

$\tau$  ハドロニック崩壊  
 $\tau \rightarrow \pi \eta \nu / \pi \eta' \nu$  の探索

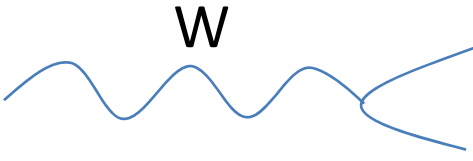
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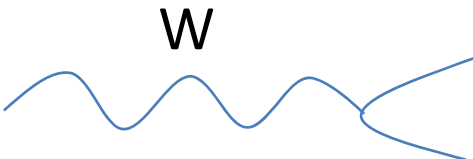
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# セカンドクラスカレント

- 弱い相互作用 → parity, spin と G-parity で分類

$PG(-1)^J$

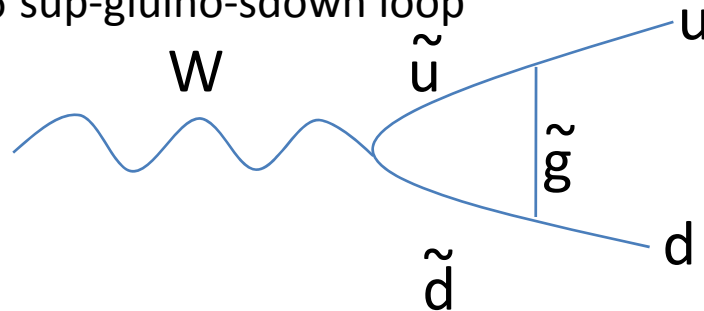
1<sup>st</sup> class current   $J^{PG} = 0^-(\pi), 1^+(\rho), 1^+(a_1), \dots$   
 $\propto m_u + m_d$

2<sup>nd</sup> class current   $J^{PG} = 0^{+-}(a_0), 1^{++}(b_1), \dots$   
 $\propto m_u - m_d$

2<sup>nd</sup> class current が小さいので、新しい物理現象が先に見えることも？

例: SUSY による sup-gluino-sdown loop

(induced 2<sup>nd</sup> class current)



# τ崩壊とセカンドクラスカレント

$$\tau \rightarrow W\nu \quad PG(-1)^J = -1$$

$$a_0(J^{PG}=0^{+-}) \rightarrow \pi(J^{PG}=0^{--}) + \eta^{(\prime)}(J^{PG}=0^{-+})$$

$$b_1(J^{PG}=1^{++}) \rightarrow \pi(J^{PG}=0^{--}) + \omega(J^{PG}=1^{--})$$

$a_0, b_1$  を経ていなくてもOK

τ→πην探索が最も盛ん。

理論予測:  $Br(\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta\nu) \sim O(10^{-5} \sim 10^{-6})$

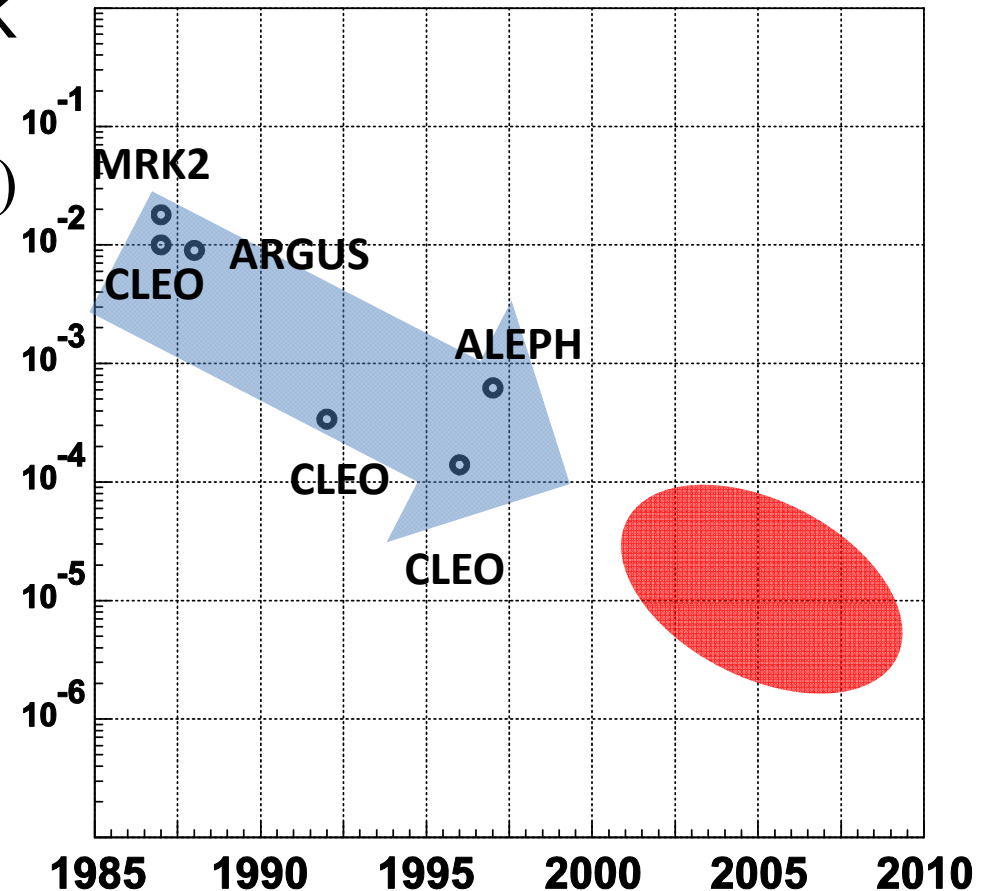
τ→πηνの現在の上限値

Current UL@95% (PDG08)

