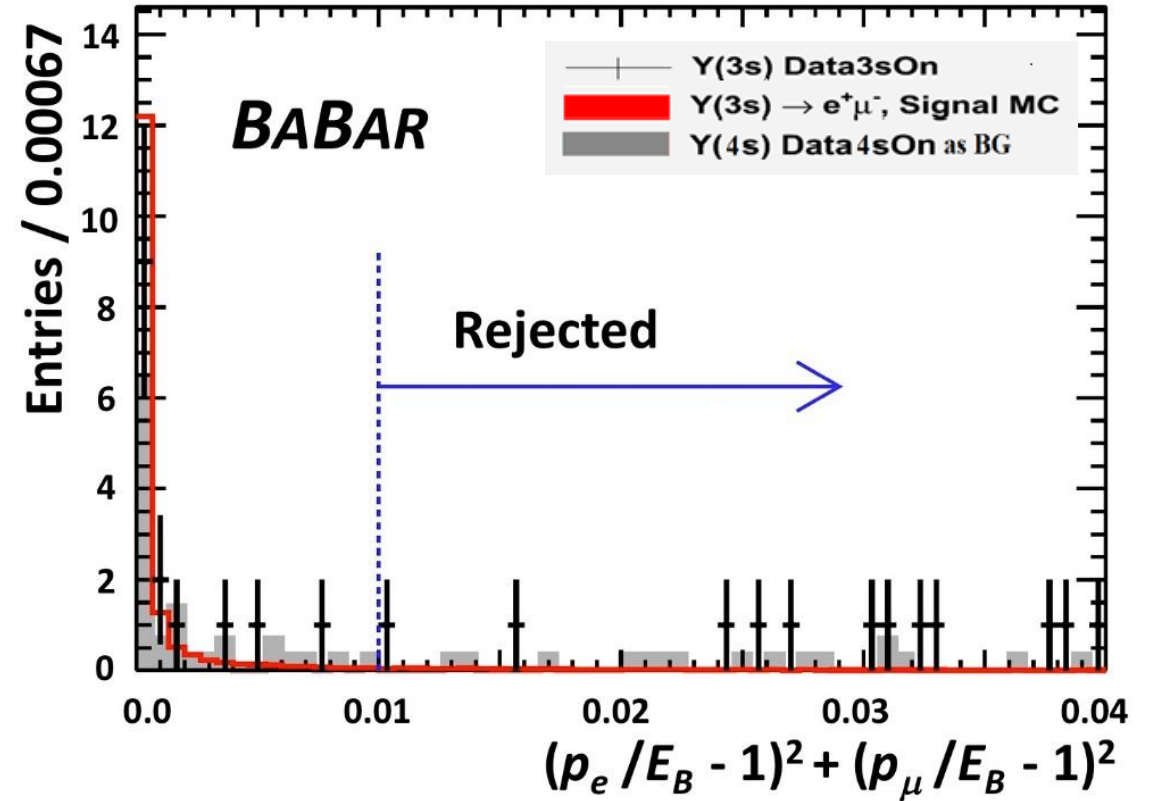
**Different Sources of Background**

# Final Selection Criterion

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**Selection Criteria:** The lepton momenta must satisfy the condition which is