$Br < 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$  by CLEO

世界最高統計量のBelle実験で  
収集されたデータを用いて探索

τ→πην探索の歴史



# KEKB/Belle実験

- 超高ルミノシティー

- $1.71 \times 10^{34} / \text{cm}^2/\text{s}$

- $\sim 850 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

- タウファクトリー

$$\sigma(\tau\tau) = 0.9 \text{ nb}, \sigma(b\bar{b}) = 1.1 \text{ nb}$$

世界最高  
記録

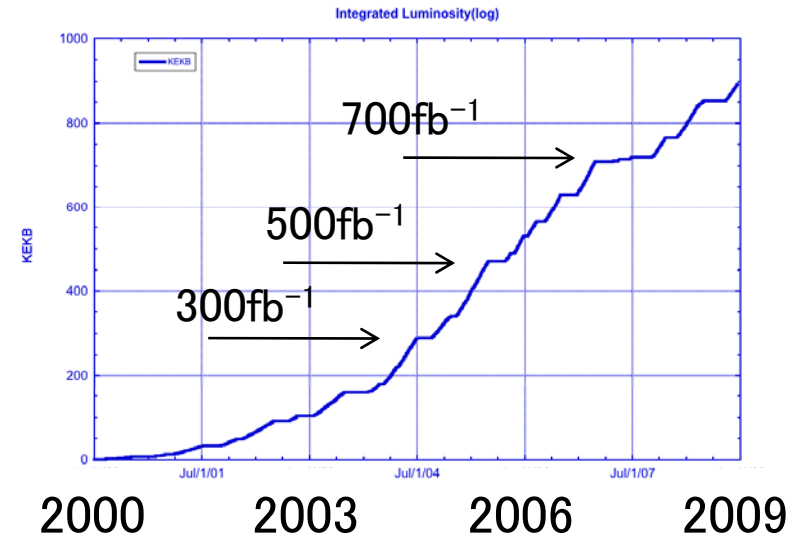
➡ タウ稀崩壊研究に最適

- Good PID

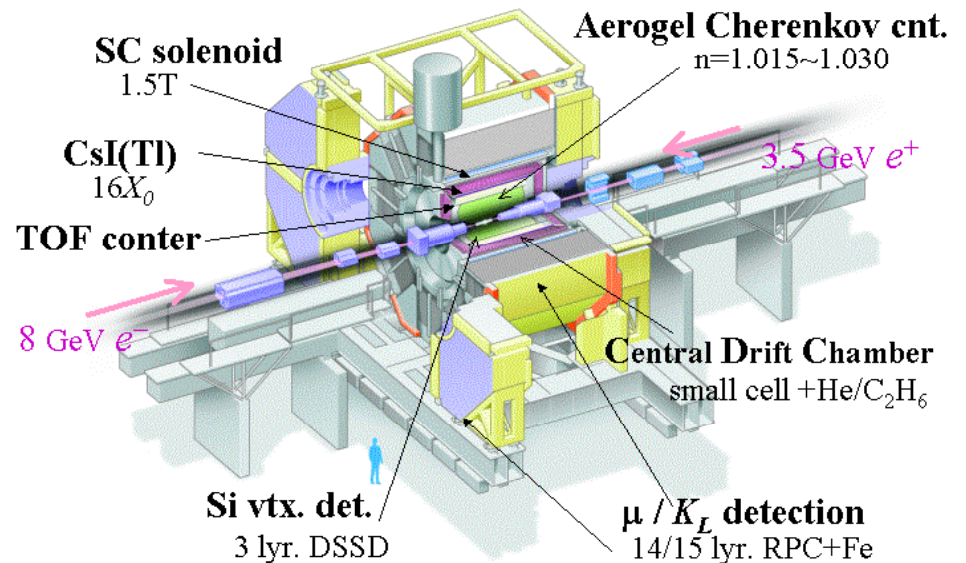
- $\pi/K$  分離能力

- $670 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  データを使用

( $\sim 6.2 \times 10^8 \tau$  対)

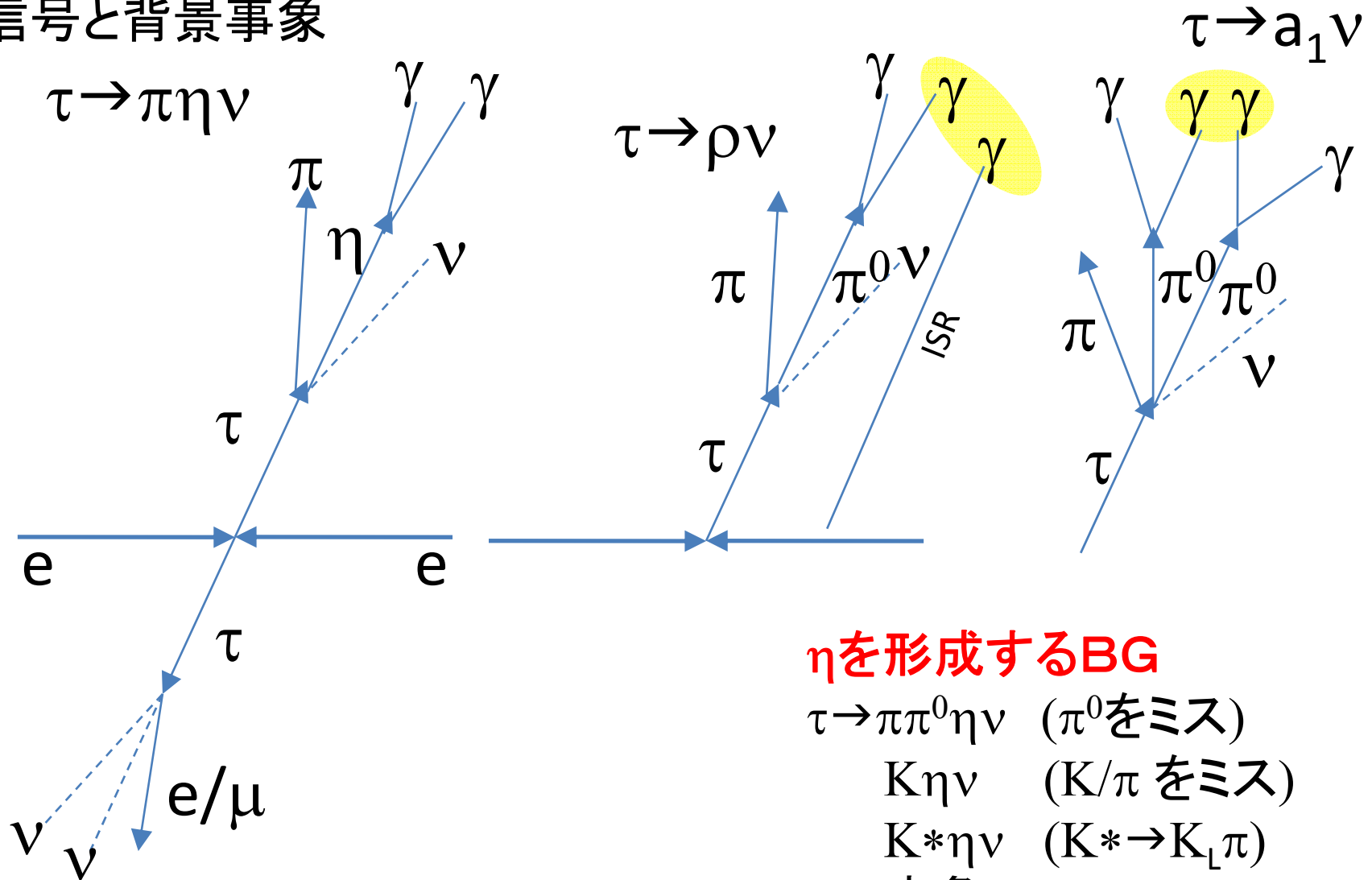


## Belle Detector



# $\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta\nu$ / $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

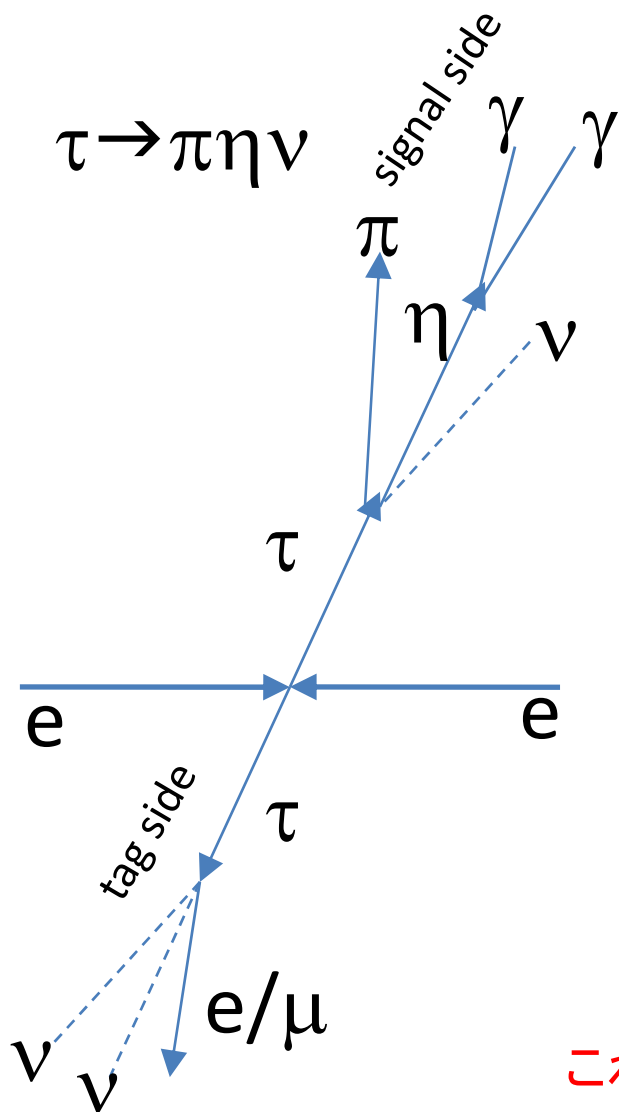
- $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  は  $\eta$  崩壊のメイン崩壊 (~40%) / 分解能 ~12 MeV
- 信号と背景事象



## $\eta$ を形成するBG

- $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\eta\nu$  ( $\pi^0$ をミス)
- $K\eta\nu$  ( $K/\pi$ をミス)
- $K^*\eta\nu$  ( $K^* \rightarrow K_L\pi$ )
- qq 事象 ( $q=u,d,s,c$ )

# 事象選別



事象選別条件

荷電飛跡x1 – 荷電飛跡x1  
(信号側) (タグ側)

タグ側: 荷電飛跡 → 電子 or ミューオン  
光子x 0 or 1  
 $M_{\text{tag}} < 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

信号側: 荷電飛跡x1 →  $\pi$   
光子x2  
荷電飛跡と光子の開き角  
 $M_{\text{sig}} < 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