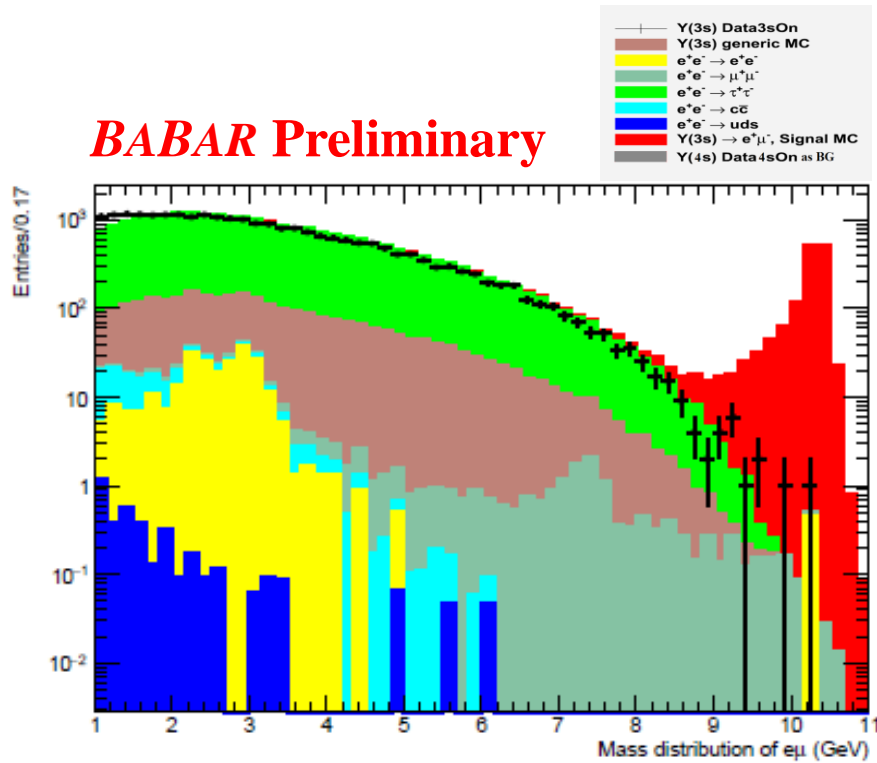
$$\text{defining a circle of radius } \left(\frac{p_e}{E_B} - 1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{p_\mu}{E_B} - 1\right)^2 = (0.1)^2 = 0.01$$

$$\text{Where, } p_{e^\pm, \mu^\pm} \sim \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \sim E_B$$

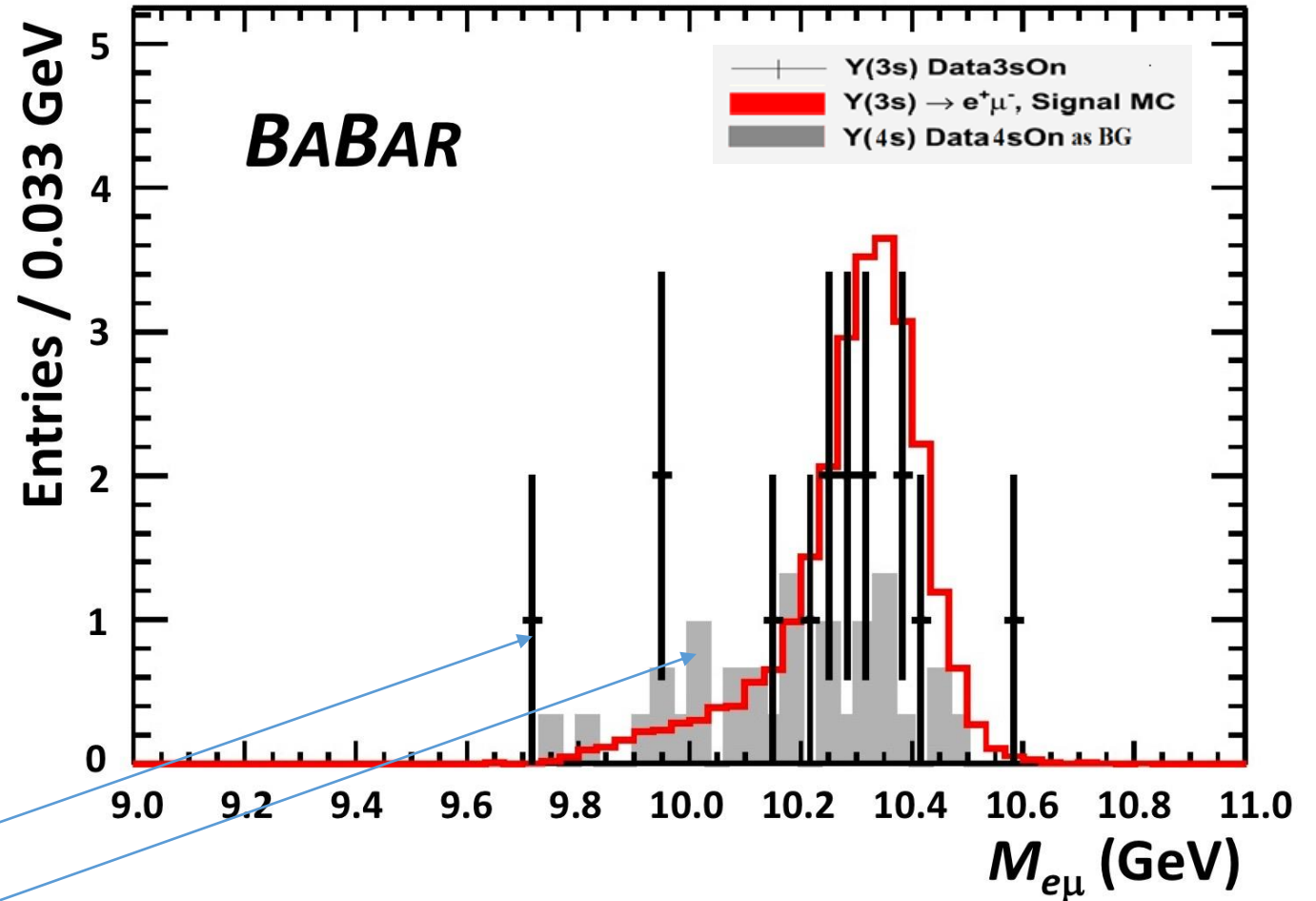


# Invariant Mass distribution of $e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$

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**Before final selection criteria were applied (3% unblinded preselected data)**



**After all selection criteria are applied**

Candidate Events: 15 (black)  
 Data Driven Estimated  
 Background : 12.2 (grey)

# Summary: Background, Uncertainty, Candidate

Source of Background	Data Driven Continuum Background $\Upsilon(4S)$	Peaking Background from Generic $\Upsilon(3S)$ MC
Tight PID selection	$12.2 \pm 2.1$	0
Loose PID selection	N/A	$1.80 \pm 0.9$

Values	Uncertainties <b>BABAR Preliminary</b>
$\epsilon_{\text{SIG}}$ (systematics) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the “Lepton Momentum” cut</li> <li>• In the “Back to back” cut</li> <li>• In all other cuts on the “Side bands”</li> </ul>	0.029 (2.9%) 0.011 (1.1%) 0.012 (1.2%)
$\epsilon_{\text{SIG}}$ (total)	$0.2342 \pm (0.0077_{\text{SYST}} \pm 0.0013_{\text{STAT}})$ $0.2342 \pm 0.0078_{\text{TOTAL}}$ (3.3%)
$N_{\Upsilon}$ ( $27.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	$(117.7 \pm 1.18) \times 10^6$ (1.02%) [Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 151802.(2010).]
Total Background (equivalent to $27.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	<b><math>12.2 \pm 2.3</math></b> (18.9%)
Candidate Seen in Data Sample	<b>15</b>

# Results on Lepton Flavour Violating Decays

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• **Data:**  $(27.0 \text{ fb}^{-1})$

• **Branching Fraction:**

$$\frac{N_{\text{Candidate}} - N_{BG}}{\epsilon_{sig} \times N_{\Upsilon}} \quad (1.0 \pm 1.4_{stat(N_{\text{Candidate}})} \pm 0.8_{syst}) \times 10^{-7}$$

• **Upper Limits with  
Confidence Level  
of 90%:**

$$< 3.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ CLs Method}$$

[J.Phys.G 28 (2002) 2693-2704]

# Implication For New Physics

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- A measurement of  $\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp)$  can be used to place constraints on  $\frac{g_{\text{NP}}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}}$  of new physics processes that include lepton flavour violation.