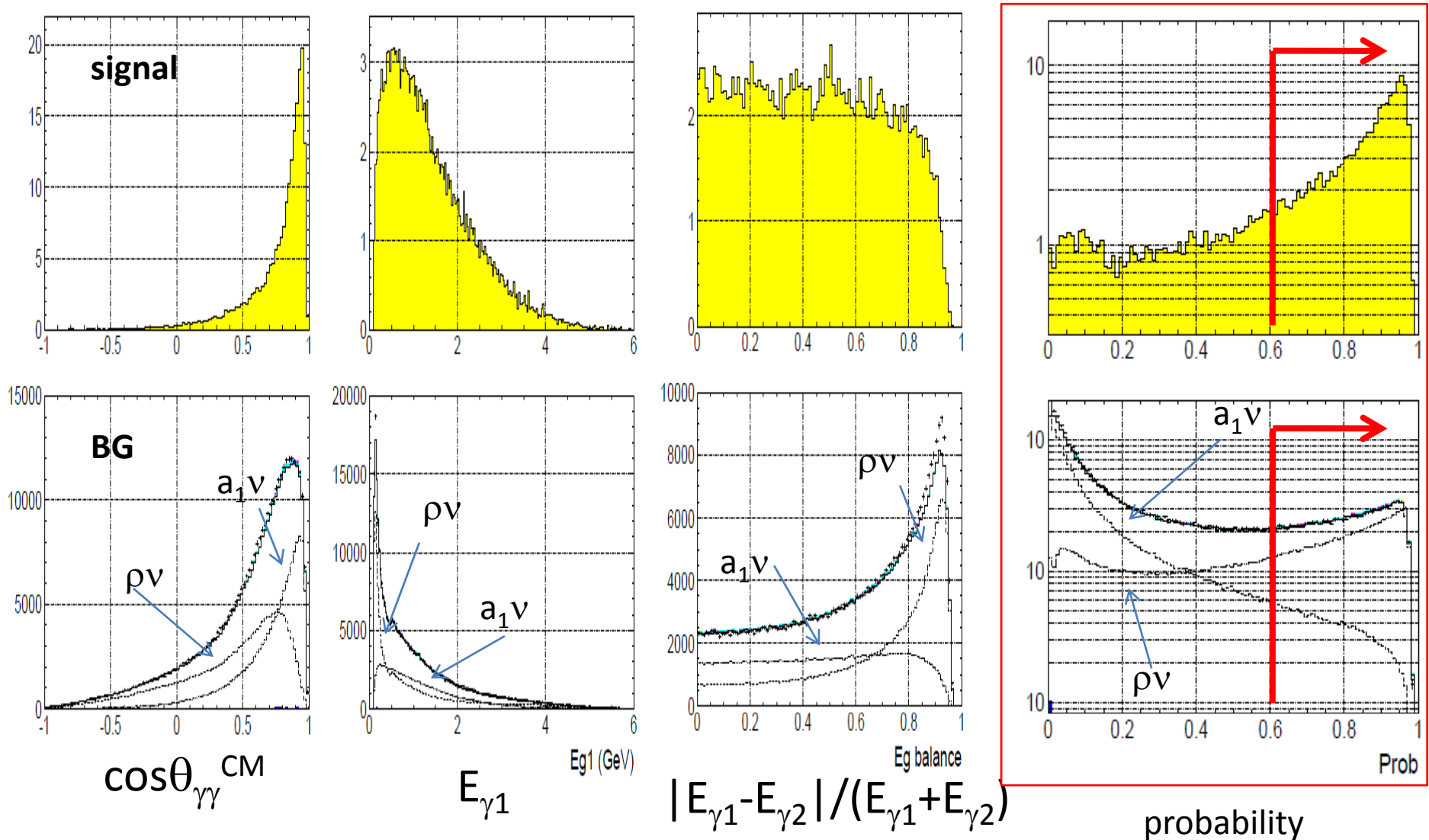
欠損運動量: 検出器内にある  
( $\tau\tau$ の特徴)

$M(\gamma, \gamma)$ 分布の $\eta$ ピークの数から信号事象数を評価

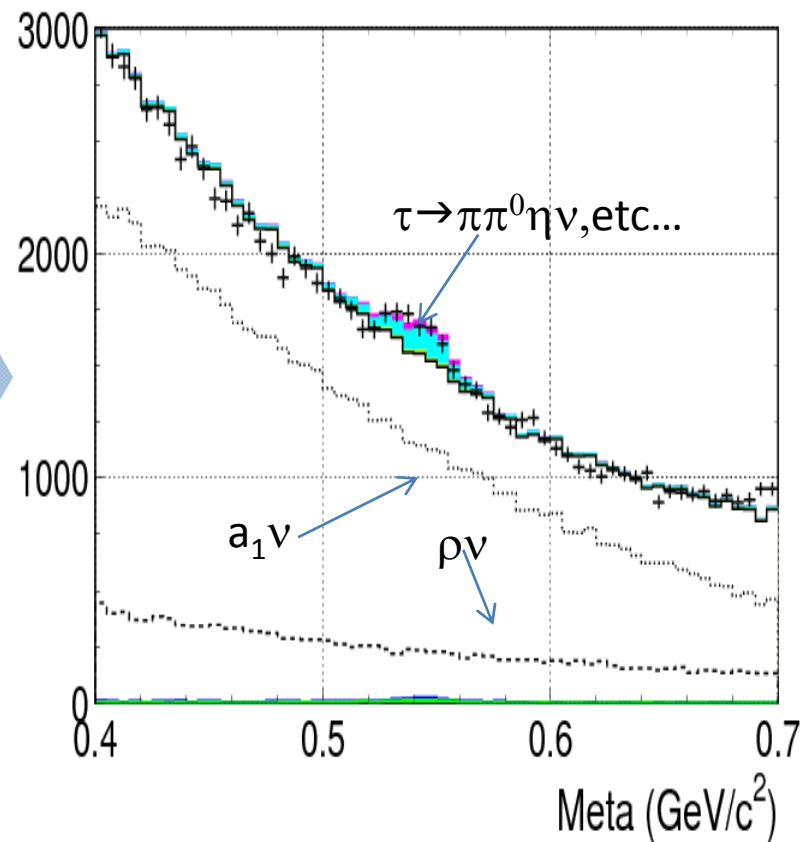
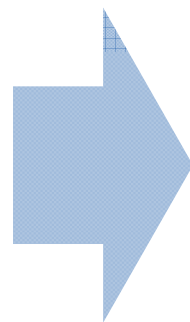
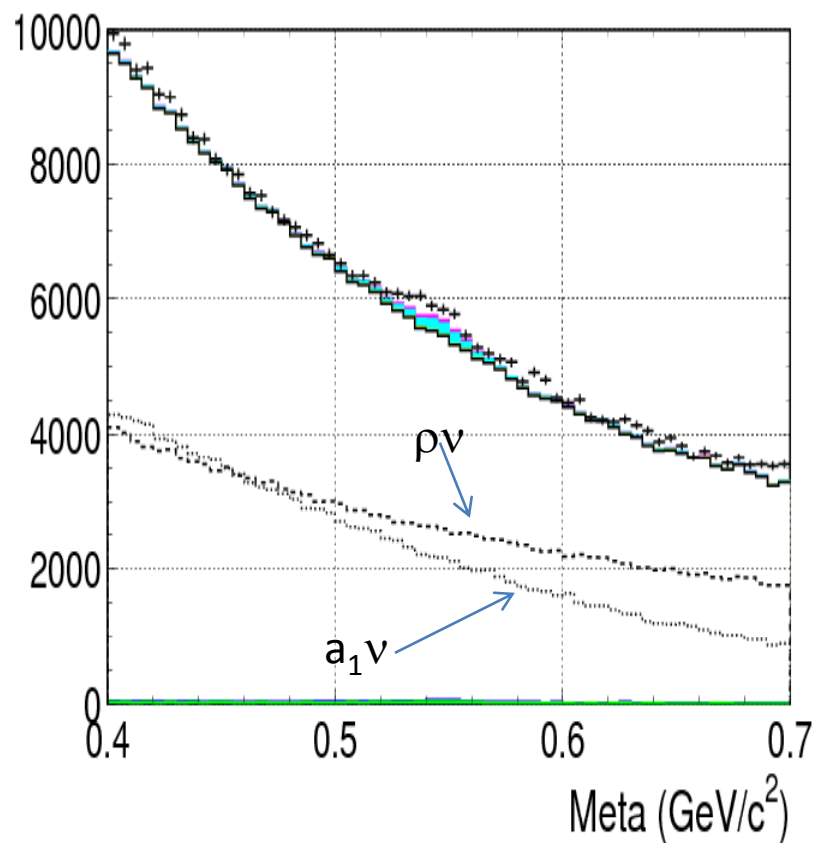
これでもまだ $\gamma\gamma$ による背景事象が多いのでさらなる選別を  
 $\gamma\gamma$ に関わる物理量でlikelihoodを組む

# Likelihoodの定義

$\cos\theta_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{CM}}, E_{\gamma 1}, \cos\theta_{\gamma 1}, E_{\gamma 2}, \cos\theta_{\gamma 2}, \cos\theta_{\eta\pi}^{\text{CM}}$  and  $|E_{\gamma 1} - E_{\gamma 2}| / (E_{\gamma 1} + E_{\gamma 2})$ の信号と背景事象のPDFを使ってlikelihoodを定義



# Likelihood による背景事象の抑制



- Likelihood 特に  $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$  の抑制に効果的  
 $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu : \tau \rightarrow a_1\nu \sim 1:1 \longrightarrow 1:4$



# 選別後の $\gamma\gamma$ 分布と $\eta$ 数の評価

- data中の $\eta$ 数

$$N_{\eta}^{\text{fit}} = 1110.8 \pm 165.5$$

- $\tau\tau$ BGからの $\eta$ 数

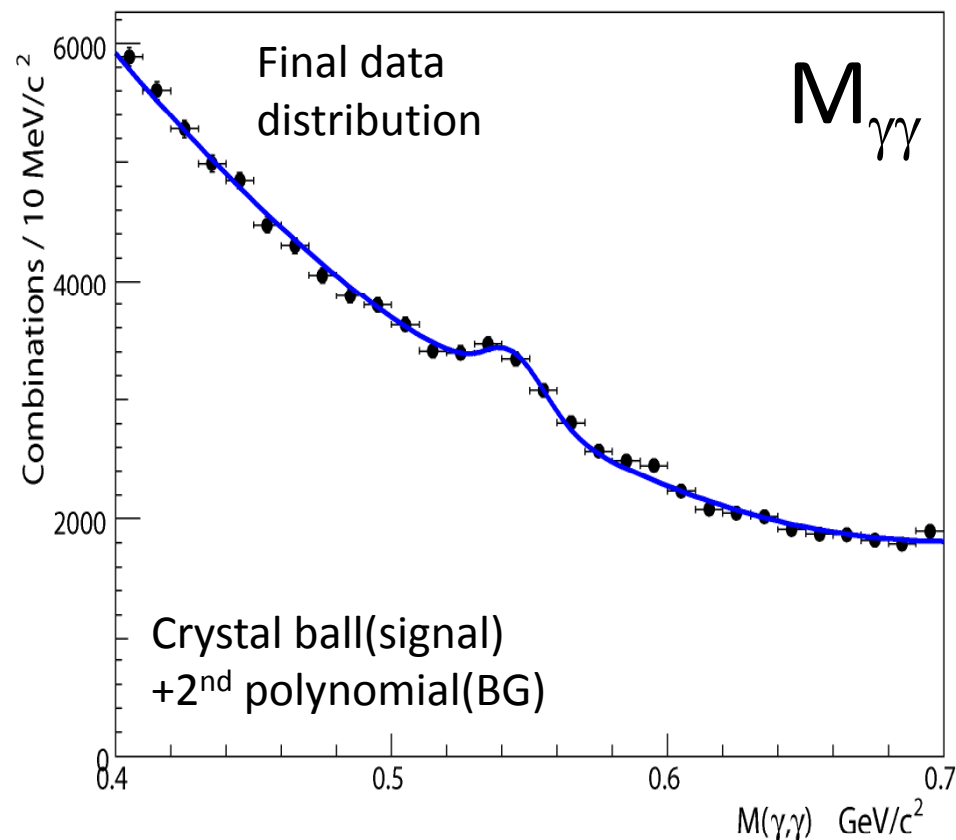
$$N_{\eta}^{\tau\tau} = 1009.5 \pm 77.8$$

- qqBGからの $\eta$ 数

$$N_{\eta}^{\text{qq}} = 84.4 \pm 19.2$$

- 信号候補数

$$N_{\eta}^{\text{sig}} = 16.9 \pm 183.9$$



信号検出効率: 1.00%

$$\text{Br} = (0.14 \pm 1.51) \times 10^{-5}$$

(統計誤差のみ)

$$\tau \rightarrow \pi \eta \nu / \eta \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi^0$$

- $\eta \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi^0$  は  $\eta$  崩壊分岐比 約23%  
 $\pi^0$  を mass constraint fit → 分解能良  $\sim 4\text{MeV}$
  - 信号検出効率: 低い 荷電飛跡  $\times 4$ , 光子  $\times 2$
  - 背景事象
    - $\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi \pi^0 \nu$ : 終状態が  $\tau \rightarrow \pi \eta \nu / \eta \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi^0$  と同じ  
事象選別条件で区別がほぼ不可
    - $\eta$  を含む背景事象は  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  と同様
- $\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi^0 \eta \nu, K \eta \nu, K^* \eta \nu$   
qq 事象 ( $q=u, d, s, c$ )
- ゆるい事象選別条件で解析