$$\text{where, } \frac{g_{\text{NP}}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}} = \frac{\text{effective coupling of the new physics}}{\text{energy scale of the NP, given by the mass of the NP propagator.}}$$

- Place constraints on  $\frac{g_{\text{NP}}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}}$  of new physics processes that include lepton flavor violation using

$$\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 3.6 \times 10^{-7} @ 90\% \text{CL}$$

$$\left( \frac{g_{\text{NP}}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}} \right)^2 / \left( \frac{4\pi\alpha_{\text{QED}} Q_b}{M_{\Upsilon(3S)}} \right)^2 = \frac{\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e\mu)}{\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \mu\mu)}$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{NP}} / g_{\text{NP}}^2 \geq 80 \text{ TeV } @90\% \text{ CL}$$

# Motivation for the Testing Lepton Universality

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$$\Gamma_{\Upsilon \rightarrow \ell\ell} = 4\alpha^2 e_q^2 \frac{|\Psi(0)|^2}{M^2} (1 + 2m_\ell^2/M^2) \sqrt{1 - 4m_\ell^2/M^2} \quad (1)$$

$$R_{\tau\mu} = \frac{\Gamma_{\Upsilon \rightarrow \tau\tau}}{\Gamma_{\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu}} = \frac{(1 + 2m_\tau^2/M^2) \sqrt{1 - 4m_\tau^2/M^2}}{(1 + 2m_\mu^2/M^2) \sqrt{1 - 4m_\mu^2/M^2}} \quad (2)$$

- A CP-odd Higgs boson  $A^0$  would couple more strongly to  $\tau$ 's and thus have leave a new physics signal in the measurement<sup>1</sup>
- A new physics contribution in  $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$  decays to resolve the existing tension in  $R(D^{(*)})$  measurements will also have a signature in this ratio<sup>2</sup>
- There is one prior measurement from CLEO<sup>3</sup> at  $R_{\tau\mu} = 1.05 \pm 0.08_{stat} \pm 0.05_{sys}$
- Standard model predicts, after radiative corrections,  $R_{\tau\mu} = 0.9948 \pm \mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$

<sup>1</sup>M. A. Sanchis-Lozano, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 19, 2183(2004)

<sup>2</sup>D. Aloni *et al.*, J. High Energ. Phys. 06, 019 (2017)

<sup>3</sup>D. Besson *et al.* (CLEO), Phys. Rev. Lett.98, 052002 (2007).

Data sample	On resonance $fb^{-1}$	Off resonance $fb^{-1}$
Run 7 $\Upsilon(3S)$	27.96 = 25.55 + 2.41	2.62
Run 6 $\Upsilon(4S)$	78.3	7.75

- Blind analysis technique - only 2.41  $fb^{-1}$  of  $\Upsilon(3S)$  on resonance and  $\Upsilon(3S)$  and  $\Upsilon(4S)$  off resonance data are used to tune selection
- $\Upsilon(3S)$  off resonance statistic is small, Run 6  $\Upsilon(4S)$  on resonance data with same detector configuration used to get the final result



# Ratio and Systematics

- The full ratio  $R_{\tau\mu}$  is calculated from the fit results

$$R_{\tau\mu} = \tilde{R}_{\tau\mu} \frac{\varepsilon_{\mu\mu}}{\varepsilon_{\tau\tau}} \frac{1}{C_{MC}} (1 + \delta_{BB}) = 0.966 \pm 0.008_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.014_{\text{sys}} \quad (3)$$

- $\frac{\varepsilon_{\mu\mu}}{\varepsilon_{\tau\tau}}$  accounts for the different event selection efficiencies,  $\sim 0.11$
- $C_{MC}$  is the data-driven data/MC correction,  $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$
- $\delta_{B\bar{B}}$  corrects for a small amount of  $B\bar{B}$  in the final selection,  $\mathcal{O}(0.4\%)$