# 選別後の $\pi\pi\pi^0$ 分布と $\eta$ 数の評価

- data中の $\eta$ 数

$$N_{\eta}^{\text{fit}} = 774.3 \pm 99.3$$

- $\tau\tau$ BGからの $\eta$ 数

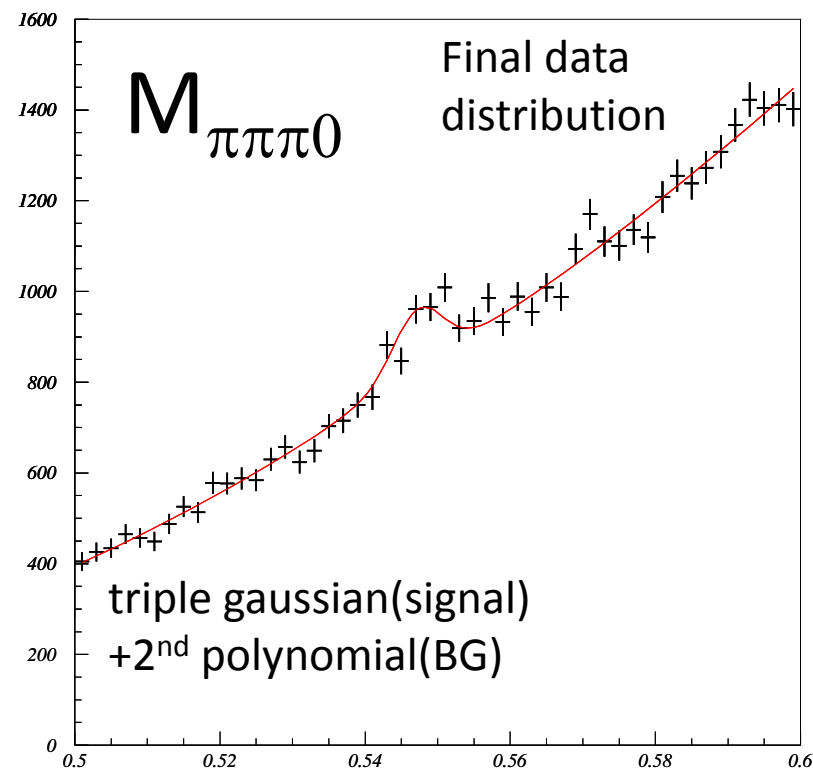
$$N_{\eta}^{\tau\tau} = 535.3 \pm 11.4$$

- qqBGからの $\eta$ 数

$$N_{\eta}^{\text{qq}} = 152.6 \pm 29.2$$

- 信号候補数

$$N_{\eta}^{\text{sig}} = 86.5 \pm 104.1$$



信号検出効率:0.38%

$$\text{Br} = (1.85 \pm 2.23) \times 10^{-5}$$

(統計誤差のみ)

# 系統誤差について

$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

sources	unertainty (%)
Luminosity	1.4
corss section	0.326
track	1.09 + 0.3
$\pi/K$ -ID	0.98
lepton-ID	2.5
trigger	1.3
MC stat.	0.41
$\eta$	2.8
$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	0.5

Total 4.8%

Fit /Peking BG 66ev.

$\eta \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi^0$

sources	unertainty (%)
Luminosity	1.4
corss section	0.326
track	3.20 + 0.3
$\pi/K$ -ID	0.93
lepton-ID	2.50
trigger	0.175
MC stat.	0.738
$\pi^0$	1.27
$\eta \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi^0$	1.28

Total 5.51%

Fit/Peaking BG 51ev.

もっとも大きな寄与は信号候補から  $\eta$ -BG を引く時に用いる  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\eta\nu$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow K\eta\nu$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow K^*\eta\nu$  の分岐比のもつ誤差 → PDGではなくBelleの最新の結果を利用

# $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ と $\eta \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi^0$ の結果の統合

- $\text{Br} = (0.14 \pm 1.51 \pm 0.55) \times 10^{-5}$  ( $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ )
  - $\text{Br} = (1.85 \pm 2.05 \pm 0.52) \times 10^{-5}$  ( $\eta \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi^0$ )
  - $\text{Br} = (0.69 \pm 1.32) \times 10^{-5}$  (combined)
    - <  $2.9 \times 10^{-5}$  @ 95%CL (1.64 $\sigma$ )
    - <  $2.4 \times 10^{-5}$  @ 90%CL (1.28 $\sigma$ )
- cf.  $\text{Br} < 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$  @ 95%CL by CLEO (PDG08)

$$\tau \rightarrow \pi \eta' \nu$$

$\eta$ と $\eta'$ はG-parity や parity は同じ

$\rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \pi \eta \nu$ と同様に崩壊は抑制

・ **現在の上限値**  $\text{Br} < 7.4 \times 10^{-5}$  @90%CL by BaBar with  $384 \text{fb}^{-1}$

489 $\text{fb}^{-1}$  の Belle 実験データを用いて探索

信号数:  $\eta'$  の数で評価

選別条件:  $\eta' \rightarrow \pi \pi \eta$  ( $\sim 45\%$ )  $\rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \pi \eta \nu / \eta \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi^0$  とほぼ同じ。

主なBG:  $\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi \pi^0 (\rightarrow \gamma \gamma) \nu$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi^0 (\rightarrow e e \gamma) \nu$ ,  
( $\tau \rightarrow K \eta' \nu$  未観測)

# 選別後の $\eta'$ 分布と fit の結果

$$M_{\eta'} = 957.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Fit による $\eta'$ 候補の数

$$N_{\eta'} = -2.87^{+24.46}_{-23.71}$$

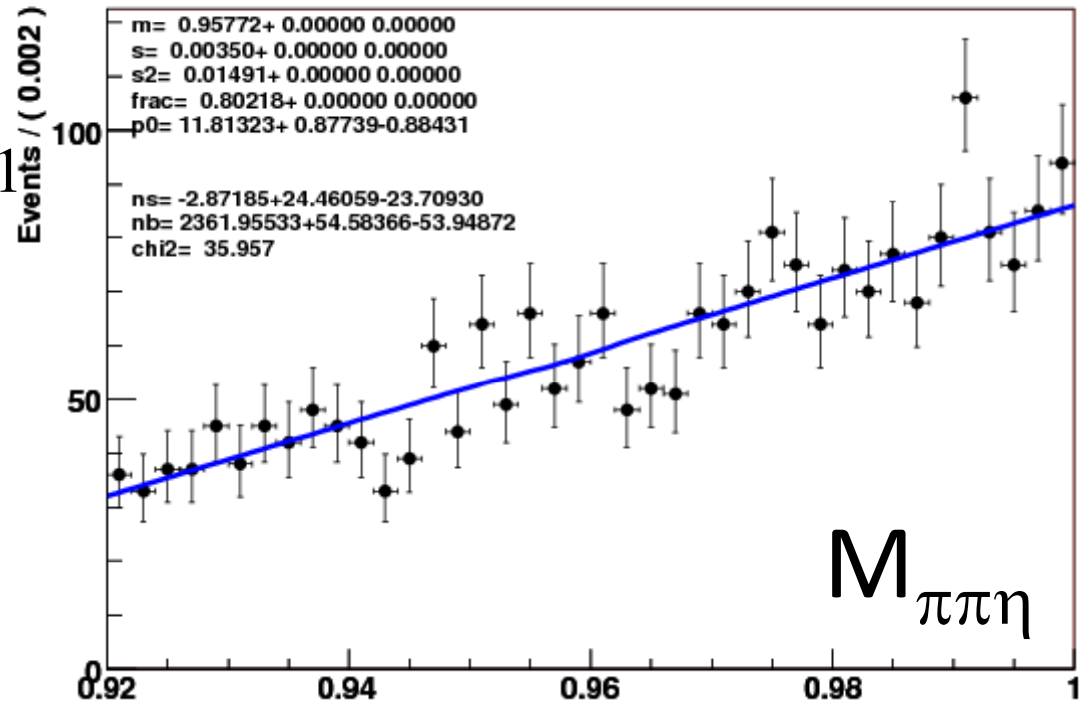
検出効率

$$\varepsilon = 1.13\%$$

系統誤差

$$6.43\%$$

Trackingと $\text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \pi\pi\eta)$ の誤差 $\sim 3\%$



double gaussian + leaner func.

$$\text{Br} = (-0.47^{+3.97}_{-3.85} + -0.26) \times 10^{-6}$$



90% CL upper limit:  $\text{Br} < 4.6 \times 10^{-6}$

$$\text{Br} < 7.4 \times 10^{-6}$$

(BaBar)

# まとめ

- Belle実験で収集された  $670\text{fb}^{-1}$  のデータを用いてセカンドクラスカレントによって引き起こされる  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta\nu$  崩壊の探索を行った。
  - $\eta$  候補として  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  だけではなく  $\eta \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi^0$  も使った。
  - $\eta$  背景事象の評価にPDGではなく独自に測定した分岐比を使った。
  - 十分に信号は観測されず95%信頼度の上限値を評価し、 $\text{Br} < 2.9 \times 10^{-5}$  を得た。
- $\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta'\nu$  の探索も同様に行い分岐比の上限値を90%の信頼度で  $\text{Br} < 4.6 \times 10^{-6}$  と設定した。



# Expected BG for $\eta$ cand.

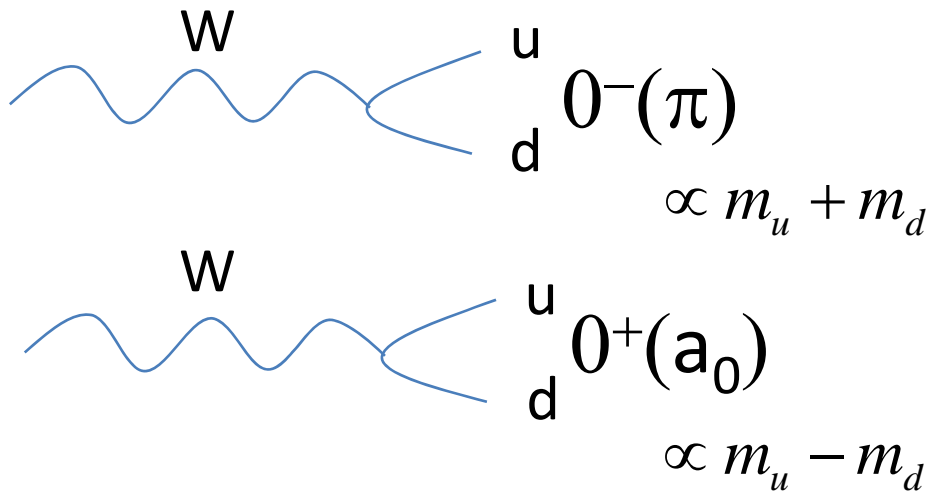
- Main BG events are expected to be  $\tau$  decays including  $\eta$  in the final state and qq events.
  - Recently,  $\tau \rightarrow K\eta\nu$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\eta\nu$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow K^*\eta\nu, \dots$  are measured with high accuracy.
    - $\tau \rightarrow K\eta\nu$  remains by mis-ID,  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\eta\nu$  remains by mis- $\pi^0$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow K^*\eta\nu$  with  $K^* \rightarrow \pi K_L / K_L$  is recognized as missing.
    - To evaluate them, Brs from our recent result are taken.
  - Basically, by requiring for the tag side track to be lepton, qq events are strongly rejected. And, qq events including  $\eta$  are evaluated with qq enriched data sample.

These uncertainties become main contribution of systematic uncertainties.

$\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta\nu$  is searched with  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  as well as  $\eta \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi^0$  decays.

# Introduction

$\tau \rightarrow a_0 \nu$  decay is strongly suppressed by isospin symmetry. When isospin symmetry is not broken, its BR should be zero.