Source	Uncertainty(%)
Particle identification	0.9
Cascade decays	0.6
Two-photon production	0.5
$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$	0.4
MC shape	0.4
$B\bar{B}$	0.2
ISR	0.2
Total	1.4

## Results

- Using  $27.96 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   $\Upsilon(3S)$  data sample with  $\Upsilon(4S)$  and off resonance data controls to describe continuum, *BABAR* measures:

$$R_{\tau\mu} = 0.966 \pm 0.008_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.014_{\text{sys}}$$

- The methodology described resulted in a measurement 6x more precise than the CLEO measurement
- The final ratio is with  $2\sigma$  of the SM value of 0.9948

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# Conclusion

- **This is the first reported experimental upper limits on  $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$  (Lepton Flavour Violation)**

$$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp < 3.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ @ 90\% C.L. } \textit{BABAR Preliminary}$$

- Our reported limit is several orders of magnitude tighter than the indirect limit according to the ref [S.Nussinov, et. al. PRD 63, 016003 (2001)].
- This result can be interpreted as a limit on NP:  $\Lambda_{NP}/g_{NP}^2 \geq 80 \text{ TeV}$  *BABAR Preliminary*
- A journal paper will be submitted in the near future.
- **We also reported the most precise measurement by a factor of 6 the branching ratio of**

$$R_{\tau\mu} = \frac{\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \tau^\pm \tau^\mp)}{\text{BF}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\mp)} = 0.966 \pm 0.008_{stat} \pm 0.014_{sys} \quad (\text{Lepton Universality})$$

*(Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 241801 (2020))*

## Thanks and Questions

# Back up: Theoretical Upper limit (Indirect)

Nussinov, Peccei, Zhang [1]

- Assume coupling of  $\Upsilon$  to  $e\mu$  looks like:  $L_{eff} = gV_{e\mu}\bar{u}\gamma_\alpha eV^\alpha$
- Through Fig 1. this coupling contributes to  $A(\mu \rightarrow 3e)$

$$A(\mu \rightarrow 3e) = (\bar{u}_\mu(p)\gamma^\alpha u_e(k_3))(\bar{v}_e(k_1)\gamma_\alpha u_e(k_2)) \frac{gV_{e\mu}gV_{ee}}{M_V^2 - S} \quad \text{----(1)}$$

$$\frac{[\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow 3e)]_{V-exch}}{[\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu})]} \approx \frac{g^2 V_{e\mu} g^2 V_{ee}}{M_V^4} / \frac{g_W^4}{M_W^4} \quad \text{----(2)}$$

Since  $[\Gamma(V \rightarrow e^+e^-)] \sim g^2 V_{ee} M_V$  and

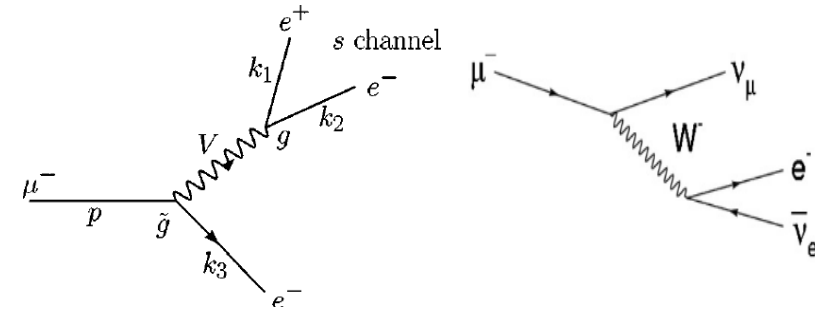
$[\Gamma(V \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp)] \sim g^2 V_{e\mu} M_V$ , while  $[\Gamma(W \rightarrow e\nu)] \sim g_W^2 M_W$

$$[BR(\mu \rightarrow 3e)]_{V-exch} \approx \frac{[\Gamma(V \rightarrow e^+e^-)][\Gamma(V \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp)]}{[\Gamma^2(W \rightarrow e\nu)]} \left(\frac{M_W}{M_V}\right)^6 \quad \text{----(3)}$$

$$BR(\Upsilon \rightarrow e\mu) = BR(\mu \rightarrow eee) \frac{\Gamma(W \rightarrow e\nu)^2}{\Gamma(\Upsilon)\Gamma \rightarrow ee} \left(\frac{M_\Upsilon}{M_W}\right)^6 \quad \text{----(4)}$$

$$BR(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp) \leq 2.5 \times 10^{-8}.$$

S.Nussinov, et. al. estimate that the contribution of the virtual  $\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp$  to the  $\mu \rightarrow eee$  rate would be reduced by approximately  $M_\mu^2 / (2 M_\Upsilon^2)$  leading to a re-calculated indirect bound:  
 $BR(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp) < 1 \times 10^{-3}$



(Left) A vector exchange diagram contributing to  $\mu \rightarrow 3e$   
 (Right) Ordinary muon decay,  $\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu}$ , which proceeds via W exchange.

- $BF(\mu \rightarrow eee) \leq 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$
- $BF(\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu}) \simeq 100 \%$
- $BF(W \rightarrow e^+\nu) \simeq (10.71 \pm 0.09) \%$
- $BF(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow l^+l^-) \simeq (2.18 \pm 0.21) \%$
- $\Gamma(\Upsilon(3S)) = (20.32 \pm 1.85) \text{ keV}$
- $\Gamma(W) = (2.046 \pm 0.049) \text{ GeV}$

[1] Nussinov, et. al. PRD 63, 016003 (2001)

# Analysis Scheme (**Backup slide**)

- **Blind Analysis:** To eliminate experimenter's bias.
- **Pre-Selection:** Needs a special background filter to collect  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  events efficiently.
- **Final Selection by the analyst:** Applied on the pre-selected events
- **PID Selection:** Multivariate Technique applied, tested 16 different PID selectors.
- **Optimized Electron and Muon selectors:**  $\varepsilon_{e\mu} / \sqrt{(1+N_{BG})}$  where  
 $\varepsilon_{e\mu}$  is the final efficiency as determined by signal MC and  
 $N_{BG}$  is the number of expected background events

## Final Selection:

2 tracks (1 electron and 1 muon in the final state), one in each hemisphere;

$24^\circ < \theta_{Lab} < 130^\circ$  EMC acceptance for both tracks.

The lepton momenta must satisfy the following condition

$$\left(\frac{p_e}{E_{Beam}} - 1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{p_\mu}{E_{Beam}} - 1\right)^2 < 0.01 \quad \text{where } E_{Beam} = \sqrt{s}/2$$

Angle between the two lepton tracks must satisfy  $\theta_{12}^{CM} > 179^\circ$  to ensure they emerged as back to back.

Energy deposit by Muon track on the Electromagnetic Calorimeter should be greater than 50 MeV.