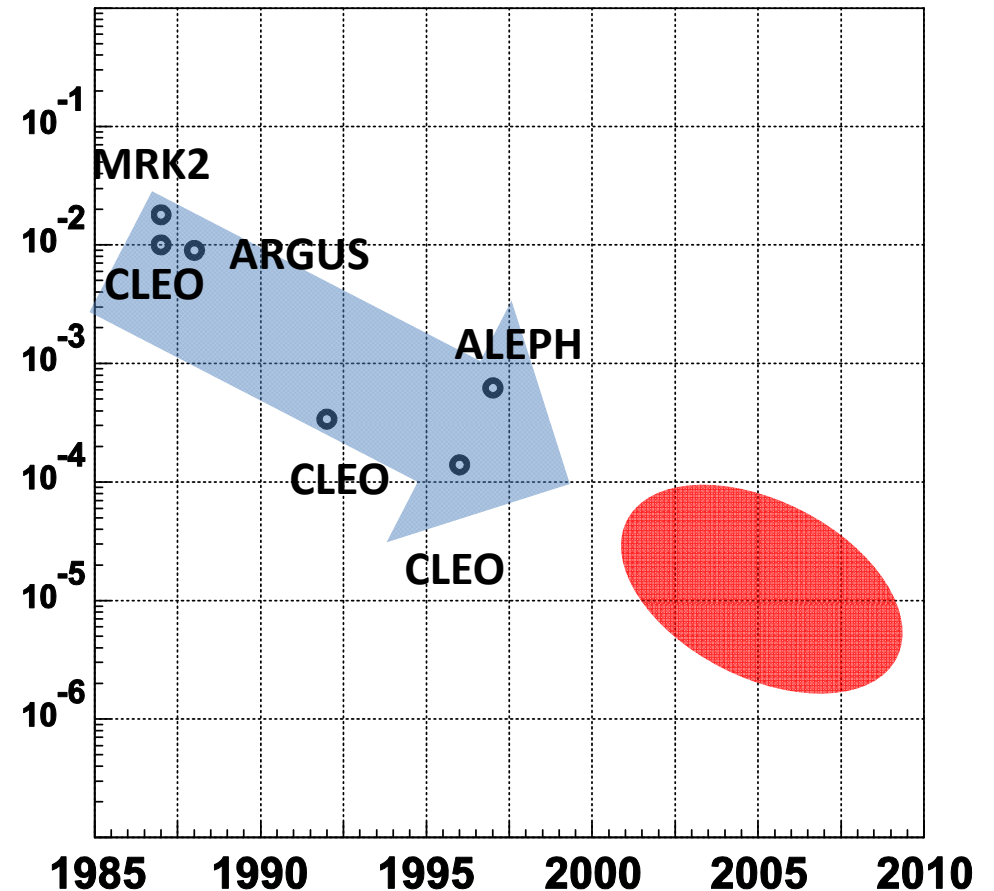


$a_0 \rightarrow \pi\eta$  : dominant (PDG08)

$\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta\nu$  has been searched:

Current UL@95% (PDG08)

$Br < 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$



# Selection criteria

good charged track	$p_t > 0.06 \text{ GeV}/c, -0.6235 < \cos \theta_{\text{trk}} < 0.8332$
good gamma	$p_t > 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c, -0.8660 < \cos \theta_{\text{trk}} \leq -0.6235$ or $0.8332 \leq \cos \theta_{\text{trk}} < 0.9563$ $E_\gamma > 0.05 \text{ GeV}, -0.8660 < \cos \theta_\gamma < 0.9563$
	1-1 prong and net charge = 0
tag side	$N_\gamma^{\text{tag}} \leq 1, M_{\text{tag}} < 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $\mu\text{-ID}_{\text{tag}} > 0.8$ or $e\text{-ID}_{\text{tag}} > 0.8$
signal side	$N_\gamma^{\text{sig}} = 2, M_{\text{sig}} < 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $E_\gamma > 0.1 \text{ GeV}$ for $\eta$ daughters $\pi\text{-ID}^{\text{sig}} > 0.9, \mu\text{-ID}^{\text{sig}} < 0.9, e\text{-ID}^{\text{sig}} < 0.9$ $-0.6 < \cos \theta_{\pi^\pm}^{\text{sig}} < 0.843, 0.852 < \cos \theta_{\pi^\pm}^{\text{sig}}$ $\cos \theta_{\pi^\pm - \gamma}^{\text{sig}} < 0.995$
missing	$p_{\text{miss}} > 1 \text{ GeV}/c^2, -0.8660 < \cos \theta_{\text{miss}} < 0.9563$
likelihood cut	$L > 0.6$

To avoid qq, lepton and few gamma are required in tag side.

To avoid 2 photon, lepton is rejected in signal side.

To avoid K eta nu, ACC region is required in signal side.

Main BG is  $\tau\tau$  event. To reduce them, likelihood is introduced.

# BaBar's result

## C. Limit on the $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)\pi^- \nu_\tau$ branching fraction

A limit on the  $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)\pi^- \nu_\tau$  branching fraction can be set by searching for decays of the  $\eta'(958)$  to the  $\eta\pi^-\pi^+$  final state. This  $\tau$  decay mode proceeds through a forbidden second-class current and is not expected to produce an observable signal [18].

A fit to the  $\eta\pi^-\pi^+$  mass distribution is performed with a Gaussian function for the  $\eta'(958)$  and a polynomial function for the background (see Fig. 4). The mean of the Gaussian is fixed to the mass of the  $\eta'(958)$  meson. The width of the Gaussian distribution is fixed to the value obtained in a fit to a data sample containing a significant number of  $\eta'(958)$  mesons. This data sample is created by removing all selection criteria except the loose preselection described in Sec. II.

We observe  $19 \pm 13$  candidates which gives a  $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)\pi^- \nu_\tau$  branching fraction of  $(4.1 \pm 2.4) \times 10^{-6}$  where the error is statistical. To set a limit, we treat all of the events in the  $\eta'(958)$  peak as signal; in particular, the branching fraction of the allowed  $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)K^- \nu_\tau$  channel is assumed to be zero. We assume that the efficiency for selecting  $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)\pi^- \nu_\tau$  events is the same as the  $\tau^- \rightarrow f_1(1285)\pi^- \nu_\tau$  selection efficiency. The systematic uncertainty is dominated by a 7% error due to the uncertainty in the mass resolution of the  $\eta'(958)$ . The

remaining systematic errors are the same as those described in the previous section. The results give a 90% confidence level upper limit on the  $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)\pi^- \nu_\tau$  branching fraction of  $7.2 \times 10^{-6}$ .

A 90% confidence level upper limit on the branching fraction of the  $\tau^- \rightarrow \eta'(958)\pi^- \nu_\tau$  decay is measured to be  $7.2 \times 10^{-6}$ . This is an order of magnitude lower than the previous 90% confidence level upper limit of  $7.4 \times 10^{-5}$  set by the CLEO Collaboration [2]. No significant evidence for this second-class current decay mode of the  $\tau$  is observed.

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$$\text{Br}=(4.1\pm 2.4)\times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{Br}<7.2\times 10^{-6} \text{ w/o systematics}$$

$$4.1+2.4\times 1.28=7.17$$