# Back Up: Impact of each component of the selection on the signal efficiency, background and data.

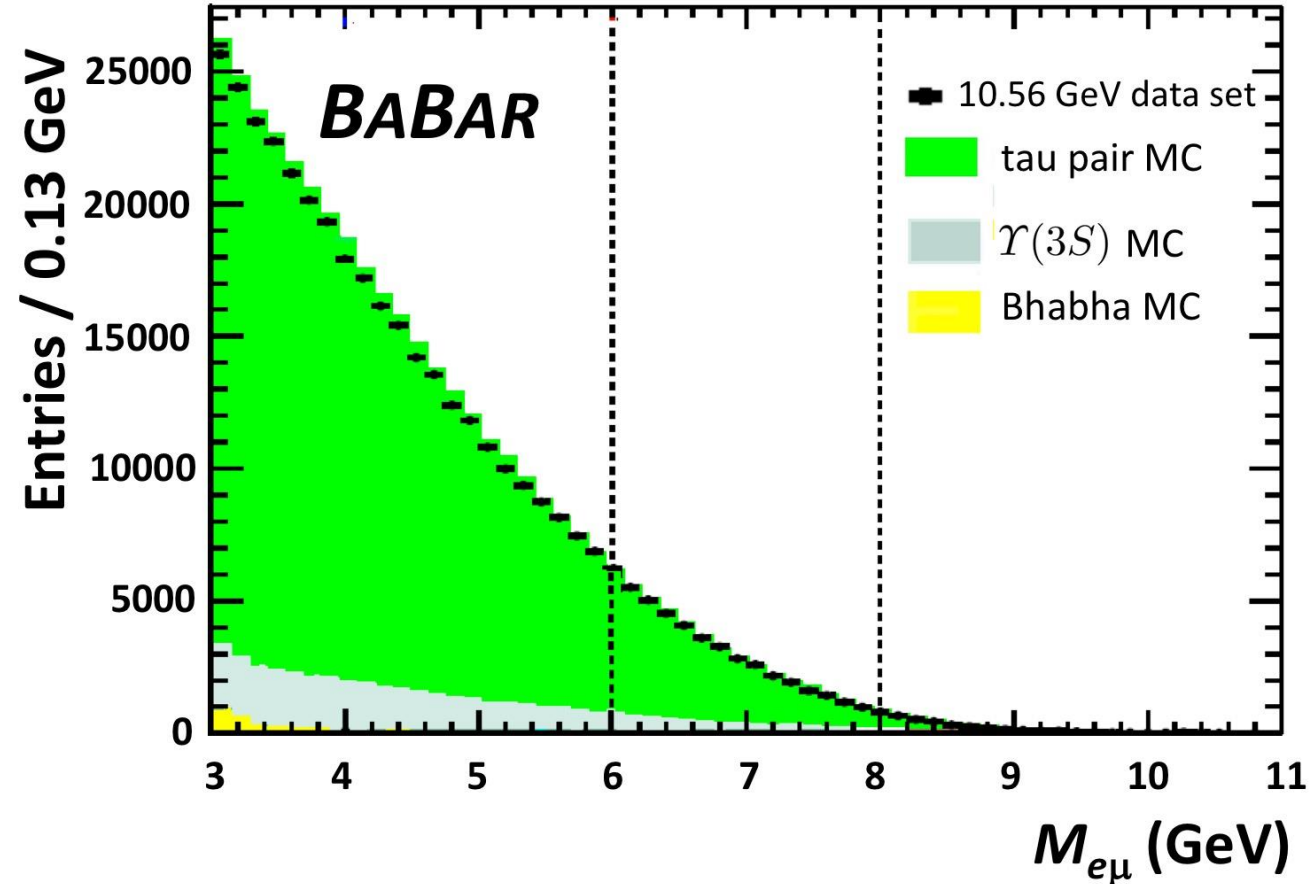
- The first row provides information on the pre-selection.
- The last row provides information after applying all selection criteria.
- Rows 2-7 provides information when all requirements are applied except the criterion associated with the particular row. The luminosity-normalized expected number of events in the third and fourth columns are for the background events from the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(3S)$  EvtGen MC and the data-driven continuum background events estimated from the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S)$  sample, respectively.
- The last column represented the number of events in the 27.02 fb<sup>-1</sup> data sample after unblinding.

Selection Criterion	Efficiency $\epsilon_{e\mu}$	$\Upsilon(3S)$ BG	Continuum BG	Events in Data
Pre-Selec.	0.8020 $\pm 0.0012$	75516 $\pm 180$	725003 $\pm 500$	945480
Optimized PID	0.5074 $\pm 0.0015$	5178 $\pm 49$	320911 $\pm 333$	358322
2 tracks in final state	0.2354 $\pm 0.0013$	0	14.1 $\pm 2.2$	18
Lep. Mom.	0.2684 $\pm 0.0012$	86.5 $\pm 6.3$	253.3 $\pm 9.4$	302
Back-to-back	0.2402 $\pm 0.0013$	0.46 $\pm 0.46$	36.2 $\pm 6.0$	39
EMC Accept.	0.2495 $\pm 0.0013$	0	13.5 $\pm 2.2$	17
Energy on EMC	0.2452 $\pm 0.0013$	0	16.9 $\pm 2.4$	19
All Criteria	0.2342 $\pm 0.0013$	0	12.2 $\pm 2.1$	15



# Back Up: Systematic Uncertainty on Signal Efficiency

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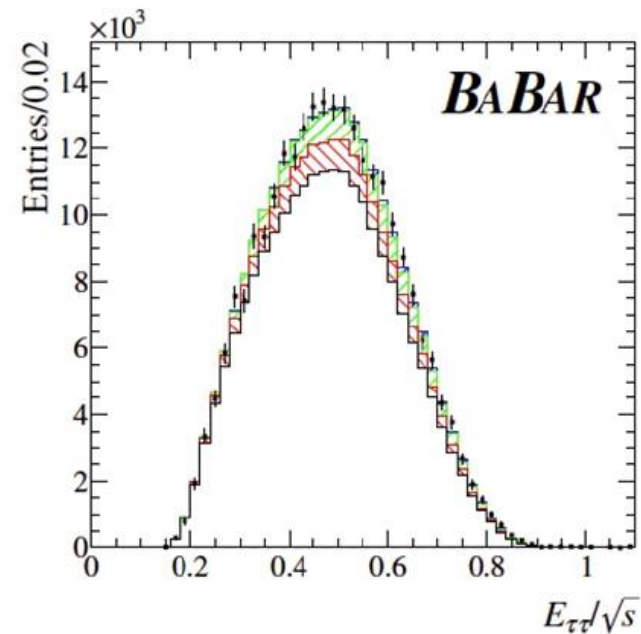
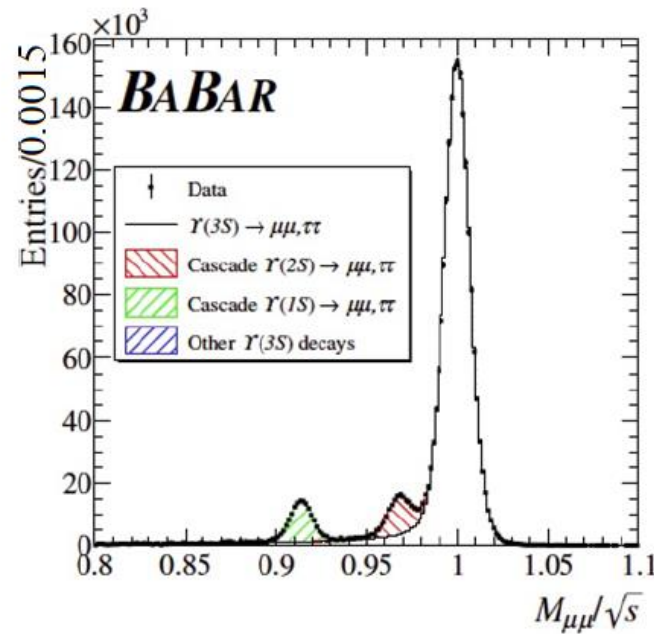


- Controlled Sample: A data set where two major cuts were reversed to check the data/MC agreement.
- Disagreement arises due to uncertainties in PID, Tracking, kinematics, trigger etc.
- Uncertainty in “Side Bands”: 1.2%

# Backup: Results on Lepton Universality

## Fit Results, Continuum Fit Subtracted

- $M_{\mu\mu}/\sqrt{s}$  and  $E_{\tau\tau}/\sqrt{s}$  are simultaneously fit using MC and data derived templates
- The free parameters of the fit are the number of  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  events ( $N_{\mu\mu}$ ), and the ratio  $\tilde{R}_{\tau\mu} = N_{\tau\tau}/N_{\mu\mu}$



$$\tilde{R}_{\tau\mu} = 0.10778 \pm 0.00091, \quad N_{\mu\mu} = (2.02 \pm 0.015) \times 10^6$$